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Daniel Treadwell, son of Tony and Mary computer to be used by students in the Write Treadwell, tries out a voice activitated to Read program previewed by the public during Monday's PTO meeting.

State Sales Tax Increases To 6%

State Comptroller Bob Bullock Thursday said many new services will become taxable on October 1, when the state's sales tax rate

Groom Sales Tax Even With The State Average

Sales tax rebates in Groom remain at about the same level and the state wide average of six percent less than a year ago. Groom remained above other reporting entities in Carson County with Panhandle reporting a 14 percent decrease, Skellytown a 70 percent decrease and White Deer, 7.36 percent.

Checks totaling \$56.1 million in local sales taxes were sent to the 1,039 cities that levy the one-percent city tax. Payments remain down by nearly 6 percent according to State Comptroller Bot Bullock when compared to payments made September of last year.

September checks repre sent taxes collected on sales made in July and reported to the Comptroller by August

increases from 51/4 percent to 6 percent.

"The tax change will not only hit items which are now currently taxed, but a number of newly taxable items and services," Bullock

The expanded sales tax base was a major element of a \$5.7 billion tax bill approved by the Legislature this past summer.

October 1 is also the effective date of an increase in taxes on cigarettes, going up from 20.5 cents a pack to 26 cents a pack.

Homecoming Scheduled

Homecoming festivities will be observed at Groom Schools the week of Sept. 28-Oct. 2. The coronation will be held on Thursday night and the queen and her court will be presented prior to the football game with McLean on Friday night. Candidates for homecoming queen are Suzanne Smith, Staci Kotara, Karen Bohr and Erin Eschle.

The Legislature extended the sales tax to several broad categories of services such as real property services, including landscaping, janitorial, garbage collection and pest control; security services, including private investigators and armored car services; information furnished by credit bureaus; and debt services, such as adjustments and repossessions.

It will also include information services like financial research, specialized information and insurance services including damage appraisals, investigations and claims adjustments, but not premiums paid

The expanded tax base is expected to add more than 64,000 Texas businesses to the state's tax rolls, joining the more than 420,000 merchants and businesses already collecting sales taxes.

Newly taxable items include custom computer programs, labor on installations to tangible property,

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Friemel Hired By Board **As Computer Room Aid**

last Tuesday night in a rather lengthy meeting retwo executive quiring sessions to hire personnel to serve as a computer aide and determine pay for maintenance personnel.

During the August meeting of the school board members heard from teachers involved in setting up the new "Writing to Read" program on their recommendations for an aide to serve in program.

During last week's meeting the item on the agenda again was discussed in executive session from 9:01 to 9:44 p.m. Upon reconvening, Tammy Bivens was selected unanimously by members from the 13 per-sons making application for the job. Later in the meeting, a point of order was brought to the attention of Board President Pat Weinheimer in that Bivens was in fact a relative of two board members and by state nepotism laws, either Mrs. Bivens would not be hired or relatives on the board, Hop Britten and Denny Babcock, would be required to resign their position.

The board rescinded their first action and voted to hire Julie Friemel.

Maintenance employee Dickie Painter also met with the board requesting an increase in salary. The board opted to discuss the matter in executive session going into session at 9:50 and returning to open session at 10:57. Painter will remain at the salary he was hired at in May of \$5.35 an hour with time and a half for over-

The gifted and talented program which is in the operational year was also discussed by the board. Babcock administrative assistant. stated that the final process in identifying students in Groom who qualify for the

program are currently being completed. The process has involved students meeting five criteria determined by state requirements. The state will fund five percent of the targeted population in any school but Mrs. Babcock points out that a school like Groom will possible have 10 percent of its population meet the criteria for gifted and talented studies.

The program being studied most closely will provide a three week summer program for Groom gifted and talented students. This program is open to schools with 1,000 or less ADA. Other program considerations would be for the GT students to be pulled from regular classes at appointed times for the GT classes, letting the regular classroom teacher devote the required time each week to the students or having a teacher come into the classroom to work with GT students. Several teachers have already volunteered for the summer program which will more than likely be the choice of the school for this first year.

this operational

year," .says Mrs. Babcock, students in the 3-5 grade identified as gifted and talented will begin the program in 1987, each year more students will be added until in 1991, when students K-12 will participate in the program.

Items tabled by the board included the requirement for AIDS education. The state requires that students be taught about the disease but school districts can be flexible about the age level the education is introduced. Board members heard reports on programs in area schools but took no action for Groom.

education Vocational teachers Carlton Turvaville and Judy Babcock gave reports on their programs including long range goals of each.

Rex Peeples, Kenneth Sweatt and Judy Babcock were approved to fulfill requirements for teachers appraisals in 1987-88.

Roman Friemel received the unanimous vote of the board to continue to serve as a director on the Carson County Appraisal District

Community Calendar

inization Clinic at Groom Area Clinic will be October 6, from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. Those attending the clinic are asked to use the east entrance.

Something Over Sixtles meets Sept. 24 at the Methodist Church for noon lunch-

Groom Cubs travel to Claude tonight, Sept. 24, for a 6:00 p.m. game.

Christian Mothers salad supper will be held next Monday, Sept. 28, 7:30 p.m. at St. Mary's Hall. Bring a salad to share.

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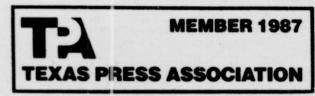
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Local Happenings

Jerry Gains is a surgical patient this week in an Amarillo Hospital.

Mrs. Ted Friemel underwent surgery Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Steven Hightower and Robert of Panhandle visited her grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Glynn D Harrell Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Cobb Britten, Joe and Frances moved Saturday to their new homw on Eastern Avenue.

Cecil Culver and Burniece Johnson spent part of last week in Gainesville where they were joined by Cecilia Loftis and Krista and Caleb of Irving for the Dexter Reunion dinner.

