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We Saw

Joe, Connie, Jessica and Penny Jo McMahan saying good-bye to their Shetland pony that sold Thursday night.

Buck Burk, C.J. and Darrell Whatley, County Agent Jody Bradford and a few friendly volunteers chasing down a steer that decided to take a tour of the west side of Groom, Monday.

Susan and Cade Brown enjoying a nice, steamy day at the Golden Spread Classic in Amarillo on Friday.

Joe Britten cheerfully boxing groceries at the store.

Outsource Capital Group of Lubbock taking ownership of First Bank and Trust of White Deer Monday morning, June 24, 1996. Former President, Jim Weese has retired. Spokesmen for the group says no changes are planned.

Claude's First National Bank Directors starting a bank in Panhandle, a loan processing branch, which is scheduled to open this week.

First National Bank of Panhandle was acquired by Sun Bank, a Moore County Bank, after the FNB of Panhandle was closed Friday by the Comptroller of Currency.

County Judge Roselius informing the Commissioner's Court Monday of P.I.L.T. payment received on the D.O.E. facility (Pantex) in the amount of \$126,087.00. Panhandle ISD will receive \$99,741.17, Carson County, \$25,565.99 and the Water District \$779.84.

Quote Of The Year, Armstrong Co. Judge Hugh Reed, "Sheriff's auctions are cumbersome and confusing." "Legislature needs horsewhipped."

Commissioner Rex Bagwell purchasing a pickup at a sheriff's sale for \$6.00 in Armstrong County.

Lions Celebrate 50 Years Of Service

The Groom Lion's Club held their 50th Anniversary Celebration on June 22nd at the Groom Community Center.

The Groom Lion's Club was founded May 3, 1946. They were sponsored by the White Deer Lion's Club. C.L. Culver was elected the very first Boss Lion. Charter members were L.M. Britten, C.C. Brown, Urban Brown, W.W. Burnais, G.M.

Brunner, Billy J. Burgin, Frank Burgin, Ed Campbell, Bill Cornett, Clyde Cruse, C.L. Culver, Truman M. Daniel, Johnny Denton, Frank P. Dove, G.R. Evans, John C. Farley, M.F. Fields, Charles L. Fields, T.G. Fields, Ted Friemel, George S. Gandy, Jeff Gray, Glynn D Harrell, Carl E. Homer, Martin Homer, Paul Homer, Sanford Johnson, Leo Koetting, C.D. Kunkel,

James C. Ledwig, Dr. John V. London, H.M. Martin, Jimmy McCasland, Johnny Nepper, C.E. Newman, Jack Pool, John Ray, S.K. Roach, Chas. Rogers, Jr., E.G. Stapp, Van Earl Steed, J.B. Stewart, J.C. Unsell, Max Wade, Dwight Weems, Dr. John L. Witt, and J.M.

Yarberry.

Of the charter members Max Wade and Glenn D Harrell are the only surviving members still living in Groom. Harrell also served as the club's treasurer for ten years.

The history of the Groom Lion's Club can be charted

the Community Center and maintain it.

They have many programs that they have done for years. Some of them are: They help sponsor the Girlstown coat and shoe Christmas fund. At one time they also donated a washer and dryer



Li'l Kyler Barkley learns all he can about bike safety.



Neal and Natalie Anthony, Clayton Holcamp, Eric and Jacob Torres play ambulance.



Always there when you need them, Lion's Bobby Cornett and Bill Homer do their part at a recent fundraiser.

City Gears Up For City-Wide Clean-Up

It's time to begin gearing up for Groom Day and clean-up month. The Groom City Council encourages everyone to take advantage of the FREE services as follows:

- Truck - Available free by appointment. Contact City Hall to reserve it's use. City employees will bring it to your home. The borrower must unload the truck themselves.
- Big Dumpster - Open free of charge during regular working hours. Also available after hours and weekends by special arrangement with City Hall.
- For big, heavy items the city employees will pick them up in the backhoe by special arrangements with City Hall.

• Tree limbs can be hauled to the northeast corner of the Groom School practice field. Don't forget that clean-up will last the entire month of July. Also, take advantage of the city-wide garage sale sponsored by The Groom News. Remember 2 lines for \$2.00 to be turned in no later than noon, Tuesday, July 2nd.

best by the numerous activities over the years. Some of them were: They erected Groom's city street signs; they helped start the ambulance department in 1962; they have helped victims of fire and tornados; and they helped remodel

to Girlstown. They continually support the eye bank and gather donated eye glasses for that cause. The Lion's give to Groom's needy family Christmas fund. They are one of three main sponsors of the

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

ANYONE INTERESTED in Water Aerobics needs to contact Rebecca Conrad to see if there is sufficient interest for a class. 248-7355 or 248-7971 at the swimming pool.

THE JUNE Fellowship Supper is scheduled for Wednesday, June 26, 7 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall at First Baptist Church.

GIRLS BASKETBALL Camp will be June 26 through June 28. 3rd to 5th grade, 9:00 - 12:00; 6th - 8th grade 1:00 - 4:00. You may register early. Call Shirley Fields for information 248-7435.

THINK FIRE Safety this July 4th. Celebrate Independence Day next Thursday.

TOP O'TEXAS Chapter of the Fellowship of Christian Cowboys, Inc. will meet at the Clyde Carruth Pavilion in Pampa on July 4 at 6 pm.

MAKE PLANS NOW to attend Groom Day August 2nd and 3rd.

BE SURE TO attend Story Hour next Wednesday at the Groom Library.

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Card Of Thanks
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for the cards, flowers,
prayers and visits and for all
who asked about me during
my stay at the hospital and
rehab.

God Bless You,
Theresa Hermesmeier

Sick List
Billie Bivens had knee
replacement surgery on
June 19.
Marion Kendrick is in
High Plains Hospital.
R.A. Snyder is recovering
from a broken arm.

Local Happenings

Richardson Girls Attend Rodeo Camp

Julie and Jacey
Richardson left Sunday for
Stephenville, Texas to attend
a week long summer rodeo
camp at Tarleton University.

The girls will work on
break-a-way roping and goat
tying and during the
afternoon break they will
enjoy swimming and
volleyball.

The girls will be
accompanied home Friday
by their uncle, Todd
Freeman, of Glen Rose,
Texas.

Groom Birthdays Anniversaries

June 27 - Melissa Ritter,
Mr. and Mrs. Austin
Crowell (A) Mr. and Mrs.
Stanley Anthony (A).

June 28 - Jack Bivens,
Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Weller
(A), Staci Dian Britten,
Kenneth and Christina
Weller (A).

June 29 - Ross Brooks,
Kenneth Weller, Jamie
Moore.

June 30 - Don Smith,
Helen Wade, Alice Kuehler,
Doris Kuehler, Mr. and
Mrs. John Koetting (A).

July 1 - Clifton Britten,
Alicia Martinez, Mr. and
Mrs. Phillip Miller (A).

July 2 - M.B. Bolden,
Michael Anthony Lewis,
Othon C. Carrillo.

July 3 - Leo Chapman
Looten.

Card Of Thanks
Rip Snyder is home from
the hospital and he wants to
say thanks to all who have
sent cards, food and for all
your prayers, and the many
visits from all his friends.

Ray and Gaynell Pool
and Bertha Knight visited
Billie Bivens last week in
High Plains Baptist
Hospital, and in the home
of Bertha's brother William
and Floretta Neal. Also
visiting the Neals was their
grandson, Jimmie Neal, who
has been in the Army
stationed at Colorado
Springs, Colorado.

