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From Dreams To Reality

Brown, Burton Win At County

Kori Brown and April Burton were Groom's big winners in the Carson County Jr. Livestock Show. Kori took Grand Champion with her Heifer. April's steer was named Reserve Grand Champion Steer. Jeff Millican of Panhandle was the Grand Champion.

Kori also won the Heifer Showmanship award. C. J. Whatley was named the Senior Steer Showman and Dara Whatley was named the Junior Steer showman.

Grand winners were presented a trophy and a belt buckle. Reserve and Showmanship winners were presented a belt buckle.

Other FFA and 4-H members from Groom placed as follows:

HEIFERS: Class 2 - Scott McLaughlin, 2nd.

STEERS: Class 3 - Dara Whatley, 3rd.

Class 4 - April Burton, 1st;

C.J. Whatley, 2nd.

Class 5 - Jason Prather, 2nd.

Class 6 - April Burton, 1st;

C.J. Whatley, 2nd.

PIGS: Class 4 - Cody Britten, 2nd.

Class 5 - James Huckert, 5th;

Nick Ashford, 8th; Joe Britten, 9th;

Dwayne Gray, 11th.

Class 6 - Kay Lynn Britten, 8th.

Class 7 - Cody Britten, 7th;

Britteny Martin, 8th; Brody Brown, 10th.

Class 8 - Darrel Whatley, 6th.

Class 9 - Leo Britten, 6th.

Class 10 - Wyatt Britten, 3rd;

April Burton 7th.

Class 11 - Brooke Britten, 1st;

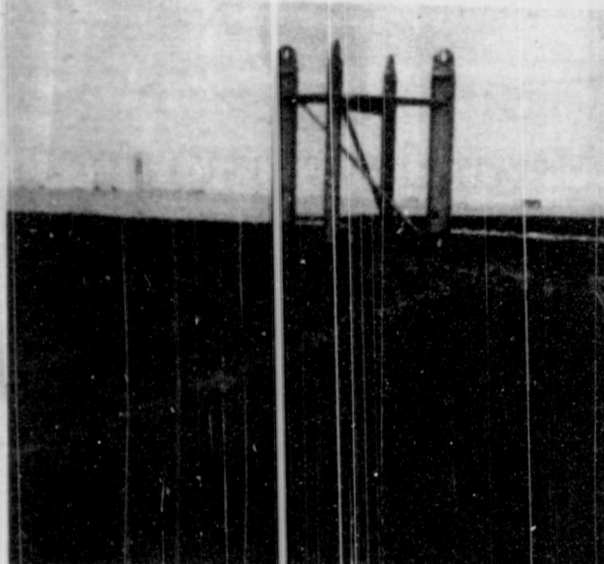
Brett Britten, 9th.

Class 14 - Jason Prather, 4th.

See Results, pg. 5



Above: Kori Brown and her heifer both seem pleased with their win. Below: April Burton poses with her steer Emod and Judge Kevin Newsom.



Base Delivered For 190 Foot Cross

A dream is becoming a reality in Groom. The base of the 190 foot Cross was delivered last week.

The Cross is being built by Steve Thomas of White Deer. The purpose is to provide a tangible reminder to travelers on I-40 of Christ's sacrifices for our sake.

"Everyone was beginning to believe that God is so merciful that sin doesn't exist, so we were becoming desensitized, and that was

bothering me," stated Thomas. "I'm hoping people here . . . will be touched by it and prompt them to build their own."

The 31 acre tract of land the Cross will be built on was donated to the Catholic Diocese of Amarillo by Groom's own Chris Britten. It is located 100 yards south of I-40 and 200 yards west of Farm to Market 295 on the west end of Groom. The Cross will be visible for 20 miles day and night.

Girl Cubs Take Championship at Shamrock Tourney

The Groom Junior High girls won the Shamrock Tournament last week.

They began the action against Childress Jr. High and soundly whipped them, 31-22.

Sara Britten was high point with 12. Karen Conrad had 7. Jacey Richardson added 4, Kori Brown 3, Jodi Homen and Katrina Meeker each had 2.

The girls' second game was against Shamrock. They played a white knuckle game and came out victorious, 27-24. Sara Britten scored 11 points to lead the way for the Ettes. Sarah Hutsell had 6, Carrie Davis and Jacey Richardson

each had 4 and Karen Conrad had 2.

The boys won consolation in the tournament. In their first game against Childress, the Cubs lost 34 to 45.

Marc Miller led the scoring with 11 points. Dusty Crump added 9, Josh Evenson 8, Jamie Shuck and Evan Crowell each had 3.

The boys won the second bracket against Shamrock, 37-30.

Daniel Treadwell was high point with 17. Evan Crowell had 7, Marc Miller had 5, Josh Evenson had 3, Dean Fields and Jamie Shuck had 2 each.

Feb. 20, First Day To File For School, City

February 20th will be the first day to file to run for the School Board or City Council.

School Board members whose terms will expire are Adela Kotara, Denny Babcock and Ken Burger.

On the City Council,

Ronny Fields, Jerry Thornton and Mayor Greg Lamb will complete their terms of office.

It is not too early for incumbents or potential candidates to begin to think about the election on May 6th.

Community Calendar

Groom Irrigation Gas, Inc. is cancelling the Annual Stockholders Meeting that was scheduled for Feb. 2 at 7 p.m. This meeting will be rescheduled.

