# The Groom Rews

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Groom Jr. High Cubs will again huddle around Coach Lance tonight in Silverton as the Cubs game will kick off at 5:00 p.m. The Jr. Varsity Tigers will follow the Cubs' game around 6:30 p.m.

# Groom Tigers Winning Streak Continues Against Eagles

Groom Tigers took command of the gridiron on Friday night and dominated their opponent Samnorwood.

Paul McLaughlin had a spectacular 73 yard run for touchdown shortly after the kickoff. The extra point failed.

The Eagles fumbled in their offensive effort and McLaughlin recovered.

Bruce Britten sailed a 50 yard pass to Corkey Hickey who scored the 2nd T.D. The extra points again

The Tigers defence made short work of the Eagles offensive efforts and Groom quickly recovered control of the ball.

Britten again passed to Hickey for 7 yards and a touchdown.

A few plays later the Britten-Hickey duo score again making the board read 25-0 after the extra point is successful.

Daryl Homer received a 10 yard pass from Bruce Britten and scored.

Just before halftime Britten fired Hickey a 30 yard pass into the endzone for a touchdown, bringing the halftime score to 38-0.

Junior Varsity

quarterback Bo Burgin stepped in the second half. Bryan Crowell rushed for 11 yards for the T.D.

Matt Miller ran the conversion point to the end zone to end the game 45-0.

"The team executed well" stated Terry O'Dell. "They are still improving. I liked the passing game."

The Tigers will play Cotton Center there at 7:30 p.m. Friday evening.

Junior Varsity will play Silverton there at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 26.

Junior High will play Silverton there at 5:00 p.m. also on Sept. 26, Thursday.

# **Homecoming Queen Candidates Elected**

Queen Candidates were chosen by the student body of Groom High School earlier this week. They are: Amy Brown, Junior, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe David Brown. Amy was last year's Homecoming Queen. She was in the Six man all star queens contest, participated in the Hoby Leadership program and Who's Who in America for 2 years.

Burger, Senior, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ken Burger, is an honor student, President of FHA. yearbook editor and has been to state 3 years in four events for U.I.L. She is an athlete, winning district in the discus. She has played basketball all through high school. This is her fourth year as a queen

Kristy Case, Senior, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Don Case. She has had quite an illustrious career in basketball and track. She went to state last year in the 6-man conference for the shot and regional in the discus in the 11 man conference. She was all district in basketball. She's a member of the annual staff, a member of student council, FHA Historian and went to the state convention as a delegate. She is a member of the annual staff and a member of U.M.Y.

Marie Conrad, Junior, is the daughter of Mr. and Donnie Conrad. Marie has been a cheerleader for two years, a member of F.H.A. for three years. She is vice president of her class and was in Who's Who in American She has been a

### DR. BLACK RETURNS TO GROOM

Dr. Black will open the Groom Clinic Tuesday, October 1st. 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. He will be in Groom every other Tuesday. So mark your calendar. Appointments will be made by phoning area clinic 248-



AMY BROWN



KRISTY CASE

varsity basketball player, track for two years, tennis, 2 years, and U.I.L. for two

daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Sweatt. She is a senior and has been a cheerleader for two years. She is a member of F.H.A. and has been an officer for two years. She has played basketball four years and was All District three years and went to state in track and tennis. She was in Who's Who. Lisa was also Miss Valentine.



LESA SWEATT



JOLEE BURGER



MARIE CONRAD

# School Tax Rate Set... Combined Rate \$1.25

The Groom Independent School District Board of Trustees met last week in regular session.

One of the main items of business was to set the tax rate for the 1991-92 year. The board unanimously voted for a .4809 tax rate which when combined with the County Education District will tally 1.25 for \$100 valuation for property owners. The effective tax rate, 1.28, is the rate which applied to this years property values will generate the same amount as the actual rate and is dependent on total taxes collected, operating expenses and state funds. The trustees voted to stay .03 under that rate.

Baker was appointed to time and substitute serve as a third appraiser for teacher appraisals.

Ken Burger was appointed district representative to the Carson County Appraisal District Board of Directors.

The attendance committee which oversees problems with students who attend less than 80 days was appointed. They are Marcia Davis, Shirley Fields, Charles Burk, Jay Lamb and Judy Babcock.

In unrelated business the board voted to increase substitute teacher pay from \$30 per day to \$35 per day.

They also voted to enact plan no. 457 to cover social

In other business, Jess security benefits for part employees who are not covered under the Teacher Retirement System.

The trustees will take bids on two buses the district will sell and bids on computer networks and software programs.

### Student Council Will Host Window **Decorating Contest For Businesses**

Homecoming 1991 is We want everyone looking very exciting, involved." Student Council vice homecoming committee, Karen Babcock stated, "We are trying to boost spirit.

Here are some ways that president and chair of the the whole town can get involved.

Window Decorating See Contest, pg. 4

# **Community Calendar**

BUSINESSES participating in homecoming

window decorating contest need to have decorations up by Monday morning.

CITY COUNCIL will meet October 8th.

SIX WEEK TESTS will begin Tuesday, October 1st.

SCHOOL PICTURES will be taken October 11th.

SENIOR PICTURES will be taken October 12th.

OCTOBER 6 is the cutoff to register to vote or change your precinct for the upcoming November 5, 1991 election.