They also visited Bertha's
friend Maxine Causey in St.
Anthony's Hospice.

If You Ask Me ...
And Nobody Did ...
Donna Burton

Has the bottom-line
become so big that what
comes before it or after it
has absolutely no
significance?

For years I have heard
that a more fuel efficient
engine could easily be built,
but the car companies won't
let it happen because it
would cost them too much
to change their designs.
Engines would last too long
making the need to buy a
new car every 5 to 7 years
obsolete.

But what is really scary is
this kind of thinking when it
concerns the medical
profession. Stop and think
about it. How many billions
of dollars are spent world-
wide in the pursuit of a
cure for cancer and aids.
What do you think would
happen if an actual cure
was found. Not that I don't
believe there are truly
ethical scientists and doctors
out there doing everything
they can to find a cure.
But with that much money
involved there has to be
three fraudulent studies
going on for every
legitimate one.

So many philanthropical
foundations give money to
"big name" research that
according to what I read,
other areas are being left
behind, areas that may
inadvertently make an
accidental break through.
Do you realize that it's been
years since any really new
antibiotics were developed.

While technology has
improved tremendously. I
wonder how many research
labs are filled with gizmos
and gadgets that cost
hundreds of thousands of
dollars that even the
scientists can't use.

For every buck spent on
research you can bet that
there are administrators and
grant writers that are getting
their fair share.

I know this sounds like
I'm really coming down
hard on the whole medical
profession. But I think it's
time the American people
took the blinders off.
Honor does not
automatically come with a
PHD.

Thank You Card
We would like to express
a sincere thanks to everyone
for the concern shown us
while George was taking
treatment at M.D.
Anderson. The prayers,
calls, cards, letters and all
the good deeds done for us.
We really appreciate
everybody.

Love,
George & Dorothy Clark

More Local Happenings

Rip and Joy Snyder spent
Saturday night in Almarillo
with Jerry and Carolyn
Snyder and visited Sunday
with Virginia Snyder.



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Fields - Miller Engagement Told

Ronny and Linda Fields of Groom, Texas, and Merle and Jan Miller of Booker, Texas are happy to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their children Roni Michelle and Brady.

Roni Michelle is a 1995 graduate of Groom High School, and a 1996 graduate of Exposito School of Hair Design in Amarillo, Texas. She is currently employed by TCBY in Amarillo.

Brady is a 1993 graduate of Booker High School. He attends West Texas A&M University in Canyon, Texas. He is currently employed by Iowa Beef Processing in Amarillo.

The couple will exchange vows Saturday, August 31, 1996 at the Church of Christ in Groom.

Tax Rate

Carson County has had a very large decrease for the last quarter of 1995, for State Sales Tax collections. Only 233 businesses reported for the 4th quarter which ended May 17, 1995. Gross sales for 1995 were only \$13,664,069, compared to 1994's \$19,567,244. That is a 30.2 decrease.

In the retail trade division Carson County had 127 reporting businesses compared to 134 in 1994. In 1995, \$7,324,949, was collected compared to \$7,116,805. That is more dollars and less businesses which created a minimal increase of 2.9%.



City Garage Sale Planned

It's almost time for Groom's City-wide garage sale. The correct dates are July 6 & 7. The cost is \$2. for 2 lines. The ads will be on the classified page under a special heading so there is

no need to put "Garage Sale" in the ad. More space is available at the regular rate.

Deadline to get these ads to the news office is noon Tuesday, July 2.

4-H Conducting Heritage Search For Alumni Members

When you ask people what football legend Don Meredith and actress Sissy Spacek have in common, the most frequent answer is that they are both famous. What's also unique is that they are both former Texas 4-H members.

The Texas 4-H Foundation and the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, at Texas A & M University are conducting a "4-H Heritage Search" to find as many former 4-H members and friends as possible to join the 4-H Friends and Alumni Association of Texas. The search continues through December 31, 1996.

"The 4-H Friends and Alumni Association of Texas is being established to identify alumni and eventually help strengthen the ongoing Texas 4-H Youth and Development Program," said Bonnie McGee, assistant to the Extension director. "Over the years, alumni have shown support for 4-H in various ways, contributing time, skills, services and dollars."

The new organization allows people to continue their support and enables members to help "today's youth

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Lion's Club

Groom Summer Program. They help serve meals and clean up on Groom Day. They sponsored the origination of the Groom Economic Development Corporation. They provide a \$200.00 scholarship to their Lion's Club Sweetheart. They sponsored the McGruff Drug Awareness Program at school.

They also sponsor appreciation dinners for different occasions honoring teachers, school board members, firemen and ambulance attendants.

One of the reasons for the longevity of the organization is the wonderful meal and fellowship that the men enjoy each Saturday. The ladies that feed the "starving horde" have played a big part in keeping the group coming back.

Mrs. Audie Martin was the club's first cook. She faithfully served the Lion's for more than 30 years. Over the years, other cooks have included Doshia Cornett, Truman Goodlett, Mrs. Willie Ragsdale, Mrs. Cecil Culver, Mrs. Othella Driskell, Mrs. Charlie Hall, Mrs. Nora Painter, Mrs. Barry James, Mrs. Bertie

Helton, Mrs. Doug Wood, Mrs. Ethel Neal, Joy Snyder, Janie Britten and Peggy Cave.

Max Wade was presented a 50 year Chevron; Bill Homer was presented a 30 year Chevron; Earl Britten was awarded a 20 year Chevron; Jim Britten was given a 15 year Chevron, Robert Cornett a 25 year Chevron and Wayne Kotara a 15 year Chevron.

New officers were installed by White Deer's Boss Lion Virgil James. With White Deer's support the Groom club was started. The Lion's were honored to have several White Deer members in attendance.

New officers are President, Bill Homer; Vice President, Earl Britten; Secretary/Treasurer, Dan Martin; Tail Twister, Bobby Cornett; Lion Tamer, Steve Barrett; 1-year Director, Jimmy Britten; 1-year Director, David Britten; 2-year Director, Martin Hermesmyer; and 2-year Director, Robert Cornett.

Other current members are: Bobby Babcock, Kenneth Babcock, Kenneth Black, Johnny Brumley, Dean Burger, Ray Crosier, Gary Davis, Curtis Downs, Bill Hinson, Greg Lamb, Jay Lamb, Ray Pool, Bryan Richardson, Tony Treadwell and Max Wade.

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1604	6-10p.m. TBA	Self-Paced Writing		Noble
2800	6-10p.m.MW	State & Local Gov	3hrs.	Staff
3902	6-10p.m.MW	Plane Trigonometry	3hrs.	Perryman
4401	6-10p.m.TTH	General Psychology	3hrs.	Denney

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1	1-3:50 p.m.MW	Human A&P II	4hrs.	Lowrie
LAB	6-9:50p.m. M	\$25 Human Anatomy & Physiology II		Noble
1500	TBA	Self-Paced Math		Noble
1600	TBA	Self-Paced Writing		Noble
2000	1-5 p.m.MW	Eng Comp & Rhetor I	3hrs.	Wilson
2000	6-10 p.m.MW	Eng Comp & Rhetor II	3hrs.	Wilson
2000	6-10 p.m.TTH	World Literature II	3hrs.	Wilson
3400	1-4:50 p.m.TTH	Amer Hst 1865-pres	3hrs.	Dinsmore
3500	6-9:50 p.m.TTH	Amer Hst 1865-pres	3hrs.	Dinsmore
3900	6-9:50 p.m.TTH	College Algebra	3hrs.	Baker
4709	8-11:50 a.m.TW	Modern Math II	3hrs.	Baker
4100	6-9:50 p.m.TTH	Music Appreciation	3hrs.	Juengerman
4200	6-9:50 p.m.TTH	General Psychology	3hrs.	Vinison
4300	6-9:50 p.m.MW	Child Psychology	3hrs.	Vinison
2000	8-12 a.m.TTH	Social Issues	3hrs.	Wilson
4708	8-12 a.m.MW	Intro to Sociology	3hrs.	Wilson
2000	1-5 p.m.TTH	Public Speaking	3hrs.	Wilson

WHERE TO REGISTER

Pampa: CC Pampa Center, June 17-July 3 (8 a.m. -5 p.m.)
July 8-11 (8 a.m. -6 p.m.)

