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"Wheeler, town of friendship and pride."

Funeral Services Pending For Grainger McIlhany

Grainger McIlhany, 82, died Tuesday, March 19, 2001, in Amarillo. Services are pending at Wright Funeral Home in Wheeler.

CWE CHAT WITH EDITOR

By Louis C. Stas

Word was received Tuesday of the death of **Grainger McIlhany**. This is indeed a loss to the community. Our sympathy to the family.

—cwe—
Grainger fell on the ice in a recent ice storm and broke his hip. This resulted and/or was followed by far more serious complications.

—cwe—
Tuesday was the first day of spring and a beautiful day it was. Hopefully this will be followed by many more of the same.

—cwe—
Should have put the potatoes in the ground Saturday. I have not gotten the garden worked yet.

—cwe—
We accompanied the Meriwethers to Shamrock Friday evening for the St. Patrick's banquet. The Motifs were great as usual.

—cwe—
We also saw part of the parade Saturday, since we were over there. A nice size parade and a good crowd. It was just a little cool and windy.

—cwe—
The Wheeler area was well represented at the Lad and Lassie competition.

—cwe—
Thanks, Willetta, for putting up with us so much over the weekend.
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Walk Across Texas Registration Due Fri.

If Hank Williams could waltz across Texas for love, couldn't you and a group of friends walk across the Lone Star State for health?

Walk Across Texas is an eight-week program that will spark some friendly competitions in Wheeler County. Teams of eight will compete to see who can log the most miles walking, jogging, or even biking. The kickoff for Wheeler County is March 30th.

To participate in *Walk Across Texas*, first get a team together. Biking and jogging teams are limited to four people. Choose a team captain and name your team. Fill out a registration form available at the Wheeler County Agricultural Extension Office, 2nd floor in the county courthouse. All registration packets and money need to be turned in by **Friday, March 23, 2001**.

"Competition kicks off on March 30th," Tellman said. "Come out and plan to have lots of fun."

For more information, call the Extension office at 826-5243. *Walk Across Texas* results will be posted at the Courthouse in the Extension office and on the Courthouse bulletin boards as well as in the local newspapers.

Hospital Notes

Old Admissions

Estelle Orr
Virginia Frye
Ruth Ledbetter
Verne Lohberger
Ardie Martin
Sammie Atherton