Gaylon Nepper, son of Mrs. Wallace Bichsel, moved from Amarillo to Kirksville, Mo. where he is enrolled in the osteopathic school of medicine. Lenora and the children will be joining him there this month.

Visiting Sarah Mears on Saturday were Pearl Mears, Sarah's sister; Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Solbrig, Mrs. Solbrig is a niece of Sarah. Also Brittney and Ashley Melton, great nieces of Sarah who all live in Ama-

Mrs. Glynn D Harrell and her brother, W. M. York of Austin, visited friends and relatives and were luncheon guests in the R.J. Mulkey home in Panhandle on Friday. Saturday they returned to Panhandle to attend the annual Pioneer Day activities Mr. York returned to Austin Sunday. Among others attending the event were Mr. and Mrs. R.J. Britten and Angie Britten, Mrs. Bertha Knight, Mrs. Cleo Musser, Mrs. J.L. Witt R.B. Thornton, Theresa

Darrell and Charlotte Whatley, C.J. and Dara visited with her father Furr Standridge Sunday afternoon at his home on the Harrel Ranch near Claude. Everyone enjoyed a hike down in the canyons and the children were amazed at the Indian writings they saw in the caves.

Wills and Monica Weinhei-

Margaret Whatley and Mildred Miller enjoyed shopping in Amarillo Friday. They enjoyed a lovely meal the

Baggerman Photo Wins

Mrs. Lora Baggerman recently won a citation in the Amarillo Fine Arts Citation

She received her citation on a photograph taken of a small kitten in a wagon wheel which was captured on film at the farm belonging to Mrs. Baggerman and her husband, Ruben.

Mrs. Baggerman entered four separate pictures with three being selected for the show. Those making the show were an oil painting of a Red bird, Blue Jay and an elk. Mrs. Baggerman received a \$50 prize with her citation.

Lazy Dazys

The Lazy Dazy September meeting was held in the Art Britten home with Nila Burgin and Nancy Britten serving as hostesses. Everyone enjoyed hot dogs and chips served on the patio.

Other members present were Carole Fields, Monica Howard, Ann Howard, Carolyn Brooks, Linda Weller, Kristy and Tyler Britten, Gayla Britten, Kathy Webb, Julie Friemel, Kathleen Barkley, Brenda Homen and Donna Barnett.

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HI Kaci Shields, PaPa Brown loves you!

PATH (Parents and Teachers Helping) Attention! **Parents** students K-6. Plan to attend to help your children become better readers. Free information and materials will be provided at the PATH meeting Thursday, Sept. 17 at 7:00 p.m. in the school cafeteria. Writing to Read lab will be open for public viewing.

Mrs. Schaffer Hosts **TEL Class Breakfast**

Mertie Schaffer was hos-

tess to the TEL Sunday School class when they met at the Dairy Queen on Thursday morning at 9 a.m. for breakfast. After a delicious breakfast, members went to Mertie's home for and their fellowship business meeting. Officers for the coming year were elected and will begin serving in their duties on Oct. 1. Those elected were Loula Wall, president; Mertie Schaffer, vice president; Thelma Pool, devotional chairman; Bertha Knight, class secretary; Gladys Fields, recording secretary; Doshia Cornett, teacher and Rosa Fields, assistant teacher. Rogers and Cleo Marie Musser are group chairmen.

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Groom Third Grader Wins Art Contest

C.J. Whatley's water color painting of a frog on a toadstool, was awarded second place in the sixth grade and under division at the Tri-State Fair art contest on Monday.

C.J. painted the picture during classes offered in the summer through the Square House Museum summer arts program. The local class was conducted by Shirley Fields.

C.J. had two other entries in the art show that were selected for display in the show. C.J. is currently enrolled as an art student of Lora Baggerman.

He is the son of Darrell and Charlotte Whatley.

Brown Visitors

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Royce Brown and Scotty on Sunday were Jimbo, Margaret, John Josh, Rachel and Brad Hollis of Claude; Chad Grimsley of Lefors; Paula Brown and Lonnie White of Groom; Art, Ina, Becky and Jason Brown of Panhandle. They all enjoyed homemade stew and corn bread with homernade apple and cherry pie for desert.

Britten Selected Outstanding Student

Tracy Britten has been selected as an outstanding college student of America. Tracy was selected for his outstanding merit and accomplishments.

He is a candidate for several scholarships, including two \$5,000.00 scholarships available to OCAA members.

Tracy's activities and accomplishments include: Intramurals; Phi Theta Kappa Fraternity, (Honor); Phi Epsilon Kappa (P.E.), Pledge Trainer and President; Smallwood Scholarship; Phi Theta Kappa Scholarship; National Dean's List, two years; Dean's Honor List; Outstanding Physical Education student.

Tracy is a senior physical education major with an English minor.

Tracy is employed by South Plains College, Levelland as intramural director.

Re-organization of Groom 4-H Club Program Set

A meeting to re-organize the 4-H Club program in Groom will be held Tuesday, September 29 in the Community Club House starting at 7:30 p.m. The purpose and structure of the 4-H club program will be explained by the county Extension Service agents. Club members will be enrolled at the end of the meeting.

In order for 4-H to be an effective youth program it must have the support of parents and leaders. Volunteer leadership is essential and any adult can be a leader whether or not he or she has a participating child. The 4-H members who enjoy successful experiences in 4-H work are those who have the support and cooperation of their parents.

Keep in mind that it is not a requirement to have a

livestock project in order to be in 4-H. There are many other project areas that can be pursued if sufficient leadership is provided. Groom has the potential for an outstanding 4-H program but help is needed.

All adults, parents and potential 4-H members are urged to attend this meeting to find out about the possibilities of being a part of the 4-H program in Groom.

Signing Party

The annual Signing Party was held Sept. 17 on the school patio. Hamburgers and watermelons were served by members of the FFA and FHA. After the dinner everyone passed annuals around to be signed.

Groom Tigers are open Friday night, Sept. 25. The next game will be homecoming against McLean.

