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Citizen Group Expresses Concerns To Board While Asking For Answers

By Leslie Darsey,
Business Manager

The McLean Independent School District Board of Education met for a regular meeting at 7:00 p.m. on July 10, 2001. Board members present were Mike Darsey, John Holland, Joe Riley, Neal Odom, Billie Ward, and Toni Bohlar. Other present were John Griffin, Superintendent, Dick Crockett, Elem. Principal, Blaze Herring, H.S. Principal, Leslie Darsey, Secretary, Pam Crockett, Heidi Syfrett, Colleen Stewart, Mary Bybee, Archie Cooper, Brian and Pam Quisenberry, Dean and Susan Williamson, Jim Bob and Terri Adams, Bobby and Robbie Sanderson, Sally Bohlar, Bill Reeves, Pat and Mindy Reeves, Rose Steel, Tami Hargrove, Mr. Jackson, Jessica Russell, Greg and Mitzi Smith, Jim and Ella Mae Reyna, Chad Walker, Jim and Debbie Krueger, Bill Anderson, Vonda Averett, Terry and Linda Smith, Bobby and Missie Richardson, Mark and Kim Cadra, Diane

Dampier, Joe Billingsley, and Shatrel Richardson. Absent from the meeting was Don Dorsey.

The meeting was called to order at 7:07 p.m. by John Holland, President. Opening prayer was led by Archie Cooper.

The regular meeting minutes of June 21, 2001 were approved.

The Board went into Executive Session at 7:08, to interview two prospective employees; Neal Odom arrived at 7:53 and entered the closed session.

Return to open session came at 8:15 p.m. for voting purposes. Motion by Mike Darsey, second by Neal Odom to offer Tami Hargrove a one-year probationary contract as half time Science teacher and Counselor. Motion by Toni Bohlar, second by Billie Ward to hire Jessica Russell as the Business Computer teacher, and Mrs. Russell signed a one-year probationary contract.

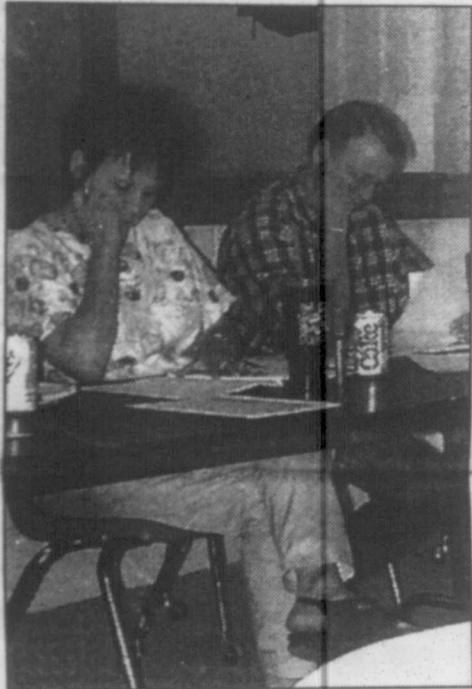
The following resignations were regrettably accepted with recommendation being made by Mr. Griffin: motion by Billie Ward,

second by Mike Darsey to accept Mary Basham's resignation; motion by Joe Riley, second by Toni Bohlar to accept Julie McGee's resignation; motion by Neal Odom, second by Billie Ward to accept Jackie Stephens' resignation.

The meeting was moved to the Auditorium to help accommodate the large crowd at 8:24 p.m. Archie Cooper presented the Board with a proposal to get our Nation's motto, "In God We Trust" posted throughout the classrooms at McLean ISD. At one point in time the Supreme Court had thought the Ten Commandments to be dangerous, in the fact that our kids might read them. About a year ago, Mr. Don Wildman, President of American Family Association went to our Nation's Capitol and hand delivered a framed copy of the motto to nearly every member of Congress. House members were so impressed that they voted unanimously to encourage the display of posters in

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Billie Ward and Neal Odom study the figures at the recent School Board meeting.

Signs Expect Completion By Next City Council Meeting

The City Council of McLean met in regular session Monday, July 9, 2001 in the City Hall. The meeting was called to order by the Mayor and opened with an invocation by Joe Billingsley at 6:00 p.m. with the following members present: Joe Creed Lamb; Doyle Lee, Joe Billingsley, Bob Martin, Jim McDonald, and LaVon Watson.

Others present were Steve Bowlin, Toni Bohlar, Ann Pierce, Mindy Reeves, Bill Anderson, Jim Bob Adams, and Pam Skipper. The minutes of the June meeting were approved.

Steve Bowlin informed the council that the landfill is in good shape.

Steve Bowlin also informed the council that there are only 20 intersections left that need street signs and they should all be completed by next months meeting.

There were no public comments concerning the Drinking Water Quality Report that was sent to each resident.

Pam Skipper came before the council with two concerns. The first was that the sides of the creek had not been mowed that runs beside her property, she had notified that they had been mowed everywhere but there and she wanted to know why they had not been mowed beside her place. The second was that there were stray cats in an old junk building south of her house and they were coming onto her property and the Mayor had already come to her house once to get rid of one sick kitten that had shown up and she was afraid that the rest of them were sick or might have rabies. Steve Bowlin explained that if she would call City Hall and let us know about

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Lemonade Stand Teaches Lesson for Youngsters

Erin Vassey and Samantha Krueger helped the town folk keep cool on Thursday, July 12.

These young ladies operated a lemonade stand at the school. See Stand, pg 10

REMINDERS

THE CITY OF McLean has a male basset hound with a black saddle marking up for adoption. He is about 6 months old and has been lovingly named "Barney." If you are interested contact Bill Anderson at the City Hall.

MOBEETIE MUSIC Festival is July 27-29.

1ST ANNUAL Fireman's Benefit BBQ and Entertainment is Friday, July 27, at 7:00 p.m. at the Shamrock Fire Hall.

LADIES FIRST Baptist Church has tickets available for the Women of Faith Conference November 2 and 3 in Oklahoma City. If interested contact Pam Quisenberry or Terri Adams.

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MCLEAN/ALANREED AREA MUSEUM NEWS

By Dorthey McKee
The McLean Alanreed Area Museum had a great June with visitors from 20 states, mostly from Texas, Arizona, and two foreign countries, Netherlands and South Africa.

For the month of June, there were 246 visitors that registered. We had quite a few from the Cookes Reunion.

Then during the School Reunion we had the Kellerville Quilt made in 1937 and that was very interesting. Jean Ann Wright from Denver, Co. said she would donate the quilt as soon as she gets through showing the quilt because that is her show quilt.

Congratulations to Mike Haynes for playing monopoly or the game of guessing the most names of the pictures in the window. Congratulations to Billie Kingston, Monta Jean Smitherman, and Linda Mayden for coming in second.

McLean Birthdays Anniversaries

July 19 - Lee Erin Stubbs, Johnny Day, Jr., Troy and Jerry Corbin (A).

July 20 - Vernon Turner, Mrs. W.A. Davis.

July 21 - Thelma

Holman, Melissa Krueger. July 22 - Bill Holmes, Clyde Holman.