New Admissions

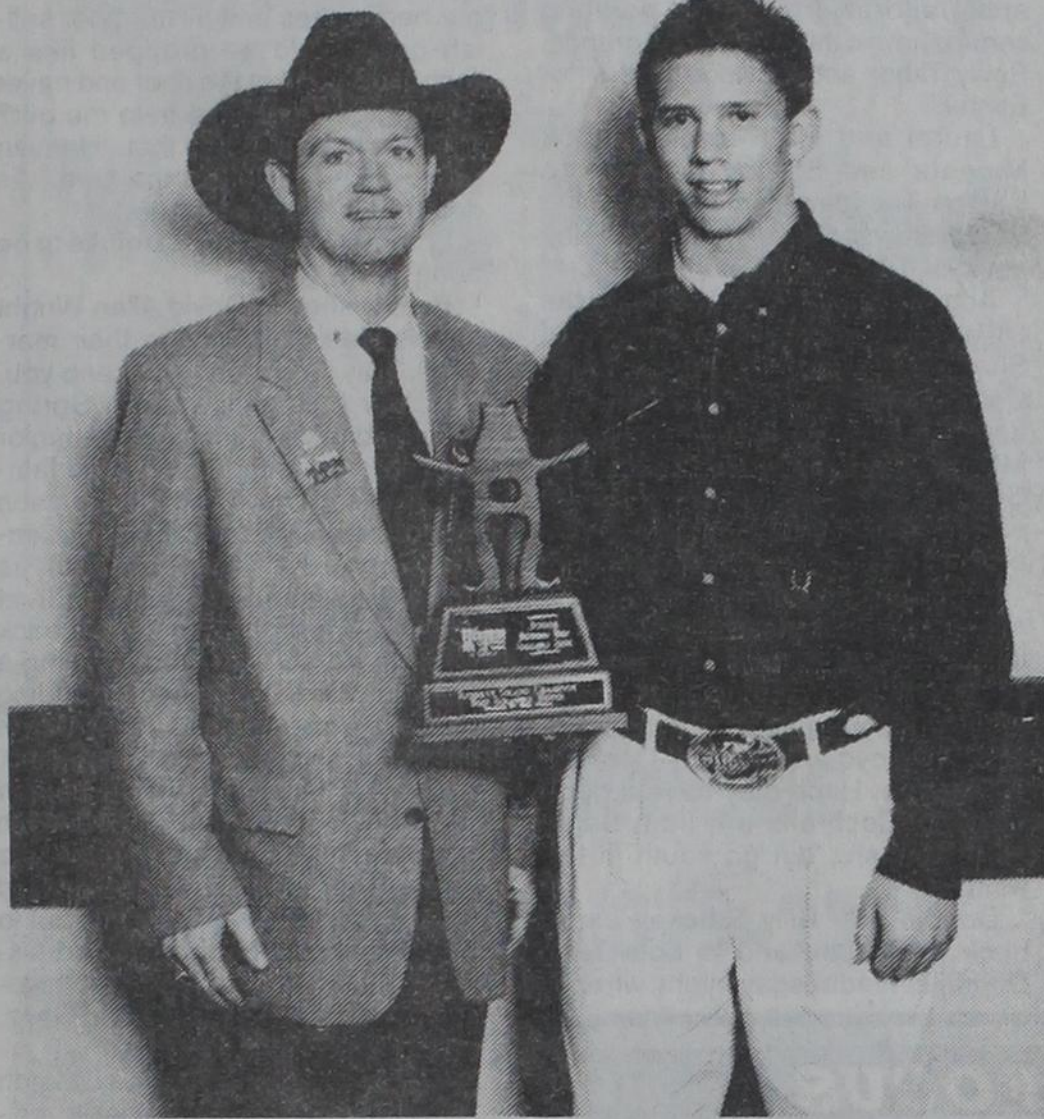
3/13 Hyland Weaver
3/14 Wilma Gilmer

Dismissals

3/14 Ann Griffin
3/17 Hyland Weaver



FIVE GENERATIONS: Marie Baker of Wheeler recently had the opportunity to be with five generations of her family in Pampa. Pictured here are (l. to r.) Marie Baker of Wheeler, Bob Baker of Pageland, S.C., Ann Price of Lampasas, Texas. Seated are Christina and Alyssa Marie Ingalls of Longview, Texas.



WELL DONE: Brad Masters is shown here accepting his award for a job well done at the 2001 Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo Scramble. Gary Nesloney, HLS&R Rep. (left), presents the award.

Wheeler School Board Hires Teachers, Staff At Regular Meeting Mon., Mar. 8

A regular meeting of the Wheeler ISD Board of Trustees was held with all members present. President Gail Ledbetter called the meeting to order at 6:34 PM, issued a welcome and asked for any public comment. There was none. Guests present were: Rhonda McWhorter. School personnel present were: Supt. Brooks Symank, Principals Doug Rives and Dale Pulpan, Athletic Directors Jim Verden and Mike Bailey, Business Manager Donna Walsler, Mary Britt, school nurse, and the following teachers, Gwen McCain, Kathy Thomas, Judy Woollard, Connie Porter, Larry Hampton, Suzanne Hampton, Cathy Burrell, Tammy Moore, and Becky Hardcastle. Other employees present were: James Hubble and Becky Jewell.

1. Motion by Dr. Hillhouse; Seconded by Mr. Sams; To approve the minutes of the previous meeting as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Motion by Mr. Sams; Seconded by Mr. Burch; To accept the generous donation of \$2000.00 (1000.00 to High School 1000.00 to K-8) from Ben Hill Griffin. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Motion by Mr. Burch; Seconded by Dr. Hillhouse; To approve for payment the February accounts as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Motion by Dr. Hillhouse; Seconded by Mr. Sams; To approve the local policy updates FDD & FDF. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Motion by Mr. Sams; Seconded by Mr. Osborne; To accept the delinquent tax report for 2000 taxes from the tax collector. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Motion by Mr. Sams; Seconded by Mr. Osborne; To publish the list of delinquent tax payers.; Motion defeated. FOR: Sams, Osborne, Burch, AGAINST: Smith, Hillhouse, Ledbetter.

The possible publication of delinquent tax payers will be placed on

the May agenda.

7. Motion by Mr. Burch; Seconded by Dr. Smith; To approve the 2001-2002 school calendar as presented by the calendar committee. Motion carried unanimously.

8. Motion by Mr. Sams; Seconded by Dr. Hillhouse; To call an election for May 5, 2001, to fill 1 unexpired term and 2 full terms. Motion carried unanimously.

9. Motion by Dr. Hillhouse; Seconded by Mr. Burch; To appoint Brenda Mitchell as election judge with her appointing her own clerks. Motion carried unanimously.

10. Motion by Mr. Burch; Seconded by Mr. Osborne; To appoint Kim Goad and Donna Walsler as absentee clerks. Motion carried unanimously. The Board took a break at 7:00 PM to see the One Act Play. The Board went back into session at 7:30 PM.

A financial status report and projections for the future was given by Supt. Brooks Symank.

The Board retired into Executive Session at 7:58 PM as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Section 551.074. The Board returned to Open Session at 10:50 PM.

There was no action on reduction in force.

The Board retired into Executive Session at 11:05 PM as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Section 551-074. The Board returned to Open Session at 12:31 AM.

11. Motion by Mr. Osborne; Seconded by Mr. Sams; To employ Dale Pulpan as high school principal for the 2001-2002 school year as recommended by Supt Symank. Motion carried unanimously.

12. Motion by Mr Burch; Seconded by Dr. Hillhouse; To employ Doug Rives as K-8 principal for the 2001-2002 school year as recommended by Supt Symank. Motion carried unanimously.

13. Motion by Dr. Hillhouse; Seconded by Mr. Burch; To employ Jim Verden as Boys Athletic Director/head football coach/teacher for the 2001-2002 school year on a 12 month contract as recommended by Supt. Symank. Motion carried unanimously.

14. Motion by Mr. Osborne; Seconded by Mr. Sams; To employ Mike Bailey as Girls Athletic Director/teacher/coach for the 2001-2002 school year on an 11 month contract as recommended by Supt Symank. Motion carried unanimously.

15. Motion by Mr. Burch; Seconded by Dr. Smith; To employ for the 2001-2002 school year the following professional personnel upon the recommendation of Doug Rives: Mike Bailey, Elizabeth Boring, Cathy Burrell, Debra Finsterwald, Larry Hampton, Nancy Hampton, Machille Henson, Dianna Johnson, Jenny Smith, Cory Lynch, Belinda Masters, Gwen McCain, Nancy Miller, Tammy Moore, Connie Porter, Kathy Thomas, Claudia Marion and Mary Britt, RN. Motion carried unanimously.

16. Motion by Mr. Sams; Seconded by Dr. Hillhouse; To employ for the 2001-2002 school year the following professional personnel upon the recommendation of principal Dale Pulpan: Suzanne Hampton, Kloette Henson, Brenda Keys, Betty Rives (JH staff), Kenneth Rutherford, Michelle Schafer, Melinda Stiles, Connie Symank, Janette Umsted, Shane Whiteley and Judy Woollard. Motion carried unanimously.
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Masters Recognized At Houston Show

Brad Masters, a Wheeler County 4-H student from Wheeler, Texas, proudly accepted an award for a job well done at the 2001 Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo Scramble Banquet.