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Sept. 11	Highland Park	Here	8:00 PM
Sept. 18	Gruver	Here	8:00 PM
Sept. 25			
Oct. 02	McLean	* Here	8:00 PM
Oct. 09	* Vega	Here	7:30 PM
Oct. 16	* Нарру	There	7:30 PM
Oct. 23	* Nazareth	Here	7:30 PM
Oct. 30	* Kress	Here	7:30 PM
Nov. 06	* Claude	There	7:30 PM

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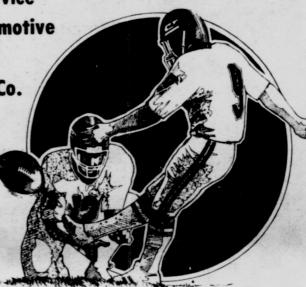
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Mon.—Pizza
Breakfast—Cere al & Toast
Tues.—Cheeseburgers

Breakfast—Pancakes
Wed.—Chicken Fried
Steak. Breakfast—Scrambled Eggs & Hash Browns

Thurs.—Turkey & Dressing. Breakfast—Bacon, Biscuits & Gravy
Fri.—Fish
Breakfast—Donuts

Spinal Deformities Screening, Sept. 28

The Legislature passed a new law in 1985 that requires all sixth and ninth-grade students to be screened for spinal deformities. Early detection of abnormal spinal curvature can prevent serious health problems. This is a problem that may begin during the early adolescent years (from 10-14 years of age), with an estimated 1 in 10 adolescents

having some degree of abnormal curvature. Curves that are detected early may only require periodic observation by a specialist. Moderate curves may require of a brace, which is usually supervised by an orthopedic specialist. In most cases, the need for major surgery for this deformity can be eliminated through early detection.

Spinal screening for Groom school children has been scheduled to begin on Monday, September 28, 1997 at Groom Schools.

Children will be screened for two types of spinal deformities: scoliosis and kyphosis. Scoliosis is a condition in which the spine is twisted, causing misalignment of the upper body or lower back. This condition can worsen and lead to much pain, as well as complications of the heart and lungs. Kyphosis is a type of spinal deformity in which the upper spine shows a pronounced curve. This condition is also referred to as "round back" and can be corrected if detected early.



Papa Bear, Dusty Babcock, Mama Bear, Jodi Homen and Baby Bear, Evan Crowell frighten the sleeping Goldielocks, Sarah Hutsell, away in the skit of "The Three Bears" at the PTO meeting Monday.

At right: Pam Hutsell leads the first grade boys in the "ABC Rock".







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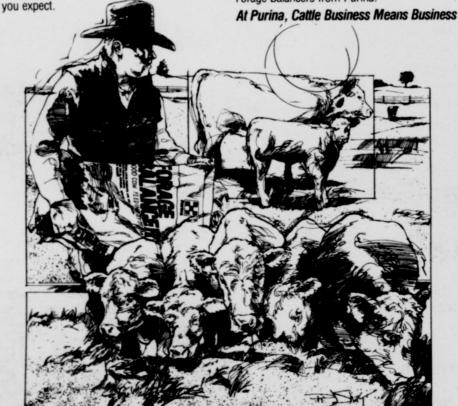
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Groom PTO Presents Program With Meeting

Groom PTO met Monday Sept. 21 in the school cafeteria with students from the kindergarten and first grade providing a program including songs and skits derived from activites the students had been involved in the first few weeks of school

first few weeks of school. President Judy Eatman led the business meeting with secretary Gail Burton reading the minutes from the last meeting noting a new sound system for the school was purchased leaving the club with a balance of \$90.00 in the treasury according to Barbara Homer. Past president Char- . lotte Whatley discussed the matter of continuing the club and noted that a good response was received in a letter drive to parents of students. She also requested that by the next meeting plans be made for the Halloween carnival with persons ready to volunteer for the various jobs. Mrs. Whatley

also requested that anyone with ideas for programs to present them at the next meeting.

Parents were also invited to visit swimming classes on September 30. Because so many students are involved in the program it is impossible for the PTO to hold a showoff night for the swim-The following schedule of classes are involved in the program: Second Grade: 1:15 to 1:45; Third Grade, 12:45-1:15; Fourth Grade, 2:45 to 3:45 and Fifth Grade, 1:45 to 2:45. Physical education teacher Shirley Fields invites parents to visit as many of the classes as they would like to get a view of the entire program.

Mrs. Pam Hutsell then invited those in attendance to tour the new computer room where the Write to Read program is being put into place for students in the elementary grades.

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ing basketball and collecting

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point average and she has

won awards in UIL Spelling

and Picture Memory.
This year's All-Around

candidate is junior Tiffany

Lopez, 16, the daughter of

Betty Lopez. She is a mem-

ber of the basketball, tennis

and track teams and is also

on the Tiger Pride Band. She

is also a cheerleader and

serves as the Tiger cheer-

Tiffany was first runner

up in the Miss McLean Pag-

eant during her sophomore

year and she has received

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age during her freshman

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1987 Homecoming Queen Be Selected

The 1987 Homecoming Queen will be crowned tomorrow night at halftime in the game against Motley County. This year's winner will come from one of five young McLean women.

Representing the senior class this year is Angie Reynolds, the 17-year-old daughter of Gerald and Kathy Reynolds. Her honors include being Harvest Queen candidate, junior year; Homecoming Queen candidate, freshman, sophomore and senior years; and Most Beautiful, freshman through junior years. She was a member of the Student Council, sophomore and senior years; Student Council secretary, senior year; secretary for her class, sophomore and junior years, and she has been a Junior/Senior Banquet Server. A member of the track and basketball teams, Angie has also received academic awards in Geometry, Biology, World History, Algebra II and English II and has won awards for the past three years for

high grade point average.

Her hobbies include basketball, swimming, cheerleading, running around and "skipping Pre-Cal."