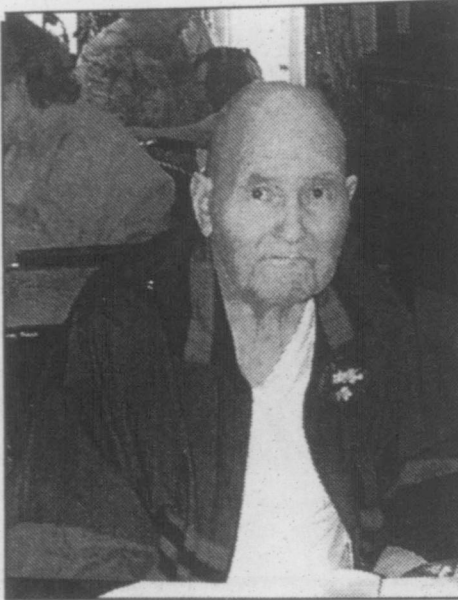
July 23 - Dan Fish, James Barker, Jeanie Williams, Sarah Cunningham, Gelemma Back.

July 24 - Edna Taylor, Judy Trew, Joe Webb, Jill Hardy, Judy Thornberry, Sue Marsh, Dennis and Linda Meador (A).

July 25 - Susan Barker, J.C.McAnear, Casey Carter, Mindy Holwick.

MCLEAN GRADUATE NAMED PRINCIPAL

Karon Stewart Crockett as been named principal of Colony Bend Elementary School, Fort Bend ISD in Sugar Land, Texas. Karon is the daughter of Collene Stewart of McLean and Eddie Stewart of Clyde, Texas. Karon graduated from McLean High School in 1973. She taught school for 12 years before moving into administration. She has been an assistant principal for three years at the elementary level and four years at middle school. Karon is married to Kent Crockett, an engineer with Tech Transfer in Houston. They have a seven year old daughter, Katelynn, that will be a second grader where her mom is principal.



Alexander Watkins was an honorary resident for the July birthday party at the Care Center.



Mary Jo Cordell enjoys celebrating her birthday during the July birthday party celebration.

Care Center Celebrates July Birthdays

The McLean Care Center was hopping this week with an ice cream social on Wednesday and a birthday party on Friday. Wednesday was a wonderful day for ice cream. Sam Haynes, Carl Dwyer, Grace Glenn, and Betty Lowe

helped serve the ice cream and visited with the residents. It was hot outside, but everyone inside was very cool.

Colleen Mertel, Minnie Buchhaults, and Leroy Curtis helped too. There was lots of visiting and lots of old fashioned fun.

Friday was the monthly birthday party. Alexander Watkins and Mary Jo Cordell enjoyed the festivities in honor of their birthdays. Pat Seymour and George Orrick were unable to attend. There was cake and punch and beautiful

patriotic decorations. Gay Hill played some fun songs and some patriotic songs with the help of her daughter Allison who helped keep all the music straight. Gay ended with a rendition of the Stars and Stripes Forever that was very moving. Marjorie

and Travis Fish, Lois Meyers, and Betty Lowe were there to help with the singing and the refreshments. It was a great party and Billie Kingston just does a wonderful job keeping the residents at the Care Center busy and entertained.

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Banquet Held For Go Tell Crusade

A kick-off banquet for the Eastern Panhandle Western Oklahoma Go Tell Crusade was held at the Shamrock Community Center July 2. Pastors in the Wheeler County area had a vision for revival in their area and began praying. The result is a crusade to be held September 23-26, 2001 in Wheeler. Rick Gage Ministries will be conducting the crusade with the help of area churches.

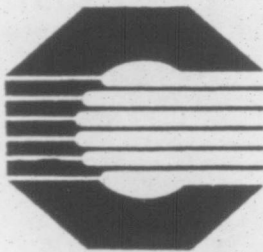
The banquet was held to acquaint people with the vision and to help raise funds to put on the four day crusade. Chuck Sullivan provided the music program. He will be part of the music for the crusade and has worked with Bill Gaither and traveled with Jerry

Falwell. The message was brought by Rick Gage. He told of his career as a college football coach and how God called him away from that and into the ministry. Rick shares with young people across the county through youth camps, high school assembly programs, and crusades such as the one to be held in Wheeler.

For more information on the crusade you may call (806) 826-5853.

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First Assembly of God 4th & Main
Pastor Dean Williamson 779-2221
Sunday School - All Ages 9:30 am
Morning Worship 10:45 am
Sunday Night & Youth Services 7 pm
Wednesday Night Service 7:00 pm

First Baptist Church 206 E. 1st
Brian Quisenberry, Pastor 779-2175
Sunday School 9:45, Worship 11 am & 7pm
(Youth) & Wed. Bible Study, Prayer Meeting 7 pm

United Methodist Church 2nd & Gray
Pastor Thacker Haynes 779-2049 & 779-2337
Sunday School 9:45 am Worship 10:50 am & 6 pm
Sun. Sr. High Youth Alpha Chi 5 pm
Wed. Choir 7:00 pm

Heald United Methodist Church
Kellerville Road
Sunday 9:15

Trinity Baptist Church 603 Commerce
James Mantoath 779-3207
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Sunday Evening Worship 7 pm
Bible Study & Prayer Meeting Wed 7 pm

Cowboy Church at Red River Steakhouse
Cowboy Preacher - Kitchell Collins
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Children's Church, Sunday - 7:00 p.m.



MAJOR LEAGUE TITANS-(Back) Coach Peos Hagler, Coach David Tolleson, (middle) Seth Childers, Logan Sparling, Brandon Phillips, Mark Smith, D.J. Nelson, (front) Steven Vassey, Tommy Williams, John Haynes, Anthony Ruiz, and Jacob Tolleson. Not pictured: Justin Dillman, Chisum Smith, and Coach Greg Smith. Sponsored by Frank Sparling.



COACH PITCH BULLDOGS-(Back) Coach Mike Campbell, Coach Brian Byron, (middle) Becca Reyna, Chase West, Jack Odom, Jordan Herring, Tori Bybee, Jace McLain, Holly Phillips, (front) Tanner Cadra, Erin Vassey, Sara Shackelford, Ashley Byron, Ashley Russell and Bradley Howard. Sponsored by Bank of Commerce.



John Rhodes takes to the highway to make people more aware of diabetes.

these things that we would take care of them as soon as we possibly could. The creek will be mowed as soon as they get to it and there would be traps put out for the stray cats.

Steve informed the council that he had received cost estimates on what it would take to repair the trachoe and that it would be \$46,002.00, and that in his opinion it would be foolish to put that amount of money into the trachoe we now have. The council asked him to look around at other ones and we would put this on next month's agenda.

Discussion was held concerning the animal control ordinances.

Enforcement of these ordinances will begin July 15, 2001.

The Mayor had drafted a new Public Health Ordinance and a copy was given to each council member and he asked each one to look it over and if they had any changes to let the City Secretary know and the ordinance would be sent to the attorney for him to look it over in the next two weeks.

The Mayor also drafted a new ordinance concerning keeping property clean. Each council member is to look this one over and it will also be sent to the attorney in a couple of weeks for him to approve.

Discussion was held concerning the two parcels of land that the City leases out as grassland. The council decided to continue to lease it out and that the bids would be accepted as one total bid for both parcels, with the highest bid to be accepted and the City reserving the right to reject any or all bids.

The council voted to pay all bills excluding the Fire Dept.

A motion was passed to pay the Fire Dept. bills.

Ann Pierce told the council that she wanted to commend the city employees for their hard work, that she would see them working nearly every time she was sent out and she thought that they should get a raise for their hard work.

The Mayor called for an executive session at 6:55 p.m. Discussion

was held concerning the Economic Development Corporation.

The meeting returned to open session at 7:00 p.m. with no action taken concerning the executive session.

The meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

VFW Auxillary Holds Meeting

The McLean VFW Auxiliary held their monthly meeting the 3rd of July. They celebrated our countries independence with a party for the veterans. The Auxiliary's purpose is to support those veterans that have served their country overseas. They also provide community service. They help McLean by volunteering at the Care Center, honoring of volunteers that work at the Fire Department and

Ambulance Barn, donating to the angel program; and by helping during disasters. They also work with the state organization by participating in their plan of work for each year. Anyone with a husband, father, brother, son, or daughter that has served the U.S. overseas can join the Ladies Auxiliary. They meet the first Tuesday of every month. Contact Mary Groves for more information.

Obituary

CAROLYN ANN LEONARD

KERRVILLE-Carolyn Ann Leonard, 72, died Tuesday, July 10, 2001, at Oklahoma City, Okla.

Services were held at 11:00 a.m. Friday at the First Baptist Church in Ingram with Dr. David McFadden officiating. Burial was held at Garden of Memorial Cemetery under the direction of Overby Funeral Home of Kerrville.

Mrs. Leonard was born Jan. 13, 1929, at Franklin, Ala. During her husband's career as a pastor, she served alongside him in many churches where she was involved in teaching

Bible studies to younger married couples. She was an avid gardener.

Survivors include her husband, the Rev. Jesse Leonard of Ingram; two daughters, Gina Ireland of Kerrville and Gay Ivey of Boise, Idaho; two sons, Ray Leonard of Stevenson Ranch, Calif., and Jay Leonard of Corona, Calif.; three sisters, Laurene Beckett, Willette Springer, and Eleanor Bryant; two brothers, Joseph Bryant and Jack Bryant; and several grandchildren.

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There was discussion about the preliminary budget for 2001-02, but the tax rate can not be determined yet due to the fact that the Appraisal District has not presented the tax value, therefore, the projection in revenues is not available to accurately figure the budget. The Board wants to see some budget cuts, in order to try to build up a cushion for operating in the future. Preliminary cuts of approximately \$185,172.00, have been foreseen, with a large portion being able to be cut in salaries and benefits, due to the loss of

several teachers. Mr. Griffin feels secure in the numbers for anticipated revenue based on average daily attendance.

There was no discussion on the legislative update regulations, but Board members have 5-6 hours of legislation video sessions to watch, in order to receive Board training credit.

WTRCA outstanding insurance claims were discussed, but no action has been advised by the school attorney, and further action by the Board will depend upon the lawyer.

After questions and discussion on the financial reports, the check report was approved with motion by Neal Odom, second by Billie Ward. The financial report was approved with motion by Neal Odom, second by Billie Ward. The Board would like to see less travel being paid for workshops, and to cut down on the amount of supplies being purchased.

At this time John Holland had asked the crowd to write down any questions they might have for discussion with the Board, and a question and answer session was opened up for about an hour. Most forward in the community's mind was the fact of why the school was having to borrow money. Several factors have caused the need for funds to finish out the current school year. One of those being the state revenue of \$171,000.00 has not been received, and we have no idea of when they might send the remainder. Higher utility costs, insurance premiums, and going over budget last year also have affected the lack of funds. Unfunded state mandates, as well as, property tax values have also been issues. McLean ISD is establishing a line of credit, as stated in the minutes from the previous meeting. As the need arises to pay operating expenses, the amount will be taken out in increments. The amount used will be repaid as soon as funds are available. Terri Adams' comment concerned changing local Board policy to cut Administrative expenses for the protection of everyone involved. The Board would take it under consideration, as most of the questions being asked by the public were also questions that the Board had already asked themselves.

Pat and Bill Reeves were interested in an inventory of Band instruments belonging to McLean ISD, and the whereabouts of them. Pat Reeves had made an inquiry about 2 years ago to possibly buy some to start up a local band. Board action several years ago had been to place the usable instruments with Roger Myers, band instructor at Pampa schools. Mr. Reeves was to get back in touch with Mr. Griffin concerning this matter.

Mark Cadra's questions were whether the hiring of another certified teacher, could have cut down on the cost of substitutes last year, and what effect the outstanding medical claims with WTRCA was having on the employee's credit. The answer to his first question was that yes, having another teacher on staff for the purposes of staff, would probably have cut down on the substitute expense. In the future, the number of subs will be greatly reduced, since the teacher workshops will be cut to the bare minimum required. Some of the WTRCA claims have been paid by them, and other employees claims are being looked into. Mr. Cadra commented the Board for their hard work, tireless hours, dedication, and commitment to making the school better for the future of our children. Mr. Odom commented that the Board would be creative on budget cuts, and that they are trying to make long range forecasts regarding the funding of upcoming years for McLean ISD. He also stated the Board has direct control of only about 60% of revenue collected from local taxes, and the remainder of revenue which comes from the state always has factors involved on which you can not rely 100 percent. One such factor is the state requirement for teacher pay raises, but no funds received as promised to pay for them, therefore, it must be paid for by local funding. Mr. Cadra wanted to know where the fund balance from the previous audits had gone. Operating expenses, and lots of extras have slowly drained the available funds.

Another question was why the temperature of the rooms are controlled out of Lubbock. W.D. Wesley Co. has installed an up-to-date lighting system, and has the ability to control the temp and recently signed on as the controller to benefit the school by basing the cost on a percentage of the energy savings.

Do the teachers turn in a budget? No, Mr. Griffin sets the budget according to past years, and what is needed for the upcoming year. However, there will be necessary cuts. The principals like for their teachers to be allowed \$200-250 for classroom supplies. Each program such as football, basketball, ag, music, and cheerleading will be closely watched in order to keep the budget in check.

How can we hire teachers if the budget has not been set? Salaries had already been figured for next year's teachers, so the fact that we had some teachers leave, made another salary available that was already being spent anyway.

Will we collect the remaining \$38,000 in current

taxes? Very unlikely, the tax assessor is able to collect only small amounts each month now, but they will more than likely be delinquent taxes collected at a later date.

Most of the parents present at the meeting were very concerned about moving the 8th grade class to the High School. Several parent comments were considered about the lack of maturity, and the foreseen problems that could arise from mixing the younger students. The Board deemed this financial sacrifice as being necessary to cut down on the number of teachers, since they will be sharing teachers with the High School. Mr. Herring has quality leadership, and between him and his staff, he believes that they can keep any problems at a minimum. This year will be a trial run with the 8th grade, and if too many problems crop up, then the Board will consider moving them back to the Elementary building if it is at all feasible.

Why are we stretching our teachers to the limit and are the kids still getting a quality education? The teachers have agreed to take on extra responsibilities. All teachers that have been hired or that are taking on other duties are certified to teach in those areas. Mr. Herring commented that his teachers can do the job, because he has a quality staff, and he does not feel that they are being overly extended. Mr. Crockett did not hire a replacement for Mrs. Hauck, because he has teachers that can fill the position for teaching 7th grade, and the new teachers will take up some of their other classes. The Board will closely monitor these changes to make sure that everything is working smoothly and still benefiting the students.

Diane Dampier had questions that were not answered before she had to leave. Mr. Holland will be visiting with her to help with any questions she may have.

What will happen if the school is not able to pay the loan back? The bank does not require collateral on this type of borrowing, and Mr. Rieff was not concerned with this possibility, as he carefully looked at the figures and felt sure that the funds would be repaid with no problems at all, and as soon as the funds were received.

Is the new gym responsible for this money crunch? The money was available for the purchase of the new gym, but lots of extra money (\$75,000.00) was also spent on the concession area, graphics for the floor, and seating, which was not included in the CIB building contract.