TUESDAY GRAIN PRICES AT LOCAL ELEVATORS

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

> Wheat-\$2.80 Milo-\$3.95 Corn-\$4.40

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# Local Happenings

Barney and Weldon York of Austin arrived last Thursday for a week end visit in the Glynn D Harrell home. On Saturday, Mr. and Mrs. Harrell and her brothers attended the annual Pioneer Day activities at Panhandle and visited in the R. J. Mulkey

Henry and Lucille Merrick visited in the Ferman Kelso home in White Rock, New Mexico this past week end.

The Reverend Mark Metzger attended a pastors' conference in Sacramento, New Mexico several days last week.

Stephen Lewis, grandson of Lucille Case performed September 21st and 22nd at the South Plains Fair in Lubbock, as a member of the South Plains College country western "Branded Country".

He will travel to Dallas to perform Saturday, September 28th at the Texas State Fair.

Mrs. London injured her wrist in a recent fall. She will be wearing a sling for several weeks to heal a cracked bone.

THANK YOU CARD

A special thanks to all my friends and family for all their love, care and prayers and encouragment during my recent sickness and surgery in the hospital. The love we share will always stay forever in my heart.

Louia Walls

Bessie Mae Arnold was visited by Dorothy and Ed Kennedy of Blum, Texas. Dorothy is Ms. Arnold's

Mr. and Mrs. Red Latta recently returned to Groom after summering in Colorado. "The fishing was good this year" reports Red. "Trout were running 11 to 12 to 13 inches".

His favorite fishin' hole is North Lake, which is a short distance from Monument Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Latta plan to spend the winter here this year, instead of heading down south, as is their custom.

Melvin and Sue Wills attended the graduation ceremonies last weekend in Orlando, Florida of their son Floyd from Naval Basic Training.

Lots of sweaters are coming out of moth balls in the recent wave of cool weather. Don't have them dry cleaned to remove that musty or mothball odor. Pop them in the dryer with a scented dryer sheet for about five minutes.

Chy Phillips, Burton and April Burton attended the Tri State Fair Stock Show last week showing steers and lambs. Adults assisting them were Danny Nusser, Carson County Agriculture Agent, Buck Burk, Vocational Agriculture Teacher and F.F.A. Sponsor and Jim Burton.

Although none won their class, the students felt their animals did well.

BRITTEN RECEIVES HONORABLE MENTION

Congratulations to Bruce Britten for making Amarillo Globe News Player of the week honorable mention. He completed 8 of 13 passes for 136 yards and 5 touchdowns (50,7,29,40,and 10) in a 45-0 win over Samnorwood.



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# Groom Country Neighbors Open Fall Season

Groom Country Neighbors met Wednesday, September 11 to open the season after being

disbanded during the summer months. Theresa Wills and Sybil Harrell were

co-hostesses in the Wills

Table games of Pinochle and Skip-Bo were played after refreshments were served.

The hostess gift was received by a guest, Mary

Knorpp.

Others attending were: Mary Britten, Wynona Koetting, Thelma Pool, Stella Patterson, Mamie Ritter, Doshia Cornett, and Emolea London.

Mamie Ritter and Doshia Cornett will be hostesses of the October 9 meeting in the Ritter home.

LAZY DAZY'S Lazy Dazy's met in the home of Kathleen Barkley on Tuesday, September 17th. . Members ate hamburgers and the fixings,

then had a short meeting. The rest of the evening was spent playing games. Everyone had lots of fun.

Those present were: Shonda Ruthardt, Janelle Sustaire, Melonie Britten, Charlotte Whatley, Nila Burgin, Ann Howard, Debbie Ollinger, Lynn Pool and Julie Friemel.

Hostesses were Monica Howard and Kathleen Barkley.

Next month's club will be at Debbie Ollingers home and it will be a costume party.

SENIOR CITIZEN NEWS

Recent guests attending Chowline meal times have been LeAnn Mitchell, daughter of Rex and Burnice Brown, of Amarillo; Edna Spinks, Aubrey and Nadean Spinks, sister, brother and sister-in-law of Betty Black, of Borger; Edna and Patsy Musser and his mother, Cleo Musser, now of Canyon; Dolores Prather, of Amarillo; Barney and Weldon York, brothers of Sybil Harrell, of Austin; and Jim and Beverly Ingram, daughter and sonin-law of Glynn D and Sybil Harrell, of Amarillo.

Pot luck meals are being served each Tuesday and Friday noon.

September birthdays were celebrated Friday the twentieth with Happy Birthday being sung to Yvonne Barker and Betty Black, the only honorees on the list being present. Cakes were furnished by Wynona Koetting and Doshia Cornett and ice cream by R B Thornton.

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Groom 4-H Shoot-Out will be held Saturday, Sept. 28 beginning at 10:00 a.m. at the home of Howell Lewis. Everyone interested in shooting sports is invited to attend. Prizes will be given for high and low score in three shooting positions. A grand prize will be given for highest total score. Bring your 22 and shells. If you don't have any come

4-H Food projects begin Friday, October 4. If you would like to learn more about cooking come. The group will meet at the activity center at 4:30 p.m. then tour RGM and travel to the Lootens to learn to prepare bread.