The junior class representative this year is Misty Magee, the sixteen-year-old daughter of Joe and Kay

Magee.

A member of the basketball, golf and track teams,
and a Tiger cheerleader,
Misty's hobbies include
playing golf, spending time
with her friends and working
at the Cowboy Drive Inn.

Her honors include being President of her class, freshman year; Homecoming candidate, freshman year; 3rd runner up in the Miss McLean Contest, freshman year; and server to the Junior/Senior Prom. She has been a member of the Student Council and has received awards for a 94 grade point average during her freshman and sophomore years.

Danna Watson, the sophomore class representative, is the 15-year-old daughter of James and Sherry Watson.

She is a member of the basketball team. She has received academic awards for a 93 grade point average and an "M" award for Cheerleading.

Danna's hobbies include cheerleading, playing basketbalk, playing in the band and being around her friends.

The candidate from the freshman class is Sheva Seymour, daughter of Bill and Tina Thomas.

Cubs Open Tonight in Clarendon

The McLean Cubs are due to kick off their season tonight as they travel to Clarendon. The game will begin at 5:00 p.m. Coach Joe Ray Riley says the team is ready to go. "All we need now is a game where we can play against someone besides ourselves," Riley said. The team has 21 players

The team has 21 players on its roster this year. They are: Tuffy Sanders, Destry Magee, Daniel Harris, Tanner Hess, Keith Robinson, Caesar Looney, Bo Green, Chris Littlefield, Jason Thomas, Rusty Alltop, Christian Looney, Chad Williams, David Chronister, Michael Barker, Johnny Walker, Nathan Sullins, Tommy Pennington, Toby Northcutt, Mike Campbell, Jeremy Thomas and Kenny Allton

The McLean fans have been strong supporters of the Tigers this year. Let's not forget about their younger brothers, the Cubs. Everyone come out and support these young men in their games.

Next week, the Cubs will host Claude at the football field. Game time will be at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, Oct.

Tigers Have Tough Defensive Battle

It was a rough first quarter for the Tigers Friday night as they gave up 20 points to the Valley Patriots. "But," said Head Coach George Watson, "we made some adjustments and the final 36 minutes was a tremendous defensive game." The Tiger defense allowed only 13 points in the final three periods, shutting out Valley in the third quarter, while the Tiger offense scored its first touchdown of the year. The final score was 33-8 in favor of Valley.

The Tiger touchdown came in the second quarter on a 3-yard run by Tres Hess who had set up the play earlier with a long rush from scrimmage. He was also responsible for scoring the two-point conversion.

For the entire game, the Tigers stacked up a total of 7 first downs and had 86 yards of offense in the air and on the ground.

Coach Watson said that he

Coach Watson said that he is "pleased that the team continues to improve physically and skill-wise." The spirited play of the team has led to other young men coming out for the team. In recent weeks, six new members joined the team. They are Robert Sanderson, Floyd

DON'T FORGET

The selection of the 1987
McLean Homecoming
Queen will take place at
halftime of tomorrow night's
game against Motley County.

Those wanting to take part in the procession to the bonfire tonight should gather in the bank parking lot at 8:00 p.m. The group will march down to the practice field where the bonfire will be lit and the Flame Queen will be chosen.

The McLean Cubs will open their season tonight in Clarendon. The game begins at 5:00 p.m.

There will be a Homecoming Dance for McLean's teenagers tomorrow night from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Gerald Tate Ag Barn.

Morris, Sid Brass, Kyle Woods, Cal- Holwick and Prakash Patel. Coach Wat-

son cited several of these new members for their contributions to Friday night's game. "Sanderson and Morris were especially effective," he said. "They, and Jim Anderson, Tony Hambright, Tony Polito and Sid Brass played an outstanding defensive game."

The Tigers' next challenge will be tomorrow night against. Motley County in McLean Homecoming game.

1987 McLean Junior High Cubs Schedule

Sept.	24	Clarendon	There	5:00 P.M.
Oct.	1	Claude	Here	6:00 P.M.
	8	Groom	There	6:00 P.M.
	15	Clarendon	Here	6:00 P.M.
	22	Claude	There	6:00 P.M.
	29	Groom	Here	6:00 P.M.

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McLean Briefs

There was a birthday dinner on Sunday at the Railroad Crossing Restaurant in Caynon for George Vaughan who is 85 years old. Others present at the dinner were Lutie Vaughan, Lacy and Gertie Mae Boyd of Wellington, Woodrow and Pauline Wesley of Wayside, and J. Boyd Smith of McLean.

Neville Back is in Coronado Hospital in Pampa.

Lillie Holman is in Northwest Texas Hospital in Ama-

Delbert Trew is in the hospital in Pampa.

Mrs. Wildy Griffin returned home Sunday after a 2-week stay with her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Woods, of Mesquite. She is reported to be doing well after her recent surgery.

Jo Blaylock spent a month in Hanou, Germany with Ray and Chantelle Blaylock and their new son, Ryan Paul, who was born Sept. 1,

Great grandparents are Raymond and Juanita Smith of McLean.

Mr. and Mrs. O.J. Weldon went to a fish fry at the home of Mr. Weldon's brother, Pat, in Boise City, Okla. on Sunday. About 40 people were there.

Last weekend, Kim Beaver placed 5th in barrel racing at the Tri-State High School Rodeo in Pampa. Also competing were Willie Cross and Susan and Sally Worsham.

Mrs. Ernest Godfrey had surgery on Monday at Coronado Hospital in Pampa.

Elton and Maggie Johnston were in San Angelo this week to visit their children, Will Elton and Dale Johnston, and their families.

Educational Seminar on Tuesday

In an effort to help educate the residents of the upper Panhandle about the disease AIDS, the McLean City Council, in cooperation with the Texas Department of Health, will host a seminar Tuesday night at 7:00 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

Dr. Isaacson, who works with the Department of Health, will give a program which will include a slide presentation and a video

Lions Host Supper

The McLean Lions Club hosted an appreciation dinner Monday night for all of the school district's board members and personnel.

