

The Groom News

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Jake and Vivians' new set of wheels.

People running up their water bills competing with the heat.

Leldon's sunburned head, after dancing the afternoon away at his 50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration.

Mark Bivins painting Biven's Automotive in the heat.

LaVerne Schultz recovering nicely after her stay in the hospital.

Things are slowing down at the elevators.

People are off their combines and on their tractors.

Connie Stephenson and Pat Ashford leaving for an afternoon in Amarillo.

Don Lyles mowing the lawn and Mary Sue watering flowers in "cool attire."

Pav repairing a flat at 10:30 Sunday night.

Dan Ashford mowing the lawn Saturday.

Sarah and Dan Farley of Grandbury, Tex. visiting Groom Sunday.

Phil Miller's sunburned nose after a day at the lake.

Mike Conrad practicing basketball at the gym.

Bobby Babcock working overtime at the bank.

Nila Burgin enjoying a dip in the pool.

Betty, Deanna and Denna visiting Groom.

A big crowd at Shirley and Ernest Lamberson's 50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration at the Community Center.

The Greg Lambert Family leaving for Branson, Mo.

Jerry and Nick Ashford manicuring Connie's lawn.

Mr. and Mrs. Dolan Hanna visiting in Groom Monday.

Beth Landry from Corpus Christi, Tex. visiting her mother, Ruby Milton.

Clarence Merrick Services Held Wednesday

Clarence J. Merrick, 88, died Wednesday, June 20, 1990.

Services were at 3 p.m. Sunday in Groom Church of Christ with Don Stone, minister of Church of Christ in White Deer and Kent Watson, minister of Groom Church of Christ, officiating. Burial was in Groom Cemetery by Minton-Chatwell Funeral Directors of Panhandle.

Mr. Merrick was born in Donley County, where he was also a lifelong resident. He was a retired farmer and a member of the Church of Christ of Groom where he had been a song leader.

Survivors include his wife, Pearl; daughter, Janie Lee Lewis of Crosbyton; two stepsons, J.C. Hagemann of Pampa and Mack Hagemann of Upper Lake, Calif.; a brother, Henry Merrick of Groom; three sisters, Mary Knorpp, Ivy Clark and Leta



Phillips, all of Groom; four grandchildren; four step-grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and three step-great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to the Groom Ambulance Service.

JOY Celebration Kicks Off July 4 Holiday With Breakfast

Texas People: American Pride is the theme of this year's 4th of July celebration in Panhandle. The day of activities is sponsored by the JOY organization.

Activities will start at 7:30 with the First National Bank's 7th annual 5-K and 1-Mile Fun Run and 1-Mile Walk. Participants will line up in front of the courthouse, the same place that the races end.

At the same time, a sausage and pancake breakfast will be served by the Chamber of Commerce. Serving time is from 6:30 until 9:00 in Fellowship Hall of the Methodist Church.

Line-up time is 9:00 for the 9:30 parade that starts at City Hall on the south end of Main Street and concludes a block north of the Courthouse.

The official opening at 10

o'clock will immediately be followed by the Little Prince and Princess Contests.

Parents of those contestants are asked to notice a change in the July 2nd schedule. The practice session will be held at 4:30 instead of 6:00 as previously announced.

This year's crowd will be pleased with the new comfort afforded by an awning, supplied by the

County, that will cover the "hot area" in front of the Courthouse steps.

FREE Games For Children

Contests and games are in store for children during the festivities; and there is no charge for participating in the fun.

Frogs of all sizes and jumping abilities will be

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Animal Control Officer Commends City On Controlling Dog Problem

Donna Burton, Animal Control Officer, would like to congratulate the citizens of Groom for the outstanding job they are doing controlling the dog-at-large problem. There has been a noticeable decrease in animals running loose this summer. It's so nice to be able to walk down the street in the evening and not worry about dogs chasing you. As far as we can tell by the number of dogs being picked

up, the puppy population is also down. Unwanted puppies are a tragedy. There are just not enough homes to go around. It's a terrible thing when these bundles of love and devotion must be destroyed because no one want them.

With all the hot weather, Burton reminds everyone to keep plenty of fresh water and shade available for dogs and cats alike.

Once again, thank you for your help.

Court Case Clarifies Career Ladder

The Groom Independent School District has paid nine teachers who previously qualified for career ladder level II the minimum increment of \$1,500.00. The career ladder was implemented in 1985, following legislative changes in school law, as a means of attempting to award teachers merit pay for above average performance.

The nine teachers in the Groom School District who have been placed on career ladder level II in past years are Zeldon Jenkins, Janetta Lamb, Leatrice Reck, Georgann Hinson, Pam Hutsell, Steve Hutsell, Shirley Fields, Susan Burgin and Donna Forbes.

The last legislative session attempted to modify the career ladder policies by requiring that a district set the policy and the evaluation

necessary for placement at the beginning of each school year. Teachers would then be placed according to their evaluation received during that year.

A recent court case, however, resulted in a ruling that the legislators erred in the wording of the law, with some interpretation holding that the placement should be on the current year's

evaluation and other interpretation that the placement should be based on the year just prior. Across the State of Texas, there were many different methods employed by districts attempting to comply with the law.

Advancement to level II or to level III on the career ladder will now be based on the evaluation received the prior year until the legisla-

ture meets again and attempts to change the process.

The Groom school district trustees voted in June to pay all teachers placed on level II the maintenance payments and to defer discussions of new entries onto level II or onto level III. The conclusion of the court case regarding the wording of the law and the ruling concerning the method of placement make possible further discussion of the career ladder placements.

Previously the district had one teacher on career ladder level III: Judy Babcock, who, as principal, has since become ineligible for career ladder status.

Placement on Career Ladder Level III mandates a further minimum payment of \$1,500.00 to the school employee.

17 Vying For County Title

All Carson County towns are represented in the field of 17 contestants seeking the 1990 Miss Carson County Title. The contest is scheduled to begin at 3:00.

Fran Milton, chairman of the event, is pleased with the response she had this year, especially from the social clubs in Panhandle and Groom.

The contestants and their sponsors are:

See Miss Carson, Page 12

Summer Youths Arts Registration

Continues Thru Next Week

Summer Youth Arts registration at the Square House Museum will continue through the first week in July. Although some courses are filling up, there is plenty of time to register for any one of the 6 classes being offered in Groom throughout the month of July.

Courses being offered in

Groom this year include: Bike Rodeo, Cooking, Oil Painting, Pottery, Printing/Art and T-Shirt Decorating.

Don't miss the opportunity to meet your friends, learn new and exciting crafts and make July the most exciting part of your summer vacation. Registration forms are available at the Museum in Panhandle.

Community Calendar

Persons are asked to be extra careful this July 4th due to the extremely hot temperatures and dry grass. Extra care should be taken in all firework operations.

Little Prince and Princess contest will be July 4 at the Courthouse in Panhandle.

All entrants must be the child or grandchild of a Carson County resident. There will be three age divisions: 1 yr. olds, 2 & 3 yr. olds, and 4 & 5 yr. olds. Five year olds must not have been in school.

Entry fee is \$3.50. Mail money and entries to Rhonda Willard, Box 431, Panhandle, TX 79068. No entries will be accepted after noon on July 2.

Practice will be July 3 at 6:00 p.m. at the Courthouse in Panhandle. All contestants must be present!

Anyone interested in displaying a quilt at the Community Center for Groom Day, please contact Adela Kotara at 248-7585, Connie Fields at 248-7053 or Marion Pool at 248-7286.