Bertie Louise Schaffer

Bertie Louise Schaffer, 61, died Saturday, Sept. 21, 1991, at Collingsworth General Hospital. Services were Monday at First Baptist Church in Wheeler with Rev. Robert Helsley, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Wheeler Cemetery under the direction of Wright Funeral Home.

Ms. Schaffer was born Sept. 25, 1929, in Gray County. She was a former Groom resident. She had lived in Wellington four years. She was preceded in death by her father, Thomas Alexander Schaffer, in 1976.

Survivors include her mother, Mary Schaffer of Wellington; three brothers, Charles Schaffer of Terra Bella, Calif., Sam Schaffer of Wellington and John Schaffer of Wheeler; and two sisters, Doris Boody of Wichita, Kans., and Barbara Clark of Shamrock.

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**NEW ARRIVAL** 

Clint Austin Barnard is the newborn son of Chris and Connie Barnard of Canadian. He was born August 26, 1991 and weighed 7 lbs and 15 oz. He is welcomed by big brother Christopher who is 16 months old.

Grandparents are Betty and Butch Barnard of Granbury, Texas and Margaret and Austin Crowell of Groom.

> GROOM I.S.D. MENU

Sept. 30 - Breakfast cereal, hot rice, toast, juice, milk. Lunch - Corn dogs, pork & beans, onion rings, pickle spears, fresh apple slices w/carmel sauce, milk.

October 1 - Breakfast -Pancakes, peanut butter, syrup, juice, milk. Lunch -Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, hot rolls, fruit cocktail, milk.

October 2 - Breakfast breakfast burritoes, hash browns, juice, milk. Lunch - Beef stew W/tuna, peanut butter & jelly, and pimento cheese sandwiches, mixed vegetables, crackers, corn bread, pears, milk.

October 3 - Breakfast -Biscuits, bacon, gravy, juice, milk. Lunch - Turkey a la king over rice, cheese zombies, carrot sticks, green peas, rice krispie treats,

October 4 - Breakfast Donuts, cinnamon rolls, juice, milk. Lunch - Taco salad w/meat and grated cheese, corn, shredded lettuce, picante sauce, flour tortilla, cheesecake, milk.





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# **Contests Held for Homecoming**

Contest for Businesses: Decorations need to be up by Monday. Winner will be announced at the downtown pep rally.

Car Decorating Contest: Open to anyone in the community. To be judged contact Karen Babcock at 248-7273. Cars must be ready to be judged by Thursday morning. Winner will be announced at the bonfire. The winning car will be in the parade to the downtown pep rally Thursday.

Other activities will include: on Monday night,

### **GROOM BIRTHDAYS ANNIVER SARIES**

Sept. 26 - Laverne Thomas, Adam Clifton Britten, Kent Watson, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Dale Fields (A).

Sept. 27 - Yvonne Barker, Justin Collingsworth, Robert Lee Miller.

Sept. 28 - Alice Britten, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Kemph

Sept. 29 - Stoney Crump, Carol Fields

Sept. 30 - Bobby Wood, Louise Conrad, Arthur Britten, Kay Stephens, Betty Black.

October 1 - Billie Bivens, Doshia Cornett.

October 2 - John Allen Homen, Fay Wortham, Todd Cave

Powder Puff Girls Football game with the high school girls and at half-time, a promising event, a Boys Beauty Pageant?! Gate entry fee is \$2.00 for adults and \$1.00 for children.

Thursday night the bonfire will begin around

A downtown pep rally will be held on Friday afternoon. Exact time will be announced in next weeks

Friday the pregame ceremonies and the crowning of the homecoming queen usually starts approximately one hour before the game. Watch for the correct time in next weeks issue of the Groom News.

### **OBITUARY**

## Callie Noble Sutton

Callie Noble Sutton, 90, died Saturday, Sept. 21,

Services were Tuesday in Robertson Chapel of Memories in Clarendon with the Rev. Max Baird, pastor of Kelton Baptist Church, and Bill M. Phillips of Amarillo officiating. Burial was in Goodnight cemetery Robertson Funeral Directors of Clarendon.

Mr. Sutton, born in Tenneessee, had lived in Ashtola and Clarendon area from 1929 to 1935. He then moved to Goodnight and Armstrong County area. He married Ethel Zelia Griffin in 1921 at Gainsville. She died in July. Mr. Sutton had worked most of his life as a farmer and in railroad He worked construction.

for Armstrong County for 15 years before retiring almost 25 years ago. He was a member of First Baptist Church in Clarendon. Mr. Sutton was preceded in death by two grandchildren.

Survivors include three daughters, Vereda Hulsey of White Deer, Ouida Filman of Denville, N.J., and Flo Sexton of Amarillo; three sons, Howard Sutton of Davenport, Calif., W. Delbert Sutton of Kimball, Neb., and C.L. "Jack" Sutton of Silverton; 18 grandchildren; and 41 greatgrandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Goodnight Cemetery Association or the Goodnight Community

### **Public Notice**

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters of Administration for the Estate of JERRY LYNN GAINES, Deceased, were issued on July 31, 1990, in Cause No. 2947, pending in the County Court of Carson County, Texas, to: ED HINSHAW.