Welcoming the group to the dinner, which was held in the park, Boss Lion R.C. Parker said, "It's just our way of showing our appreciation to all of the members of the board, the superintendent and principals, the teachers, administrators, cooks, janitors, bus drivers, clerical workers and all of the others who help us at our school."

The crowd, which was estimated at about 90, was served a great meal of hamburgers and potato chips.

The evening ended with a golf chipping contest. First place winner Joe Billingsley won a flower arrangement while second place winner, Lela Kennedy, won a teddy bear.

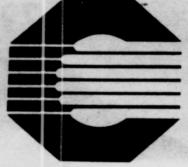
Fire Calls

The McLean Volunteer Fire Department responded to two calls last Thursday. In the first, a round bale of hay caught fire north of town near the Pampa Highway and had to be extinguished.

In the second incident, the West Camp House at the Johnson Ranch caught fire. The blaze was put out by the Pampa and Lefors Fire Departments before the Mc-Lean group arrived.



ere's ole Wilbur, he's so windy that somebody has to call his pigs at feedin' time. They don't even believe him!"



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Parkers Attend Seminars in Amarillo

R.C. and Martha Parker have been busy recently attending training classes in their respective professions.

Judge Parker, who is the Justice of the Peace for Gray County Precinct 4, attended a week-long seminar Sept. 8-11 at the Sheraton Hotel in Amarillo. Sponsored by the **Texas Justice Court Training** Center out of Southwest Texas State University in San Marcos, the course is mandatory for all Justices of the Peace. When a judge is first elected, he must attend a 40-hour training course followed by 20 hours of training each year thereaft-

Subjects covered in the seminar included: new laws on alcoholic beverages; a Texas Penal Code review; contract; a regulatory law review; selected new legislation; criminal trial procedures; lease agreements; torts; autopsies and inquests; and reporting procedures.

Judge Parker attended the training session along with about 100 other Justices of the Peace from 48 counties in the Panhandle.

During the same week, Mrs. Parker, who is the Librarian at McLean's Lovett Library, attended two training sessions about automated library programs. The first, held at the West Texas State University Library, was on techniques for crossreferencing material on a computerized system. It was conducted by the Assistant to the Director of the WTSU Library.

The second session, held at Amarillo College, dealt with how to maintain statistics through a computer system. For example, with an automated system, a librarian can determine how many books have been checked out during a certain period, or in a particular section of the library, or by library patrons within a

specific age group.

The seminar was conducted by Roger Hayes, a technical advisor with the Harrington Consortium. It was through the consortium that Lovett Library was able to obtain its automated sys-

Rainfall Continues To Keep Area Green

Panhandle residents sure can't complain about the lack of moisture this year. This past week, the wet pattern for our weather has continued.

Early Friday morning, thunderstorms roamed through the area dropping about .50" of rain on the a area. Storms returned again late Sunday afternoon, this time bringing .65" along with strong winds and even hail in some areas of the Panhandle. Areas around McLean reported getting over an inch of rain on Sunday. The last batch of moisture came through early Tuesday morning. Rainfall amounts from that storm were not available at press time.

Alanreed News

Lena Carter reports get-ting about 1.25" of rain in Sunday's storm.

The R.D. McLains attended the wedding of their grandson, James Noble, last weekend in Pampa. They also visited the Don Horns of Wheeler during the week-

The L.T. Goldstons visited in Pampa Hospital on Wednesday with Red and Judy

Visiting with the Dick Dragoos and other relatives is son Richard of California.

Anita Bruce was in Pampa on Friday.

Brenda McLain spent several days visiting her brother Danny and his family in Fritch recently.

Mr. and Mrs. George Clark, of Yukon, Okla., for merly of Groom, were here on business Friday.

The R.D. McLains recently took Ruth's mother home to Oklahoma after she visited here for two weeks.

Visiting Ann Standish on Saturday was daughter Sheila of Amarillo.

Glen Hallum and children, of Canyon, visited Rose Hall Sunday.

Visiting lately with the Oren Dorseys were Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Parsons, former residents of Alanreed.

The Neill and Dorsey fam ilies had a joint family reunion, and a birthday party for Leona Dorsey, at the **Lefors Community Center on** Saturday and Sunday. They enjoyed a supper on Saturday night and lunch on Sunday. About 60 people from California, Arizona, Missouri, Oklahoma and Texas were there, including three generations of nieces and nephews. All of the Dorseys from Alanreed attending.

Completes Course

Airman Michael D. Jackson, nephew of Walter L. Jackson of Lefors, has graduated from the U.S. Air Force security police specialist course at Lackland Air Force Base.

Graduates of the course studied systems security operations, tactics and weapons training and earned credits toward an associate degree in applied science through the Community College of the Air Force.

He is a 1983 graduate of Lefors High School.

McLean Care Center News

Sunday, Brother Mark Wilson, of the United Methodist Church, was here to conduct services.

Residents playing bingo Monday were Lucille Cullison, Stella Gibson, Eula Morrow, Ruth Kemp, Odessa Beeman, Lillie Knox, Kittie Hessey, Dick Wheeler, Annie Eudey, Fay Wilson, Alice Dickenson, Inez Fields, Teresa Richardson. Leon Burch, "Pappy" Reed, Clyde Trusty, Ruby Ayers and Earl Tolleson. Our volunteers were Mildred Geisler, Loree Barker, Onie Gibson and Bertha Smith. Bananas were furnished by the Lions club.

Tuesday, Lena Carter and Mary Davis were here to assist the following residents in dominos: Annie Eudey, P.L. Ledgerwood, Teresa Richardson, Leon Burch, Eula Morrow, Dick Wheeler, Odessa Beeman and Ruth Kemp.