VARSITY & JV TEAMS play in Wheeler, Friday Feb. 3, 4 pm. Games begin at 4 pm in Shamrock on Tuesday Feb. 7.

JR HIGH'S final games begin at 5 p.m. in Shamrock on Monday, February 6.

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Groom Jr. High Basketball
 Groom Jr. High teams battled the Bushland Blackhawks Monday night. The 7th grade boys began the action with a very exciting game. Evan Crowell put up 11 points to lead the scoring. Chris See Jr. High, pg. 5

"Common Bond a vocal trio of Conover, N.C. presented a concert at the local United Methodist Church Sunday morning. The trio, composed of triplet brothers, Mark, Luke and John, are scheduled to perform in several area churches soon.

Local Happenings

Babcock Passes Away
 At presstime on Tuesday, January 31, 1995 The Groom News has just learned of the untimely death of Mrs. E.M. (Margaret) Babcock. Mrs. Babcock according to what we understand, passed away as a result of complications during hip surgery. Services are pending at this time.

February 2 - Bobby Caleb Pool, Mrs. Kelvin Ollinger, Jeff Jenkins.
 February 3 - Amy Lynn Brown, Mrs. Kenneth

Payton, Leon J. Bohr, Mr. and Mrs. Randy C. Sustairste (A).

February 4 - Mr. and Mrs. Leon Schaffer (A).

February 5 - Mrs. Robert West, Mrs. Alfred Homer, N.B. Helton, Mrs. Bill Hinson, Mike Friemel, Louis Leven, Jenie Wakefield.

February 6 - John Adam Stephens, Bernice Gray.

February 7 - Rick Prather, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Jones (A).

February 8 - Heather Patterson, Mrs. C.F. Hermesmeyer, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bertrand (A).

On The Sick List
 Ed Hughes, Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo. Glynn D Harrell, St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo, was released earlier in the week. Pauline Looten

Former residents Carl D. Kunkel, Jr. and Loretta Weernas Kunkel of Amarillo celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary Friday, January 27th with a family dinner hosted by their son and daughter-in-law, Derris and Schamane Kunkel.

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Ettes Ranked No.1 In District, Tigers Tied For 2nd

Groom is right smack dab in the middle of conference play and so far it is looking very promising. The Tigerettes are currently leading the district in first place with a 2-0 record. The Tigers are tied with Wheeler with a 1-1 record for second place.

The Ettes beat Wheeler handily in last Tuesday night's game, 65-29.

Misty Homen scored 23 as high point. Kay Case added 16 and Melanie Friemel 9. Sheri Koetting,

Jill Howard and Sandie Conrad each had 4 points and Angie Conrad and Stacy Fields added 3 each.

The boys lost out to Wheeler 73-54. Seth Ritter led the scoring with 10 points. Stanley Homer had 9, Jeremy Chavedo and Brad Sustaire each had 8. Bart Britten, Bo Burgin and Brandon Crump each had 4. Bryan Crowell and Nick Ashford each had 2 points.

The teams battled it out with Booker Friday night. The girls eased by 50-41.

Misty Homen had a good night scoring 19 points. Kay Case had 11, Melanie Friemel had 10 and Jill Howard 6. Angie Conrad and Stacy Fields each added 2.

The Tigers played a "nailbiter" winning by 3 points, 58-55.

Bo Burgin was high point with 19, Jeremy Chavedo had 12, Stanley Homer 9, Bryan Crowell 7 and Seth Ritter had 4. Nick Ashford, Justin Ritter and Brad Sustaire each had 2 and

Bart Britten had 1.

Groom JV Basketball
Groom Junior Varsity pounded Wheeler in two good ball games last Tuesday night.

The J.V. Ettes won a "squeaker" against the Lady Mustangs, 35-33. Mary Hutsell scored 12 points for the leading scorer of the evening. Jessica Friemel had 10, Melissa Anthony and Martie Phillips each scored 4, April Burton had

3 and Tami Ashford had 2.

The boys played another good close game. Justin Ritter was high point with 12, Toby Burgin had 11. David Monoz and Andy Alexander each had 6, Terry Eatmon had 4 and Evan Crowell had 2. The Tigers came away with a 38-41 win over the Mustangs.

Junior Varsity girls got a brief vacation last week as Booker did not have a Junior Varsity girls team.

The boys lost by a

narrow margin 30-36 to the Booker Kiowas.

Jimmy Chavedo led the scoring with 10. David Munoz had 8, Andy Alexander 5, Toby Burgin 4 and Evan Crowell had 3.



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Friday, Feb. 3 • Varsity & JV Teams
Games begin at 4:00 pm in Wheeler
Tuesday, Feb. 7 • Varsity & JV Teams
Games begin at 4:00 pm in Shamrock

Junior High Teams
Feb. 6 At Shamrock 5:00 p.m.

February 6 - 10
 Breakfast cereal, blueberry muffins, patties, peanut butter, juice,
 juice, milk.
 Mon: Cold cereal, hot Tues: Pancakes, sausage Wed: Breakfast burrito, hash browns, juice, milk.