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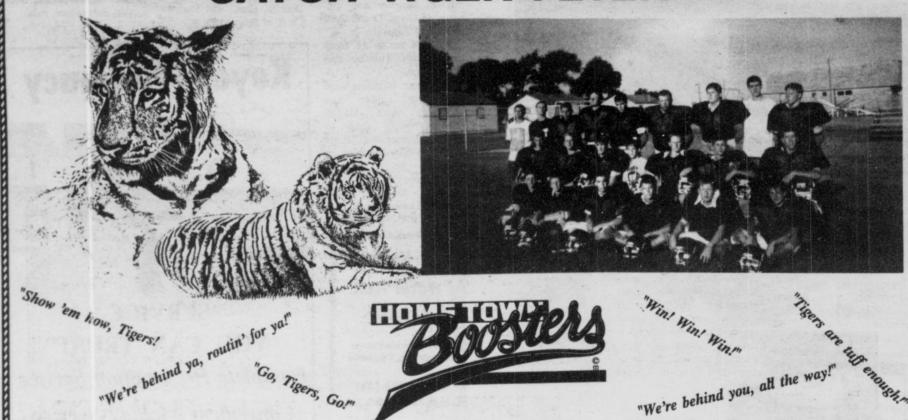
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COTTON BEAT

Louisiana, and Texas joined in the outdoor hamburger barbecue and fun. Several aunts (Esther Tinsley and Minnie Fields) also participated.

California, Tennessee,

Early Saturday morning twelve cousins met in Hereford to initiate the first annual Fields Family Gof Challenge. At the conclusion of eighteen holes of golf, young Robert Jones and Jack Fields emerged the winning team. Melissa winning team. Fields and Gary Jones were the high-scoring team. All reported a great time despite a soggy golf course due to rain. They vowed to continue and expand the golf challenge next year.

Family members began to convene by noon on Saturday, August 17 for sandwiches and activities. After lunch, all the children held their own auction whereby they made or contributed items for bid only to "kids." Then the pool was opened and over 35 youngsters splashed and dived and swam the afternoon away while adults visited, looked at family albums, and played horseshoes, bridge and other

The evening meal was heralded by a flag ceremony, invocation, and several special presentations. Then 84 family members enjoyed country-fried sterk coming year until the family and all the trimmings. After dinner the family enjoyed its traditional auction of handmade items, home-canned goods, and other products. This is the family's way of raising funds to pay for the annual Robert and Martha reunion.

traditional visit from the . Warren and Karen Curtis; "dutch doll" and "Cousin Esther Tinsley; Travis and Isom Cates." For several Louise Tinsley; Dick and generations, the children of Brenda Tinsley; David and the Fields family have Tommye Powell; Jon and enjoyed the annual Linda Preston; Ed and Joy

characters. All new family members meet the "dutch doll". This year Carol Williamson, wife of David Williamson, stepson of Joyce Tinsley Williamson, met the dutch doll for the first time.

A sunny Sunday morning greeted the family. Early risers had coffee and juice at 7:00 a.m. Breakfast was served at 8:00 a.m. The annual family business meeting followed. New family members and marriages were recognized. These included David and Carol Williamson, Paul and Jordan Fields, and Eli (Betsy) and Ken Selden. An update on those with special needs who could not be present was also shared. The next event of the morning was the worship service which centered around the "Take Time" theme and the scripture Ecclesiastes 3:1: everything there is a season, a time for every purpose under Heaven." The family took time to be thankful for the blessings God has bestowed. They worshipped through prayer, scripture reading, praise choruses, and a presentation of family memories captured in slides and music. The slides brought forth laughs and tears as they traced family reunions and the family events through the midsixties and the decade of the seventies, as well as family pictures of Dr. Charles and Bettie Fields and their fourteen children.

The worship service was followed by a time of family pictures with a professional photographer. The whole family was arranged on the side of an incline for a large Then group picture. individual family pictures were taken beneath the boughs of a tree.

The reunion finale was the Sunday noon meal which consisted of a Fields favorite, fried chicken. It reminded many of the days when family would gather in Groom on Sunday

afternoons at the home of Charles and Bettie Fields for Sunday dinner and lots of fun and visiting.

All too soon each family was packing to head home and another year of joyous family reunion was ended. However, the family closeness and thought and prayers for each other will continue throughout this convenes again next

Those in attendance at the 1991 Fields Family Reunion included:

Tom and Dorothy Fields; Wagoner; Lynn and Elane The evening ended with a Jones, Gary and Robert; appearance of these unique Williamson; David and

Carol Williamson; Fields and Manolita Smith; Paul and Jordan Fields, Caitlen and Patrick Ford, and

Christopher Fields; Minnie Fields; Eddie and Elizabeth Scott, Clarissa; Mina F. Johnson; Sue Fields; Bob Fields and friend; Judy Pruett; Renee Pruett, Brittany and Hillary; Roby and Kara Ratliff; Billy and Shirley Fields; Kelvin and Debbie Ollinger, Stephanie, Chris, and Lance; Keith and Shirley Fields, Matt and Stacy; Ronnie and Linda Fields, Roni, Shannon and Kimberly; Barry and Carole Fields, Brenda Dean and Doug; Charlie and Nettie Bud and Connie Fields: Fields, Melissa, Jeffrey, and David; Scott Fields and friend; Leonard and Rose; Helen Zillke; Lori Stevens;

Matt and Brad Thomas; Henry and Koma Beryl Fields; Joe and Kay Henard, Evan and NiKay; Jack and Laura Fields, Nancy, Lindsey, and Karli; Claudia May Clifton; and Jack Ditto.