STATE SALES TAX

State sales tax in Texas will increase Sunday, July 1, 1990 by one-fourth percent. The Texas Legislature has added this additional one-fourth percent to the state sales tax rate to bring the new tax rate to 6-1/4 percent. Local sales tax will not change. Taxable purchases in the City of Groom will be charged a total of 7-1/4 percent sales tax.

Anyone interested in a craft booth at the Community Center for Groom Day. Please contact Sandra Britten at 248-7478 or 248-7226 or Karen Case at 248-7308.

TUESDAY GRAIN PRICES AT LOCAL ELEVATORS

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

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The story on Groom published by the Amarillo Daily News featuring the Golden Spread Grill and Ruby Denton is known to have been copied by newspapers in Lubbock, Austin, Kerrville, Weatherford, Dallas and Houston and doubtless others.

Gary, Marcia, Carrie Sue and Krisanne Davis; and Brooke Baughman enjoyed lunch and ice cream at Skeet and Eilene Brown's Sunday.

Amy Brown and Melinda Burgin attended Methodist Church Camp at Ceta Canyon last week.

Local Happenings

Mrs. Dean Burger, Mrs. Ken Burger, Jolee and Kenzi and Mrs. Bud Fields visited in the home of Mrs. LaVerna Sams in Lockney on Friday. The occasion was to celebrate Mrs. Sams' 91st birthday. Mrs. Sams is the mother of Mrs. Dean Burger.

Angie Whetstine is a patient in Northwest Texas hospital.

Lubbock Christian High School recently graduated 25 students at commencement exercises, 8 p.m. at Lubbock Christian University's Moody Auditorium.

Dondra Deloach was named salutatorian. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Meredith Kendrick.

Miss Deloach graduates with a grade average of 95.57. She plans to attend Lubbock Christian University as a pre-nursing major and eventually enter Methodist Hospital's School of Nursing.

The Groom Baptist Youth Group traveled to Dallas last weekend to attend an Evangelism Conference.

Members attending the conference were; Darcee Lyles, Aimee Lyles, Julie Lyles, Jill Howard, Chy Phillips, Seth Ritter, Harold Cave, Rhett Patterson, Heather Patterson, Misty Homen and Suzy Pool. Sponsors were Jennifer Treadwell and John Goss.

After the conference, the group enjoyed swimming at the motel. Also they went to the Dallas Galleria and enjoyed ice skating and shopping.

Richard Homer, who usually works out of his home keeping books, had to be out of town on business for about two weeks in the middle of June.

Bo Burgin and Bryan Crowell participated in the Canadian Tennis Tourney last weekend. They advanced to the semi-finals in boy's division 14 and under.

Rev. W. Pitts Davis and wife, Cindy, and daughter, Sarah, of Lubbock spent the weekend in Groom visiting Jimmy and Laura Davis.

Visiting Ruby Denton Saturday was Scottie, Frank, LeAnn and Heather Billington of Amarillo. Also visiting was Jaton Jacko of Amarillo.

Dolan and Gail Hanna of Floydada visited Jake and Vivian Lacy Monday. The four people made a trip to Pampa to visit Lee and Letha Miles. Letha is very ill with cancer. Letha was a nurse in Groom for the late Dr. Witt for approximately 20 years.

William and Floretta Neal of Amarillo and Leslie and Dora Neal of Clarendon and sons, Harold Neal of Pauls Valley, Okla. and Benny Neal of Portales, New Mex. were visiting A.D. and Ethel Neal, Nellie Ford and Bertha Knight over the weekend.

Deanna Holtcamp of Belleville and Norma Jean Homer of Groom spent last Thursday afternoon visiting with Mary Jo and Brittney Schacher in Panhandle.

Library Picnic

Approximately 30 children and adults met at the beautiful City Park last Friday evening for the annual Groom Branch Library picnic.

The highlight of the evening was having Mr. John Green, Educational Director of the Carson County Square House Museum of Panhandle, to display his trunk show of "Ranching Life." He dressed some of the children in western clothes and others had a different part.

Bertha Knight, Librarian, said "Everyone appreciated having Mr. Greene take time out of his busy schedule to bring his program to our picnic."

Cold drinks and a picnic lunch were enjoyed by all.

Diana Duckett of Amarillo and Rip and Joy Snyder visited last week in San Angelo, Texas, with their daughter Sgt. and Mrs. Truman.

Also Richey, Cory, Sean, Michele and Jonathan Richey attended the Fiesta on the Concho River.

Rip and Joy Snyder visited Mr. and Mrs. Lester Neal in Clarendon on Thursday.

Rip and Joy Snyder were Pampa shoppers on Friday.

Helen Witt returned Saturday morning from a tour of Germany, Austria and Switzerland. In Oberammergau, Germany, the group attended the passion play which is presented every ten years. It was a magnificent production with a cast of over 400. She was accompanied by her grandson, Jonathan Witt, a senior nursing student at Arkansas State University in Jonesboro, Arkansas.

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West Family Reunion Held

On Saturday, June 16, at the Legion Hall in Groom, Texas, there was a gathering of the West Clan. Four generations were represented. The day was full of visiting, pot luck dinner and music by several talented family members. A great time was had by all.

Relatives from seven states included: Blackie and Mattie Adamson, Dixie West, Pat Adamson, Bill, Mary, Steve, Amanda and Elizabeth West and Ray Adamson, David and Shelly Youree of Pampa; Juanita and Johnny Faulkner, Van and Wilona Reed, Clara Watson, Lavania Jones and Garland Reeves of Borger; Anita, Jo Dene and Billy Christy, Joyce and Olivia Reese and Linsey West of Tuttle, Okla.

John Wayne and Maxine Nelson and Daniel and Suzanne Reynolds of Clarksville, Ark.; Walter and Betty Jackson, Iva Goldsmith and Leon, Argie, Amy and Cole Goldsmith of Lefors, Tex.; Bill, Geraldine

and Dori West and Lonnie, Barbara, Clinton and Kristy West of Flagstaff, Ariz.

Henry and Barbra Goldsmith, Barby Osborn, Russell West, Eric West, Butch and Debbie Blaylock and Allen Lindsey and Neal West of Amarillo, Tex.

Harry West, Mary Ann and Brittney West of Canyon; Kenneth Reeves of Salem, Ark.; Robbie Gardner of Tulsa, Okla.; Clyde Sisco of LaVerne, Calif.

Jim Aaron, Andrew and Austin West of Victoria, Tex.; Bob and Kathy Williams of Lamar, Colo.; Dale and Sue Baker of Richmond, Tex.; Ellen Griffen of Ft. Worth, Tex.; Harvey and Wanda Prater of Oklahoma City, Okla.; Eddie, Beverly, Micah and April Adamson of Fritch, Tex.; Jack, Janeane and Andrea Quarles of New Braunfels, Tex.; Troy, Evonda, Stephanie and Rachel West of McLean, Tex.; Dwight, Brenda, Amy, Alicia and Mike Durham of

Denton, Texas.

Tony Barrett of Grove, Okla.; Jamie Barrett of Jay, Okla.; Nicholas Barrett of Muskogee, Okla.; Dwayne and Glenda West of Erick, Okla.; Brady Quarles and Angie Quarles of Hallettsville, Tex.; Barbara, Keli and Macee Schulte of Nazareth, Tex.; Kenneth and Michelle West of Albuquerque, N.M.; Debbie West of Lubbock, Tex.; Tommy, Dee Ann, Tony and April West of White Deer, Tex.; Kristi Jackson of Georgetown, Tex.; Shirley and LouAnne Culver of Salado, Tex.; Hiram, Darendra and Bret Begert of Allison, Tex.; Rodney, Margaret, B.J. and Mandy Hardin of Llano, Tex.