Brad, a student at Wheeler I.S.D., was presented with the following award(s):

Reserve Grand Champion Heifer: Trophy donated by Mike Mizell

The awards presented at the banquet are the result of 12 long months of dedicated care and grooming of a registered beef or dairy heifer. The heifer was purchased by Brad with a calf purchase certificate donated by Michael Oevermann. This \$1,000 certificate was earned at the 2000 Show in one of three events: calf scramble, livestock judging or dairy judging.

Each calf purchase certificate winner is required to keep detailed reports on the animal's progress and financial records. This information is sent to Show officials and the calf certificate donor monthly. In addition, each winner submits pictures showing the progress of the project and a 500-word essay describing the experience. Don King, Brad's county extension agent supervised the project throughout the year.

Justin Boot Company and Eller Media sponsored the 2001 Calf Scramble Banquet. This year's guest speaker was NASA astronaut and United States Marine Corps Major Christopher J. "Gus" Loria. "The Scramble Banquet recognizes and rewards the accomplishments of the scramble certificate winners who have excelled during the past year," said Gary Nesloney, chairman of the Calf Scramble Donors Committee and one of the nearly 13,000 volunteers who make the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo a success. "But just as

importantly, the banquet is an opportunity to express appreciation to the generous donors who make the calf scramble program possible," added Nesloney.

Each year, approximately 360 calf purchase certificates are donated. Since the calf scramble was added to the Show in 1942, 15,350 youth have been awarded \$6,147,000 worth of purchase certificates for beef and dairy heifers.

Each year, the Show benefits Texas youngsters through individual scholarships and endowments to Texas colleges and universities. During the 2000 fall semester, 1,486 students were attending 84 Texas colleges

and universities on Show-sponsored scholarship. Since the inception of its scholarship program in 1957, the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo has committed more than \$77 million in educational support to the youth of Texas.

The 2001 RODEOHOUSTON runs Feb. 13 through March 4 and features 20 action-packed performances. The Show offers a diverse lineup of concert stars, the world's largest and highest paying regular-season rodeo, the world's largest livestock show, a world-class horse show and educational exhibits. Tickets are available through all Ticketmaster outlets and the Reliant Astrodomex box office.



WINNERS AT BOOKER: March 5, the Wheeler Boys Golf Team played at Booker. They won first place with a total of 325 points. Dirk Chapman was the first place medalist with a total of 76. Dee Alston placed second with 77. Raymond Gentry shot a 83 and Gavin McQueen shot a 89. Pictured are (l. to r.) Gavin McQueen, Dee Alston, Dirk Chapman and Raymond Gentry.

City of Wheeler Conducts Budget Hearing; Regular Council Meeting Held March 19

Budget Hearing March 19, 2001

Mayor Wanda Herd called the meeting to order at 6:45 P.M.

Kathleen Frankenbery made motion, seconded by Bob McCain to amend the 2000-01 Budget. The motion carried.

Barbra Koelzer made motion the meeting adjourn. Bob McCain seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Regular Meeting March 19, 2001

Mayor Wanda Herd called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Barbra Koelzer made motion, seconded by Kathleen Frankenbery to approve the minutes as written. The motion carried.

Walter Simmons made motion, seconded by Barbra Koelzer to pay the bills as reported. The motion carried.

Bob McCain reported on the activities of the city employees for Frank Clymer.

Charles Kuntz presented receipts and disbursements and discussed same. He also presented the 2001-02 proposed budget.

Barbra Koelzer made motion, seconded by Bob McCain to approve the 2001-02 proposed budget as presented. The motion carried.

Walter Simmons made the motion, seconded by Kathleen Frankenbery to approve the 2001-02 budget amendments as presented. The motion carried.

Walter Simmons made motion to hire Rebecca Morrison as Pool manager for the 2001 season. Bob McCain seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The council went into executive session at 7:10 P.M. They returned from executive session at 8:05 p.m. (pursuant to Texas Open Meetings Act Code Sec. 551.000740). No decisions were made to be voted on.

Kathleen Frankenbery made motion, seconded by Barbra Koelzer to advertise for a grounds maintenance worker. The motion carried.
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Parkview Hosp. Board Conducts Business

The meeting was called to order by Dean Tippis, Chairman at 7:00 p.m. in the Hospital Board Room.

Those present were: Dean Tippis, Chairman; Thomas Helton, Vice Chairman; Dave Britt, Secretary; Jim Batton, Member; Bob Dukes, Member

Also Present: Billy Robertson, Administrator

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the February 12, 2001 Board meeting were approved as presented. Jim Batton made motion to approve the minutes. Dave Britt seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Payment of Bills: Dave Britt made motion to pay the bills.

Bob Dukes seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Financial Statements and Statistics: Financial Statements and Statistics were reported by Mr. Robertson. Bob Dukes made motion to approve
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Ft. Elliott One-Act Play To Be Presented Fri.

The Fort Elliott One Act Play will be presented on Friday, March 23rd at 7:30 p.m. at the Fort Elliott Cafeteria in Briscoe.

Friends of the Library Helpers Are Needed

The Wheeler Public Library is pleased to announce that an individual has come forward and offered to start a Friends of the Library. She is looking for volunteers to help her with this much needed project. Any person who has a little free time to donate for community service, please contact Connie Steffey at 826-3709.