### ALANREED NEWS

Visiting the Dick Dragoos this week was Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Larue of Lovelady, Texas.

Visiting Lena Carter during the weekend from Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bruce, David and Dan, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Bryant, Wesley and Lynzee, Jerrie Ann Carter, from Pampa and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Carter.

Denva Tidwell and Nova Dragoo were in Pampa on Thursday.

The R. L. Leeders visited in Pampa last week with

THE GROOM NEWS-Page 5 daughter Becky and family. Thursday, September 26, 1991

Sid and Orville Kesse took mother Nell to Pampa this week for medical attention.

Visiting relatives here

during the weekend was Verna Carver and children

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### New Number For Social Security

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SSA is giving early notice so that people will not be taken by surprise when they call. We want people to be on the lookout for it and note the change before they have to use it.

The SSA number change resulted from Congressional legislation that requires Federal Government agencies to convert to a new telecommunications system called "FTS 2000". Since the new system is managed by a different service carrier than the agencies had used in the past, SSA had to change its toll-free number.

Since its nationwide implementation 2 years ago, the 800 number service has become a popular option for people who have Social Security business. Callers find that their requests can be handled easily,

conventiently and expeditiously by thone. In many instances, their business can be completed at the time of the initial call. Recent studies show that more than two-thirds of the 800-number callers prefer using the telephone over having to vivit a Social Security office in person.

SSA also offers telephone response unit that speed the processing of certain routine requests. Using a pushbutton telephone, you can: request an application for a Social Security number; obtain a request form for a Personal Earnings and Benefit Estimate Statement; request written verification of the amount of your Social Security benefit or Supplemental Security income payment; order publications; and listen to general information about Social Security programs.

With the assistance of a teleservice representative at the 800 number, you can change a mailing address, make an appointment to apply for benefits, report a missing check, or simply ask a question.

Service on the 800 number is available weekdays from 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM. But, the best times to call are early in the mornings or late in the afternoon, Wednesday through Friday after the first week in the month.

The local Social Security office is located at 125 South Gillespie, Pampa, Texas. Office hours are 9:00 AM until 4:00 PM Monday through Friday except on national holidays.

### **CED Awards Bid To Canyon Bank**

Social Security

SSA also offers a telephone response unit that uses an automatic script to speed the processing of certain routine requests.

CED 3, composed of Groom, White Deer, Claude, Panhandle and Canyon, met Monday to award bids for the districts depository bank to the First National Bank of Canyon.

Canyon Independent School District Superintendent Mike King told the board that all banks located in the CED were contacted about bidding, but only one bank responded by the original Sept. 13 deadline. The bank responding told King that it could not submit a bid unless the deadline was extended.

The deadline was extended to Sept. 19, and King said First National Bank of Canyon and the Canyon Banking Center, First National Bank of Amarillo were the only banks submitting bids.

King said the recommendation to go with

the Canyon bank was based on the cost of providing services and on the monthly fee charges.

The CED will have only one checking account through which all monies will be received and disbursed. King said the board will select a bank depository every two years.



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# McLean, Alanreed, And Lefors **Boards Discuss Consolidation**

Members of the school of the consolidated district, Independent School District, the Lefors Independent smoothly this way. Mr. School District, and the Bode of Alanreed Alanreed Independent commented that the issue of School District met at 7:30 p.m. on September 17, 1991 in the McLean School Cafeteria to discuss the proposed consolidation and that it would help in election for the three school districts. Others present for the meeting were Stanley Lamb, Joe Roper, and Billy Bob Adams, superintendents of the three districts, and several other school faculty members and visitors.

Prior to the discussion, Thacker Haynes led the prayer for the meeting.

Hefley, McLean the group and called the meeting to order. Mr. Hefley explained that the purpose of the meeting was to discuss concerns of the communities and boards regarding consolidation issues. He stated that one of the areas of primary concern seemed to be representation on the board of the district should the consolidation election pass. Mr. Hefley reported that according to the law as we understand it, if the election carried in all three districts in November, 1991, the actual consolidation into one district would occur the following July. At this time, the McLean ISD Board of Trustees would become the governing board according to law due to the fact that this district has the largest pupil enrollment, and this board would govern until the following May, at which time a new board would be elected from the entire consolidated district. Hefley stated that the McLean Board had agreed to voluntarily give three places to board members from the other districts, beginning July, 1992, and that it was our feeling that at this time there should be two members on the board from Lefors and one from Alanreed, with four

of the Lefors ISD Board, stated that the community the consolidation election to

members remaining from

boards of the McLean and that it was their belief that things would run more representation was very important, and that he believed that consolidation would be more acceptable the vote to assure passage if the people know they will have board representation in the consolidated district. Mr Hefley stated that at the present time, the McLean Board does not feel that it would be doing right to give up more than half of the toard representation when technically we will be the receiving district. He also pointed out that we will have three members due to be elected in the May, 1992, election, and that there could be a remote possibility that some of the newly elected members of our board could object to giving up seats on the board. He reiterated that he did not believe that it would be a p oblem, but that he wanted to point out this possibility.