Clarendon: CC, Administration Bldg. July 8-11 (8 a.m. -6:30 p.m.)

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Obituaries

Joe A. Helton
TEXICO, N.M. - Joe A. Helton, 78, died Thursday, June 20, 1996.

Services were in Hamlin Memorial Methodist Church at Farwell, Texas, with the Rev. Beth Harrington and Ken White Jr. officiating. Burial was in Llano Cemetery at Amarillo by Steed-Todd Funeral Home of Clovis.

Mr. Helton was born in Jacksboro, Texas. He grew up in Groom, Texas, and graduated from Groom High School. He married Dardanella Whatley in 1943 at Groom. He attended West Texas State University on a three-year scholarship. He later joined the Army Air Corps. He was commander of the 47th Night Bomber Squadron. He served in the Philippines during World War II and commanded the first aircraft to land at Osaka Air Force Base in Japan.

He was transferred to what is now Cannon Air Force Base and was commander of the Traine squadron. He had accumulated more than

3500 flying hours and was discharged after attaining the rank of major. He moved to Amarillo and in 1949, he and his brother bought Phillips 66 Distributing in Farwell, Texas. He was the owner and operator of Helton Oil. He was sponsor of the Helton Oilers softball team.

He was a member of Hamlin Memorial Methodist Church in Farwell and was very active on the church board. He also was a member of the Clovis hospital board. He was fire chief for the Texico-Farwell Volunteer Fire Department, former mayor of Texico and Texico Man of the Year in 1986.

He was a charter member of Farwell-Texico Lions Club. He was the Melvin Jones Fellowship recipient and held numerous other honors in Lionism. He was past district governor of the Lions Club and member of the State Eye Bank. He was one of the originators of the Farwell Country Club.

Survivors include his wife; a son, Hal Helton of Clovis;

a sister, Nettie Fields of Amarillo; two brothers, Allen Helton of San Antonio, Texas, and Carrol Helton of Borger, Texas; and two grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Cal Farley's Boys Ranch, New Mexico Girl and Boys Ranch or the Lions Eye Bank.

Summer Hours Announced
New hours are in effect for Clarendon College's Library, according to Jewel Austin, Director of Learning Resources.

The CC Library is open Monday through Friday and closed on weekends. Hours are as follows: Monday through Thursday: 12:30 - 4:30 p.m. and 5:30 - 10 p.m. Friday: 1-5 p.m. Closed Saturdays and Sundays.

White Deer Pool Manager Injured

White Deer's swimming pool manager, JoLyn Watson was critically injured after the swimming pool's hot water heater exploded.

Watson had gone to the detached basement boiler room near the pool at about 7:30 a.m. Friday to light the pilot light, which had gone out, stated White Deer's mayor, R.T. Laurie.

When she ignited a spark, built-up gas caused an explosion and flash fire over more than 50% of her body. Watson, who has served as swimming pool manager for the last two years, phoned 9-1-1 from the pool's office telephone.

She was taken to Pampa by emergency services and then flown to University Medical Center in Lubbock with second and third degree burns.

Officials have speculated that a faulty pilot light may be to blame in the accident.

Mayor Laurie stated, "It had been working just fine, and for some reason it went out. We don't know what caused it to go out".

Watson also worked for White Deer ISD as a special education assistant. She has two children, a son and a daughter. Mrs. Watson's condition is listed as critical as of Tuesday.

Memphis Native Named Director

Jewel Austin has recently accepted the position of Director of Learning Resources, according to Dr. Scott Elliott, Clarendon College President.

Austin comes to CC after serving as Circulation Librarian at Denton (TX) Public Library for the past 12 years. A graduate of Memphis High School, Austin attended CC and received her bachelor's degree in Library Science from North Texas State University. She also earned her masters in Library Science from Texas Women's University.

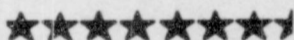
Austin is a member of the Texas Library Association, Public Library Association and the National Female Executives Group. She is the daughter of Odessa Austin and the late Pink Wesley Austin of Memphis.

LVN Clinical Instructor Named

Ethel Perez, RN, has been named as Clinical Instructor for Clarendon College's LVN program in Shamrock.

Perez has worked in the health field at St. Anthony's Hospital, High Plains Baptist Hospital and with Olsten Kimberly Care of Clarendon. Perez is a Registered Nurse at Shamrock General Hospital.

Clarendon College's Vocational Nursing program offers instruction and clinicals at multiple health care sites throughout the Texas Panhandle. A one-year program, classes are offered in Shamrock, Childress and Clarendon. For more information regarding CC's LVN program, please contact Vickie Moore, Director of Nursing at (806) 874-3571.




4th Of July Closings
Groom Grocery will close at 4:00 pm on July 4th.

The Bank and Post Office will also be closed for the 4th.

Writing Contest Deadline Nears

Tri-State Fair Writing Contest, Amarillo, Texas, deadline received by August 1, 1996. Best of Show, 1st, 2nd and 3rd cash prizes and Honorable Mention Certificates for both prose and poetry. Categories include Short Story (all

genres), Reminiscence, Article (all genres), Rhymed Poem, Unrhymed Poem and Haiku. For contest rules and info, send SASF to Cleo Smith, Literary Superintendent, P.O. Box 31087, Amarillo, Texas 79120-1087.



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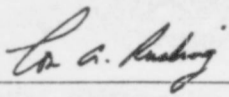
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Some Drug Addicts And Alcoholics Will No Longer Qualify For Social Security Or Supplemental Income

New legislation prohibits the payment of disability benefits under Social Security and Supplemental Security Income (SSI) to individuals whose disability is based on drug addiction and/or alcoholism. The new law affects current disability beneficiaries as well as those who file new applications for disability benefits under Social Security and/or SSI.

For individuals who are currently receiving disability benefits based on drug addiction and/or alcoholism, cash benefits, as well as Medicare and/or Medicaid coverage, will terminate on January 1, 1997. These individuals will be notified by June 28, 1996, about the change in the law. They will have until July 28 to request a review of their claim on the basis that they will still be found disabled without consideration of their drug addiction or alcoholism. Their case will be reviewed by January 1,

1997, and if drug addiction or alcoholism is still found to be the basis of their disability, benefits will be terminated as of January 1, 1997.

A beneficiary who disagrees with a decision that drug addiction or alcoholism contributes to his or her disability may appeal the decision within 60 days after receipt of the notice.

The new law applies to all applications filed on or after March 29, 1996, as well as applications which are pending as of that date. Individuals must meet the disability requirements on the basis of an impairment other than drug addiction or alcoholism.

For more information call the toll-free number 806-772-1213.

The local Social Security office is located at 125 S. Gillespie. Telephone is 806/669-1010. Office hours are 9 am until 4 pm Monday through Friday.

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The Rainmaker

Paramount Pictures 1956

At the turn of the century, they were called cloud milkers or pluviculturists. Either way, it meant "rainmaker."