Bob, Debbie and Brandon Quarles of Wharton, Tex.; Robert, Carolyn and Vicki West and Jack and Betty West of Groom, Texas.

Friends coming to visit were: Tawna Hancock, Justin Harris, Essie Knowles, Pat Pool and Mel Prather of Groom; Elton and Maggie Johnston and Jo Blaylock and Ryan of McLean, Tex.; Jerry Quarles of Pampa, Tex.; Rick Quarles of Lefors, Tex.; Deb Moorhead of Grove, Okla.; Clara Hill of Erick, Okla.; Jan Dunaway of Amarillo, Tex.; Ted Jam and Becky Pachart of Kalispell, Montana.

4-H Fashion Show

The Carson County 4-H Fashion Show will be Friday, June 29th at the First United Methodist Church in Panhandle. The judging will begin at 1:00 p.m. and the public fashion show will begin at 3:00 p.m.

The public is encouraged to come and view the accomplishments of these 4-H'ers and enjoy refreshments.

The theme for this year's event is "Moonlight Fantasy."

Fourteen 4-H'ers have been working on clothing projects, and this contest will conclude their projects.

The winners of this county contest will advance to the district contest to be held at Borger in July.

Big 5

Horse Show

Held In Claude

Landi, Casey and Evan Friemel of Claude, grandchildren of Ted and Mary Lee Friemel, participated in the Armstrong County Big 5 Horse Show held recently in Claude.

Landi placed second in the 12-14 age bracket of the Showmanship Class and third in 9-13 age bracket of the Hunter Showmanship Class.

Casey placed second in the showing of grade mares, third in the 12-14 age bracket of western riding and fourth in the reviewing class.

Evan took a second place in the Peewee age bracket of the barrels competition.

James Family

Reunion Held

In Groom

Families from four different states (Texas, Oklahoma, Nebraska and Kansas) all traveled to Groom this last weekend for the 1990 James Family reunion. A total of 47 people were welcomed into the homes of Ruth James, Steve Anthony, Dale Brooks all of Groom and G. W. James of Pampa. On Saturday, the families gathered for a wonderful meal at the Community Center prepared by Sharlene Lewis and Charlotte Whatley.

After getting our "belly full," we enjoyed lots of visiting, bingo, horseshoes, volleyball, swimming and a picnic to Palo Duro Canyon. The group then returned Sunday morning for breakfast.

At 10:00 a.m. everyone was giving their hugs away and saying goodbye for everyone was on the road again until next time.

Eschle On Dean's Honor List

Erin Kate Eschle received notification from the University of Texas at Austin that she was on the Dean's Honor List for the spring semester.

The Honor List includes students who have completed twelve or more hours with a grade-point average of 3.5 or higher. Erin Kate completed sixteen hours with an average of 3.627.

Erin Kate is a member of Delta Gamma National Sorority where she holds an office and also competes on the sorority basketball team. She is an active participant in Campus Crusades for Christ where she is a small group leader and member of the music directing team.



GROOM BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

June 30-Don Smith, Mrs. W. Max Wade, Mrs. R.J. Kuehler, Mrs. Arnold J. Kuehler, Mr. and Mrs. John B. Koetting, Gregory P. Eatmon

July 1-James Ledwig, Clifton H. Britten, K.E. (Buster) Schultz, Jr.

July 2-M.B. Bolden, Michael Anthony Lewis

July 4-Gregory G. Britten, Mrs. Henry B. Merrick, Gene Wade, Stacy Jean Fields

July 5-T. C. Sustaire, Isaac Baggerman

July 6-Donald E. Conrad, Jerry Lynn Thornton, Micah Helton, Judy Miller, Nellie Painter

THANK YOU

We want to thank everyone for their support during these last few months and during the final illness and death of our husband, father and grandfather. Your prayers, phone calls, cards, flowers and food brought in helped so much. Groom community certainly does take care of its own. You are all so special and we love you.

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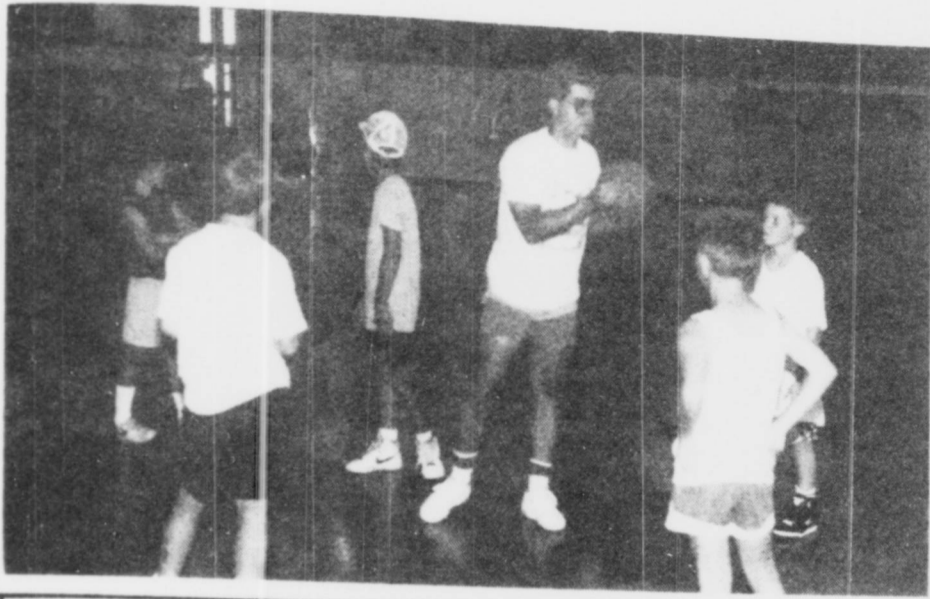
7:00 p.m. and Sunday, July 1, 1990

Dedication Service at 11:00 a.m.

Former Pastor, Rev. Barry Bradley of Muleshoe

Fellowship Lunch at 12:00 p.m.

Public Encouraged To Attend



Basketball Clinic Held

Coach Jay Lamb held a Basketball Fundamentals Clinic at the Groom School Gymnasium for 4th, 5th and 6th grade boys last week.

Areas of instruction included passing fundamentals, dribbling fundamentals, shooting, individual offense, individual defense and videotape sessions. Every child received a camp T-Shirt. Also awards were presented. Coach Lamb was unavailable for details.

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Increase Attendance At Pool

There has been lots of activity around the Groom Pool the last few weeks. Record breaking temperatures have increased attendance during regular swimming hours, Tuesday-Saturday, 1:00:6:00 p.m.

Lifeguards Lesa Sweatt and Melinda Burgin claim that there has been several days with 40 plus swimmers.

Donna Burton, Pool Manager, says that children aren't the only ones that know how to beat the heat. The Ladies Exercise Class has really been the largest increase. The classes have increased so much that the ladies really "work out."

Exercise classes are held Tuesday-Friday at 6:00 p.m. Burton recommends that you contact any of the 20 or so ladies that attend and ask about the benefits of the

class. The Mens Exercise Class has been slow to take off. Those who attend are very devoted. Although the class is not as structured as the ladies class, it does offer a low stress regular exercise program.

Mornings at the pool are just as busy as evenings. Swimming lessons started Tuesday, June 19th. Two beginners classes and one advanced class were held. There are also private swimming-lessons in session and physical therapy programs for the handicapped. Also private parties and birthday parties are held at the pool.

Lesla, Melinda and Donna invite everyone to come down and cool off! They have a class for everyone.