The Lefors representatives pointed out that they felt that assurance of proper representation on the board would be more enticing to the Lefors voters. They said that at the present time it was a fear with the Lefors people that if McLean had total control of the board all students from Lefors would be required to come to NcLean to attend school. Nr. Hefley stated that once consolidation occurs, our next goal is to try to build a school between McLean and Lefors, but that this issue again would be strictly a decision of the voters. He assured the group that the McLean Board is committed to pursing this goal.

Bill Thomas inquired as to how many students the consolidated district would have. It was reported that at the present time McLean has 218 students, Lefors has 151 students and Alanreed has 7 students, for a combined total of 376 students.

Mr. Hefley assured the Mr. Robertson, president Lefors group that during the period from the time of of Lefors would like three the following July and until representatives on the board the following district wide

election the McLean board would welcome members from the Lefors and Alanreed boards and other community members to act as consultants and advisors to the McLean Board. He said that it is our commitment and goal to maintain faculty jobs with the hope that attrition will take care of excess employees, if any.

Mr. Robertson asked if there had been any discussion or feelings on the size of the proposed new building, and if there had been any indications on whether or not grades K-5 or 6 would be kept in both communities. Hefley affirmed that this might be a very viable option, especially for the first few years. Lefors representatives stated that they had envisioned a swapout on activities and facilities, with some sports and extracurricular events taking place in both McLean and Lefors on an alternate basis. Jake Hess II stated that this was an important issue to the communities involved, and that we had also envisioned using the facilities alternately. He said that we all need each other, and that we must be committed to working together to make this advantageous for all.

Several building questions were asked, and Gwen Henley noted that a bond issue to build a building

would depend strictly upon a vote of the people. Mr. Hefley stated that it was his belief that if the election carried in November, all communities should appoint a joint committee ediately to begin pursuing the issue of a new building.

Joe Magee told the group that we must all trust each other and bond together to work for the good of our communities and the education of our children. He stated that McLean has a good board and that we will give our word to do everything in our power to

assure a solid education and future for the school. He said that we feel that with our number of students and our financial reserves, that

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#### Department Burns Fire Landmark West House

The McLean Fire Department was ask to destroy the house west of McLean which was a old land mark. On August 25th about 2:30 the old Floyd place where the West family lived for a long time was set

The house was vacant for a number of years and thought it might blow down but it was well built and it burned for a long time. Grandson Weldon Kolb was



### Lion's Club Host Dinner For School Faculty, Board and Their Families

The McLean Lion's Club hosted a hamburger supper at 6:30, Sept. 23rd for teachers and families, school board members and guests. This is a annual event and is usually held at the park, weather permitting. due to the rain and cooler weather they decided to have it at the Lion's Club building which worked our real good.

Member's of the Lion's Club cooked the hamburgers outside the kitchen door and let me tell you they did a fantastic job. Hamburgers were served with all the trimmings, pork and beans, chips, pickles, tea, coffee or cokes. It was reported about 60 people

Guests were introduced by Mr. Griffen who also introduced the faculty. There are six new members to the faculty this year. Mrs. Lori Hamburger who teaches Science. She comes from Oklahoma.

Chuck Hill teaches Social Studies and lives at Hedley.

June Close teaches first grade and lives with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Stubblefield, whose home is just north of the playground.

Kurt Moser, P.E. and helps with the coaching.

Mrs. Jon Mosier is Library Aide. They are the parents of a daughter, ten months old Shelby. They moved here from Pampa.

Bonnie Richert teaches math and she is from Oklahoma.

We welcome each of you to McLean.



VFW WILL MEET at 7:00 p.m. on Oct. 1.

LOVETT MEMORIAL Library Board will meet at 4:00 p.m. on Oct. 2.

MCLEAN VS. Samnorwood, Jr. High at 6:30, here on Oct. 3rd.

PIONEER STUDY Club will meet at 4:00 p.m., October 3.

MCLEAN FIRE Department will meet at 7:00 p.m. on October 3.

SIX WEEKS TESTS Thursday, September 26th and Friday September 27th. Thursday - 1-3-5-7 High School Odds. Friday - 2-4-6 High School Evens.

PEP RALLY at 3:10 p.m. in gym, Sept. 27th.

THERE WILL BE a car wash sponsored by the annual staff at the Country Corner. 10 until ??? on Sept. 28th.

SEPT. 27TH at 7:30 the McLean Tigers will play Harrold at McLean. Come out and support our team!

SEPT. 30TH Masonic Lodge will meet at 7:30

BOOSTER CLUB will meet at 7:00 p.m., Sept.

McLEAN VS. LEFORS Volleyball at 6:00 p.m. in McLean on Oct. 1.

A REVIVAL "Camp Meeting Style" will be conducted at the Victory Pentecostal Holiness Various area Church. preachers will be ministering h night. Camp meeting style music. Starts Saturday, September 28 through Saturday, October 5 at 7:00

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### Weight Loss Surprises Researchers

WASHINGTON nutrition organization was hopeful that a nutritionally complete "hi-tech" food tablet would help erase world hunger problems, until a study revealed that one of the ingredients could cause significant weight loss.