Wednesday was our birth-day party for the month of September. Residents celebrating were Inez Fields. Annie Eudey, Ruby Phillips, Jewell Cousins, Mabel Weeks, Lucille Cullison, Ruby Bidwell and James Gould. Corsages were furnished by Creed and Wanda Lamb. Our entertainment was furnihsed by the Methodist Mens Quartet which included S.A. Cousins, J.B. Rice. Johnny Haynes and Sam Haynes, accompanied on the piano by Joyce Haynes. Cakes were furnished by Marie Fennell, Isabelle Cousins and Kate Bateman. Ladies serving were Isabelle Cousins, Dorothy Patterson, Kate Bateman and Wanda

Thursday morning, several residents worked in crafts and in the afternoon they played dominos.

Friday, Martha Parker was here to show her great

McLean School Menu Sept. 28-30

Breakfast

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10 Years Ago

Senior Airman Sandra G. Miller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W.M. Harkins of Mc-Lean, has deployed with her Little Rock, AFB, Ark. unit for temporary duty in Mildenhall, RAF Station, England.

Airman Miller is an aerospace ground equipment mechanic with the 314th Tactical Airlift Wing, a component of the Military Airlift Command.

The airman is a 1973 graduate of McLean High School.

A beautiful evening--star studded sky, sounds of happy excited voices and a crackling log fire was all a part of what the Scout Pack Meeting experienced last Saturday, Sept. 17th. The setting was at Walnut Grove on Haynes' Ranch.

After a feast of watermelons, parents, leaders, Boy Scouts and Cubs enjoyed a program of songs, humorous skits and a candlelight ceremony.

This ceremony awarded Dale Gibson, Damon McElroy, Allen Patman and Robert Swaner the Tenderfoot Scout Progress badge and Cub Scouts Billy Beck and Garth McElroy their Bobcat

Boys who have already received their Bobcat Badges are Chet Bohlar and Marcin Gately of Den 1; John Bentley, Clint Herndon, Darren Johnson, Trevor McDonald and Jeff Mounce of Den 2.

The 1978 Homecoming Queen, Melinda Hunt, was crowned at a formal ceremony at the pep rally by senior Tiger captains, Sam Haynes and Curtis Simpson. Melinda was escorted by senior team members Mike Harkins and Scott Raines. The other candidates were Brenda Heasley, escorted by senior team members Randy Kennedy and Carter Trew: junior Sherry Glass, escorted by junior Tigers Tommy Eck and Steve Ellison; Judy Trew, sophomore, escorted by Stan Horn and Dwayne Morgan, sophomore Tigers; and freshman Teresa Herndon, who was escorted by freshman team members James Matheny and Mike

Alpha Xi Upsilon met Tuesday Sept. 19. Ten members are planning to attend the convention in Pampa Oct. 3 and 9.

Nancy Billingsley gave the program on "Marriage." A furny skit called "Rate Your Mate" was presented by Nancy, Janet Glass and Carlere Beauchamp.

Mary Lou Glass was hostess and served refreshments to Billie Kingston, Lucille Glass, Mary Bybee, Carlene Beauchamp, Janet Glass, Jean Smith, Jacque Gillespie, Janie Heasley, Susan Barker, Nancy Billingsley, Shirley Stokes and five guests, Suzie Lee, Sue Coward, Janet Yakubovsky, Marie Cummings and Charlotte Hefley. Door prize was won by Marie Cummings.

Crime Rate Goes Up

The overall Texas crime rate and volume of index crimes were up in the first half of 1987 compared to the same period in 1986, according to statistics furnished by law enforcement agencies. However, statewide violent crime categories declined while property crimes increased.

"The crime rate for the first six months of this year rose 4.4 percent to 3,761.1 crimes per hundred thousad population," said Colonel Leo Gossett, DPS director. "The overall crime volume was up 6.3 percent, totaling 627,433. These degrees of increase are more moderate compared to the higher numbers seen in the first half of 1986."

Gossett said all four categories of violent crime reflected decreases in the first half of this year, while all three property crime categories were up.

"The largest decline was 13.8 percent in the number of rapes," Gossett pointed out. "Murders decreased 10.5 percent, aggravated assaults were down 5.2 per-

cent, and robberies fell by 2.7 percent."

The DPS director said the largest increase in the property crimes was shown by the motor vehicle theft category.

"Vehicle thefts grew by 9.2 percent," Gossett said. "Thefts increased by 7.7 percent and burglaries were 6.4 percent higher."

Of the total index crimes reported, 20 percent were cleared by arrests in the first half of 1987. The value of property stolen during the commission of index crimes was estimated at approximately \$724 million. Stolen property recovered by police totaled approximately \$306 million during the six-month

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period.
"Three Texas law enforcement officers lost their lives as a result of criminal action during this time," Gossett said. "Duty-related accidents were responsible for two other deaths of officers. Assaults upon officers fell 3.4 percent, totaling 2,117."

Drug arrests were up 10.2 percent over January-June of 1986, totaling 32,567. DWI arrests numbered 60,371, a decrease of 3.3 percent.

Reports submitted by 804 law enforcement agencies to the DPS Uniform Crime Reporting program were totaled for the statewide crime statistics.

New State Taxes on Services Due Oct.1

State Comptroller Bob Bullock Thursday said many new services will become taxable on October 1, when the state's tax rate increases from 5½ percent to 6 percent

"The tax change will not only hit items which are now currently taxed, but a number of newly taxable items and services," Bullock said.

The expanded sales tax base was a major element of a \$5.7 billion tax bill approved by the Legislature this past summer.

October 1 is also the effective date of an increase in taxes on cigarettes, going up from 20.5 cents a pack to 26 cents a pack.

The Legislature extended the sales tax to several broad categories of services such a real property services, including landscaping, janitorial, garbage collection and pest control; security services, including private investigators and armored car services; information furnished by credit bureaus; and debt services, such as adjustments and repossessions.

It will also include information services like financial research, specialized information and insurance services including damage appraisals, investigations and claims adjustments, but not premiums paid for insur-

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ance.