CattleWomen Will Offer Scholarships To Seniors

The Top 'O Texas CattleWomen Scholarship application forms are now in your schools. One Scholarship of \$500.00 and two of \$250.00 will be awarded. Students from Carson, Collingworth, Gray, Hemphill, Hutchison, Lipscomb, Ochiltree, Roberts and Wheeler are eligible. The deadline to return the applications to Sandra Christner, P.O. Box 522, Wheeler, Texas 79096, is April 27, 2001. Please call (806) 826-3572 or (806) 826-5719 if you need more information.

Scholastic Book Fair To Be At W.H.S. March 26

The Wheeler School Library will be hosting their annual Scholastic Book Fair. The Fair will be held Monday, March 26-Thursdays, March 29 from 7:30-4 p.m. each day. Some of the featured titles for this year's fair include "Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire", "Clifford the Big Red Dog & Tummy Trouble", "The Adventures of Marco Polo", "The Girl with 500 Middle Names", "Froggy Plays Soccer", and "Chicken Soup for the Preteen Soul". There will also be bookmarks, pencils, erasers, calendars, posters and games. Proceeds from the Book Fair will go to purchase educational videos and books for the library. Earlier in the month a contest was held with Kaycee Swift checking out the 10,000 book. She will receive a \$10 gift certificate to be used at the Book Fair.

Stevens To Be In Canyon

Travis Stevens, a 1997 graduate of Wheeler High School, is playing baseball as a TSU Texan from Stephenville. They will be traveling to West Texas A&M at Canyon, for a 3 game series, beginning at 1 pm on Friday, March 23, 2001 for a double-header, and again at noon on Saturday March 24. Travis is the son of Dale and Janet Stevens of Wheeler. Travis would love to see his friends. Come on out and root Travis and the Texans on.



TREES FOR THE PARK: Three trees were recently planted in the Wheeler City Park. The cottonless cottonwoods are approximately 5 years old and around 13 feet tall. Pictured here are (l. to r.) Brian A. Scott, Staff Forrester I, of the Texas Forest Service, a part of the Texas A&M University System; Frank Clymer, City Employee and Bob McCain, City Councilman. The trees were obtained through the Chapman Forestry Foundation of Lubbock, Texas. The City of Wheeler submitted a tree-planting application and were awarded three trees with a value of \$1,000. The last line of the letter from Chapman Forestry Foundation reads: "One who plants a tree not only plants hope for our future but hope for future generations as well."

GAGEBY NEWS

By Verna Fillingim

Job 2:3 And the Lord said to Satan, Hast thou considered my servant Job, that there is none like him in the earth, a perfect and an upright man—He holds fast his integrity although thou movedst me against him to destroy him without cause.

Happy Birthday to Leonard Hollis on March 25; Justin Brown, Gaye Hale, Nathan McLaughlin and Charlie Flannagan on March 26; Gayle Singleton, Greg Bryant, Ray Corcoran, Robert Bull, Susie Umsted, Travis Good, George Reeves and Jada Murray on March 27; Barbara Austin, Stormy Reeves, Cindy

ALLISON MENU

MONDAY, March 26, 2001 — FRIDAY, March 30, 2001

MONDAY
Breakfast: Strudels, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Chicken Strips, Mashed Potatoes, Breaded Squash, Hot Rolls, Oreo Yogurt Milk

TUESDAY
Breakfast: Waffle Sticks, Sausage, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Meat Nacho, Tossed Salad, Peach Cobbler, Milk

WEDNESDAY
Breakfast: Scrambled Eggs, Bacon, Biscuits, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Fish Sandwich, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Chips, Spice Cake, Milk

THURSDAY
Breakfast: Cereal, Cream of Wheat, Toast, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Chef Salad, Chicken Salad, Mexican Salad, Grilled Cheese, Orange Slices, Milk

FRIDAY
Breakfast: Donuts, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Pizza, Tossed Salad, Corn, Fruit, Milk
 (Menu subject to change)

Hartsfield, Jamie Trimble, Ruby Craig and Kelby Vise on March 29; Johnny Wilson and Ruth Ella May on March 30; and Kristin Marion on March 31.
 Happy Anniversary to Brad and Sue Chandler, Glenn and Mozelle Thomas, Bob and Charleen Carey and Willis and Verna Fillingim on March 25; Jamey and Diane Brice and Larry and Sharon Zamora on

March 26; Dr. Bob and Glenda Galutia on March 28; and Harold and Margery Salmon on Mar. 31.
 Praise the Lord! Deidre and John Paul Harris have a new baby boy, Logan Sky, born March 17, 2001 at Amarillo. Logan has lots of black hair, long legs and big feet. Logan has a touch of pneumonia in one lung so is in the neonatal unit at BSA. Keep praying for Logan and his family. We are thankful he made it here o.k. Bevard and Diane have been up there. Bob and Gena Zybach went up Sunday. No visitors allowed because of his frailness. But they had to really scrub up and got to go see him. Bobby thought his hands were