SALES TAX

State sales tax in Texas will increase Sunday, July 1, 1990 by one-fourth percent. The Texas Legislature has added this additional one-fourth percent to the state sales tax rate to bring the new tax rate to 6-1/4 percent. Local sales Tax will not change. Taxable purchases in the City of McLean will be charged a total of 7-1/4 percent sales tax.

Kenneth Cody Honored

Kenneth Charles Cody, mechanical engineering major at Texas Tech was honored for outstanding achievement for undergraduates who are 25 years old or older.

Each college nominated two senior-level students who best met the demands of academic excellence and a successful home life.

Kenneth is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cody of

Brownfield, Tex. He is the grandson of the late Carl and Helen Homer of Groom.

Kenneth graduated fourth in the Mechanical Engineering spring graduating class. His wife, Charlie, graduated in the top 20 percent of the Marketing Class in January 1990. Both are working on their Master Degrees. Kenneth is studying Civil Engineering and Charlie is studying Marketing.

NOTICE

A \$1000.00 fine for tampering with emergency equipment (fire sirens).

Violators will be prosecuted.

City of Groom

Public Notice

TO ALL FORMER AND CURRENT INTRASTATE WIDE AREA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICE (WATS/800) SUBSCRIBERS:

Southwestern Bell Telephone Company has instituted a Class Action Lawsuit seeking judicial approval of a settlement reached in Docket No. 7297, an inquiry of General Counsel of the Public Utility Commission of Texas into possible overcharges which occurred between September, 1976, and February, 1987, due to rounding practices, on bills of intrastate WATS/800 customers sent by Southwestern Bell and other telephone companies which concur in Southwestern Bell's tariff. The suit is styled "Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, Plaintiff, vs. MCI Telecommunications Corporation, A Member of the Class of Texas Intrastate WATS and 800 Service Customers Who Paid Overtime Charges From September 1976 Through February 1987, Defendant," and identified as Cause No. 471,460 in the 126th Judicial District Court of Travis County, Texas.

Pursuant to the settlement, while not admitting liability, Southwestern Bell, the other local exchange telephone companies in Texas, and AT&T Communications of the Southwest, Inc. have agreed to pay refunds to those WATS/800 customers who paid overtime charges attributable to the rounding practices for intrastate WATS/800 services at any time between September, 1976, and February, 1987. The refunds will be based upon either the actual or estimated amount of overtime charges attributable to such rounding practices. An exact refund will be determined for customers able to produce copies of their WATS/800 service bills. For customers who do not have copies of their WATS/800 service bills to establish actual overtime charges paid, an average refund of \$4.53 to \$5.95 per WATS/800 service line per month will be applied. All claims will be subject to verification. The refunds will also include interest at the rate of 7.80% per annum.

Claim Forms And Additional Information

Those customers who think they may be entitled to a refund or who desire more information must call 1-800-782-3026, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, or write to WATS Refund Pool Administrator, One Bell Plaza, Room 670, P. O. Box 650376, Dallas, Texas 75265-0376, to request a WATS Refund Information Package. The WATS Refund Information Package will contain further information regarding the lawsuit and eligibility for a refund, a description of documentation required to support a customer's claim for refund, and a refund claim form to be filled out and submitted requesting a refund. REQUESTING A WATS REFUND INFORMATION PACKAGE DOES NOT OBLIGATE YOU IN ANY WAY.

All claims for a refund must be received by the Refund Pool Administrator by Friday, October 5, 1990, and all rejections of the settlement (that is, requests for exclusion from the class action lawsuit) must be received by the Court by Wednesday, September 5, 1990. Only those who respond by filing a claim or by filing a rejection of the settlement, as explained in the WATS Refund Information Package, will receive notice of future developments in this proceeding.

Persons who wish to obtain further information may also contact the Public Utility Commission, Public Information Division, at (512) 458-0257 or (512) 458-1221, teletypewriter for the deaf.

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A course in hunter education has been scheduled for Saturday, July 21st from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday, July 22nd from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. in the Groom High School Agriculture Classroom in Groom, Tex.,

according to Fred Britten, Hunter Education Instructor.

"According to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department's mandatory requirements, starting September 1, 1989, those persons whose date of birth is during the period September 2, 1971 through August 31, 1973, must have successfully completed the course in

order to hunt in Texas. Effective September 1, 1990, the age group affected will be those whose date of birth is during the period September 2, 1974 and so on. By September 1, 1993, all hunters born on or after September 2, 1971, must have successfully completed the course to hunt in Texas. However, any individual

may take the course on a voluntary basis and is encouraged to attend regardless of requirements," according to Fred Britten.

"The course is open to adults and youngsters and will include instructions in rifle, shotgun and bow hunting handling and safety; outdoor responsibility and ethics; laws and regulations; conservation; hunting tradi-

tions; wildlife identification; field care of game; wilderness first aid and survival," Fred Britten added.

Students 12 years of age and older successfully completing the course will be issued a hunter education certificate from the Parks and Wildlife Department. Those less than 12 years of age will receive a certificate of attendance, but must take the course again for proper certification.

Instructors for the course

will be Charles Burk and Fred Britten. Students will need to have \$5.00, their social security number and have a parent or guardian signature at time of registration.

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Obituaries...

EARL D. DAVIS

Earl D. Davis, 61, died Sunday, June 24, 1990 in Amarillo.

Services were at 10 a.m. Tuesday in Central Baptist Church with the Rev. Norman Rushing, pastor, the Rev. Gene Allen, pastor of Briarwood Church, and Allan Thompson of East Texas Baptist University in Marshall officiating. The casket was closed during the service. Burial was in Fairview Cemetery by Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors.

Mr. Davis, born in Lakeview, moved to Pampa in 1933. He married Ruby Ruddick in 1973 at Pampa. He was a station manager of radio station KPND for about 28 years and was the "voice" of Pampa Harvester athletics for many years. He was a member of Central Baptist Church, where he served as a Sunday school department director. He also was a board member of the Friends of the Library and was a founder of "Howdy New Neighbor," a welcoming service for newcomers to the Pampa area. During the post-World War II and Korean War eras he served in the U.S. Air Force and the U.S. Army. He was a former pitcher for the Pampa Oilers and a former president and board member of the Pampa Satellite Center, which is now the Pampa Sheltered Workshop.

Survivors include his wife; three daughters, Roena Stone of Riverton, Wyo., Lorie South of Fort Worth and Jana Thompson of Marshall; a son, Randy Ruddick of Thornton, Colo.; his stepmother, Roxie Davis of Durant, Okla.; two sisters, Wanda Moore of Amarillo and Sylvia Threatt of San Antonio; a brother, Darrel Davis of San Antonio; nine grandchildren; and an aunt, Ruby Milton of Groom.

The family requests memorials be to Central Baptist Church Senior Adult Building Fund or the American Cancer Society.

PAUL J. MILLER

Paul J. Miller, 67, died Thursday, June 21, 1990, at Pampa.

Services were at 2 p.m. Saturday in First Baptist Church at McLean with Rev. Norman Rushing, pastor of First Baptist Church, Pampa, officiating. Burial was in Hillcrest Cemetery at McLean by Lamb Funeral Home of McLean.

Mr. Miller was born in Sicily Island, La.; moved to Pampa from McLean in 1983. He graduated from McLean High School in 1942. He was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II. He married Jo Ann Howard in 1947 at McLean. He retired in 1988 from Royal Oil and Gas after 40 years service. He was a member of Central Baptist Church, Pampa.

Survivors include his wife; a son, Dana Miller of Miami; two daughters, Diann Baggerman and Delynn Garnett both of Pampa; a sister, Mrs. Wes (Melba) Langham of Amarillo; and nine grandchildren.