The expanded tax base is expected to add more than 64,000 Texas businesses to the state's tax rolls, joining the more than 420,000 merchants and businesses already collecting sales tax.

Newly taxable items include custom computer programs, labor on installations to tangible property, some transportation charges on the sale of goods, telephone service and membership and dues to private clubs.

There is no increase in the one-percent local option tax collected in some areas of Texas.

A fee for getting a sales tax permit and an increase in the state's motor vehicle sales and hotel/motel room taxes went into effect on September 1.

A rollback in the state's motor fuels tax from 15 cents to 10 cents a gallon was also cancelled on September 1.

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Taxes will also be due on repair and remodeling services, except on new construction and owner-occupied residences starting Jan. 1, 1988.



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Meet The Tigers



Second-year Tiger James Martin plays tight end and tackle for the team. A Sophomore, he is the 16-year-old son of Nick and Brenda Martin.

James, who lettered last year, is also a member of the basketball team. He enjoys water skiing and all kinds of



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Government Meeting **Records Important**

by Attorney General Jim Mattox

One of the major foundations of our democratic system of government is the people's right to know what their government is doing. Since there is no perfect government, an open government allows defects to be pointed out and corrected.

Government is the servant of the people. Although the people have delegated certain authority to the government, the people have not given public officials the right to decide what is good for the people to know and what is not good for them to

The Texas Open Meetings Act protects the people's right to know by requiring public bodies to meet in public. However, there are exceptions to the Act which allow closed sessions for discussion of lawsuits against a governmental body, personnel matters, and potential sales or pur-

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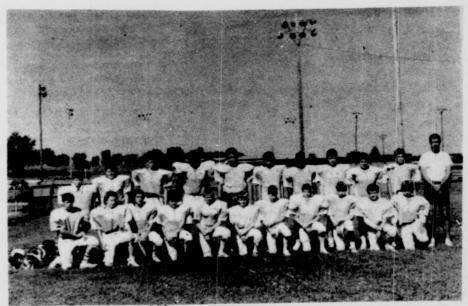
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chases of real estate by a governmental body.

The Act was improved significantly recently by an amendment passed by the regular session of the Texas Legislature.

The amendment requires a governing body to taperecord its closed meetings, or keep an agenda of the proceedings certified by its presiding officer.

The recordings are sealed and kept from public disclosure unless the governmental body decides there no longer is a reason to keep the tapes sealed or a district judge determines that the discussions in closed

sessions were illegal and the tapes should be made pub-

The amendment allows a \$1,000 fine and 180 days in jail for a person who illegally exposes to the public a sealed recording of a closed meeting.

The fact that a record exists and someone can be held accountable for illegal discussions is a good incentive for public officials to keep public matters public unless they fall within the specific exceptions.

I encourage public officials to conduct all public business in open meetings unless it is perfectly clear that an exception is applicable and it is in the public's best interest to close the meeting.

Charges Filed

According to County Constable Jim McDonald, charges of unauthorized use of a vehicle have been filed in Gray and Hutchinson counties against James Ed-

ward Jones of Shamrock. On Sept. 11, Mr. Jones allegedly stole a pick-up in Shamrock and drove to Fritch, where he reportedly took another vehicle and started traveling toward McLean on Highway 273. When he reached Nine Mile Point, he stopped at the home of John Cecil Back and asked to use the phone. When he left, he allegedly took a vehicle belonging to Mr. Back, who began chasing him. Mr. Back said that Jones fired several shots at him at which point he stopped the chase and went into McLean to contact law enforcement officers.

Constable McDonald and several other officers started pursuing the suspect and found that he had rolled Mr. Back's trruck just east town. He was taken to Coronado Hospital where he was operated on and treated for serious injuries.

In addition to the charges filed in Gray and Hutchinson, Jones also faces a possible charge of unauthorized use of a vehicle in Wheeler County. Constable McDonald said that he is also trying to bring charges against Mr. Jones for aggravated assault.



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Junior Grant Mann, a three-year member of the Tigers, plays left end and corner. The 17-year-old son of Nona Turpen, this Junior has lettered for the past two years and has been a member of the Tiger basketball

and track teams.

Last year, he was Vicepresident of his class and he has also been an advisor in

His hobbies include hunting, fishing, water and snow skiing and all kinds of



Tony Polito, 16, the son of Larry and Lynn Swanson, plays fullback, linebacker and guard for the Tigers. This is his first year on the

A Junior, he is also a member of the basketball team and has participated in UIL Science competition.

His hobbies include hunting, fishing and working on



Junior Johnny Mann is the 17-year-old son of Betty Kaiser. A member of the Tigers for three years, he plays left end. He has lettered in sports for three years and, in addition to football, is also on the McLean bas-

ketball, track, golf and tennis teams.

Johnny has been a member of the Student Council and Vice President of the FFA. His hobbies include fishing and skiing.

Keep Up With Social Security Number

A person's Social Security number is the key to his or her lifetime protection under Social Security.

All earnings that a person has over his or her working lifetime are recorded under that number. If an incorrect number is used, that person may not get proper credit for all earnings.

People should always take their Social Security card with them when they get a new job and make sure that the employer copies the number and name just as is shown on the card.

People should keep a record of their number in a safe place. Then, if the original card is lost, a new card with the same number can be obtained easier than if the number were not known.

Also, a person applying for a replacement Social Security card will have to provide documentary evidence of identity. A person born outside the United States needs evidence or current U.S. citizenship or legal alien status.

If a person ever becomes aware that he or she has more than one Social Security number, the individual should contact any Social Security office right away. The people there will help get the situation cleared up.