Lunch Menu

Thurs: Biscuits, bacon, gravy, juice, milk.
 Fri: Donuts, cinnamon rolls, juice, milk.
 Lunch
 Mon: Stuffed baked potatoes w/ham and cheese, broccoli cuts w/cheese sauce, hot sliced bread, cherry cobbler, milk.
 Tues: Pepperoni and cheese pizza, salad, crackers, salad, pear halves, milk.
 Wed: Oven fried chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, hot rolls, chocolate chip cookies, milk.
 Thurs: Chili cheese dogs, tator tots, pickle spears, pineapple tidbits, milk.
 Fri: Turkey and noodles, cheese zombies, mixed vegetables, fresh orange smiles, milk.

Driver Safety Course To Be Held

A Driver Safety course will be held at Clarendon College on Saturday, February 4, 1995. It will meet from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Room 103 of the Administration Building. The fee is \$25.00. Please contact Clarendon College at 1-806-874-3571 for further information. Upon completion of this course,

participants will be eligible for a 10% discount on their liability insurance for three years and dismissal of a traffic violation. All dismissals of traffic violations must be approved by the appropriate Justice of Peace. This course is offered by Clarendon College and USA Training Company, Inc.



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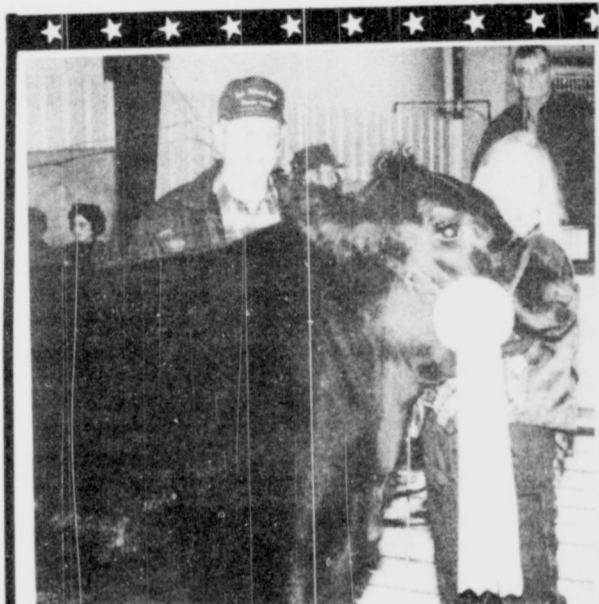
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New Arrival

A baby girl was born January 19, 1995 at Irving Community Hospital in Irving. She was named Kimberly Marie, and weighed 6 lbs and 11 oz. She is 20 inches long. The time of her arrival was 7:55 a.m.

Her proud parents are Cheryl and Rob Cervantes. She has a brother, Robbie Wayne. Proud grandparents are Burl and Nellie Painter of Groom, Bill and Dorothy Painter of Salt Lake City, Utah, Claude and Brenda McNabb of Ft. Worth and Donnie and Jeanette Cervantes of Dallas. Great-grandparents are Nora Painter and Ray Morris of Groom.



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E.N. Babcock's Brother Dies

Joseph Henry Babcock, 81 of Kermit died Tuesday, January 24, 1995 in Austin.

Services were conducted by Floyd Stumbo, Supt. of Children's Home in Lubbock, at Eastside Church of Christ in Kermit. Burial was in Kermit Cemetery.

Funeral arrangements were by Cooper Funeral Chapel.

He was born in Armstrong County to Nelson Joe and Emma Brown Babcock on February 9, 1913.

He moved to Kermit from Sundown in 1950. He worked for Sharp Drilling Co. from 1940 until his retirement in 1984.

He was preceded in death by his parents and four brothers, Jim, Frank, Jack and Bob.

He is survived by his wife of 57 years, Wilhelmena Babcock of the home, one daughter Sweetie Costanzi of Austin; one son Joe Babcock of Hobbs, N.M.; a foster son Don Perry of

Oklahoma City, Ok; one sister Zoah Mae Britten of Wheeler; one brother Edward Nelson Babcock of Groom; several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

V. A. To Pay Benefits

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) has announced it will pay more than \$928 million in dividends in 1995 to veterans holding active veterans' life insurance policies.

The dividends are made possible because veterans are living longer than originally predicted, and the insurance trust funds are earning high yields from investment in long-term U.S. government securities.

"VA life insurance programs continue to prove themselves as outstanding investments for many of our veterans, and a large dividend distribution such as this provides a welcome boost to our economy," said VA Secretary Jesse Brown.

The \$928.2 million payout will be credited automatically to some 2.4 million policyholders on the anniversary date of their policies. Policyholders may choose to receive a dividend check or select one of nine alternate payment options. VA is cautioning veterans that only those policies that have been kept in force receive annual dividend distributions.

The amount of the dividend will vary according to age, type of insurance and duration of the policy. No application from individual policyholders is necessary.

Government life insurance policies were issued to veterans of World War I and II and the Korean Conflict serving between 1917 and 1956.

Results

Class 15 - Scott McLaughlin, 4th, Amanda Martin, 5th.

Class 16 - C.J. Whatley, 1st; Kay Lynn Britten, 5th.

Class 17 - Lainie Britten, 2nd; Nicholas Anthony, 4th.

Class 18 - Amanda Martin, 1st; Joe Britten, 6th.

Class 19 - Jason Prather, 10th.

Class 20 - Britteny Martin, 2nd.

Class 21 - Darrel Whatley, 4th; Wyatt Britten, 5th; Cody Bivens, 6th.

Class 22 - Cody Bivens, 2nd; Clay Britten, 3rd; C.J.

Whatley, 4th; Brody Brown, 10th.