Researchers in Europe found that an ingredient in the aptly named product Food Source One actually caused people to lose weight, even though specifically instructed not to alter normal eating patterns, according to one study published in the prestigious British Journal of Nutrition. Researchers in an earlier study had speculated that the weight loss was due to a decrease in the intestinal absorption of calories.

While the developement of Food Source One, a project of National Dietary Research, would not be used to successfully fulfill its original goal, the discovery has been a windfall for

overweight people. Daytona Beach, Florida woman fighting a weight battle for 12 years used the product on the recommendation of her physician and lost 30 pounds. She stated, "Not only have I lost 30 pounds but my cholesterol has dropped from 232 to 143. I have two closets full of clothes which have not fit me in two years that I can now wear." In a separate report, a telephone interview revealed that a Wilmington, North Carolina pharmacist lost 14 pounds in 15 days on the product and was never hungry.

Food Source One tablets are part of National Dietary Research's comprehensive plan to bring a rapid end to obesity in this country. A variety of nutritionally sound diet plans, specially prepared by NDR, accompany each bottle and provide a natural, drug free alternative for the problem of obesity.

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### McLean Briefs

Visiting Alberta and Gary Fry and Elaine Sims over the weekend was Gail and Charity Finch from Beaver, Oklahoma.

Gail and Charity were here to help celebrate grandmother "Elaine Sims" and brother, Gary Fry's birthdays.

### **Obituary**

Mary Ella Perry

Mary Ella Perry, 102, died Sunday, Sept. 15, 1991.

Services were in McMillan-Satterwhite Funeral Home with the Rev. Dr. Dan Sebesta, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, officiating. Burial was in McAdams Cemetery in Palo Pinto County.

Mrs. Perry was born in Palo Pinto County and had lived in Young County most of her life. She was a homemaker. She was a member of the Methodist church. She was preceded in death by her husband A.W. "Pont" Perry in 1964.

Survivors include two sons, Lawrence Perry of Hobbs, N.M., and Bill Perry of Amarillo; two daughters, Cora Graham of Amarillo and Irene Mullanax of McLean; 10 grandchildren; 29 great-grandchildren; and 12 great-great grandchildren.

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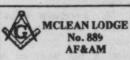
The Deborah Group of United Methodist Women began a new year of activities September 3 with Maybel Nash presiding as Winfred Rice president. brought the devotional moments, with added gospel

On September 17 Maybel Nash led in a study of John 6:1-15, recording the miracle of feeding and meeting the needs of thousands of followers of Jesus. This is the only miracle recorded by four gospel writers emphasizing the loving concern shown for his creation's physical and spiritual welfare.

Prayerful concern was brought forth for sister churches in the community who are presently without pastors.

Provision was made for fall clothes for the group's "adopted" child at the Methodist Home in Waco.

Those present Maybel Nash, Sue Cubine, Wilma Winfred Rice, Barker, Mary Powell, Fern Boyd, Isabel Cousins, Ruth Whaley and Mary Frazier.



Stated Meeting 2nd Thursday Practice Every Mon 7:30 p.m.

VISITORS WELCOME J. Boyd Smith, Secretary Turner have just returned They Texas. grandchildren Page, Jimmy and great grandson J. C. Grade with great-grandson

from a trip to Vernon, visited Skinner and attended open house at McCord First J.C. Skinner. They reported it rained every day while they were there.

Vernon and Louise

McLEAN ISD MENU Sept. 26 - Lasagna, mixed vegetables, salad, pull apart

bread, fruit, milk. Sept. 27 - Roast & brown gravy, creamed potatoes, green beans, hot

rolls, butter, honey, milk. Sept. 30 - Chili dogs, french fries, salad, fruit,

# McLean Tigers Beat

On Friday evening, Sept. 20th, the McLean Tigers journeyed south to Silverton.

Tuffy Sanders and Daniel Harris scored two touchdowns each to lead fifth ranked McLean past previously unbeaten Silverton in a six-man game. Both teams are 2-1 following the non-district

McLean piled up 354 total yards with balanced offence that included scoring runs of 2 and 4 yards by Sanders and 11

yards by Harris.

Tanner Hess got into the action with a 32 yard scoring pass from Christian Looney for a fifth McLean

The fourth game of the year will kick off at McLean, Friday night, Sept. 27th vs. Harrold, at 7:30

McLean Junior High played Silverton here last Thursday evening, Sept. 19 winning by 38-13.

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Digital Loop Service provides digital transmission of circuit switched voice and data communications between the customer's premises and the central office. This service allows the customer to use a 1.544 Mbps facility capable of delivering up to 24 line terminations. Southwestern Bell will provide Digital Loop Service within the customer's serving central office where facilities are available.

If approved by the Commission, the rates for the Digital Loop Service facilities will be \$445 per month for each digital transmission loop arrangement which provides a capacity of up to 24 line terminations, plus \$3 per month for each line termination and \$9 per month for each channel termination. The proposed rate for the unlimited use of the central office varies from \$12.25 up to \$18.90 per month for each line termination depending on the rate group classification, determined by the customer's location. Southwestern Bell estimates revenue of \$2.1 million from this offering during the first year.