RENA ETHEL REID

Rena Ethel Reid, 85, died Friday, June 15, 1990, in Borger.

Services were held in the Claude Church of Christ with Bob Setliff, minister officiating. Burial was in Citizens Cemetery at Clarendon.

Mrs. Reid, born in Caddo Mills, moved to Clarendon from Caddo Mills at an early age and then to Armstrong County in 1930. She married Lloyd Leonard Reid in 1925 at Clarendon. He died in 1980. She was a homemaker and a member of the Claude Church of Christ.

Survivors include a daughter, La Nelle White of Borger; a son, Bill R. Reid of Lamesa; a sister, Oma Watson of McLean; six grandchildren; six great grandchildren; and she is the aunt of Earl Barker of Groom.

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The 62nd Annual Texas State FFA Convention will be held in Lubbock July 10-13.

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Everyone will also be able to see the presentation and recognition of the top FFA members in the State in all areas of the FFA program.

Many people attend the convention to witness the presentation of scholarships. Ten scholarships are from the San Antonio Livestock Show at \$10,000.00 each, fifty scholarships from the Houston Livestock Show at \$8,000.00 each. Also \$4,000.00, \$12,000.00 and \$1,000.00 Scholarships total to more than \$540,000.00 and will be awarded to students entering Texas Colleges and Universities this fall.

The McLean Chapter is making every effort to be represented at the convention. Also they are expecting four or five members to attend with Bill Layman. Please contact Bill if you are a FFA member and can attend.

Obituaries

FLOYE REAGOR

Services for Floye Reagor, 79, of Lubbock were at 1 p.m. May 20, 1990 in Resthaven Chapel with the Rev. John Ballard, associate pastor of First Baptist Church, officiating.

Burial was in Resthaven Memorial Park under direction of Resthaven Funeral Home, Lubbock, Texas.

She died May 18, 1990 at her residence in Lubbock.

She was born in McLean and moved from Amarillo to Lubbock in 1954. She married Virgil Reagor on Oct. 5, 1935. He died Dec. 24, 1969. She was a member of First Baptist Church.

Survivors include two sons, James E. Hall of Lubbock and Thomas D. Reagor of Dallas; a stepson, James L. Reagor of Colo.; five sisters, Fern Serra and Marie Carruth, both of Lubbock, Mildred Grigsby of Shawnee, Okla., Vivian Grigsby of McLean and Madge Mead of Pampa; six grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers will be Ray Golden, Arnold Maeker, Dwight Blair, Blant Hanks, E.F. Arterburn and Dalton Blevins.

Lifelong Resident Mildred Giesler

Buried Saturday

Mildred Giesler, 71, died Wednesday, June 27, 1990.

Services were at 11 a.m. Saturday in First Baptist Church with the Rev. Jeff Messer, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Hillcrest Cemetery by Lamb Funeral Home.

Mrs. Giesler, born in McLean, lived in the McLean and Alanreed areas all of her life. She attended schools in McLean and Alanreed areas all of her life. She attended schools in McLean and Alanreed and graduated from Alanreed High School in 1935. She married L.F. Giesler in 1947 at McLean. He died in 1977. She was a homemaker and a member of First Baptist Church.

Survivors include two daughters, Betty Littlefield of McLean and Martina Hergenrother of Midwest City, Okla.; a son, Ray Dilbeck of Lubbock; a brother, Judson Tibbets of Albuquerque, N.M.; seven grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.



Tres Hess Selected To 6 Man All-Star

McLean's Tres Hess has been selected to play in the Texas 6-Man All-Star Football game scheduled for 8 p.m. July 21 in Stephenville. He was an all-district line-backer and running back for the Tigers.

REMINDER!

MCLEAN COMMUNITY
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County Extension Agent Donna Brauchi will be at the Lovett Library in McLean on Friday, July 6 from 10:00 a.m. to noon to test pressure canner dial type gauges, provide food preservation information, and answer questions. Please help pass the word.

McLean Drill Team Performs For Public



The McLean Drill Team finished their week of drill camp with great success. They ended their camp with a performance Thursday night in the gym. They performed three of the seven routines that they learned in the camp.

The girls pictured were present for the performance; First Row: Stacy Holland, Kathy Wyatt, Sheri Jasper, Becka Winebrenner, Brandy Melton, Ronda Gass; Second Row: Natasha Simmons, Missy Young, Mindy Magee, Lee Erin Stubbs, Peggy Adams and Monica Layton. The following girls could not be present for the performance; Heidi Syfrett, Kisha Rigbsy, Julianna Crockett, Misty Riley, Lisa McClellan and Jennifer Comer.

Farmers Say Farm Bills Lacking In Key Area; Amendments Needed

Members of the Senate Agriculture Committee may have anticipated a respite from farm bill debate after the committee wrapped up its version of the bill during a late-night session Thursday. But by early Monday morning, dozens of farmers were already barnstorming Capital Hill telling the Members what they like, and don't like, about the legislation.

The National Farmers Union members say now that the House and Senate versions of the new 5-year farm program are ready for floor debate, they want a series of amendments

attached to the bills that would enhance commodity prices.

One such amendment would raise farm program loan rates. During a briefing session Sunday, NFU President Leland Swenson said higher loan rates would not only enhance farm income by raising market prices, but would save the government money in deficiency payments. "The argument against raising loan rates is that it would make us uncompetitive in world markets," said Swenson. "But, the market price of some commodities is already below the world

price, and we have the Export Enhancement Program to help us maintain and build market share."

During the committee mark-up stage, NFU had pushed for farm bill language that would raise loan rates, and repeal the so-called "Findley Amendment," a provision of the 1985 Food Security Act, which authorizes the Secretary of Agriculture to lower loan rates by as much as 20 percent per year. Both agriculture committees modified their versions of the Findley proposals during the debate.

The Farmers Union

members are also asking that farm program target prices be indexed to inflation. "Without indexing, and with the freeze in target prices that's in the legislation now, farmers will get further and further behind over the life of the bill," said Swenson. The NFU president pointed to Congressional Budget Office statistics indicating that for net farm income per farm to remain at 1988 levels under a support price freeze, 500,000 farms could be forced to leave the sector. "The pie will simply get smaller and smaller and smaller." See Farm Bill, pg. 10

Attends Area FFA

Leadership Conference

J. T. Haynes, Holly Hefley and Tanner Hess along with Ag Science teacher Bill Layman attended the Area I FFA Leadership Conference at Clarendon College, June 18-20.

All of the students that attended will be officers of the McLean Chapter next year. The training they receive will help them lead the Chapter in many activities in the upcoming year.

The sessions will lead the Chapter in many activities in the upcoming year.

The sessions are lead by the area officers team and include topics in chapter operations, motivation, leadership, chapter meetings, dress, conduct and etc. But the important thing if that everyone had a good time, met new friends and really enjoyed themselves.



This week's Old 66 story was related to me under the condition that all names be withheld.

It seems the wife finally talked her husband into a weekend visit to her relatives in eastern Oklahoma. He agreed to leave after work on Friday, driving all night in their pick-up camper. That way if one got sleepy there was a bed in back for a nap. About 10:00, the husband got sleepy, stopped, climbed in the back, removed his pants and boots, and went to sleep. The wife was driving down Old 66 through a small town, when a hot rodder ran a red light. She hit the brakes, swerved sharply to miss him and threw her husband out of bed. He went to the door, opened it to see what had happened. She

NOTES & TALES from OLD ROUTE 66

by D. Trew

stepped on the gas and dumped him out in the street-no pants, no boots, at 11 o'clock at night. He was running to catch her, when the local sheriff's lights caught him. A brief embarrassing explanation followed and they left in pursuit of the unknowing wife. When they caught up with her, she wouldn't stop until the sheriff pulled up beside her and her husband rolled down his window and shined a flashlight on his face. The woman was so shocked she ran off the road and knocked the front end from under the pick-up. After wrecker, parts and repairs, motel and food expense, our Old 66 story ends, with the husband's statement of never leaving home again.