In September of 1999, the general operating fund was low, and had to borrow money from the designated capital projects fund, depleting it completely. Mr. Griffin has the authority to move money from fund to fund as needed, without Board action, but two Board signatures are required when the actual banking transaction takes place. CIB has fixed all problems which arose on the new gym, and their liability insurance paid to have the sealer put on the outside of the gym to stop the leaking, and to have wooden playing

floor and graphics replaced. How much money was spent over budget last year? The expenditures exceeded the revenue by approximately \$300,000.00. Budget amendments were necessary for the year ending 1999-2000 in the amount of \$120,000.00, of which the Board was aware.

The audit for August 2000 showed an ending fund balance of \$297,444.00. Billie Ward stated that the Board would be taking action to cut spending, and to make the cuts where they would hurt the least. She went on to say that the fluff or extras would have to be taken away, so that we could get back to the basic goal of education for our students well being.

The cost of the Blue Room was brought up, which was able to be provided because of grant money available. Some classes will have to be taught to our High School students via the teleconferencing. Teachers will be from another area, and our students will be interactive through the Blue Room, with Mrs. Carter as the classroom monitor. Some of our teachers may also teach class to other areas through the video conferencing, which would generate revenue for our district.

The budget for the High School Library was a concern of Sally Bohlar's. The budget is only \$1000.00 per year, and is used mainly for the purchase of books. There are two computer stations in the Library, and 5-7 computers in the adjoining room for students to use and get on the Internet as sources for reports, etc.

This session of communication between the Board and the community was very successful, and left everyone with a better feeling about the fact of having to go out and get extra funding. The Board would really like to see more community

involvement by coming to the meetings or discussing issues with them, instead of only showing up when things seem to be in really bad shape or by listening to hearsay. The Board assured everyone that they are on top of the spending, and that it will be taken care of,

by making budget cuts, or whatever else may be necessary to get back ahead in financial standings.

At this time the crowd dispersed, and the Board returned to the Superintendent's Office to finish business. There was much discussion over the monthly bills, and it was the general consensus of the Board that there were to be no more personal items purchased on the school accounts by administrators, teachers, or others. Billie Ward stated that it is illegal to buy personal items with school credit cards, it is just bad business, and fraudulent use of taxpayer money. Mr. Griffin was responsible for some of these purchases, in particular a topper for \$555.00, but he has every intention to repay for any and all questionable purchases. This also includes cellular phone calls made and billed on the school phone. Mr. Griffin did not want to cause further grief to the Board, so he has turned in a Visa credit card, and will no longer make purchases. He has also discontinued service for eleven cellular phones.

Motion was made to go into Executive Session at 11:35 p.m. by Mike Darsey, second by Billie Ward to discuss personnel.

Return to open session and adjournment came at 12:30 a.m. with motion by Billie Ward, second by Neal Odom. It was the Board's decision to go back 18 months and take a closer look at the bills. No further action was taken, but will possibly be considered at the next Special meeting on Monday, July 16, 2001, at 7:00 p.m.

STAND

Under the direction of Freda Holland the girls learned about counting money and making change. They had read a book A Dollar for Penny in which Penny had a lemonade stand and decided that this would be a fun way to learn. Pucketts Food Store

graciously donated the lemonade and the Taylor Mart was kind enough to donate the cups. The girls set up their stand under the shade trees at the school and had fun making \$80.93. Their profit is to be donated to McLean's Loaves and Fishes program.

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School Board Approves Policy Changes For Student Handbooks 2001-2001

The Groom ISD Board of Trustees met last week for their regular monthly meeting with the following present: Clifton Britten, Kelvin Ollinger, Barry Fields, Tim Case, Ron Fuehler, Mike Friemel, and Tony Britten, Superintendent Kevin Noack, Business Manager Joyce Hutsell and Donna Burton, representing The Groom News.

In the open forum, Board Member Ollinger asked Mr. Noack about the air conditioners in the vo-ag barn. Mr. Noack stated that the problem had been cleared up and that Mr. Bivens had the meter put in his name. Mr. Friemel questioned as to whether the school would be responsible for a fee when the meter was changed back. Business Manager Joyce Hutsell stated that SPS had never charged them when coaches move out of the school owned houses.

Mr. Noack read a Thank You Card from the After Graduation Party Committee for the school assistance with that event.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

Policy Update 65 was discussed in the last meeting. It largely contained "housekeeping" type corrections in which the legal wording had been changed on some policies. It was unanimously approved.

A discussion was held concerning the "Loan Star" plan which prompted the approval, two years ago of the heating and cooling system as well as other energy saving updates to the school building. The Board heard a report in previous meetings done by Texas A & M University because the school was not realizing the savings that were promised by the Engineer who sold them the plan. Mr. Noack has visited with the engineer and the people who administer the loan. He had the loan changed to an 8 year payout instead of the 7 as originally planned. He advised the Board that he felt there was not really any legal recourse they could take because these projections

were not put in writing, but he would discuss it with the school's attorney.

The board unanimously approved the Groom ISD Student Handbook changes for 2001-2002. Those changes consist of the following:

All school breakfast and lunches must be paid for in advance. Tickets may be purchased on Monday and Tuesday between 7:30 and 7:50 a.m. in the school cafeteria. Prices are the same as last year.

An update was made to the FFA policy concerning the San Antonio Stock Show. If an exhibitor does not make the sift, they must return home immediately or have unexcused absences.

The policy concerning exemptions from semester tests for High School Juniors and Seniors will be extended to all high school students. See the manual for other requirements.

The National Honor Society has lowered the required grade point average from 93 to 90 for membership. Other criteria must be met for

admittance, see the handbook for details.

Any bomb threat by a student will require, by state law, that student to be placed in an Alternative Education Program.

Dress code changes include those previously reported which are no bare midriff tops and no tank tops.

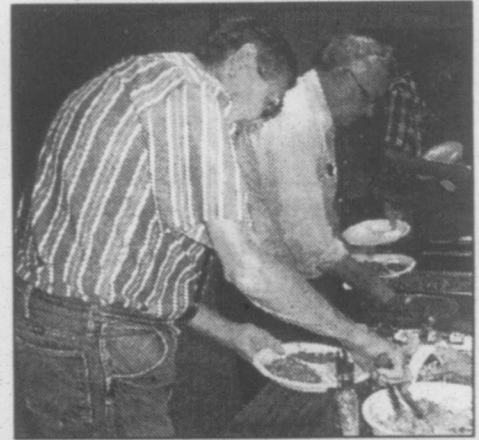
The board approved the expenditure of \$4340 for a new phone system for the school. The funds will be paid out of the \$25,000 surplus left from the bond election that the board saved back for unexpected expenses.

The TEA Audit Report was presented by Kevin Noack and approved by the Board.

The Class size reduction report was given. \$2,244 was received from the State and this money was used for professional training.

The Superintendent gave a report on the 2000-2001 budget. A large deficit is expected when the fiscal year ends on September 1, but the actual amount cannot be determined at this time.

See School Board, pg 2



Senior Citizens remain active through the summer months by getting together for a meal. Pictured are Bob England, Robert West, Wayne Shaw, LaVesta Barnett, and Margurite Burgin help themselves to a delicious meal.



WE SAW

Marie Bohr doing some edging on Ware Street.

Bunny York doing some chores around her home.

Leigh Ann Hopkins limping around on crutches after being attacked... by her washing machine.

Janetta Lamb and Joe Homer almost achieving "star status" after being interviewed on television. Although the news crew missed Joe's best side!

John Koetting strolling to the Grocery Store for his morning snack.

Richard Crump taking care of some lawn duty.