Cynics compared them to "snake-oil salesmen," and admittedly most of these so-called miracle workers didn't give the art of rainmaking a good name. The more dedicated of the trade, however, were driven by a desire to transform dry prairies and drought-stricken areas into lush Edens with rain generated by artificial means.

Some of the most interesting rain experiments took place on the dry West Texas plains in Post. The town was built in 1907 by C.W. Post, the millionaire New York cereal manufacturer who owned land in Post and lived there several months a year. In an effort to supply the 3,000-plus inhabitants with a steady supply of drinking water and irrigation water, Post pioneered a technique that he called "rain battling."

Having read that some of the major battles during the Napoleonic and Civil wars were followed by rain, Post speculated that the ear-shattering noise from exploding cannons was able to shake rain from the skies. The innovative business man believed he could duplicate this phenomenon on his own ranch land.

In his first attempts in 1910, Post tried tying sticks

of dynamite to kites and exploding them at great heights. Next, he experimented with setting off dynamite charges along the edge of the Caprock escarpment, the highest point on his property.

In these rain battles, Post and his crews would fire off two pounds of dynamite every three minutes from 12 locations along the Caprock. The first episode lasted for one hour but yielded no rain. Undaunted, Post staged a bigger battle, and this time rain fell. In 1911, Post created a tumultuous event using 24,000 pounds of dynamite - eight times the previous amount. This battle reenactment produced a rainstorm that brought hail the size of "hen eggs."

Post staged a total of 21 of these rain battles at a cost of \$50,000. His attempts were about 40 percent effective. After his death in 1914, the family discontinued the rainmaking battles, calling them a waste of money.

In retrospect, modern scientists say that Post's successes had less to do with noise than with the fact that the powder released during the detonations contained certain particulates around which moisture will condense.

Today the process of rainmaking is called weather modification. The most common method is cloud seeding - the timely seeding of potentially rain-producing clouds with silver iodide.

According to the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC), this process allows the clouds to "live longer, process more

moisture and produce significantly more rainfall." TNRCC reports that seeding contributes to widespread, longer-lasting rains.

With current weather modification, scientists and meteorologists use airplanes, radar and computers to ensure maximum effectiveness.

This year's drought, reaching from the nation's Midwest into Mexico, is focusing new attention on weather modification projects; in fact, several cloud seeding efforts are scheduled to run throughout the summer in West and Southwest Texas. Oklahoma and Coahuila, Mexico, also funding large cloud seeding projects.

Three Decades Of Development

This year marks the 30th anniversary of two important milestones in the development of EMS. In 1966, a National Academy of Sciences report Accidental Death and Disability: The Neglected Disease of Modern Society, documented widespread deficiencies in emergency care. At the time, it was common for emergency patients to be transported to the hospital in vehicles operated by mortuary services and few hospitals had emergency wards staffed by doctors.

The NAS report, which revealed that the average American had a greater chance of survival in the combat zones of Korea or Vietnam than on the nation's highways, crystallized public support for the creation of the EMS system as we know it today.

Golden Spread Classic Held Over Weekend

The Golden Spread Classic was recently held in Amarillo. Several Groom FFA students attended.

Kori Brown placed first, second and third in the angus heifer show.

In the Chianina class, April Burton earned two first place ribbons and Scott Laughlin won a second place. C.J. Whitley placed third.

... returned on Saturday show two steers and placed second and third with them.

Richardsons Find Motel On Fire

Joe and Jodie Richardson ran into a little trouble in Dalhart, recently.

Daughters, Julie and Jacey were attending the Tri-State High School Rodeo finals and had just completed their first night go round when they returned to their motel and found their room filled with smoke.

Jodie entered the room to retrieve some of their belongings before the room burst into flames.

Lots of friends and acquaintances turred out in force to help the Richardson's through the ordeal. Someone sent Jacey and Julie some freshly starched jeans to wear during their second and third go rounds. An anonymous benefactor donated \$100 to replace their losses. Someone else offered them a room.

"It was really nice how everyone pulled together," stated Jodie. "We told everyone at the rodeo performance how much we appreciated their help.

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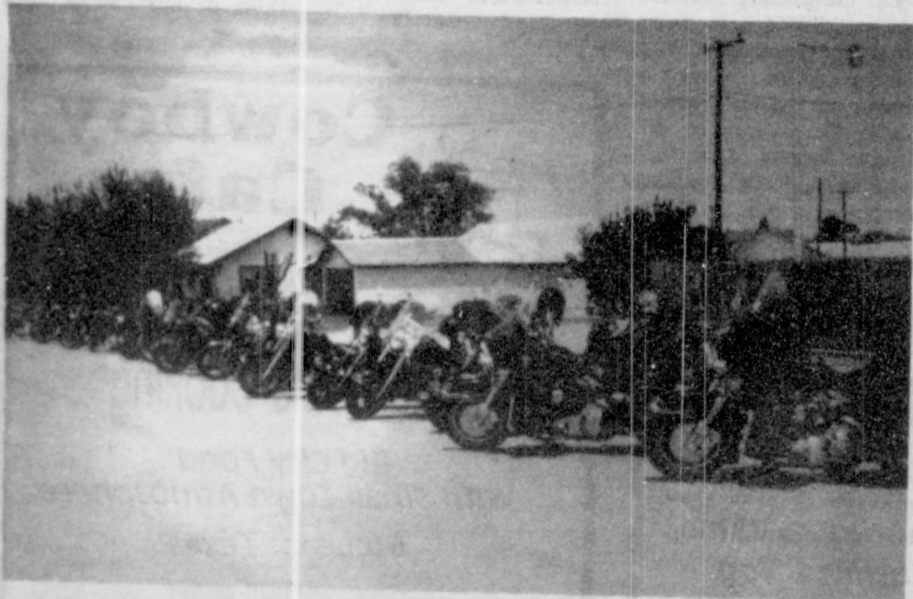
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Harley's "H.O.G." Rally, Flip Wilson Visit McLean As They Travel Route 66

By Delbert Trew
From down the Mother Road came the wandering wheels. Two by two they stepped from their magnificent steeds and entered the Museum. From almost every state, and from Canada the travelers were a part of the 50th celebration of the Harley Davidson Motorcycle Company. Called The H.O.G. Rally, the letters stood for The Harley Owners Group.

Big, little, tall, short, old, young, and in between, the riders were a delight to behold. Surprisingly, there were a lot more grey hairs showing, than you might expect. During the summer

months ahead, Harley owners, throughout the U.S. will hit the road along routes designed to let the riders get the most from their machines.

Traveling with the H.O.G. group were Michael Wallis, Pulitzer Prize winning author and his wife Suzanne, who gave lectures each night about the Route 66 area that would be covered the next day. Also present were Chris and Linda Lewis, owners of The Entertainment Group, a well known video production company. Fred Prince was also a rider. He resides in New York City where he is a chimney sweep by trade.

Fred just returned from a trip around the world. He was a traveling companion to a friend who is a paraplegic. Imagine the problems experienced in a trip of this sort. Fred said they were unloaded from air liners with everything from tow trucks to John Deere tractors, but it was a blast from start to finish.

The A.B.C. Film crew was everywhere shooting background for a feature to be aired later. The highlight of the tour was Flip Wilson. The famous comic is an avid Harley owner, and was trying to

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Barker To Play Tennis, Join The Military And Attend West Point

Jamic Barker's prowess on the tennis court landed her a spot in the next class of cadets at the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, N.Y.

Barker, a 17-year-old senior at Tascosa High School, caught the attention of a West Point recruiter, who noticed her skills during a fall high school tennis tournament and asked her to come play for West Point.