Don't forget to tell me your story.

Medical Care Fund

Established For Pam Phillips

A fund has been established at the Amarillo Federal Credit Union, Pampa Branch, to help pay medical expenses for Pam Phillips, who was recently diagnosed with cancer.

Pam, an employee at Coronado Hospital, is a single mother who is the sole support of her 11 year old son. She has been a patient at St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo for the last several weeks.

Friends of Mrs. Phillips have established the fund to offset medical expenses, and to help pay living expenses for the family while she is unable to work. Pam is expected to be off work for 6 months to a year.

Anyone who wishes to donate to the fund should designate the check for Pam Phillips Fund, and mail to Pampa Branch Amarillo Federal Credit Union, 1064 N. Hobart, Pampa, TX 79065.

McLean Care Center News

McLean Care Center extends their deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Mildred Giesler who passed away Wed. June 27th at the Care Center. Mildred will truly be missed.

We are happy to report Ida Shull has returned home from the hospital.

Nola Crisp is in the

Wheeler Hospital, we wish her a speedy recovery.

Several residents attended Sunday school in the morning. In the afternoon, Sunday Bro. Claude Peach, pastor of the Pentecostal church was here to conduct services.

Residents working in crafts Monday morning were

Annie Eudey, Lillie Knox, Monnie Matthews, Teresa Richardson, Adelle Walker, Lucille Cullison, Kittie Hessey, Leon Burch, Ruby Ayers and Mattie Wheeler. In the afternoon Lena Bailey, Bertha Smith and Sylvia McCracken were here to assist the following residents in Bingo: Ruby Syers, Adelle Walker, Dick and Mattie Wheeler, John Meyers, Eula Morrow, Mary Helen Boston, Teresa Richardson, Mary Sliagar, Earl Tolleson, Kittie Hessey, Clyde Trusty, Monnie Matthews, Leon Burch, Thelma Hopkins. Bananas were furnished for all bingo players by the Lions Club.

Tuesday the following residents worked in crafts: Adelle Walker, Imogene King, Leon Burch, Lucille Cullison, Teresa Richardson, Ruby Ayers and Annie Eudey. In the afternoon Eula Morrow, Teresa Richardson, Imogene King, Mary Helen Boston, Leon Burch and Adelle Walker played dominos.

Wednesday afternoon members of the Pentecostal church were here for a Sing-A-Long.

Thursday morning the residents enjoyed the donuts furnished by Leta Mae Hess. In the afternoon the following residents attended our current events program: Dick and Mattie Wheeler, Thelma Hopkins, Lucille Cullison, Teresa Richardson, Stella Gibson, Kittie Hessey, Lucy Skipper, Leon Burch, Lillie Knox and Pauline Miller. Following the session refreshments were served and Kittie Hessey sang a solo and led us in a Sing-A-Long.

Local Happenings

Jason Bible from Colleyville, TX is visiting grand parents James and Pat Barker over the 4th of July weekend.

Masters-Rhodes Married Saturday

Elsie Masters and Steve Rhodes were married Saturday afternoon at St. Stephen United Methodist Church. The Rev. Tom Mills and the Rev. Jim Smith officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley W. Masters, Sr. of 3802 Deann. Parents of the groom are Mr. and Mrs. Travis R. Rhodes of Rockwall.

Matron of honor was Toni Masters, sister of the bride, of Amarillo. Maid of honor was Jodi Cleland of Bakersfield, Calif. Bridal attendants were Mrs. Wes Masters Jr., sister-in-law of the bride, and Amy Rathbun, both of Amrillo, Elizabeth Baum of Arlington, Va., Robyn Greb of Lubbock and Jennifer Zimmermann of Los Angeles.

Best man was Terrell Eubanks of Rockwall. Groomsmen were Wes Masters Jr., brother of the bride, of Amarillo, Scott Railsback of Garland, Jon Rickenbacher of Dallas, Brad Burgamy of Rockwall, Blake Morris of Galveston and Kyle Lofland of Houston.

Ushers were Matt James and Jeff James, cousins of the groom of Wills Point and Matt McWhorter of Carrollton.

Flower girl was Rachel Masters, niece of the bride, of Amarillo. Ring bearer was



Will Masters, nephew of the bride, of Amarillo. Candlelighters were Amanda James, cousin of the groom, of Rockwall and Eric Tate, cousin of the bride, of Houston.

The bride received her bachelor of science degree in merchandising from Texas Tech University in Lubbock.

She is a member of Zeta Tau Alpha women's fraternity. She is a 1990-91 provisional member of the Junior League of Amarillo.

The groom received his bachelor of science degree in physical education from Texas Tech. He teaches and coaches in the Alvin Independent School District.

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Back Family Descendants Hold Reunion

The descendants of John David and Emma Von Back, who had moved from Collin County East Texas to Gray County in the Panhandle of Texas in 1904, met Saturday afternoon June 30, 1990 in the Church of Christ Annex for a reunion. It was the first reunion this group had been able to get-together in about 4 years.

There were two surviving sons, Johnnie Back from Richardson, TX and Jack Back from Pampa, TX present. Vera Back, widow of Jim Back was present. These three early pioneers made this a very special reunion.

A delicious lunch was catered by the local Cowboy restaurant and desserts were furnished by the local ladies of the Back heritage. A short program of the move to the Panhandle and their early days was presented. The south wall of the annex was decorated with the names of the ten children of J.D. and Emma Back. Pictures of very early days of each family was brought by the descendants and was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone present.

A beautiful bouquet was sent by T.B. and Gwen Masterson from Dallas since they were unable to attend. They received several regrets from relatives that were unable to attend.

Out of town guests were: Johnnie Back from Richardson, TX, Jack and Iva Back from Pampa and Vera Back from Wheeler, Frankie Bolton and Clara Dowis from Childress, Ruby Douseette from San



front Row, left to right: Vick Back, Joe Back, J.D. Back, Emma Back, Jack Back; Middle Row, left to right: Ollie Back, Charlie Back, Viola Back, Bud Back, Nora Back; Top Row, left to right: Johnnie Back and Jim Back

Bernardino, CA, Robert and Dot Dowis and their son Dan from Irving, TX, C.D. Dowis from Eastland, TX, Lorraine Clark from Carter, OK., Lockett and Mary Lou Back from Carter, OK, Doris and Ronald Smith from Lawton, OK, Jim and Teresa Back

from Houston, Dani Miller and daughter Morgan from Lubbock, TX, James and Necia Cobb from Ft. Worth, TX, Floyd and Artie Riley from Ontario, CA, Ector Watson from Stigler, OK, L.M. Watson and Barbara Farmer from Dallas, Ryan Mayces and Lauren Mayces from Killeen, TX, Joe Sherman and Jo Ann Crockett from Overton, NV, Rex and Arlene Back from Stinnett, TX, Lana Gay Winkler and daughter Arlette from Stinnett, TX, Jack and Cordelia Back and their two sons Tyson and Justin from White Deer, TX,

Wayne and LaVaughn Back from Dumas, Rebecca Mota and her two daughters, Yochitl and Stephanie from Tucson, Johnny Reed and Martha Back and their son J.R. and daughter Sara from Gretna, LA, Tommie and Mary Ann Hale from Midland, TX, Richard (Sonny) and Jean Back from Oklahoma City, OK, Billy and Leslie Bennett and their two daughters Erin and Emilie from Brenham, TX, Bill and Lynna Crockett and their daughters Kye and Keli from Kelton, TX, also Andrea Thrash, friend of Keli from Arkansas, Larry

and Margaret Back from Miami, TX, Greg and Diane Estes and daughter Savannah, Ambler and Ashley from Mobeetie, Johnnie Lee Day from Dallas, Don and Pia Woods from Midlothian, TX, Alan and Teresa Eubanks of Plainview, Charles and Flonell Henderson of Amarillo, Bryan and Tanya Tate and son Jeremy and daughter Ashley from Borger, TX, Debbie Henderson and son Dustin from Borger, TX, Mark and Kathy Henderson and son Matt from Borger, TX, Doug and

Theresa Richards and son and Chad Richards from Santa Fe, N.M.