City To Drill Test Hole For Future Water Well

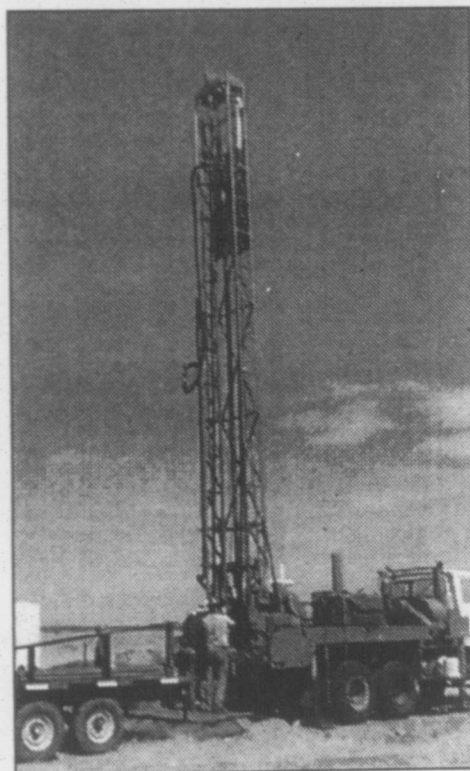
Groom City Council met on Thursday, July 12 for their regular monthly meeting. Attending were Mayor Joe Homer, Aldermen Ellis Stapp, W. H. Ollinger, Don Case, Forrest McLaughlin, and Chris Welch; Mike Peters with PRPC, City Engineer Swight Brandt, Breeze Kuehler, and City Secretary Mary Sue Lyles.

Forrest McLaughlin asked the council to consider looking into purchasing land so that in the future, if Groom needs to expand, the land will be available. The GEDC officers will be invited to the next City Council meeting to discuss expansion possibilities and the City lawyer will be consulted.

A motion was passed for the council to go into executive session at 8:08 p.m.

At 8:18 p.m. the council returned to open

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Workers were busy Tuesday drilling a test hole for a proposed water well.

COMMUNITY CALENDER

"WOOD Gatherin'" for Groom Day will be held on July 26. Please meet at Johnny Brooks's shop at 7:00 p.m. Plenty of help will be needed this year!

2001 GROOM DAY CONTACTS
Arts & Crafts-Marla Britten, 248-7470 or wk. 248-7515.

Rodeo-Lonny Brown, 248-7310.

Tennis-Shirley Fields, 248-7435.

Parade-Dondra Downs, 248-7940.

T-shirts-Points West-Betty West, 248-7363.

Auction-Phillis Jackson, 248-7418.

Bingo donation-Donna Burton, 248-7453 or wk. 248-7333.

Baseball-Josh Evenson, 248-7016.

Melodrama-Aimee Fields, 248-0019.

Quilt show-Karen Case, 248-7308.

3-On-3 Basketball-Shannon Fisher.

2001 GROOM DAY WORK LIST
Potato salad-Methodist Women.
Cole slaw-Christian Mothers.

Beans-1st Baptist Church and Alpha Mu Xi.

Apricots, onions, & pickles-Church of Christ.

QUILT SHOW TO BE HELD GROOM DAY

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Local Happenings

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Witt, Rheagan, Rachel and Rowdy of Venus, Texas spent the holidays with his mother Helen Witt. They enjoyed a cook-out on the 4th.

Buddy and Charleen Weller recently returned from Santa Fe were they had a really, really, really good time! Charleen is especially glad that a deer delayed their trip previously!

Jerry Crowell was recently hired by White Deer ISD as band director.

The way some people find fault, you'd think there was a reward.

Card of Thanks
 My sincerest thanks to all my friends and neighbors for the wonderful cards, food, expressions of concern, and prayer during my illness. God Bless you all.
 Jean Morrow & Family

Al Alward was the honoree at a birthday party last weekend held at his home. A cookout and homemade ice cream were the highlights of the event that was attended by Terry and Brenda Alward of Dumas; Hal, Melody, Lauren, Kaytlynn, and Britian Simpson of Amarillo, Phil Miller, Norris Hoyt, and Jim and Donna Burton of Groom.

Royce, Lillian, and Paula Brown visited Bertha Knight who is in the hospital at Pampa in room #341.

They reported that Bertha was happy to have visitors. As they were leaving, Rip and Joy Snyder were arriving for a visit.

- Groom Birthdays Anniversaries**
- July 19 - Ellen Gray, Bonnie Peters.
 - July 20 - Trey Daniel Britten, Melanie Renee Friemel, Lainie Britten, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Ashford (A).
 - July 21 - Randy Sustaire, Harris Howard, Steven Hutsell, Russell Lewellen, Allie & Norris Hoyt (A).
 - July 22 - Tony Rocha, Kenneth Black, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Bivens (A).
 - July 23 - Darcee Lyles, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Q. Rose (A).
 - July 24 - Betty Treadwell, Donald Britten, Tammy and Mark Bivens (A).
 - July 25 - Earl J. Britten, Tyler Case, Mary Rose, Monte Ray Schaffer.

SCHOOL BOARD

A preliminary report on the 2001-2002 budget was heard. Superintendent Noack stated that the school will have to hold a rollback election due to increased valuation of oil field property. He is projecting a slight excess (less than \$15,000) if the effective tax rate is set at the maximum with the rollback. A deficit of over \$70,000 would be incurred without it.

The board went into executive session at 9:20 and returned at 9:43. No action was taken on their discussion of personnel assignment and re-assignments.

The Business Managers report was heard. After questioning some expences, the Board approved the payment of bills.

The Board approved Carson County Appraisal District's Budget as presented.

The Board adjourned with no further business.

Carson Co. Sheriff's Report

There were seven persons booked into the Carson County Jail during the week of July 9 through July 15, 2001. Currently there are 14 persons incarcerated in this jail and additional 15 prisoners being held in other jurisdictions.


Arrest made this week include:
 Robert Gilmore, age 18 of Stinnett, TX-Burglary of a motor vehicle.
 Christian Rodriguez, age 24 of Panhandle, TX-Unathorized use of a

motor vehicle.
 Monty Bennett, age 29 of Pampa, TX-Possession of a controlled substance.
 Nathan Sherman, age 24 of Panhandle, TX-Assault-family violence.
 Richard Byno, age 20 of Pampa, TX-Warrant-Collin County, TX.
 Dale Carr, age 45 of Canadian, TX-Driving while intoxicated-3rd or more.
 Jeremy Muns, age 30 of Canadian, TX-Public intoxication.

CITY

session.
 A motion was passed to allow the mayor to sign an option contract with Breeze Kuehler to drill up to 2 test wells on the property that Mr. Kuehler owns on the west side of Farm to Market Road 295.
 A motion to take bids for the City's insurance


for the year 2001-2002 was also passed.
 The minutes of the June 12 meeting were read and approved as read.
 The financial report was accepted and a motion to pay all bills was passed.
 The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.



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Homen Earns Scholarship

The Panhandle chapter of the American Petroleum Institute recently awarded \$11,000.00 in scholarships to area high school graduates and college students for 2001-2001. The scholarships were bestowed upon children of current API members on the basis of academic achievement and need. Recipients are required to enter as full-time college

students in the fall and to maintain good academic standing throughout the school year.

Jodi Homen, daughter of John and Tonya Homen of White Deer and Brenda and Randy Broom of Groom was a recipient of this scholarship. She is a student at Amarillo College.

Storm Brings Lightning & Showers

Mother Nature finally came through with a respite from the hot weather this week end and then on Monday, an evening shower cooled things off.