"At first I was really scared (of applying to West Point), because (entering) the military had never crossed my mind until all of this happened," said Barker, who won all-district honors in girls singles and doubles tennis categories during the Fall 1995 school semester.

"Now I'm getting used to the idea (of West Point), and I'm trying to prepare

myself, because you have to be prepared mentally and physically," she said. "Plus, the (West Point) tennis program is an NCAA Division I program, so it's going to be tough preparing for military academics and Division I tennis."

Barker, who remains one of the state's top-ranked singles competitors in girls' tennis, moved to Amarillo with her parents, Jim and Susan, from Pampa two years ago, she said. Her sister, Patsy, 21, lives in Heidelberg, Germany.

West Point cadets attend the academy on full scholarship while receiving military training and a four-year college education, Barker said. Cadets repay the U.S. government for their education by serving at least four years of active duty in the Army, where

they enter service as a second lieutenant, and serving two years of reserve duty, she said.

Barker said she hopes to pursue a career in political

science or law following her military service. She serves as editor of the Tascosa student newspaper, The Pioneer, and works as a correspondent for the Globe-News Weekly teen section, Generation Y.

Barker also serves the Tascosa student council as one of several "work-on" members, who are not elected to the council but volunteer their time to assist with its service projects, she said.

Barker said getting her education at West Point would be a "humbling experience" that will boost her leadership skills.

FFA'er Chris Flores Attends Electric Camp Sponsored By Southwestern Public Service

Chris Flores of McLean High School was among 89 FFA members who participated in the recent 34th annual FFA Electric Workshop, sponsored by Southwestern Public Service Co. in Amarillo.

The three-day workshop, held June 3-5, featured demonstrations, videos and lectures on subjects such as wiring farm buildings, assembly of electronic controls and electric safety.

"Southwestern Public

Service Company is honored to host these talented young men and women," said Greg Boggs, SPS agricultural marketing consultant. "Their success is a credit to the ag-science curriculum taught by a talented and dedicated group of teachers."

Students from the Texas Panhandle, South Plains and eastern New Mexico attended. SPS employees and area agricultural-science teachers served as

instructors. Bill Layman of McLean High School attended with his student.

Southwestern Public Service Co. is a regional electric utility that primarily provides electric service to a population of about one million people in a 52,000-square-mile area comprising eastern and southeastern New Mexico the South Plains and Panhandle of Texas, the Oklahoma Panhandle and southwestern Kansas.

Development Plan Presented To Community

A diverse group of McLean area community leaders and business people met on Monday, June 24th with Mary Blinderman from the Economic Development Office of SPS to have the Strategic Plan presented to them that was the result of a work session that the group had had several weeks ago. The Plan identified a process and goals that had been previously identified by the group that met in early June.

At this meeting, the group decided to limit its attention to a few short-term goals that will lead to a major economic development push in six months. The goals are:

1) Identify opportunities to assist existing businesses in retaining and expanding jobs. Conduct a needs

analysis of the businesses that are already here. Identify possible incentive packages that can encourage existing businesses to expand.

2) Market McLean to prospective new industries and businesses which would add jobs, products, or services to the community. Develop the Fact Book for distribution. Develop a file of information on available residential, commercial, and industrial buildings in the Community. Contact key suppliers of raw materials used by the businesses that are currently here about moving here.

3) Options will be investigated for cleanup of unsightly buildings and property.

4) A strong effort will be made to pass a 1/2 cent sales tax, (type "B") for

economic development. There was a general consensus that the money initially should go to pay a part-time economic developer, who would then start working on making the other goals on the Strategic Plan come about. Mary explained that usually the economic developer pays for himself/herself within a short time by bringing in additional businesses and revenue into town.

The Chamber of Commerce, in cooperation with the City of McLean, will be the initial instrument to work toward these goals, with the expectation that the responsibilities will be handed over to the economic development organization when it is established.

Trew's Art Work Selected

The News recently learned that a piece of Delbert Trew's artwork was selected for Wheeler County Heritage Day 1996's historical booklet.

Trew's work was selected for the front cover of the booklet. Delbert Trew is a retired rancher living on the Trew Ranch west of Alanreed, Texas. Born and

reared in Ochiltree county, he graduated from Perryton schools in 1959. He has always been an avid reader and student of the history of the old west. After retirement, he and his wife, Ruth, became serious collectors. The artifacts in their collections now number into the thousands.

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REMINDERS

U.S. REP. Mac Thornberry will hold a Town Meeting in Pampa on Saturday, June 29 at 10 am at Coronado Inn, 1101 N. Hobart.

V.F.W. POST 8565 will meet Tuesday, July 2 at 7 p.m. Important, Please be There!

Commissioner Hefley Explains Gray County Fireworks Ban

In a Commissioners court meeting held last Thursday night, commissioners revised an earlier emergency ban on the sale, use and possession of pyrotechnics (fireworks) to include only aerial fireworks. The commissioner's court has asked Governor George Bush to revise his own ban to prohibit only aerial fireworks also. They expect to have a response from him on Tuesday.

The ban was in response to severe drought conditions in the county and the increased risk of property damage by fire.

Commissioner Hefley would like to remind everyone that while the situation has improved in some areas due to the rainfall received in the last few weeks, dangerous conditions still exist. In the last week, fires have been reported on CRP land both south and north east of town. These fires were apparently started by lightning.

At press time the controversial ban was still unresolved but commissioners expect the pending litigation brought by The Texas Pyrotechnics Association to be dropped.

Local fireworks retailers have agreed to work with commissioners on the aerial fireworks ban. Aerial fireworks include sky rockets, pop bottle rockets, missile-type rockets,

helicopters, aerial spinners, roman candles, and mine shells.

A municipal fireworks display will be held just east of Pampa on Highway 60.

Odom Completes Nationwide Tour

Neal Odom, of McLean, representing the Texas Cattle Feeders Association, was one of 34 young cattlemen and cattlemen participating in a recently completed seven-day nationwide tour with the National Cattlemen's Beef Association Young Cattlemen's Leadership Conference.

The 17-year-old program is designed to develop leadership qualities in young leaders of the beef industry. The conference was co-sponsored by NCBA, the

state/breed affiliates, IBP and the Continental Grain Co.

The YCC program started in Denver with a case study conducted by the Continental Grain Co., followed by a presentation from Cattle-Fax. The group also learned first hand about the industry structure and participated in an issues management workshop.

After their stay in Denver, the group traveled across the country to see different aspects of the beef industry. Stops included Brookover Co., Reeve

Cattle Co., and Grant County Feedyard in Kansas; Chicago Mercantile Exchange, Leo Burnett U.S.A. and the NCBA Office in Chicago, Ill.; IBP, Inc., in Dakota City, Neb.; and Whitestone Farm in Aldie, Va.

While in Washington, D.C., the participants heard from key congressional, U.S. Department of Agriculture and administration leaders. They also lobbied for critical legislative and regulatory issues.

The YCC delegates also attend a Beef Day picnic on Capitol Hill for members of the House and Senate Beef Caucuses. The Beef Day event was sponsored by NCBA-PEF and the Maryland Cattlemen's Association.

NCBA President-Elect Max Deets, who traveled with the group, shared that the YCC is a great tool for training the leaders that the beef industry needs for tomorrow.

IT'S A GIRL!