Class 23 - Lainie Britten, 6th.

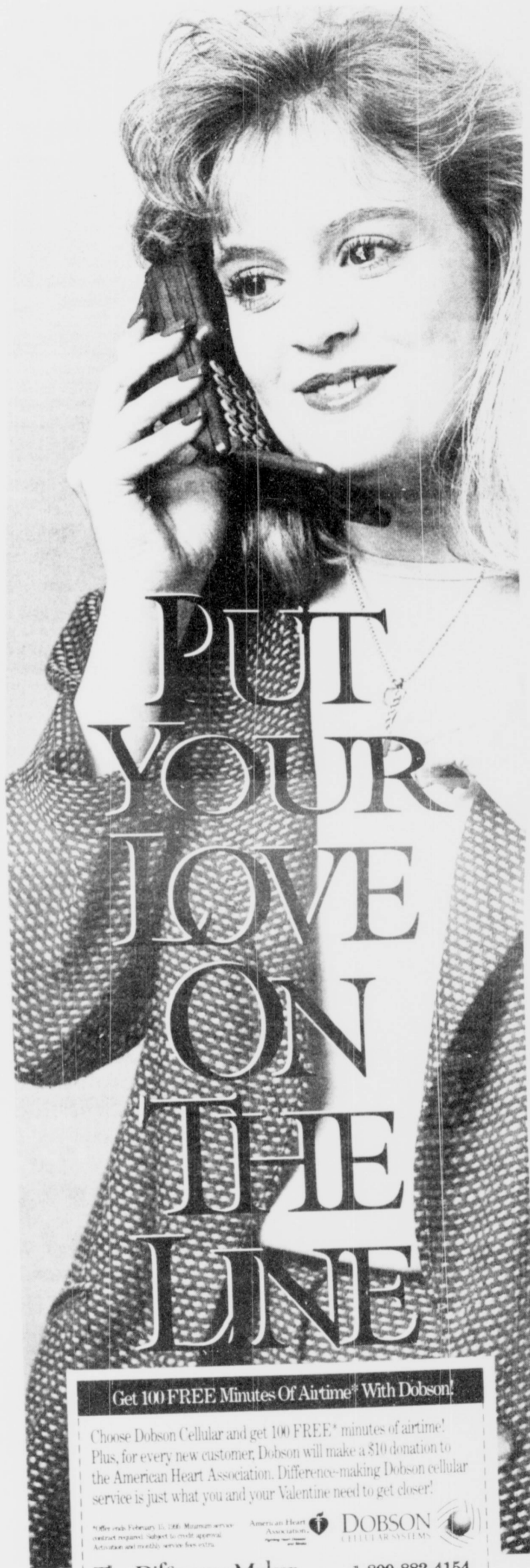
Jr. High

Ollinger added 8, Wade Ritter 4 and Greg Lott, Dustin Babcock and Justin Homen each scored 2. The 7th grade Cubs won 29-19.

The other two teams had a little more difficulty.

The 7-8th grade girls team lost by 10 points with a final score of 18-28. Jacey Richardson was high point with 10. Sara Britten had 6 and Carrie Davis had 2.

The 8th grade boys also lost, 39-45. Josh Evenson put up 15 for high point. Marc Miller added 9. Daniel Treadwell had 5 and Jamie Shuck 4. Dean Fields, Caleb Pool and Wyatt Weinheimer each had 2 points.



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Carson County Sheriff's Report

By Loren Brand, Sheriff
 There are currently nine persons incarcerated in the Carson County Jail. Sheriff's deputies are investigating an attempted burglary in rural Carson County. A building previously targeted by burglars showed indications of attempted entry when noticed by the property owner. Deputy Larry Mendez had observed a vehicle with two occupants in the area the night before

and we are investigating the matter further to see if the vehicle may have been involved in the burglary attempt.

Chief Deputy Lovell Kennard investigated a burglary attempt at a

at the scene of a pipeline explosion near Skellytown. Fire and ambulance units from White Deer, Skellytown and Pampa were called to the area and Medivac 1 was requested from Amarillo, but the

Groom business. Chief Kennard found damage to two doors where the burglars had attempted entry.

Deputy Jeff Oldham is investigating allegations of sexual indecency with minors in the Fritch area. Deputy Oldham also investigated an incident in Fritch which involved one subject using a handgun to remove a former spouse from a residence.

Deputy Larry Mendez and Special Ranger Kelly Rushing of the Texas Southwestern Cattle Raisers' Association questioned a suspect being held in the Carson County Jail regarding his involvement in a series of farm implement and trailer thefts in our area and surrounding counties.

Carson County Sheriff's Department officers and officers from Skellytown, White Deer, Texas Highway Patrol and the Gray County Sheriff's Department were

explosion turned out to be less of a hazard than first anticipated. Although the situation looked severe from a distance, the explosion occurred in an isolated area and there were no injuries reported and minimal structure damage because of the location. We prepare for the worst and hope for the best in these situations and this was one where our hopes came true. Pipeline investigators report that the explosion was the result of a ruptured pipeline which had been weakened by a flushing process.