the cleanest they had been in years. Logan is a miracle baby and still needs our prayers.
 Willa Fillingim enjoyed a visit from Terri Crowner and Andrew Striley (Jodie's stepson). Charles and Lajo took Andrew back one day and visited Jodie and Kenney and Boyce Crowner.
 Congratulations to Jamey and Diane (Moffett) Brice on the birth of their new baby boy, Cooper Lee, born March 8, at Amarillo and weighing 7 lbs. and 6 1/2 ozs. and 19 1/2 inches long. He is welcomed by big brother Hunter. Proud grandparents are James and Alesha Moffett of Panhandle.
 We took a little trip to Elk City Tuesday. Hadn't been there in ages. They had had rain and fields and pastures were beginning to green up. Nice to see Ramona (Green) Burrus at Walmart. Visited a little with my sister, Polly Hefley on the way back. She and Deborah Ford were painting some ceramic things for great grands. Emily Tabor and Dawson Hefley for Easter.
 Laurel and Ed Hershman took Micaela and Shelby Dawson to Pampa Tuesday to meet Brad and Sarita Dawson and Dallas. Shelby got sick. Doctor said stomach flu.
 Abby Gilmer, 14 months, was in the Little Lads and Lassies Pageant at Shamrock Sunday afternoon. Misty, Casey and Abby went as did Vickie and Jimmy Gilmer and James and Mardi Ogle and Melody Morgan, Godmother. Abby didn't win the pageant, but she "got what she wanted: a lolly pop and balloon."
 Rosalie is planning a trip with twin sisters, Floy Larkin and Joy Garrison to Dester, N.M., to visit their sister, Thelma Bailey, who has been in poor health. They are expecting to see a nephew, Boyd and Beverly Cochran while there. Hope they have a good trip. The Cochrans are from Battle Creek, Wash., but go south in the winter.
 Donald and Billy Stuckey came back to Briscoe and to Lou Dean Douthits Wednesday night when it

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was so very windy. They expect to be around and have some hunts for awhile. Zane Kinnaman was spending the day with them Monday. Welcome back, Billie and Donald, God Bless!
 A very dear friend and lovely lady, Margaret Brown (Paige) of Eads, Colo., got her passport to heaven Saturday, March 17, in the hospital there. She would have been 89 on April 18. What a joy to meet loved ones, who've gone on before.
 I've had an old poem going through my mind the last few days. Wish I could think of the rest of it. It is something about Beginning again and a place where all our mistakes and all our heartaches and all our poor selfish grief could be dropped like a ragged old coat at the door and never put on again. Anyone help me out? But then heaven is like that. "Heaven is growing sweeter all the time." As dear one precede us there.
 From Willa Fillingim: "I refuse to be hung by my tongue."
 Best wishes to David Allen Wright and Andrea Gail Sims in their marriage. May God bless and keep you.
 Dallas Fillingim was on Spring Break from Vernon Regional Junior College and visited friends and family. He visited David and Rita Pearson and Ken and Lindsey Criswell at Canyon. Good to have him visit us Wednesday and go out to eat at Maxeys. From there he went back home to Vernon. He was planning a trip to Ft. Worth to a friend's wedding over the weekend. Good to see him doing well and enjoying his life there.
 Kerry and Bryan Williams from Crowell spent Spring Break with grandparents, David and Melba Seitz and great-grandmas, Jane Seitz and Nora Babb. Good to see them out to Grace Fellowship Church Wednesday night. The boys have been helping with lots of jobs for David Seitz. Fine young men.
 James Ogle took off Friday, March 16, from his job at the plant to celebrate his wife Mardi's birthday. (She didn't say how many years.) They visited James' mom, Dorothy Ogle on Mardi's birthday. James has worked many years at the plant east of us. It used to be Natural Gas Plant. It is now Oneok- (#1 Oklahoma), based out of Tulsa.
 Visitors Sat. and Sun. at James and Mardi Ogles' home to celebrate Mardi's birthday and Andrea Hershners' birthday were Misty and Casey Gilmer and Abby, Melody Morgan, Andrea from Plano, Shelly Johnson and Tanner from Broken Bow, Okla., June Sheffield from Colorado Springs, and Dorothy Ogle. They also had a call from Mindy Morgan in Albuquerque. Little James won 7th in New Mexico in Gymnastics and was third on parallel bars. Congratulations, Little James.
 Jennifer Maddox went to the St. Patricks' parade and bull riding and fighting. One guy got a leg broken. She went with Lake Ledford. Jennifer is still working at Wheeler Care Center about 4 days a week.
 Congratulations to Kaymi Fitzer for winning second place at the Lad and Lassie pageant. She is two years old.
 Glad to hear Dub Swift came through hip replacement surgery at Amarillo Tuesday and is doing o.k. Getting around with a walker or crutches. Expects to have the other hip done later. He is at home. Pray for Dub.
 Wanda Childress and Addie Swift went to Wheeler Friday and got their hair fixed and bought groceries. Nice to see Rosalie Keelin at the grocery store.
 Martha Ann Helton and daughter, Gayle Lewallen went to Oklahoma City during Spring Break on Wednesday and met Shonda Harrison and made arrangements for the upcoming rehearsal dinner for the Beth Brown-Dale Helton wedding on May 26. Beth manages the 180 at Muncie, Indiana for college, high school and junior high kids. Best wishes to all. The wedding is to be in Oklahoma City to be kind a half-way between Wheeler and Indiana at Metropolitan Baptist Church.
 Jack Helton from Oman came to the wedding of his son, Terry Helton in Florida and came on up to Wheeler to visit his folks. Bill Helton now has a ranch south of Pampa. He came up from there to visit with Jack, Thomas Roy and Tom and Alice Bell. They all had dinner together at Tom and Alice Bell's Wednesday. Jack flew back to Oman Saturday. Oman is in southeastern Arabia on the Arabian Sea. It is an independent sultanate (from dictionary).
 Amy and Daniello Nelson were weekend visitors to Larry and Vickie Nelson and Danny and Jimmy. They all went to Shamrock Saturday to the parade and other activities.
 Nice to have Joe and Sherry