Attending from McLean were: George and Louise Watson, Oleta and Willie Harris, Cecil and Gelemma Back, Ruby Back, June and Mary Emma Woods, Avalee Crockett, David and Fern Woods, Kyle Woods, Marjorie Turnage, Oma Watson, Charlie Marie Shurley and Johnny and Anita Day.

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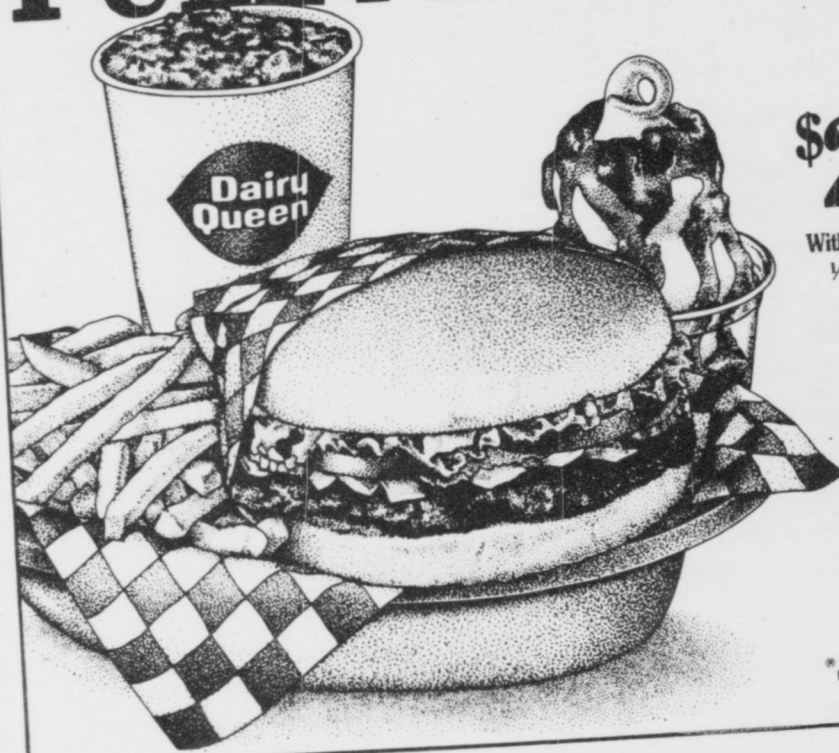
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McLean Briefs

Teresa Richardson spent the night at the Texas Motel with her son, Virgil Richardson and daughter-in-law, Joenelle. The following morning they had breakfast at the Cowboy Cafe and then journeyed to the War Memorial Building in Panhandle for a family reunion. Also visiting Teresa were James Earl Richardson and family.

Pat Barker attended the Wellington open tennis tournament. Patsy Barker won first place in High School division. Jamie Barker and partner placed in Jr. High doubles.

Frank Simpson had bypass surgery at St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo last Saturday and he is resting comfortably.

Alanreed News

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Trammel and children from Amarillo visited here Saturday. Mrs. Trammel was formerly a teacher at Alanreed.

R. L. Leeder was in Clarendon on business last week.

Clementine Albarado underwent neck surgery in Amarillo this week.

Visiting the Robert Bruce home over the weekend and attending the First Baptist Church was Paul and Shawn Bruce of Pampa.

Duane Curves of Lamesa visited Alanreed over the weekend.

Visiting the Hartley Davis Family last weekend was Mr. and Mrs. J.H. Wetsel of Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. Willis May of Panhandle; and son Donald and Francis Corbin of Groom; and Mrs. Forest Brent of Amarillo.

Visiting Rose Hall Sunday was daughter Beth of Clarendon.

R.L. Leeder made a trip to Pampa Monday and visited daughter Becky White.

Superintendent In Program

Superintendent Rex Peeples, McLean, received word this week that he has been selected to participate in the state-wide Texas School Improvement Initiative Program for the 1990-91 school year. The goal of the program is to improve the educational opportunities of every student in the state through the promotion of educational standards of the highest quality at the campus and district levels.

The first day of training will focus on Effective Schools Research as it applies to the following major areas (1) site-based decision making and restructuring (2) change strategies for school improvement (3) planning and use of data and (4) parental and community involvement. The focus of the second day will be on the accreditation process, including (1) accreditation criteria (2) data gathering and (3) data analysis. The training session will take place in Austin on July 26-27.

Honored On 80th

Minnie Erwin was honored on June 29, 1990 with an early 80th birthday celebration at the McLean Country Club, in conjunction with her family reunion. Her birthdate is October 10, 1910.

Minnie has been a resident of McLean since 1931. She was presented a money corsage and bouquet of flowers by her daughters, sons-in-law, and grandchildren. She received many cards from relatives. Near the serving table was a miniature clothes line with "green back" attached instead of the usual clothes on the line. Special honors were presented to her by her daughters and their husbands: Mollie & Clifford Martindale of Pampa, Tex.; Pauline and Butch Pierce of Las Cruces, New Mexico; Mary and Tommy Dutton of Granbury, Texas.

Grandchildren attending were: Mike, Jackie, Dan, Tammye and Bryan Martindale of Pampa; Jeff and April Pierce; Scott and Paige Pierce of Las Cruces, New

Mexico; Nicki and Eric Frieberg of Omaha, Nebr. and Jonathan Dutton of Granbury, Texas.

Minnie would like to thank each of her friends and family who made it so special to her.

members from Texas joined 150 members from 22 states in taking part in the NFU "Fly-In" this week. In addition to lobbying on loan rate and target price provisions of the farm bill, the group is asking for the preservation of the Federal Crop Insurance Program; a proven yield amendment that would allow the use of past production data to determine base program payments; and targeting farm program benefits to certain levels of bushel or pound production.

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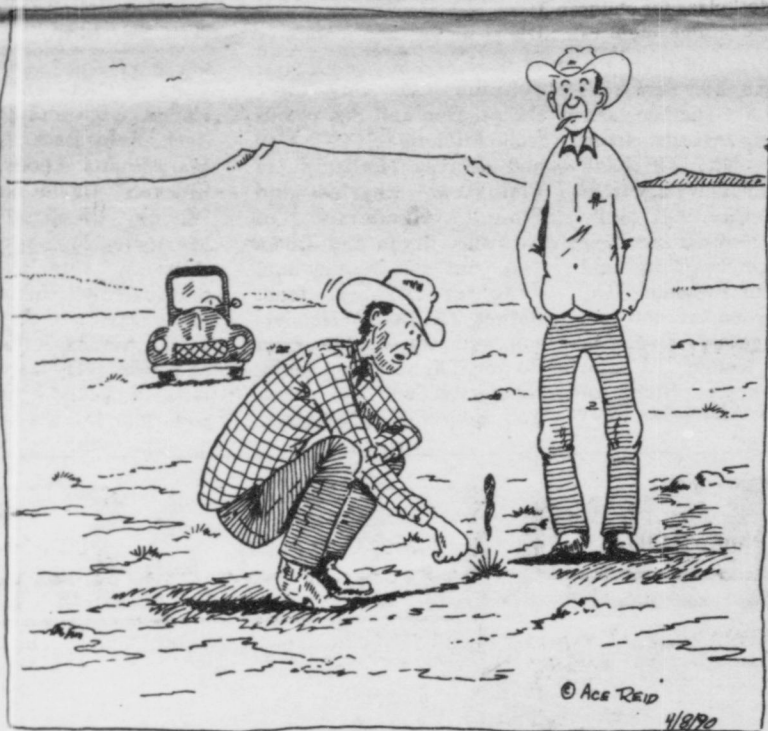
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Top O' Texas Rodeo To Begin

Plans are complete for the 44th Annual Top o' Texas Rodeo to be held in Pampa, July 12, 13 and 14 with performances at 8:00 p.m.