Friday and Saturday brought a welcome break from the 100+ temperatures with the thermometer only reading in the mid 90's. The

wind was cool and while there was not a big difference in temperature it really seemed to raise the spirits of those who were really getting tired of the hot dry weather.

A shower on Monday night found many people sitting on their porches enjoying watching the rain fall. Lightning caused some grass fires

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in the area, creating problems for fire fighters, none sounded too serious. Around 11:30 showers returned. All in all, approximately 20/100's of moisture fell in Groom proper.

If one sat very still, you could almost hear the thirsty lawns and trees gulping down the rain. The little shower will go a long way to

help out on the water problems the City of Groom has experienced.

The respite is not expected to last long however. The weather mans extended outlook showed 100's for the next week with only a slight chance of isolated showers for Tuesday night. So... keep rain and cooler weather in your prayers!

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Or Cobb Britten @ 248-7254

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Legion Hall

9:00 pm to 1:00 am Aug 4

No School Children Admitted Without Parent

\$7.00 Per Person

Raffle Drawing 10:00 p.m.

TEEN DANCE

Tennis Courts 9:00 - 12:00 pm

2001-02 School Year

Grades 7 - 12

D.J. & Ping Pong

\$2 per person

August 4.

GROOM DAY

RANCH RODEO

Saturday 1 pm

Ranches, Teams, Day Hands

5 EVENTS: Doctoring, Muggin, Milkin, Sortin,

Brandin

Entries Close Aug 1

CONTACT LONNY BROWN @ 248-7310

COW PATTY BINGO

1:15 Saturday, August 5

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COMMUNITY CENTER ACTIVITIES

ARTS & CRAFTS

11:00-4:00 - Big Room

Contact Marla Britten at 248-7470

BINGO

2:00-4:00- Lion's Club Room

\$3 for up to 3 cards

for the entire time or any part.

QUILT SHOW

Opens after Parade

Contact Karen Case, Adela Kotara or Carole Fields

HORSE SHOE

PITCH CONTEST

Friday, Aug. 3, 8:00 pm

West of Legion Hall

\$10 Team, Double Elimination

Winner takes all!

Justin McGee - 248-9007

HUNT FLAT ROCKS

Beginning Sat. Morning

Collect Cash Prizes 3:00 to 4:00

At the park on Saturday

See Kay Britten

TENNIS TOURNAY

Wed. August 1 6:00 pm

5th - 8th Grade

\$1 entry - Singles & Doubles

Friday Aug. 3 6:00 pm

High School & Adults

Singles & Doubles

\$2.00 entry

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Contact Points West at 248-7363

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CHILDREN'S TRACK MEET

6:00 on the track at School

Contact Brad Rainer @ 248-1203

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BASKETBALL

TOURNAY

Mixed Teams,

High School & Adult Play At 9:00 pm on Friday

Junior High - 1:00 Saturday

Jr. High - \$10, High School - \$15, Adults-\$20

Contact Shannon Fisher @248-0082

VOLLEYBALL

TOURNAY

On the practice field

Entry \$25 per team

Prize to 1st place Team

Enter anytime till Aug. 4 at 1:00 pm

Contact Pam Ashford at 248-7347

SOFTBALL TOURNAY

\$100 per Team

Begins Friday Aug 3-Sat Aug 4

Limited to 10 teams - Double Elimination

Prizes Awarded for 1st, 2nd & 3rd

Contact Josh Crooks or Russell Lewellen at 248-7016

Superintendents Corner... Distance Learning Lab Compete



Groom School will soon be equipped with a new state-of-the-art, distance learning lab. The distance learning lab allows students to see and hear, and be seen and heard, by teachers and students in another location via large, screen-sized monitors. Further access is provided

through a fax machine on location.

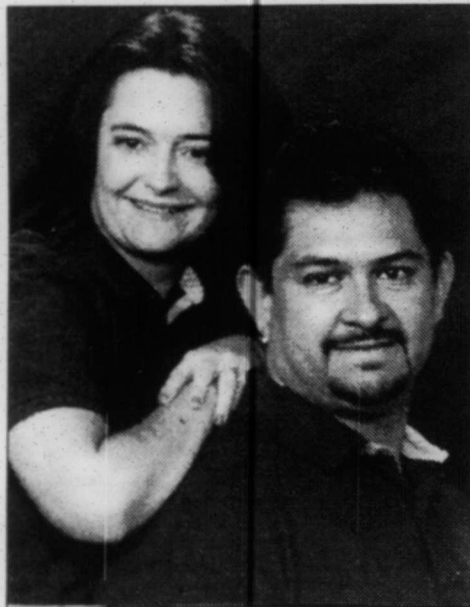
The new distance-learning lab will enable us to offer more dual credit or advanced placement classes to our students. Community members will be able to take college classes and teachers and administrators will receive educational updates and training through our lab.

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Groom School Supply List

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| <p>Kindergarten Supply List</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5 #2 Pencils 1 Box of 8 Crayola Brand Crayons 6 Small glue sticks or 4 large, (purple or blue ones work best) 1 Fiskar safety scissors (Walmart) 1 Crayola Washable Classic Colors Markers (not thin-line). If you can find the 10 pack markers that include the pink and gray, the children will really use those two extra colors. 1 Crayola Watercolor paints 1 large box tissues 1 large backpack 1 red & blue resting mat 1 plain vinyl pocket folder (available at Walmart & office supply stores for about \$1). 1 1 inch 3 ring binder 1 Pair of non marking tennis shoes <p>Please do not purchase a school box. I have baskets that the children use for school boxes.</p> <p>First Grade</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10 #2 pencils 1 Box Crayola Markers (Classic Colors) 1 24 count crayons 1 Medium bottle Elmer's White Glue 1 Large glue stick (Purple or blue kind) 1 pkg pencil top erasers (No novelty items) 1 Fiskar scissors 2 70 page wide ruled spirals 1 Red pocket folder (Do not buy the plastic kind, everything slips out of them) 1 Black pocket folder (Do not buy the plastic kind, everything slips out of them) 1 Large box Kleenex 1 Inexpensive clear plastic shoebox with lid (Find at Walmart or Target for \$1) 1 pair non-marking tennis shoes | <p>Second Grade</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 20#2 Pencils 1 School supply box 1 Box Crayons (24 Count) 1 Set of Crola markers (8 Count) 2 Spirals, 80 sheet, wide ruled 3 Folders with pockets 2 Red Pens 2 Large pink pearl erasers 1 Large box kleenes 1 Notebook with 1 inch binder 1 Fiskar scissors 2 Large glue sticks 1 Pair of non-marking tennis shoes <p>Third Grade</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 24#2 Pencils 2 Red grading pencils or pens 1 Box of 48 Grayons 1 Sissors 1 Box Map pencils 1 Box Kleenex 1 Spiral (wide rule 70-100 sheets) Notebook paper 3 Folders with pockets 2 Folders with brads & pockets 1 School Box 1 pair non-marking tennis shoes <p>NO LOOSE LEAF NOTEBOOKS</p> <p>Fourth, Fifth, & Sixth Grades</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 2 inch 3 ring binder 1 pkg white notebook filler paper, wide ruled (min. 200 sheets) 1 pkg reinforcement labels for notebook 1 pkg 8 tab index dividers for notebook pages 1 pen/pencil pouch to fit binder 1 pkg pencils (min 10) 1 pkg red grading pens (min 2) 1 Highlighter 1 12 inch ruler (with inches & centimeter) 1 pair white bottom PE shoes |
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Melinda Burgin - Randy Holguin Plan Hawaiian Nuptials

Jimmy and Susan Burgin would like to announce the engagement of their daughter, Melinda, to Randy Holguin.