Wegener meet us for supper at the Pizza Hut in Canadian-Saturday night. Sherry is back working in the library after being off five weeks after surgery. Joe is helping get George Cooks bleachers and barn ready for the upcoming bull sale of Mark Meek and George Cook's animals. Also some heifers. Starts at 1:00 p.m. Monday, March 26, with a complimentary lunch at 11:30.
 Shawn and Amy Everett and Dakota, Codi and Colton from San Antonio came about noon Friday to visit grandparents, J. P. and Martha Meek. Others visiting were Shane and Misty Everett and Strace and Masey, Melody, Conner and Suzanne Everett from Shamrock. (Melody from Amarillo.) Shawn's family also visited Phoebe and Chuck Hartline and Aaron, Tamera and Daniel. Shawn's family started back home Saturday evening. Afraid they might get snowed in. They planned to go by Abilene and visit Jimmy Sides' family. J. P. and Martha also visited Hartlines.
 We went to Pampa Friday to get our eyes checked at Simmons and Simmons. Nice to see Shelia Mick there helping with testing. Kim Mize and others. A friendly bunch.
 Friday, Dale and Melba Corcoran ate supper at Wheeler Dairy Queen. So good to see Bill and Dutch Elliott with them. Think they are back to park their camper at the Old Jail in Mobeetie for the summer. Bill helps with all sorts of work around the area and Dutch helps with things, too. Also at Dairy Queen were Doretta Moore and grandson, David Lister, from Lubbock. David is spending a few days with Doretta. They had been to the ranch north of Miami, where Gary and
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Time to plant those postatoes and onion sets and head up to Shamrock.

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Great Plains Medical Center gave \$2,500 toward the new ICU. Our neighbor, Edith Hildebrand is a member.

I read a lady said, "If you are as old as you feel, how come I'm still alive at 150?"

There is a lot about cloning animals and even humans. My question is, "Can they clone a soul?"

Elbert and Eva Atkinson went to OKC Wednesday, where he attended a postal meet.

L. G. and Ann Reed, Lavonda Beavins and Tracy went to OKC Wednesday to be with Timothy Bolton, who had eye surgery. He is doing o.K.

Sherman Wilson is still in OKC hospital, but improved.

School Program
March 12-16—Spring Break, March

20-25—OKC Spring Fair & Livestock Show; March 20—Jostens, 8:30 for Juniors and Seniors.

Mobeetie Fire Dept. Has Storm Watch School

The Mobeetie Volunteer Fire Department hosted the Severe Storm Spotter training course Thursday March 8 at the Fire Station. The Amarillo National Weather Service presented the training by Steve Drillette Warning Coordination Meteorologist. The primary mission of the National Weather Service is to protect property and save lives by issuing timely statements, watches and warnings. Lightning is the number one killer among weather phenomena. During a typical year, lightning kills more people than hurricanes, tornadoes, and winter storms combined. When a thunderstorm threatens follow these rules.

1. Get inside a home, large building, or an all-metal (not convertible) automobile.
2. Do not use the telephone except for emergencies.
3. Do not stand underneath a natural lightning rod such as a tall, isolated tree or a telephone pole.
4. Avoid projecting above the surrounding landscape for example; do not stand on a hilltop.
5. In a forest, seek shelter in a low area under a thick growth of small trees. In open areas, go to a low place such as a ravine or valley.
6. Get away from open water, tractors and other metal farm equipment, and all metal vehicles such as motorcycles, bicycles and golf carts.
7. Avoid wire fences, clotheslines, metal pipes and rails put down golf clubs.
8. Finally, if you are caught out in a level field or in the open, away from shelter, and you feel your hair stand on end, lightning may be about to strike you. Drop to your knees and bend forward, putting your hands on your knees. Do not lie flat on the ground.

There was 2 tornadoes reported in February 2000. They were the first tornadoes in February since 1950.

February 2000 was the 6th warmest February and tied for the 9th driest on record.

March 2000 was the wettest March on record with 4.14 inches breaking the old record of 4.06 in March 1922.



There was one tornado reported in May 2000.

June showed 4 tornadoes reported. There was one lightning death. June was the 13th wettest June on record.

July showed one lightning death, July was the third driest July on record. August tied for the 3rd hottest August on record. It was also tied for the 3rd driest August on record. For the first time in history every day was warmer than 90 degrees.

Sept. was the driest on record. October broke the all time record high on the 3rd with 99 degrees. One tornado was reported. It was the 9th wettest Oct on record.

November was the 5th coldest Nov. on record.

Dec. was the snowiest December on record with 21 inches. The old record was 15.3 inches in 1987. It was also the 18th coldest December on record. The summary for the year it was the 14th warmest year on record and was 44th driest out of 109 years of records. The above facts were taken from the Dryline.

The Amarillo Department of Emergency Management and National Weather Service will be presenting the 2001 Severe Weather Workshop Saturday April 7 in the Auditorium - Amarillo Civic Center. It is Co-Sponsored by TV-Station: KAMR-KFDA-KVII. It starts at 8 AM and ends at 5 PM.

Steve Drillette was welcomed by Tim Adcock Fire Chief. The Mobeetie Volunteer Fire Department served barbecue sandwiches and peach cobbler to the following that attended the training. Steve Drillette, Amanda Sachse, Wendy Canduer, and Kristin Rokee all from Amarillo, Rob Stalling of White Deer, John Lee, Jimmy Nelson, Dave Pearson, Walter Hand, and Chris Lee all of Briscoe, Danelle Morgan of Shamrock, Bud Rose, Julie Chesher, John Chesher, Kevin Chesher, Mary Chesher, Marvin Hinder and Bill Campbell all of the Hoover Fire Department, Joe VanZandt, Calvin Kincannon, Frances Dickey, Doug and Aline Corse, Tim and Sallie Adcock, Bill and Virginia Ridgway and Dale and Melba Corcoran all of Mobeetie.

Following the training the Mobeetie Volunteer Fire Department held their regular monthly meeting. Tim Adcock called the meeting to order at 9. Sallie Adcock read the minutes. They were approved with a motion by Doug Corse and Second by Calvin Kincannon.

Bill Ridgway gave the financial report. It was approved by a motion by Joe VanZandt and second by Doug Corse.