Jeffery and April Pierce of Las Cruces, New Mexico are proud to announce the arrival of a baby girl named Ripley Michelle. She has a "big" sister Nichole, all of Las Cruces. She weighed 9 pounds and 4 ounces. Great-grandmothers are Minnie Erwin of McLean, Marge King of Las Cruces and Nellie Duke of Vashti, Texas. Grandparents are Grant and Pauline Pierce, and Edmond and Evonne Duke of Las Cruces, New Mexico.

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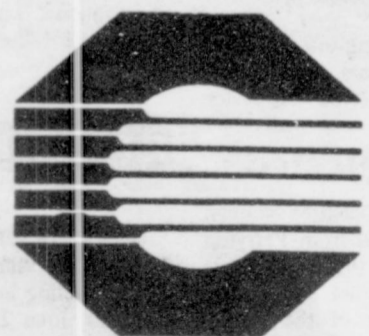
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McLean Care Center News

Sunday, Pat Andrews, pastor of the Church of Christ was here to conduct a worship service.

Residents playing bingo Monday afternoon were Teresa Richardson, M.L. Rowan, Phyllis Bailey, Sylvia McClellan, Dick Wheeler,

Lena Bailey, Eula Morrow, Vernee Bowling, Florence Drake, Hadda Moore, Thelma Hopkins, Beryl Halbert, Truman Goodlett and Annie Eudey. The volunteer helper was Betty Lowe. Bananas were furnished by the Lions Club.

Tuesday morning residents made a trip to the Devil's Rope Museum. Attending were Phyllis Bailey, Mable Dickey, Florence Drake, Helen Glass, Truman Goodlett, Thelma Hopkins, Eula Morrow, Sylvia McClellan, M.L. Rowan, Lula Sheegog, Jessie Watson, Dick Wheeler, Beryl Halbert, Vernee Bowling and Marion Turner. The residents gathered around while Delbert Trew presented them with some of the history of the barbed wire and answered their many questions. Following the tour of the museum Inez Trostle had prepared a watermelon basket of fruit for the residents. Volunteers assisting with the enjoyable outing were Lana and Tiffany Stump, and Betty Lowe. In the afternoon M.L. Rowan, Teresa Richardson and Dick Wheeler played dominos.

Wednesday the residents enjoyed the donuts furnished by Leta Mae Hess. In the afternoon the Musical Therapy was held by Betty Stewart. Residents attending were Phyllis Bailey, Florence Drake,

Loma Lou Gibbs, Thelma Hopkins, Truman Goodlett, Hadda Moore and Eula Morrow.

Thursday afternoon the residents watched a video movie, "Tammy and the Doctor" and were served popcorn. Those attending were M.L. Rowan, Lula Sheegog, Duella Beverly, Loma Lou Gibbs, Mable Dickey, Hadda Moore, Truman Goodlett, Helen Glass, Beryl Halbert, Sylvia McClellan, Phyllis Bailey, Betty McCurley and Florence Drake.

Drought Could Cost \$6.5 Billion.

The statewide economic impact of the record-setting drought for Texas agriculture could be more than \$6.5 billion, according to figures released by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

The projected direct economic loss to agricultural producers is about \$2.4 billion, said Dr. Roland Smith, associate department head for the department of agricultural economics at Texas A&M University. The remaining \$4.1 billion economic loss could result for industries associated with the harvesting, transportation, processing and marketing of agricultural and food products in the state. One in five Texas jobs depend on agriculture and agribusiness.

In 1995, sales of farm and ranch products in Texas totaled about \$14 billion. Adding the economic multiplier effect, the total impact of agriculture in the state was about \$45 billion last year.

Firm figures on the drought's devastating effects are not available because in the northern areas of the state, not all crops have been planted yet, Smith said.

Daisy's Have Watermelon Feast

The Daisy Girl Scout Troop #548 celebrated the end of school with a watermelon feast in the park on Wednesday, May 22.

Troop leader Beverly Odom and assistant Helen Taylor presented each girl their ending certificate and bridge to Brownies patch.

Financial support from the Church of Christ, Bank of Commerce and McLean Feedyard is very much appreciated. Trinity Baptist Church provided a nice meeting place for the girls who met twice a month.



(Front Row) Pictured are Brooke Seymour, Lacey Wallis, Haylee Hendrick, Kristen Odom, Seoul Chappell, Tamara Loya, Shelly Terry. (Back Row) Junior assistant Ashley Francis, Amanda Fricks, Stephanie Henson, Neci Chappell, Erin Bailey and Kay Taylor. Not pictured is Tammy Syfrett.

Pioneer Study Club

The Pioneer Study Club met in a called meeting, Thursday, June 20, 1996 in the conference room of the Lovett Memorial Library. A committee of Ruth Magee, Mary Emma Woods and Jerry Corbin had been appointed to review and update the constitution and by-laws of the club. Ruth presented the changes recommended. After some discussion, the members voted to approve all changes.

It was announced that the kick-off breakfast is to be September 7th at Snady Acres, weather permitting.

After the business meeting was concluded Mary Dwyer invited everyone to the North Forty Restaurant for drinks. Those attending were Fayette Bell Barton, Jerry Corbin, Mary Dwyer, Bonnie Neil Fabian, Mary Lou Glass, Wanda Lamb, Ruth Magee, Martha Parker, Lynn Reeves, Lezie Stewart, Jenny Stubbs and Ruth Trew.

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keep a low profile. That was impossible as everyone wanted to meet him and be photographed with him. He was polite and friendly, and very patient with all the riders.

Although most were focused on Route 66, they were amazed by the Barbed Wire Museum, and were unaware such history existed. It took three ladies to keep up with tickets as the group was responsible for the best sales day the Museum has had since the Grand Opening in 1991.

Golf Scramble

Results

These golf scramble results were from the week of June 16th.

1st: Darel Lee, Jr and Dorris Windom, Sid Lands and Clay Cooper.

2nd: Monty Joiner, Mary and Roy Richardson, Jason Thomas and David Chronister.

3rd: Bobby and Missy Richardson, Don and Michelle Basham.

4th: Bob and Janet Glass, Joy and Jess Cooper and Buddy Payne.

Twelve teams played in a two person partnership held by the McLean Golf Association on Sunday, June 23. The front nine holes were played with a scramble format with the back nine being low ball.

Results were as follows:

1st Flight:

1st place, Monty Joiner and David Hall, 68.

2nd place, Bill and Eva Terry, 69.

3rd place, Don Basham and Bob Martin, 71.

4th place, Casper Smith and Buck Lee, 74.

2nd Flight:

1st place, Missy Richardson and Mary Richardson, 75.

2nd place, (Tie) Roy Richardson and Bobby Richardson, 76; Jr. Windom and Darel Lee, 76.

3rd place, Milton Best and Sid Lands, 77.

3rd Flight:

1st place, (Tie) Bob and Janet Glass, 78; David Chronister and Reuben Flores, 78.

2nd place, Buddy Payne and Jessi Cooper, 80.

3rd place, Matt Hall and Terri Hall, 82.

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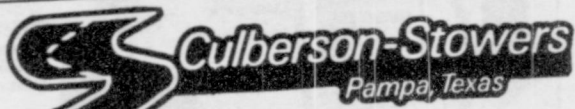
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Former McLean Resident, Kinneth Windom Passes Away

CLARENDON: Funeral services for Kinneth Millard Windom, age 82 were held on Monday, June 24th in the First United Presbyterian Church in Clarendon.

Windom died at 6:00 p.m. on Friday, June 21, 1996 at St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo following a short illness. He was born April 15, 1914 in Wheeler County, and had lived in Alanreed, McLean and Tulia before moving to Clarendon in 1946. He married Vina Adora Lofton on April 15, 1944 at Groom. She preceded him in death on October 19, 1988. He had been a carpenter much of his life and was maintenance superintendent for the

Clarendon Public Schools and for Clarendon College before retiring in 1984. He was an Elder and a member of the First United Presbyterian Church in Clarendon.