Randy is the son of Rudy and Lucy Holguin of Bayard, New Mexico.

The wedding is planned for August 6, on Makena Beach in Maui, Hawaii.

Melinda graduated from Angelo State University

in San Angelo with a M B A / B B A in Accounting. She is currently employed as the tax accountant for New Vision International, Inc. in Tempe, AZ.

Randy graduated from New Mexico State University in Las Cruces, NM, with a BBA in Accounting. He is a CPA for Brent Stewart PC in Scottsdale, AZ.

Lil' Cheer Camp

Hosted by Groom Varsity Cheerleaders
Brin Burgin (head), Amanda Martin, Penny McMahan, Lainie Britten (mascot), Jessica Bates, Britteny Martin, Lorri Britten, and Caren Howard



Date: July 23-25
Time: Pre K-2nd 8:30-10:00
3rd-6th 10:00-12:00
Place: High School Big Gym
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Farmers Call For Action Against Spread of Karnal Bunt In Wheat

Texas Farmers Union call for U.S. Agriculture (TFU) President, Wes Secretary Ann Veneman Sims was joined in his to take action against the

spread of Karnal Bunt in the Texas wheat crop. Sims was joined by the full board of directors of the national Farmers Union in a call to develop a plan to manage the containment of this disease. He also called for adequate compensation for producers and other injured parties due to this disease that has the potential to spread through the Great Plains, infect storage facilities and cause substantial economic harm to

producers, storage facilities, and shippers due to a previous lack of oversight.

"The U.S. has the safest and most secure estate tax rate will be repealed in 2010.

By 2006, the top income tax rate will be reduced from 39.6 percent to 35 percent; the 36 percent rate to 33 percent; the 31 percent rate to 28 percent; and the 28 percent to 25 percent. The 15 percent rate, paid by 75 percent of taxpayers, will not change.

A new 10 percent bracket was created on the first \$6,000 of taxable income for singles, \$10,000 for heads of households and \$12,000 for married couples.

All provisions of the tax bill will expire in 2010 and will have to be reinstated by Congress. This is due primarily to the fact that the bill was placed on a fast-track process, allowing limited debates.

"That means our fight is not over," Dudley said. "TSCRA must work diligently to retain these tax relief benefits."

Meaningful tax reform for working farm and ranch families was welcomed by Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association said President John E. Dudley.

Congress passed legislation that will allow farm and ranch families to realize \$272 billion in tax relief over a period of 10 years-including a phased-out repeal of the death tax.


"TSCRA has worked very hard through effective communication to Congress and the general public on tax relief," said Dudley. "We applaud President Bush and those representatives and senators who supported this legislation that repeals the death tax and provides other meaningful tax relief to Texas cattle producers."

The tax relief package will also lower the income tax bracket, reduce the marriage penalty, provide education savings incentives and allow ranchers to keep money for reinvesting in the business.

Dudley explained that an operation worth \$1.8 million would generate an estimated \$50,000 net annual income. This ranch would face a death tax liability of roughly \$450,000-equivalent to nine years of the operation's annual income.

The new tax bill gradually raises the estate tax exemption and lowers the rates. The exemption, which is currently on the first \$675,000 of assets, will increase to \$1 million in 2002 and up to \$3.5 million in 2009.

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1880 Census Tells Interesting Story

In 1880, the federal census showed there were 1,607 persons living in the 26 counties now generally designated as the Panhandle of Texas.

The above map shows how these 1,607 persons were distributed over The Panhandle. It was drawn by Ernest Archambeau, Amarillo insurance man whose hobby is historical research.

The map was processed for publication for Jerry Malin, writer of the Amarillo Daily News column, Panhandle People.

Malin picked out the following as some of the most interesting highlights shown by Archambeau's research:

The four persons living in the county of Swisher listed "mustang hunting" as their occupation.

In Hutchinson County, one man named his chief occupation "re-cuperating health".

In the Fort Elliott list, a soldier was listed as having no occupation and under "remarks" was written "insane".

Among the odd occupations was "adolz maker", and Marlin has been trying for months to find out what that means.

A brick mason noted his occupation and then added, "Unemployed for one year".

Not a single person listed his occupation as "Cowboy" but there were hundreds who named "herding cattle" as their occupation.

There was one miner and several "gamblers".

Out of the entire population, there was only one teacher, A. F. McKenzie of Hemphill County.

The only doctor in The Panhandle, according to the census rolls, was S. M. Cummings who lived in Tascosa. Of course, the army had some doctors at Fort Elliott, but all the military personnel were listed as "soldiers".

Only 31 children were listed as attending school during the past 12 months.

There were three lawyers, all living in Mebertite.

The nearest railroad shipping point was Dodge City, Kansas.

During that year of 1880, The Panhandle was new land and new people came trekking in chiefly from the midwest, Colorado and western states. Only a small percentage came from the southern states.

There were no public roads, no public schools and law enforcement was primarily a local matter.

Wheeler County, as may be seen on the map, had the largest population. However, out of the 512 listed as living in Wheeler County, 296 were soldiers stationed at Fort Elliott.

By races, 1,198 were Anglo, 358 were Spanish and 51 were negro.

Since 1880 was 70 years ago, there are some persons still living who were enumerated then. Malin is interested in knowing the name of anyone now living in the Panhandle who was listed in the first census rolls in 1880.

In contrast to the horde of census enumerators employed this year to take the 1990 census, there were only seven employed in 1880.

Take a look at the map, a good look. You'll notice the population centers near running water. That is significant. It tells us today that making a life in the Panhandle in those days was mostly a matter of survival.

What a far cry for those of us living in The Panhandle today! While we perhaps can't begin to really understand the hardships, the heartaches and the struggles of the pioneers, we can at least look about us and ask, "Why is the Panhandle a great and wonderful place to live in today?"

The physical aspects of the country are the same now as they were in 1880. The credit for our prosperity today must go to the pioneers, to that hardy and rugged band of 1,607 souls who fought loneliness and odds with a spirit we could well do to receive today in our comparatively easy security in order to leave the coming generations as great a heritage as the pioneers of the 1880's left to us.

Do You Remember When.....?

GROOM, CARSON COUNTY, TEXAS THURSDAY, JAN. 26, 1961 (5c a copy)

GROOM FFA AND 4-H CLUB FAT STOCK SHOW RESULTS LISTED

The Groom Fat Stock Show held last Saturday drew a large attendance and some fine animals were displayed by local FFA and 4-H Club members. Cash premiums were paid on the top three animals in each class and ribbons were given on all animals placing.

Grand Champion cash prizes amounted to \$10.00 and Reserve Champion prize was \$5.00.

Kyle Black won Grand Champion title on his Poland China gilt and Connie Black took Reserve Champion prize on a Poland China gilt.

The Grand Champion barrow of Poland China breed was shown by Keith Black and James Homer won Reserve Champion barrow honors on his Hampshire.

A Hereford steer shown by Jimmy Hudson won the Grand Champion prize in beef animals. James Baggerman took Reserve Champion prize on a Hereford steer.

Lonny Brown won Grand Champion honors on his Angus heifer and Larry Brown showed the Reserve Champion, also an Angus.

Larry Lamberson and James Baggerman won 4-H Club Showmanship Awards and Jimmy Hudson took the FFA Showmanship award.

Roman Homen served as superintendent of the show and Tommy Hewlett of Amarillo judged the livestock. Milton Mann of Clarendon was showmanship judge.