The drug lab workshop in Canadian will be held March 22 from 6 to 10 o'clock. It was announced that the truck is almost finished.

New business was the use of one of the trucks to spray the trees at the museum grounds before the festival. Motion by Joe VanZandt to use one of the trucks. Second by Bill Ridgway. Carried.

Doug Corse made a motion to adjourn. Second by Calvin Kincannon.

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TUESDAY
Breakfast: Biscuits, Peanut Butter, Syrup, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Ham, Sweet Potatoes, English Peas, Toast, Choc. Cake, Milk
WEDNESDAY
Breakfast: Oatmeal, Toast, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Pizza, Corn, Salad, Jeltin/w Fruit, Milk
THURSDAY
Breakfast: Eggs, Sausage, Biscuits, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Hamburger, Cheese, w/Trim-mings, Ice Cream/W Strawberries, Milk
FRIDAY
Breakfast: Cinnamon Toast, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Burritos, Cheese Sticks, Refried Beans, Salad, Cookies, Milk
Menu is subject to change.

ADMINISTRATOR DVL—Ada Dell Close, et al to Shane Goad, et ux, 3-1-01, 140 acs. Sec. 59, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
DT—Shane Goad, et ux to Wheeler Banking Center, 3-8-01, 140 acs. Sec. 59, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
HEIRSHIP AFF.—Nancy M. Laszinski to Lavada Mae Keller Gonzales, 2-22-01.
D—David Gilmer, et ux to Doyle Cornell, et ux, 3-7-01, Lot 3, Blk. 8, Briscoe.
OL—Juanita M. Jackson to Jackfork Land Inc., 1-31-01, E 1/2 NE 1/4 Sec. 46, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
AGREEMENT AFF.—Troy F. Martin, et ux to Troy F. Martin, et ux, 3-8-01, Pts. 6 and 7, Blk. E, G. W. Jacobs Survey.
MARCH 12, 2001
D—Naomi Lane Blakemore to Scott E. Barefoot, et ux, 3-9-01, Lots 4-6, Blk. C, Smith Add., Shamrock.
AFF.—Naomi Lane Blakemore to The Public, 3-9-01.
MD—Jammer Royalties to Kenneth Wischkaemper, 3-8-01, NE 1/4 Sec. 35, Blk. 17, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
ASSIGN.—Jammer Royalties to Kenneth Wischkaemper, 3-9-01, NE 1/4 Sec. 35, Blk. 17, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
ASSIGN.—Jammer Royalties to Kenneth Wischkaemper, 3-9-01, NW 1/4 Sec. 24, Blk. 17, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
PARTIAL ASSIGN.—Geodyne Nominnee Corporation to Samson Lone Star Limited Partnership, 2-27-01, Sec. 44, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
RDT—L. D. Childress, et ux to Stephen D. Cloud, et ux, 3-8-01, W 1/2 Lot 10 and all of Lots 11, 12, and 13, Blk. 116, New Mobeetie.
RELEASE STL—State of Texas to Kenneth Campbell, et al, 3-9-01.
ASSIGN.—Barrett Resources Corporation to Chart Exploration LLC, 3-5-01, See Instrument.
OL—Don Cross to Lariat Petroleum Inc., 9-20-00, Sec. 62, Blk. M-1, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
OL—R. E. Cross to Lariat Petroleum Inc., 9-20-00, Sec. 62, Blk. M-1, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
MARCH 13, 2001
A of JUDG.—Rick Wright to Route 66 Automotive, 3-12-01.
CORR. DT—Stephen G. Guthrie, et ux to Bank One, NA, 11-21-00, 100' x 150' Sec. 60, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey, out of Sub. Div. 8.
RDT—First National Bank of Shamrock to Lynn Ramsey, et ux, 2-15-01, Lots 22 and 23, Blk. 10, Shamrock.
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ALLISON NEWS

By Christine Gilmer

Acts 2: 17 & 18: And it shall come to pass in the last days saith God, I will pour out of my Spirit up on all flesh; and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions and your old men shall dream dreams:

And on my servants and on my handmaidens I will pour out in those days of my Spirit, and they shall prophesy:

Another cloudy Monday morning here in Allison, with a little fog, but no rain.

Four of us U. P. Church ladies went to Wheeler Care Center last Tuesday afternoon and did the March birthday celebration for the residents there. Served angel food cake and punch.

Ruby Craig's last Tuesday dinner guests were Susan Finney, Jesse and Samantha from Pampa. They also visited Wilma Gilmer and entertained her with some music.

Ruby took Wilma, her mother, into Wheeler last Wednesday night to

Parkview Hospital. They admitted her. She has congestive heart failure and having breathing problems. She is still in the hospital this Monday morning. Hope she is soon better.

Darrell and Johnnie Harrison came Friday morning and he went back to farm. Johnnie and I visited, had lunch together. On the way to take Johnnie to the farm, we went through Wheeler and visited Wilma Gilmer at Parkview Hospital and visited with Ruby. She was there with her mom.

I went back to Wheeler Saturday morning and visited Wilma. She was doing some better then, but then Sunday she wasn't doing well.

Suzanne Lohberger also visited Wilma at the hospital.

Sunday morning after church services, I drove to Wheeler. All the way in the rain and met Jerry and Cathy Gilmer from Amarillo at Maxeys. We had dinner together, then went to the hospital and visited with Wilma Gilmer. Also visited with Ruby, who was there with Wilma. Then we came back to Allison and Deanna Willotte from Elk City met Cathy here for a Home Interior's training class at my home.

Jerry and Cathy left going home about five p.m. It snowed a little early Sunday morning, then turned to rain and rained all day. The snow melted

as fast as it fell.