Survivors include three daughters, Annis Stavenhagen of Clarendon, Sarah Benham of Amarillo, Donna Rives of Hereford; 9 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren.

Casket Bearers were Jay Stone, Kenneth Vaughan, Ted Shaller, Jerry Kootz, Mac Stavenhagen, Tommie Saye, Jack Moreman and Lee Jackson.

The family suggests that memorials be made to the First United Presbyterian Church or the Clarendon College Library.

Lovett Memorial Library Summer Reading Club Begins July 8, 1996 In McLean

The Lovett Memorial Library's Summer Reading Club will have programs from 1:30 - 2:30 July 8-12. We will have activities, crafts, and refreshments each afternoon. Children from Kindergarten through 4th grade will be included in this program. Any child in this age group that has not registered, please come by the library and register. We will be giving certificates to each child that completes 25 books. There will be prize "bucks" for each 10 books read. At the end of the program the "bucks" can be redeemed for prizes.

In conjunction with our reading club we will also sponsor the Read•Write•Now program. Children agree to read and write 30 minutes a day for five days a week. Families may read to or with their children during this time. One day a week, children meet with a learning partner (a reader who is a family member, a teenager, a senior citizen, or a caring community member.)

Learning partners tutor children and provide extra help in reading and writing. Children who complete the eight-week program will receive a certificate and a coupon for a personal pan pizza from Pizza Hut.

Check out our new titles: Trick Shot - Jack Cummings; Promises, Belva Plain; How Stella Got Her Groove Back, Terry McMillan; Lily White, Susan Isaacs; Timepiece, Richard Evans;

Don't forget that memorials are an excellent way to honor your loved ones. They also help increase the number of new

books added to the library collection. We appreciate all donations and the support of the community. Beat the heat, curl up with a good book this summer.

McLean Rodeo Results Announced

The annual McLean Rodeo was produced by Wayne Gleghorn with the secretary being Linda Gleghorn. Don Hamilton was the announcer for the event. Pickup men were Kenneth Gleghorn and Randy Barnett. Judges were listed as Dwayne McCallister and John R. Hill. Timers being Mary Blackshear and Linda Gleghorn.

The following are results from the various events:

Bareback: Todd Bebb, Clayton, N.M., score 71; Steve Ray, Wellington, score 70; Jeremy Seay, Cheyenne, OK, 66.

Calf Roping: Todd Spitzer, Stamford, 9.56; Scott Accomazzo, Stephenville, 9.69; Jim Locke, Miami, 9.81; Miles Mixon, Dumas, 11.00; Matt Eakin, White Face, 11.10; Paul Duncan, Lindsay, OK, 12.35.

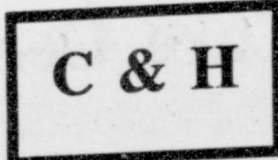
Saddle Bronc results were unclear on the fax, therefore unavailable.

Steer Wrestling: Delbert Davis, Hereford, 4.56; Rowdy Power, Dimmitt, 5.35; Mack Ford, Elk City, OK, 5.37; Vernon Whitney, Foss, OK, 5.43.

Team Roping: Tye Maben, Spur, 7.22; Guy Miller, Lubbock, 7.22; Tim McWright, 7.37; Billy Ivy, Canyon, 7.37; Royce Zyback, Briscoe, 7.60; Kenny Coyse, Dalhart, 7.60; Jim Locke, Miami, 8.03; David Christian, 8.03; Shandon Stalls, McLean, 9.03; Luke Price, 9.03; Shandon Stalls, McLean, 11.03; Luke Price, 11.03.

Barrel Racing: Raudus London, Freedom, OK, 16.10; Peggy Butler, Woodward, OK, 16.13; Sumer Leffew, Shamrock, 16.41; Kelly Garrison, Channing, 16.62.

Bull Riding: Bud Shelton, Amarillo, 72; Dustin Drake, Sayre, OK, 71; Toby Leffew, Shamrock, 64; Curtis Atwood, Pampa, 63; Steve Deleis, Borger, 63.



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It's All Trow.

By Delbert Trew
Our immediate family consists of four sons. During the college years we acquired three more adoptive type sons who were classmates of our sons. In addition we have two nephews who have stayed or worked with us down through the years. All of these young men are within six years of the same age.

All goes well if they keep scattered out across the country, but, if they all get together everyone around had best keep alert. It is impossible to take a posed photograph for just as the camera clicks, each will hold a napkin or handkerchief over their balding palettes, and innocently ask, "Is this a flash?"

Last year, during the craft auction held to defray reunion costs, a friends dog who kept barking, was sold numerous items. They made the friend pay up after the auction.

A new cousin by marriage, made the mistake of leaving his straw hat behind when he left for home. The sons soaked the hat in the bathtub overnight, placed it between two boards, piled several cement blocks on top and left it to dry. It was mailed to him, COD in a manilla envelope. He hasn't been back to visit as it was his lucky fishing hat. Oh well, some people just don't have a sense of humor.

Alanreed News

By Lena Carter
Visiting the Robert Bruce's on Thursday was Bob, Paul and Shawn Bruce and friend of Pampa.

Dixie Crockett took daughter Shawn and granddaughter to Amarillo last week to catch a plane to Dallas for Toni's check. Good news is they put off any further surgery at present.

Denna Tidwell, Nora Drago and sister Anna were in Pampa on Saturday.

Jim Bible was in Amarillo during the weekend for the usual "Prison Ministry."

Visiting the Elmer Daniels' at present is grandson Logan of Oklahoma.

Daughter Sharon was here last week to take her mother Peggy Leeder to the doctor.

Paul Bruce and friend of Pampa were at the Robert Bruce's Sunday.

4th of July

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Bible Study & Prayer Meeting Wed. 7:00 pm

Trew

The Trews helped start the Devil's Rope Museum and The Old Route 66 Museums in McLean, Texas, and each hold officer positions in both Museum Associations. The couple write and publish Quarterly Newsletters for both museums. Delbert does lectures of a historical nature, to various groups, and does freelance writing for newspapers and magazines. The Trews are best know for their "Grapes of Wrath" truck and camper, that they drive in parades up and down Route 66. They also have a full sized Chuck Wagon, and a Sheepherder Wagon, authentically equipped with all gear.

McLean Baseball Schedules

Minor League
Coach Quenton Newton
June 28 Claude #2 8:00 pm there
July 2 Groom 6:00 pm here
5 White Deer #1 7:00 pm here
9 Claude #1 6:00 pm there
12 Clarendon #2 7:00 pm here

Major League
Coach Larry Wallis
June 27 Panhandle 7:00 pm here
July 2 Panhandle 8:00 pm here
8 Clarendon 6:00 pm there
11 White Deer 7:00 pm here

Keeping an eye on Texas

West Texans pay at the pump

Texans paid an average of \$1.26 for a gallon of self-serve regular unleaded gasoline on Memorial Day weekend—a 7.7 percent jump over 1995's average in May of \$1.17. Prices in West Texas were among the highest in the state.

SOURCES:
John Sharp, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts and the American Automobile Association.

The Classifieds

Classified rates are 15¢ per word with a minimum of \$4.00. Thank you notes are \$4.00 up to 20 words. Wedding stories are printed free up to 300 words, no charge for pictures as space permits. Payment is required at time of placing the ad. Advertisers with established account may be billed on 30 day accounts. An extra charge will be incurred if tear sheets are required.