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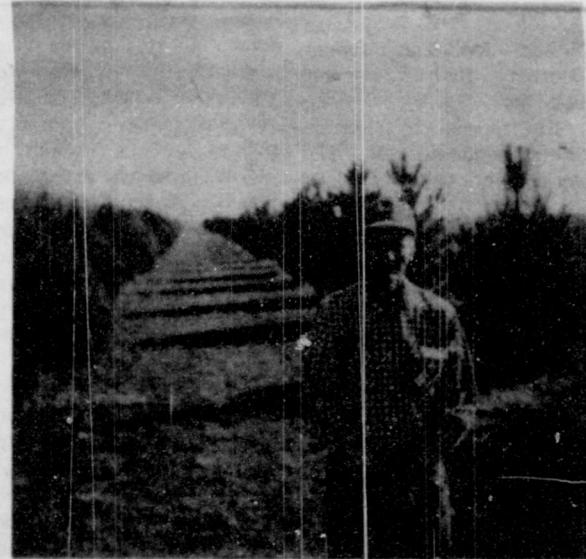
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Painter, Hoyt Travel To Fort Worth Area

Visiting in Ft. Worth and Alvarado recently were Nellie Painter and Allie Hoyt. The occasion was Nellie's new granddaughter. Allie visited in the home of her nephew Leroy and Rose Burton who live in Alvarado. Nellie also traveled to Sulphur Springs to visit Billy and Jan Painter and to see her great-grandson Tristen Cole who was born in November. He is the son of Nicky Ray

Painter. Monday Allie and Nellie took in sight seeing going to see the Bronze horses at Williamsquare and walked the Mandalay Canal in Los Colinas. Then downtown Dallas to see some of the sights taking in the West End and the Kennedy Memorial. Allie visited her granddaughter Melody Burton in Arlington. Oh yes, they saw the Texas Cowboy stadium.

District Taking Orders



Farmstead Windbreak
 Earl Britten of Groom

The McClellan Creek Soil and Water Conservation District will be taking orders through February for trees to be planted for windbreaks or for wildlife. Delivery of the trees will be in March. This is in cooperation with the Texas Forest Service and the Colorado State Forest Service. One of the local cooperators who is having great success with tree

plantings is Earl Britten of Groom. Earl has a 400 tree farmstead windbreak consisting of Rocky Mountain Juniper, Austrian Pine, Bur Oak and Russian Olive. Earl established his windbreak in 1987.

For more information or to order trees call the McClellan Creek Soil and Water Conservation District office at 537-3504.



The first record featured inventor Thomas Edison singing "Mary Had a Little Lamb."

The McLean News



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McLean Lady Cubs Win Hedley Jr. High Tournament

The Lady Cubs won the championship of the Hedley Junior High Tournament last weekend, after winning a close initial game against Samnorwood. In the Thursday game against Samnorwood, the Ladies scored 29 points to 25 for their opponents. The lead bounced back and forth several times during the final period of play, but deft ball handling and control saved the day for the McLean squad. Rachel Galley scored 9 points, Dee Dee Floyd 8, and Lacy Steele and Amanda Cline both scored 4.

The next two games were anti-climatic, with the McLean girls walking to easy victories in both contests. McLean beat Hedley 35 to 9, with Galley at 10, Vanessa Glass at 8, and Floyd at 7. In the final game, Coach Cherry Eldridge cleared his bench in an effort to keep the score down, but the Ladies still scored 54 points to White Deer's 2. Leading the scoring was Missy Slagle with 14; Steele had 12, Floyd 8 and Galley 7.

The Cubs, missing six-foot eighth grader Brett Montgomery who is out with a broken hand, lost the first two games of the tournament and won the final game. In the first game, Ike Hanes scored 11 points against Samnorwood to lead the Cubs. The Cubs lost 31 to 22. In the



Tiger Ben Reeser prepares to shoot the ball as he dribbles up to the free throw line.

second game, which was against Hedley, Hanes again led the scoring, this time with 13 points. Sy Brown connected for 10 in the losing effort. The Cubs lost 33 to 29. Hanes and Brown each scored 10 points in the final victory against White Deer. Gary Jones scored 6 and Charlie Carter scored 4. The Cubs won that game 39 to 22.

In games played in McLean Monday night, both the Cubs and Lady Cubs coasted to easy victories against district opponent Lefors. The girls won 34 to 11, with Floyd scoring 14

points. Glass hit for 5, and Galley for 9. Steele scored 4.

In the boys' game, Jones led the scoring with 12 points. Hanes hit 7, Brown and Joshua Swafford each scored 6. The boys won 42 to 19.

McLean Varsity

Despite a 30-30 scoring standoff between two outstanding McLean and Kelton girls, the McLean girls easily won their game against their district opponents in games at the McLean gym January 27. See Tigers, pg. 9

Health Officer Needed In McLean?

The City Council of McLean met in regular session Thursday, January 12, 1995 in the City Hall. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Haynes at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present: Wayne Bybee, Harold Smith, Mary Dwyer, Sid Lands, Gary Jackson and Sam Haynes.

Others present were: Monty Joiner, Stella Lee, Fred Smith, Robert McDonald, Miro Pakan and

Allen Mixon.

The meeting was opened with an invocation by Mayor Haynes.

Minutes of the December 1994 meeting were read and approved.

Ordinance #255, Establishing a Comprehensive Emergency plan was passed on first reading.

Discussion was held concerning appointment of a Health Officer for McLean.

Council agreed to check with several people about serving as the Health Officer and make appointment at the next meeting.

Motion by Lands, second by Jackson, to purchase heater for office area of Ambulance barn as reasonable as possible. All present voting in favor of the motion.