Hayley and Darena Begert were in Clinton last Sunday afternoon attending Bret and Hayley's baby shower.

Opal and Juanita Boydston and Curtis visited at Roma and Billy Brown's last Tuesday evening. Oth-

ers there were Len and Betty Brown from Dumas. Sybil Fish from Bartlesville, Okla., was visiting Opal and Juanita.

Ruby Craig spent most of her time from Wednesday night up to Sunday afternoon with Wilma, her mother at Parkview Hospital.

Red and Anna Dukes were in Pampa for Anna to see Dr. Walters, the eye doctor last Tuesday. On Friday, Red and Anna were in Wheeler for Annato have a mammogram done and they also grocery shopped. They also visited Wilma at the hospital.

On Sunday afternoon Red and Anna's visitors were Minnie Bell Vinson, Glen and Nona Elmore. They played some dominoes.

Last Saturday Pearl Harrison went with Clifton and Louise Boydston to attend Jack and Freddie Lou Moon's 50th Wedding Anniversary. Dr. Willis and Mary Harrison from Canyon visited Pearl a little while Sunday afternoon.

Glen and Nona Elmore's Sunday afternoon visitors were Nadine Reynolds and also Melissa Helton and son, London, from Pampa.

Pete and Margaret Gilmer were in Amarillo last Thursday and spent Thursday and Friday night with Becky and Jeannie Gilmer and did some shopping.

Psalm 42 and 8: Yet the Lord will command his loving Kindness in the day time, and in the night his song shall be with me, and my prayer unto the God of my life.

Edna May's Sunday afternoon visitors were Virginia Puryear, Lou Dean Douthit from Briscoe and Sam Davis from Cheyenne. They visited and played dominoes.

Nadine Reynolds attended the "One Act Play" at the school Sunday afternoon.

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MOBEETIE NEWS

By: Melba Corcoran

Bill and Dutch Elliott went home Saturday for the weekend. The camping club had their dinner Saturday night at McLean. Bill Elliott has been sick with a cold since Thursday.

Dale Corcoran and Bill Elliott went to the auction Friday at Kellerville for the city. They purchased a brush beater for the city's new tractor.

Dale and Melba Corcoran tended to business in Amarillo Saturday. Dale had to pick up his new order of books. They also picked up the museum TV and VCR from the repair shop. It snowed some on them while they were there.

The wind Thursday was real strong. It blew over a shed and the carport at Jess Nixon's.

Dale Corcoran has had a cold since Thursday.

Those from the First Baptist going to the Care Center Sunday for the service were Bro. Bob Meller, Nadine Lane, Lorene Rector, Doris Finsterwald, Marion Grimes, Wilhelmina Sherrell, Jane Seitz, Orville Greenhouse, Leta Mae Gatlin and Melba Corcoran.

Chuck and Louise Hogan are spending the first of the week in Stillwater, OK helping Rob and Geniva to move to a bigger apartment.

Kevin and Cinnie Ralston and children spent spring break in Dallas visiting with Kevin's sister and family.

Virginia Nixon of Dumas visited the first of the week with her mother Orville Greenhouse.

Virginia Hungate and family spent the week in Albuquerque with her father Bob Aycock in the hospital. Joyce and the Hungates came home Saturday. Bob has developed pneumonia after his second surgery. His incision broke open and they had to take him back to surgery. They still have him on a respirator. Remember him in your prayers.

Those visiting with Doris Whaley over the weekend were Elaine and Tom Dennis and Haley of Cache, OK, Calvin and Evelyn Kincannon of Mobeetie, Jamie and Ashley Holland of Pampa, Jana and Kathlin Gregory of Laketon, Andrea Whaley of Amarillo and James Gatlin of Pampa

Aaron and Arica Lancaster are spending the week at Mobeetie working on their house. Aaron is on vacation.

Maurita Stribling visited Monday at the hospital with Estelle Orr. She is not doing very good she is on oxygen. Remember her in your prayers.

Jack and Bernice Hefley attended the Little Beauty Pageant at Shamrock Sunday afternoon to watch their great-granddaughter Alexia Johnson of Lubbock.

Those visiting Thursday night and playing dominoes with Leola Stuart and Gladys Richardson were Jerry and Cheryl Richardson, Eddie and Amy Richardson and Jennifer Shepherd of Wheeler.

Mrs. Gladys Richardson underwent surgery Monday. She came through the surgery fine. Remember her in your prayers.

OLD JAIL MUSEUM NEWS

This has been a week of work for Melba Corcoran and Dutch Elliott. They have worked nearly everyday except Wednesday. Dutch is working on the obits. She has started putting them in the obit books and on the index cards. Melba Corcoran is working on putting all of the pictures on index cards.

Friday we had the great grandson of Emanuel Dobbs visiting the museum. We had several visitors from out of state this week. Thursday we had one from Montana and two from Oklahoma.

It has been too windy for the men to do much work outside. They will get started on the picking up the limbs when it warms up a little.

Bill and Dutch Elliott have moved down for the summer.

The museum got the notice they had received the grant from the Amarillo Area.

Foundation for the new restrooms. Soon as the weather warms up the men will be getting busy on this project. We will have to move the storage shed and the old trailer house before they can begin to build the restrooms.

Wheeler (from Page 1)

The Superintendent report was given by Mr. Symank. He reported that Wheeler ISD is a 1999-2000 Texas Successful Schools Award recipient according to a March 1, 2001, announcement from Commissioner Jim Nelson of TEA. Texas Education Code 39.092 provides for financial awards to schools that have demonstrated the highest levels of sustained success or the greatest improvement in achieving the education goals. Wheeler ISD has been awarded \$2,707.00. The campus improvement committee shall determine the use of the funds according to Mr. Symank.

The meeting adjourned at 12:38 AM.

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