The livestock show was held in the Whately Building on Main Street and began at 8:30 a.m. Saturday. Judging was completed by noon.

Winners by classes were as follows:

Senior Gilts: 1. Connie Black; 2. Butch Brown; 3. Larry Brown; 4. Terry Cornett; 5. Wesley Cornett; 6. James Homer; 7. Keith Black; 8. Eldred James; 9. Kyle Black; 10. Johnny Homer; 11. David Brown; 12. Bob Garmon.

Junior Gilts: 1. Kyle Black; 2. Lonnie Brown; 3. Keith Black; 4. Tom Wagner; 5. Jimmy Hudson; 6. Stanley Clark; 7. Lynn Britten; 8. James Koetting.

Heavy Durocs: 1. Bill Kendrick; 2. Bill Kendrick; 3. Don Case; 4. David Brown.

Light Durocs: 1. Jimmy Hudson;

2. Bill Kendrick; 3. David Brown; 4. Don Friemel; 5. Bill Kendrick.

Heavy Cross Breeds: 1. 2. 3. and 4. Jim Conrad.

Light Cross Breeds: 1. Tom Wagner; 2. and 3. Billy Bob Ruthardt; 4. Lynn Britten.

Berkshire: 1. Dan Craig; 2. Tommy Talley; 3. Butch Brown; 4. Tom Wagner; 5. Lynn Britten.

Heavy Chester Whites: 1. Wesley Cornett; 2. Butch Brown; 3. Terry Cornett.

Light Chester Whites: 1. Wesley Cornett; 2. Butch Brown; 3. Terry Cornett.

Heavy Spotted Poland China: 1. Ronnie Mashburn; 2. Butch Brown; 3. Henry Nepper; 4. Bud Fields; 5. David Brown.

Light Spotted Poland China: 1. Bud Fields; 2. Larry Brown; 3. Bill Kendrick; 4. Larry Lamberson; 5. Herman Koetting.

Heavy Poland China: 1. Keith Black; 2. Larry Brown; 3. Lonnie Brown; 4. Kyle Black; 6. Johnny London; 7. Kyle Black; 8. Keith Black; 9. Tommy Talley; 10. Herman Koetting; 11. Johnny Homer.

Light Poland China: 1. Kyle Black; 2. James Homer; 3. Dan Craig; 4. Mike Harden; 5. Stanley Clark; 6. Larry Lamberson; 7. Keith Black; 8. Leroy Littlefield; 9. Wayne Kotara; 10. Jerry Littlefield; 11. James Koetting.

Heavy Hampshires: 1. James Homer; 2. Larry Brown; 3. Butch Brown; 4. Joe Homer; 5. Bob Kendrick; 6. Jerry Quirk; 7. Johnny Homer; 8. Bobby Babcock; 9. Johnny Homer; 10. Butch Brown; 11. Ronnie Mashburn.

Light Hampshires: 1. Lonnie Brown; 2. Jerry Quirk; 3. Butch Brown; 4. Butch Brown; 5. Joe Homer; 6. Bill Kendrick; 7. Bob Kendrick; 8. James Homer; 9. Bobby Babcock; 10. Mike Harden; 11. Johnny Homer.

Heavy Steers: 1. Jimmy Hudson; 2. Thomas Hudson; 3. James Baggerman; 4. Steve Maddox.

Light Steers: 1. James Baggerman; 2. Steve Maddox; 3. Jimmy Hudson; 4. John Koetting; 5. Ken Burger; 6. Henry Nepper.

Heavy Heifers: 1. Lonnie Brown; 2. James Baggerman.

Light Heifers: 1. Larry Brown; 2. James Baggerman.

City Commission Election To Be Held on April 4th

Groom voters will choose a mayor and two city commissioners in an election to be held Tuesday, April 4.

Filing of names to go on the ballot is now open and will continue until 30 days before the election, or March 4.

Retiring members of the City Commission, are James Ledwig, mayor; Sanford Johnson, commissioner, and Frank Koetting, commissioner who was recently appointed to fill out the unexpired term of the late Ralph Evans.

The City election will be held at the City Hall in Groom and Elmer Britten has been appointed, presiding judge of the election.

Mayor Ledwig has stated that he will not be a candidate for re-election in the April 4 election.

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Sixth Grade News

The sixth grade elected room mothers Friday at our home room period. They are Mrs. R. F. Fields and Mrs. C. L. Culver. Cecil and Billie Raymond had charge of the program.

Odessa Tillman was absent two days on account of having her tonsils removed. Billie Raymond was also ill Monday.

In geography we have been studying about England. In health we have been reading about some of the great men who made inventions in medicine and science.

GHS

Fifth Grade News

The Citizenship Club met Wednesday morning and elected as best citizens of the week Billy Joe Buns and Thelma Jo Mitchell. Next week's program will be in charge of Evelyn Blackwell.

In geography we are making a trip through the New England states. We are making a booklet of our travels. We have chosen pictures of the kinds of clothes that we shall need and our means of transportation. We have found out how they fish and what kind of fish they catch and written a paper on our information. We are enjoying our trip very much.

In history we have been charting the routes of Magellan, Columbus, Balboa, Cabot and Drake to the New World on maps. We are now studying the coming of the Pilgrims to our shores.

We are still studying foods in health. We have been planning menus the past week, keeping in mind the number of calories we should eat at each meal.

Spiders have offered us an interesting study in our nature books. We found out that spiders are not dangerous. In fact they are afraid of us. The black widow is the only known poisonous spider. The tarantula is considered poisonous but there is no proof that his bite will kill a person. Evelyn Blackwell brought a large tarantula that she caught to class for the class to study.

GHS

Football News

In our game with Happy Friday night we had two boys hurt. They were Kenneth Black and Austin Crowell. Crowell got his leg hurt again and Kenneth got a knock on the head and was knocked out.

This week the Tigers are recruiting their grades, and are doctoring their colds.

The boys did not work out Monday on account of bad colds and also it was sort of disagreeable outside.

There will be an open date Friday. Oct. 13th, the Tigers will go to Happy for a return game.

GHS

News From The Little Pink School Building

Can you imagine making doll dresses at school as the first grade girls are doing. The boys are sawing cut heads out of wood for toothbrush holders. It looks as though some of them are really going to make very good seamstresses and carpenters.

The second graders are also interested in sawing. They have made animals of wood for their zoo, and have read stories about them. They even made a large picture of the jungle.

It seems as though a certain little bird called a "Least Fly Catcher" knew the third grade were studying birds, and flew into the room to be studied too. Bird houses have been built.

Most students dread tests, but it seems as though the fourth graders are very anxious for six weeks tests to come as this will be their first year to take exams. We have been very interested in making paper mache animal pictures. Our new geography and English work books have just arrived.

Laurel Knorpp has now returned to school. Mark and James have also been absent.

The second grade honor roll: Ladora Stroupe, David McCoy, Shirley Anglin.

Band News

Yes, the band was at the ball game and they were not only there, but they were playing too. I know you saw and heard them for they were all there with those flashing red suits and some of the members polished their instruments for the occasion. If you liked their playing why don't you tell them, then I am almost sure they would play again for you.

We hope to have some new music to play soon, if it ever gets here. We hope to know how to play "Our Director" soon.

The band has received several new members this year and hope to receive more.

Since this reporter has a headache and the band director is sleepy too, I say we better close up till a later date.

GHS

Pep Squad News

Tigers, Tigers, Rah! Rah! Rah! The "pep" girls were right behind the boys last Friday night. We girls are very proud of the boys so far and hope they do as well in every game as they have the first two.