See Council, pg. 8

REMINDER!

COMMUNITY Meeting for Springfest at the Devil's Rope Museum community room on February 21 at 7 p.m.

APRIL 21 - 23 will be Springfest on Main Street in McLean.

SPRINGFEST meeting in conjunction with Barbed Wire Show on February 2nd at 7 pm, Devil's Rope Museum.

GROUND HOG DAY is February 2nd.

MHS VARSITY teams play Lefors here Friday, Feb. 3 at 6:30 pm. On Tuesday, Feb. 7 the JV boys and both varsity teams play at Kelton beginning at 5 pm.

McLEAN CUBS play here against Kelton beginning at 6 pm on Monday, Feb. 6.



Andy Glass lets go for a 3-point shot as the players head for the basket. (Above) Christie Titwell fires a shot off from just inside the 3-point range. (Below).



McLean Birthdays & Anniversaries

February 2 - Roy Cullison, Jr.

February 3 - Vance Coleman, Jeff Kingston, Mr. and Mrs. Herschel Wolfe (A), Mr. and Mrs. Steven O. Wallis (A).

February 4 - Teresa Eubank.

February 5 - Monty Joiner, Lester Allen Lee, Bill Fuller.

February 6 - Myrtle Allen, Vivian Blackwell.

February 7 - Vestal Bailey, Maybelle Nash.

February 8 - Doris Guyton, Tom Trostle, Doris Stillwell, Vera Glenn.

McLean Briefs

The Chamber of Commerce and the City Council of McLean, Texas wish to announce a town meeting on Tuesday, February 21, 1995 at 7 p.m. in the community room at the Devil's Rope Museum. They will be presenting the proposed events for the Western Springfest coming up on April 21-23rd. They will be requesting citizen input and will hear every suggestion presented.

Barbed Wire Show Planned

The Devil's Rope and Route 66 Museum in McLean Texas will host the Barbed Wire Super Show on April 20-22, 1995 in the museum Western heritage Community Room.

Members from 14 States are expected to the largest show of the year (in the world's largest museum of it's kind). Arrangements for 80 tables of sale and display items have been made and all types of collections are

Motion by Jackson, second by Bybee, to help with installing handicap ramp for Clinic. Vote Unanimous. Motion passed.

Monty Joiner, President of the Chamber of Commerce, met with council to discuss coming events for McLean. He requested permission to rope off two blocks of Main Street on April 20, 21 and 22, 1995 for the Festival. Motion by Jackson, second by Dwyer, all present voting in favor of motion, to allow roping off the two blocks.

Joiner also asked the council to study the possibility of increasing sales tax to establish an Economic Development Program.

Motion by Jackson, second by Dwyer, to rework

welcome. No admission will be charged and tours of the museums will be ongoing. The monument "A Tribute to Barbed Wire" will be dedicated on April 22, 1995 at 1:00 p.m.

A special dedication of the Boone McClure display will be at 1:30 p.m. Please contact the museum at (806) 779-2225 for more information.

Submitted by Laura Reeser.

Council

gas wells as requested by Superintendent Smith. Vote Unanimous. Motion passed.

Motion by Jackson, second by Bybee, all present voting in favor of motion, Ordinance #256, increasing sewer rates and Ordinance #257 increasing water rates, to become effective February 1, 1995, were read, approved and ordered published on the first reading.

Motion by Smith, second by Jackson, to pay the current bills. All present voting in favor of the motion.

There being no further business to be brought before the meeting it was upon motion by Jackson, second by Bybee adjourned at 8 p.m. Vote Unanimous. Motion passed.

Gray County Ag Day Set

By Danny Nusser
This year's Gray County Ag Day is scheduled for February 9, 1995, beginning at 8:00 a.m., at the Gray County Annex east of Pampa on Highway 60.

Registration will begin at 7:30 a.m. with coffee and donuts furnished by the local Texas Cattlewomen's Association. There has been 6.5 CEU's applied for this meeting, and we're currently waiting for TDA confirmation. The meeting will open to private, non-commercial, and commercial applicators.

The program will feature topics on pesticide laws and regulations, recordkeeping, worker protection standards, diesel regulations for on-farm storage, new federal crop insurance guidelines,

Care Center News

Sunday Bro. Dean Williamson, pastor of the Assembly of God Church was here to hold a worship service.

Residents attending a craft session Monday morning were Adelle Walker, Noema Meroney, Lorena Bailey, Leon Burch, Christine Shipley, Floyd Gatlin, Eula Morrow, Ruby Ayers, Beryl Halbert, Thelma Hopkins, Imogene King and Norma McBee.

In the afternoon we played bingo, those playing were Floyd Gatlin, Dick Wheeler, Leon Burch, Adelle Walker, Eula Morrow, Virgie Everett, Lorena Bailey, Kittie Hessey, Noema Meroney, Thelma Hopkins, Ruby Ayers, Beryl Halbert and Annie Eudey. Our volunteer helpers were Cliffie Heasley and Sylvia McClellan. Bananas were furnished by the Lions club.

Tuesday morning the following residents played Ring Toss: Leon Burch, Virgie Everett, Kittie Hessey, Ruby Ayers, Polly Burnett, Noema Meroney and Floyd Gatlin. The winners were Imogene King, Norma McBee and Adelle Walker. In the afternoon Eula Morrow, Noema Meroney, Dick Wheeler, Leon Burch, Norma McBee, Annie Eudey, Imogene King and Adelle Walker played dominos.