As proposed by Southwestern Bell, customers who currently receive digital loop compatibility through facilities installed under a special construction agreement will have the option to receive their current digital loop arrangements pursuant to the Digital Loop Service Tariff or continue to pay their current charges until they make a change of location or account. Any increase in the number of line terminations to a customer's current digital transmission loop arrangement will be provided pursuant to the Tariff; however, the customer will continue to have the option of paying current charges for the existing digital transmission loop capacity. Southwestern Bell's proposal to "grandfather" existing digital loop facility arrangements is subject to review and approval by the

Persons who wish to intervene or otherwise participate in these proceedings should notify the Commission as soon as possible, but not later than October 15, 1991. A request to intervene, participate, or for further information should be mailed to the Public Utility Commission of Texas, 7800 Shoal Creek Blvd., Suite 400N, Austin, Texas 78757. Further information may also be obtained by calling the Public-Utility Commission Public Information Office at (512) 458-0256. The telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) number is



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### Hospital Report

Danny Simpson of McLean is in the Lubbock Hospital where he received a kidney transplant Friday night. He is reported to be doing as good as can be expected.

Ted Longino is a patient at Coronado Hospital where he underwent surgery Monday morning.

Babe Brown has been moved to Bivens Re-hab in Amarillo where she is receiving treatment after having knee replacement.

Sam Green has been a patient at Shamrock General Hospital.

Sophia Hutchinson is a patient at Coronado Hospital where she is

receiving treatment.

J. T. Pennington is a patient at Coronado Hospital.

Ann Miller is a patient at Coronado Hospital in Pampa.

George Orrick is in St. Anthony's Hospital, Amarillo recovering from by-pass surgery. He is by-pass surgery. doing as well as can be expected and hopes to be released soon.

Jean Orrick is in Lubbock where she is receiving treatment. We hope they will be back in McLean soon.

Dorothy Beck Patterson is a patient at St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo.

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### **AUCTION SALE**

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There will be a auction sale at the Gerald Tate Ag barn, October 12, 1991 at 10:30 a.m. to ??

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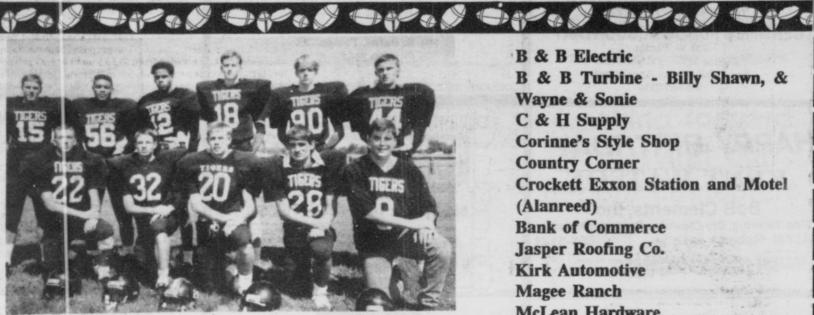
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> McLEAN SCHOOL BOARD MEETS

On Sept. 16, 1991 the McLean School Board met in regular session at 5:30 p.m. in the business office.

All board members were except Thacker

School District's Board of Trustee's adopted an ordinance to set the 1991 tax rate at .48 cents per \$100 valuation during the meeting.

That rate combined with the 75.5 cents per \$100 valuation set by County Education District 14, will bring the McLean ISD taxpayer's total rate to \$1.23

1/2 per \$100 valuation. In related action, the board voted not to allow discounts for early payment of ad valorem taxes.

### Consolidation

we must be careful, but that we support a building program and will do everything we can to try and make sure that a building can be built. He added that if this was not possible we could guarantee that there would be some part of the school system in Lefors. Magee noted that if consolidation occurs, each

community would lose some identity, but that it was our wish and desire that our three communities could unite and combine into one educational entity while allowing each community to retain some identity. He said that we must be as positive as we can, and that by consolidation we can do what is best for all our children and have the finest school around.

Bill Thomas stated that to be successful the expertise of all three boards would be needed and that input from each board would be needed on teachers, programs, etc. Mr. Hefley reminded the group that the thought of losing local school systems is very distressing to everyone,

and it was generally agreed by the group that if we do not work toward combining our resources, we will all eventually be not closed up, but "starved out" by the state, and that our children will be forced to attend school wherever the state mandates, which would probably be Pampa. The point was brought out that we have a very short time in which to get all petitions filed so that an election can occur in November. Ted Simmons, Gray County Commissioner, addressed the group and stated that there had been discussion on combining these schools for many years. He said that he believed that we must all look to the future,

and that the matter of where the majority of the board comes from should not be the matter of concern. Simmons said that we should all put education and kids first, and at the first election in the consolidated district, the representation will come from the overall area. Mr. Hefley stated that it was the belief of the McLean Board that by consolidation we can have an expanded curriculum and extracurricular activities and provide a good solid education for all students, and that each community can benefit in the future from this.

At this time, the meeting was recessed for

refreshments and to give the boards time to talk collectively and individually. The session was reconvened at 8:50 p.m. Mr. Hefley announced that he believed this session had resolved some issues, and that some issues still remained to be resolved, but that everyone had reached the general agreement that all petitions would be filed so that the election could occur. He stated that between now and election time, the three boards would work closely together to resolve the issues and to give the voters some positive information upon which they could base their voting decisions. The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

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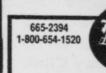
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