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McLean Birthday's And Anniversaries

- June 27 - Mary Bybee, Buddy Sutton.
- June 28 - Teresa Kingston, Loyce Murray, Steven Pierce.
- June 29 - Jenny Stubbs
- June 30 - Jeanette Kennedy, Clarence Pierce, Marie Fennell, Marguerite Burr.
- July 1 - Sonja Wynn, Mrs. R.A. Beverly.
- July 2 - Doug Purcell, Bill Reeves.
- July 3 - Dixie Jo Crockett.

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Political Calendar

The Groom News is authorized to present the names of the following candidates for office, subject to the Elections to be held on Nov. 5. A fee of \$35.00 has been paid by each candidate for listing in this column from now till the run-off election in April if applicable or the final election in November.

- Carson County Tax Assessor/Collector**
Roslyn Watson
- Carson County Commissioner**
Precinct 1
Mike Britten
- Carson County Sheriff**
Loren Brand
- District Attorney**
100th Judicial District
Randall C. Sims
- RUN-OFF ELECTION TO BE HELD ON APRIL 9**
Gray County Constable
Precinct 4
Frank W. Sparling
- Gray County Tax Assessor/Collector**
Sammie Morris
- Gray County Sheriff**
Don Copeland
- Carson County Attorney**
Scott Sherwood

County Receives P.I.L.T. Payment

Carson County Judge Jay Roselius informed the Carson County Commissioners, during their regular Monday morning session, that after several years of work trying to collect P.I.L.T. funds

concerning the D.O.E., Pan-tex facility, the revenue has finally arrived. The county received \$126,087.00 from the U.S. Treasury for payment for the 1993, 1994 and 1995 tax year.

According to the minutes of the June 24, 1996 meeting, the money will be distributed as follows: \$99,741.17, Panhandle ISD; \$25,565.99, Carson County; and \$779.84, Panhandle Ground Conservation District #3.

P.I.L.T. payments should be received for each year in the future. "We are extremely excited about this revenue. It is the first ever that PILT payments have been granted for Carson County," stated Roselius.

"We look forward to receiving the payments in the future. Payments were requested each year back to 1942. When the property went off of the tax rolls, payments were not approved for these years. We will continue to work on this. On behalf of our county residents, I think we can safely say we are elated to receive this funding." In other action, the Court acknowledged a request from North Texas Gas Company to use a portion of a county right-of-way to install a tap on a natural gas line. The work will be conducted in the Northwest portion of the county, east of the intersection of county road 14 and road "D". Commissioners discussed the seal coating of some county hard surfaced road. Work has been completed in Prec. #3 and #4 and should begin in Prec. #1 and #2 in the next few weeks.

The county was notified that a grant request to the Texas Department of Transportation for recycled asphalt was granted. The material will be obtained in the near future.

The retirement of J.B. Hogue from Precinct #4 was discussed by the Court. The Court expressed their appreciation to Mr. Hogue for his many years of service to the county.

Commissioners were

informed by Judge Roselius that the Texas Parks and Wildlife will no longer regulate the possession of various dangerous wild animals. The county can set up regulations for possession of the animals if needed.

In final action, the Court set the salaries for the new jailer/dispatchers which filled vacancies from the promotion and resignation of two employees. The salaries of Mrs. Randi Sullivan and Ms. Shawn Holtgrewe was set at \$14,524.80 annually.

NOTICE

Special Education Records - Held by Eastern Panhandle Cooperative, Shamrock, Texas.

Eastern Panhandle Cooperative is giving notice to destroy the Special Education records of students with disabilities (including speech) who graduated or were dismissed from Special Education between September 1987 and May 1989. These records involve students who attended the following schools:

- Alanreed ISD; Allison ISD; Canadian ISD; Clarendon ISD; Fort Elliot CISD (Briscoe and Mobeetie); Hedley CISD; Higgins ISD; Kelton ISD; Lakeview ISD; Lela ISD; McLean ISD; Miami ISD; Samnorwood ISD; Shamrock ISD; Wellington ISD; Wheeler ISD.

Parents or students have the right to obtain these records rather than have them destroyed. These records may be needed to assist in obtaining social security benefits, exemptions for college tests or other purposes. We will not destroy these records until August 5, 1996.

If you wish to have these records, please contact: Joline Wilson, Director Eastern Panhandle Cooperative 517 South Wall Shamrock, Texas 79079 (806)256-2592

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Thank You Card

Words cannot adequately express our deepest gratitude to each one who helped me when I had my accident going to the Alanreed Homecoming.

Thanks to Nelda Martin, my angel, who came along to help me when I told the Lord I had gone as far as I could; To the lady who called the ambulance and also called one of my children, while Nelda called the other one; To the man who was on his way to the Alanreed Homecoming, didn't get his name, and who was nice enough to tell my relatives, the Hill Family, about my accident; To the ones in the ambulance who took me to the hospital, I appreciated what you did for me.

Nelda, I appreciate the fact you cared enough to check on me at the hospital also. Hope to say "Thank You" in person someday.

Again, thanks to all of you for going out of your way to help a total stranger. God Bless Each of You,
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1996 Farm Bill Impact Study Scheduled

The current and potential impact of the 1996 federal farm bill upon Texas agriculture, agribusiness and rural communities will be examined during a conference in Lubbock June 27-28.

The conference seeks to help producers, others involved in agriculturally related businesses, public officials and community leaders understand implications of the recent overhaul of federal farm policy and find ways to adapt.

Deputy Secretary of Agriculture Richard Rominger and Texas Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry will address the conference.

The program at the Holiday Inn-Civic Center will be hosted by the Texas Agricultural and Natural Resources Summit Initiative. Other sponsors of the conference are the Texas Agricultural Forum, the Agriculture Program of

the Texas A&M University System, Texas Tech University and the V.G. Young Institute of Government.

"The new farm bill will require producers to make major adjustments to operate in a more market-driven system," said Bob Stallman, conference program committee co-chair and president of the Texas Farm Bureau. "By anticipating the impacts of the new farm program provisions, in part through conferences such as this, strategies can be developed to facilitate adjustments and reduce negative effects."

Changes in federal farm policies will directly impact agribusinesses and rural communities, said Dr. Kary Mathis, professor and chairman of agricultural economics at Texas Tech. One example, he said, is the effect upon agricultural lending which typically finances farmers' operations throughout the growing

season.

"Producers' borrowing ability was reduced" because of changes in farm program payments, Mathis said.

Conflicting information as the new policies go into effect is understandable, but adds to the confusion, he said. Agricultural suppliers of things such as seed, fertilizer and equipment will feel the impact of these changes, he noted. "We're still looking for definitive answers to questions raised by such changes," Mathis said.

During the conference at the Holiday Inn, Mathis will serve on a panel to discuss implications for agribusiness. Also on that panel will be Dr. John Penson, Agricultural and Food Policy Center, A&M, and Richard Gady, ConAgra, Nebraska.

Implications for foreign and domestic markets will be examined by Michael Helmer, Iowa State

University, and Robert Young, Food and Agricultural Policy Research Institute, University of Missouri.

State and farm level impacts on crops dairy and livestock will be presented by Dr. Ed Smith and Dr. Ron Knutson, Agricultural and Food Policy Center, A&M. Effects on local economic and natural resources will be examined

by Dr. Steve Murdock and Dr. Lonnie Jones, A&M.

The most critical portion of the conference will be participation of those

attending in strategy development groups to seek solutions to help manage these changes in a positive way, said Dr. Gene Nelson.

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