Wednesday morning Bro. Dean Williamson was here to lead in a Sing-A-Long and serve refreshments to the residents.

Thursday afternoon Sue Marsh was here to assist in games of "42". Those playing were Dick Wheeler, Teresa Richardson, Norma McBee, Eula Morrow, Leon Burch and Imogene King.

Friday morning the following residents played bingo: Pat Jones, Noema Meroney, Teresa Richardson, Leon Burch, Eula Morrow, Ruby Ayers, Annie Eudey, Adelle Walker, Dick Wheeler and Norma McBee.

chemigation equipment and problems, alternative crops for the area, beneficial insects and their potential, weed control in rangeland including the use of sheep and goats, 1995 Farm Bill, pesticide issues, endangered species and property rights, and irrigation timing for sorghum and corn. We are currently trying to solicit enough support in order to furnish a meal. If this is not possible, we will break for lunch and return for the afternoon session.

This meeting is an annual event sponsored by the Gray County Extension Program Council Ag Committee. If there are any questions, please feel free to call Gray County Extension Agent, Danny Nusser, at 669-8033.

Educational programs of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service are open to all citizens without regard to race, color, sex, disability, religion, age or national origin.

Alanreed News

By Lena Carter

Visitors at First Baptist Church Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Creed Lamb, Jackie Riley, Jim Bible, Bro. Wells and Joan Murray.

The Olin Weldons were in Panhandle Sunday for a dinner given by their daughter in honor of Olin's birthday.

Visiting the R.L. Leeders during the weekend was daughter Sharon and family of Clarendon.

The Olin Weldons were in Amarillo this week for medical attention.

Bro. Wells will continue to preach at First Baptist

Card Of Thanks

Dear Friends,

You have always been there for us and always cared. Thank you for the years of friendship you shared with our loved one, R. Earl Stubblefield, and for the loving comfort and support you have given to us, his family.

We are grateful to the McLean Home Health Care who enabled Earl to be cared for at home; to the Rev. Thacker Haynes for his compassion; to June's employer, the McLean ISD, and her co-workers for their consideration and cooperation; and to the multitude of friends who expressed their love and sympathy through visits, calls, food, flowers and memorials.

We feel greatly blessed by the precious gift of your friendship.

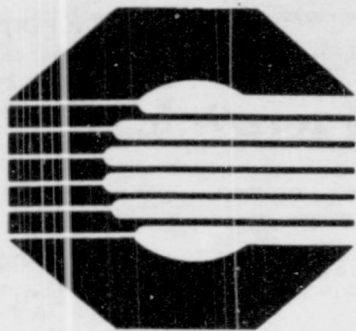
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More Reminders

THERE WILL BE A meeting of McLean Ex-Students Feb. 6 at 7:30 p.m. at the Lion's Club Building.

LION'S CLUB will meet Feb. 6 at 6:30 p.m. at the Lion's Club Building.

THE 1995 MISS McLean Beauty Pageant will be held Feb. 11 at 7:30 p.m. at the High School Auditorium.

E. W. Riley Retires

E.W. Riley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Riley of McLean, is retiring this month after 31 years of service to the Tulia Independent School District. For the last seven years, he has served as the assistant superintendent for business. He also taught social studies, physical education, worked as a vocational counselor, and served as principal of Highland School.

Riley is a graduate of McLean High School. He received his bachelors and masters degrees in education from West Texas State University. Later he received his masters degree in counseling from Texas A&M University.

Riley will become a sales representative for Indeco Sales which sells furniture to schools and churches. He and his wife Darlene will continue to live in Tulia.

Carpenter Certified At Seminar

Judge Mary Ann Carpenter was certified at the recent 40 Hour Justice of the Peace Seminar held January 22 - 27, 1995 in Austin, Texas. The seminar was sponsored by the Texas Justice Court Training Center, headquarters at Southwest Texas State University in San Marcos. The seminar is one of two

held in January for all newly elected Justices of the Peace so they can fulfill their Continuing Judicial Education Requirements as set forth in Article 27.005 of the Texas Government Code. The seminar addressed topics such as Judicial Ethics, Contempt, Court Security, Criminal and

Civil Jurisdiction and Venue, Parks and Wildlife Laws, Traffic Laws, Alcoholic Beverage Laws, Magistrate Duties, Juvenile Laws, Rules of Evidence, Search Warrants, Family Violence, Media Relations, Landlord and Tenant Law and Inquests.

James Alfred McMurtry Dies

DALLAS - James Alfred McMurtry, 79, a former Clarendon resident, died Sunday, January 29, 1995.

Memorial services were in Park Cities Presbyterian Church. Funeral services were in First Presbyterian Church at Clarendon. Burial was in Citizens Cemetery at Clarendon. Arrangements were by Sparkman/Hillcrest Funeral Home in Dallas and Robertson Funeral Directors in Clarendon.

Mr. McMurtry was born in Clarendon and had been a longtime resident before moving to Dallas and Rockport. He graduated from Kansas State University in 1937 with degrees in business and agriculture. He had played on the KSU doubles tennis team and was president of Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity.

In Clarendon, he had been a rancher, businessman and community leader. He was a charter member and director of Texas Cattle Feeders Association, a member of the Texas and Southwest Cattle Raisers Association and member and president of the Panhandle Livestock Association.