Beutler and Gaylord Rodeo Company will produce this years show. When you have seen a Beutler/Gaylord Rodeo, you have seen the best. They have had stock in the National Finals Rodeo in Las Vegas for several years and Bennie Beutler is serving as stock contractor for the Finals. Clem McSpadden will keep the action moving from the microphone once again.

The Pikes Peak Rangerettes from Colorado Springs will perform drills each evening. In 1982 the Rangerettes became the official hostesses for the Pro Rodeo Hall of Fame in Colorado Springs. To their list of accomplishments the girls have added the excitement of being hostesses to the President and Vice President of the United States in 1987.

On Thursday, July 12 starting at 5:30 p.m. there will be a free barbeque, sponsored by The Mundy Companies, for Thursday ticket holders. On Friday, July 13 Schwan's will be giving away free ice cream for Friday ticket holders, also this will be Family Night; when an adult ticket is purchased a child ticket will be free.

Slide Bar will play for the dances on Friday and Saturday night, July 13 and

14. The dances will be held in the Clyde Carruth Pavilion beginning at 9:00 p.m. each night. Slide Bar has been front stage at the "Grand Ole Opry" in Nashville, Tennessee and have backed up such stars as Reba McEntire, Merle Haggard, Roy Clark and many many more.

Once again we will have the Wrangler Bullfight each evening during the Rodeo. Wayne's Western Wear will be one of the sponsors for this event. We will have several of the top PRCA bullfight clowns coming, also for the specialty act we will have Butch Lehmkuhler, he is best known as "the man with the trampoline." He was the 1989 PRCA clown of the year.

Entries for the PRCA and WGRA members will open July 5 at 11:00 a.m. and close July 6 at 11:00 a.m. (Mountain Time). To enter call 1-800-234-PRCA. Local entries will be taken at the Rodeo Office at 200 N. Ballard on June 20 until June 28. The boundry this year is a 60 mile radius of Pampa. Back by popular demand will be the WPRA Bareback Riding. This event is for women only and was a crowd pleaser last year. Entries will be taken at the rodeo office until July 10th.

The parade will be Saturday, July 14 at 10:30 a.m. If you would like to enter you may do so by calling the rodeo office. Also on Saturday at 1:30 p.m. we will have the thrilling Pony

Express Race. This is open to teams from the surrounding towns. The finals will be at 7:15 p.m. on July 14th. All of the action for this will be at the Rodeo arena.

The Kid Pony Show, with events for children through age fifteen, will be held Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday evenings, July 9, 10 and 11 at 7:00 p.m. Entries will open June 20 at 9:00 a.m. at the rodeo office in the community building at 200 N. Ballard.

General admission tickets for the rodeo performance will go on sale Monday, July 9th at the rodeo office, however all Pampa High School Choir students will be selling tickets prior to the rodeo.

For more information call 806-669-3241 or write Box 1942, Pampa, Texas 79066-1942.

AREA NEWS BRIEFS...

The Burlington Northern Railroad Company has announced its intentions to close several lines of its railroad including the spur which services Wellington to Childress.

The 30 mile railroad line between the cities is one of three slated for closing within the next three years. The other two are runs between Estelline to Quitaque and from Lockney to Lubbock.

Plans are underway for the 31st Annual Amateur Rodeo and Parade in White Deer. The event begins Thursday, July 26 and

concludes Saturday, July 28. The parade begins Saturday afternoon July 28 at 4:00 p.m.

George W. Bush, son of President and Mrs. George Bush, was in Clarendon last Thursday campaigning on behalf of Dick Waterfield, a candidate for the 13th Congressional District.

Parks and Wildlife Dept. reports that fishing at Lake Greenbelt is fairly good. The water is clear, 75 degrees and getting warmer, normal level. Black bass are fair to good in the 3-6 pound range on spinners and top waters, water dogs; crappie are fair to 2 pounds or minnows.

White bass are good to 12 fish per string on night crawlers, minnows and worms; catfish are beginning to hit on cat shad, shrimp, most in the 5-7 pound range, walleye are fairly good.

Brandy Mansel received 17 awards at Alice Landergin Elementary School in Amarillo. The 5th grader earned the Highest Academic Achievement Scholastic and Athletic Award for her 98.2 GPA, a WTSU National Spelling Bee certificate and a certificate for having all A grades for two consecutive years. Brandy is the great-granddaughter of Howard and Dorothy Mansel of Groom.

Cindy Byrd, daughter of Bob and Sharon Byrd of Claude, attended the American Legion Auxiliary Bluebonnet Girls State held at Texas Lutheran College, Seguin June 12 through June 22.

Changes In Social Security Benefits

Over the past couple of months, we have received many calls from Social Security and Supplemental Security income (SSI) beneficiaries wondering why they did not receive a notice telling them about some change in their benefits. For example, they asked why they were not told about the change in the cost of Medicare or the increase in their benefit amount. Since Social Security always sends a notice to beneficiaries when there is a change in benefits, we wondered too.

As we looked into the problem, we discovered, in most cases, the reason the caller had not received a notice was because we did not have a correct address. Most of the callers had direct deposit and since their benefits went directly to the bank, they had not told social Security when they moved.

If you receive Social Security or SSI benefits, be sure to tell Social Security when you change your address, even if your benefits are sent to the bank or other financial organization for direct deposit. We need your address to send you information about your benefits. And we may need to contact you to make sure you continue to be eligible for benefits. If we cannot locate you, we may stop your benefits until we can locate you.

It is easy to report a change of address. Just call Social Security. The Toll-Free telephone number is 1-800-234-5772.

Carson County Produces Historical Video

"M.H.W. Ritchie. The JA Ranch" is the latest historical video to be produced by the Carson County Square House Museum in Panhandle, Texas. The documentary, narrated by Mr. Ritchie, grandson of the ranch founder, Cornelia Adair, is a fifty minute program divided into two parts. Part one is the history of the founding of the ranch and part two looks at the modern JA Ranch. Much has been written about the

JA Ranch but the release of this video will enable the public to know the true story of the ranch and its development.

Mr. Ritchie carefully delineates the story of the million acre ranch and the gradual leasing and selling of acreage to meet the changing ranch operations of the twentieth century. Vintage film and pictures from the JA Ranch make this video one of the best ever produced by the Museum.

Part one, on the founding of the JA Ranch, is funded by The Meadows Foundation of Dallas. Part two is funded by grants from Lawrence Hagy, the Carson County Square House Museum and Berneta, Inc. of Amarillo.

The video may be borrowed for a period of one week at no cost, except postage. Copies of the video are available for purchase through the Carson County Square House Museum,



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