Mr. McMurtry also directed the American National Bank in McLean, was a member of the Clarendon school board for nine years and served as president of the board for five years. He was a Jester and member of the Khiva Shrine Temple in Amarillo.

After his retirement from ranching in 1969 he moved to Dallas and Rockport, where he was a co-founder and director of Live Oak State Bank. He had been a

deacon and elder at First Presbyterian Church in Clarendon, was an elder at First Presbyterian Church in Rockport and was a charter member of Park Cities Presbyterian Church in Dallas.

He and his wife, Kathryn Westmoreland McMurtry, had been married for 53 years.

Survivors include his wife; four daughters, Connie Anspacher, Marcia Bankhead and Chris Craig, all of Dallas, and Mellie Bergman of Boerne; 12 grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

The family suggests memorials in lieu of flowers be to Park Cities Presbyterian Church; the American-Cancer Society; or to a favorite charity.

School Trustee Workshop Planned For Thursday

AMARILLO Area school board candidates will have the opportunity to learn more about the challenges and rewards of board service at a school board candidate workshop, Thursday, February 2, 1995, from 7-9:30 p.m. at the Region 16 Education Service Center (1601 South Cleveland, Amarillo).

The workshop will provide school board candidates and other interested citizens with a better understanding of what is involved in being elected and serving as a trustee. An experienced school board member and a training consultant from the Texas Association of School Boards (TASB) will explain board members' key responsibilities and outline the qualities necessary for

effective service.

Topics to be covered include the school board's duties and responsibilities, important ethical practices during board service, how board members are accountable for the education of students, and keys to responsible campaigns. Participants will also view "A Call to Service," a TASB video highlighting many aspects of board service and featuring several experienced school trustees.

The workshop is open to all school board candidates, interested community members, and current school board members. Admission is free. For more information please call David Koempel at TASB, 512-467-0222, or 800-580-8272, ext. 6191.

Tigers

Heather Hess led the Lady Tigers with 30 points, and Keli Crockett led the Kelton team with 30. However, Hess had plenty of backup from Kristina Carter with 13 points, Angel Harris with 12, and Shaley Stalls with 9 points to make the difference in the game.

The Tigers surprised the visiting quintet from Kelton by taking the game 59 to 53. Junior Blake Crockett, who has shown steady improvement throughout the season, unhooked for 17 points in the game to lead the Tigers. Junior Ben Reeser scored 15, and Monty Joiner scored 13. Andy Glass also put in 8 points and Jeremy Crutcher added 6.

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Junior High Plays Feb. 6
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Mom's Circle Meets Jan. 18

Dr. Meganne Walsh, who specializes in pediatrics from Pampa, was the guest speaker for Mom's Circle on January 13 at the Assembly of God Church. Dr. Walsh talked about common pediatric problems including fever, vomiting, diarrhea and constipation. The presentation was very informative and entertaining.

Susan Williamson and Sally Seymour served hot spiced raspberry and orange tea, iced tea, sugar and

chocolate chip cookies and brownies to Amy Herring, Lezlie Stewart, Shelly Bolton, Shelly Gardner from Shamrock, Lena Glass, Mary Dwyer, Adella Jackson, Roxie McMorde and Beverly Odom.

The nursery was again funded by the United Methodist Women and was held at the Assembly of God Church also. Nine children enjoyed being cared for by Judy and Penny Lee. The Mom's really appreciate

the Methodist Women and are able to really benefit from the meetings.

A Sweetheart Dinner will be on Monday, February 13 at 6:00 p.m. at the Cowboy Cafe. A babysitting service will be provided.

Public Notice

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Am I A Carpenter Or A Psychiatrist

By Delbert Trew
 Ever since I was twelve years old, when I built Mother a chicken house, I've been involved in carpentry. Once during cheap cattle prices, I fled to Colorado Springs, where I helped build a house every two weeks. This ruined me on new construction, so I concentrated my efforts thereafter to remodeling. Although the skills needed are the same, remodeling requires a degree in Psychiatry.

The typical job starts with a meeting between the owner, his wife and the carpenter. Although an excuse for remodeling is not required, the wife spends an hour telling how her husband can't do anything. He tears up more than he fixes, costs twice as much as it should, and is a total nitwit about how to do anything right. Well, Harry and I are sitting at the same table, and though I haven't said a word, and neither has Harry, he is already mad at me because of his shortcomings. Then she gets off into her daughters divorce and somehow I learn that the preacher ran off with the organist. A degree in psychiatry sure helps in a situation like this.

Another typical job has the husband cautioning me about the costs, as they have very little money to spare. Meanwhile, the wife says to do it all, hang the expense. Lets go all out!

They always want a commode where its impossible to put a commode. All new doors seem to go through a cement wall. All new plug-ins are required, but don't mess up the wall, and so it goes, on and on.

A friend was lost to me, when I was unable to get his wife a big enough closet, without building on to the house. In desperation, I finally told her to go home and try on every bit of clothes she had. Anything that didn't fit-get rid of it. Everything that fit but was out of style-sell it. She tried on and culled for three days. It was the biggest garage sale every held in Clarendon. Her husband said she cried and cussed

me the whole time. But in the end, the closet was big enough.

A kitchen remodel job in Shamrock took three weeks or more, during which the lady of the house sat the entire time at the snack bar, talking to me. I was the one needing a psychiatrist when that job was finished!!!



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