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September 11	Clarendon	There	8:00 P.H.			
September 18	Valley	There	8:00 P.H.			
September 25	Motley County	Here	8:00 P.H.			
October 2	Groom	- There	8:00 P.M.			
October 9	Wheeler	Here	7:30 P.H.			
October 16	Booker	There	7:30 P.H.			
October 23	Follett	Here	7:30 P.M.			
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GHS Students Elect 1987-88 Class Officers

Groom High Students recently elected officers to serve their classes in the coming school term. Matt Weinheimer is serving as student body president with Jason Eschle vice president and Stoney Crump. treasurer. Student Council representatives are Seniors Robbie Ellington and Jason McCoy; Juniors, Suzanne Smith and Michael Rose; Sophomores, Julie Lyles and Wilbur Kemph; Eighth, Bruce Britten and Brandi Sustaire; Seventh, Marie Conrad and John Weinheimer, Sixth grade, Joe Richardson and Andrea Payton.

Senior Class officers are Erin Kate Eschle, president; Kelly Stroope, vice president; Brent Thompson, secretary/treasurer.

Jason Eschle is president of the Junior class along with Ron Kuehler, vice president and Daniel Hinson,

Ben Weinheimer serve as president for the sophomore class with Phillip England, vice president; Richard Jenkins, secretary/

Freshmen officers are Shannon Fields, president; Brent Payton, president; Mike Conrad, secretary/treasurer; Sherrie Weinhiemer, reporter and Shannon Fields and Jeffery Fields, student council representatives.

Junior High officers are eighth grade, Jolee Burger, president, Lisa Sweatt, vice president, Kristy Case, secretary/treasurer; seventh grade, Rhett Patterson, president; Melinda Burgin, vice president; Matt Fields, secretary/treasurer and sixth grade, Kenzie Burger, president; Krista Burgin, vice president and Bronte Britten, secretary/treasurer.

New County Collections Fees Effective October 1

The law library fee and a trust fund collection fee were approved by Carson County Commissioners in their regular meeting on September 14.

The law library fee was raised from \$10 to \$20 a collection fee of \$50 to handle trust funds will offset the cost of handling these funds in addition to district clerk's collection of fees as allowed by statute and court orders.

Those new fees will become effective immediate-

Fees were also set for sheriff services, to become effective Oct. 1. 1987. There will be a \$35 fee for all

County and District Services \$20 for justice of the peace and small claims court.

In other financial business, the court allowed \$201.44 to reim burse County Agent Kathy Gist for travel expenses that were not

budgeted. Miss Gist's request that the county pay expense of \$600 to attend a national distinguished service award banquet were denied.

Commissioner Smith asked for and received permission to advertise for a mower in his precinc

A Fritch delegation composed of E.J. Counts, Dan Gray, Danny Lowe and Jim Upton met with the court to request law enforcement by the county in their area.

Mr. Gray, Fritch city manager, explained that the City of Fritch did not have jurisdiction over Carson County and the problems that come up inside its boundaries. He asked the county to provide law enforcement and recommended hiring E.J. Counts on a part time basis. Gray said this is an emergency service that could be solved for less than \$8,000.

Judge Roselius told the group about the courts position on this issue saying, 'considering all aspects of the Carson County Sheriff's Department, the court hopes that reassignment of present employees would be in order to help control expenditures." He also told the delegation that the court would take their request under consideration.

Judge Roselius and Commissioners Smith and Strawn were appointed to the airport board for Carson County

The Commissioners will meet on Monday, Sept. 28 at 10 a.m. in Panhandle.

Clements Targets Duplicates In Agencies

Governor Bill Clements today announced the re-establishment of an operational audit program initiated during his first term to root out waste and duplication in state agencies.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Groom ISD is a designated TEAMS testing site for persons who have completed high school but have not passed the TEAMS exit level test.

Registration packets are available at the Groom School principal's office, Groom, Texas. Registration deadline is October 2, 1987 with the test to be administered on October 27 and October 28 at 9:00 a.m. at Groom High School.

The program is being kicked off this year with the audit of the Texas Employment Commission. The audit is scheduled to be completed in March. Seven agencies were scrutinized during the governor's first term in office, and a total of 14 major state agencies will be audited during the first phase of the program.

The project was suspended during the administration of Mark White.

Clements' audit program employees volunteers from the private sector who are recruited by the Texas Research League, as well as employees from state agencies-meaning the project will result in no extra cost to the state. The effort is being coordinated Governor's office of Budget and Planning.

The operation audits are part of Clements' broader goal to introduce more efficient and modern management techniques now used by the private sector to state government. The governor earlier this year appointed a Task Force on Accounting, Auditing and Financial Reporting that will recommend management improvements in those state activities. The group's report is

expected in January.

The governor also has actively actively supported the consolidation of some related state agencies to reduce duplication of services and cut waste.

New Sales Tax

some transportation charges on the sales of goods, telephone service and membership and dues to private clubs.

"Businesses need to reprogram cash registers and alert workers and staff of the new rate taking effect October 1," Bullock said.

There is no increase in the one-percent local option tax collected in some areas of

Texas. The City of Groom does have the local option city sales tax and all new utility bills issued from the city will include collection of the sales tax on garbage services.

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accounting, data production, time sharing and computer management.

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Tigers Winning Continues

Groom Tigers upped their wins to three last Friday night giving Gruver a first half whipping of 34-6. Gruver's offense was held to a minus 7 yards in the first half with the Groom defense doing their job.

After the half, Gruver came back ready to play and added points to the score to give Groom a 34-20 victory. Coach Gary Rambo described the Tigers second half of play as having "no intensity and no concentration from the team." Coming back at the half, the team drove the ball well down the field but lacked the momentum to score and from that moment. said Rambo, the second half was dominated by the Gruver team.

Richard Koetting added 94 yards to his season rushing total and scored two touchdowns in the game bring that total to seven for the season. Both Friday's TDs came on six yard runs. Bruce Thornton scored on a 13-yard run and completed a 23 yard pass to Rocky Crump for another Groom score. Crump scored again on a two yard run. Vincent Meaker was two for five on PATs and filled in during the fourth quarter for the injured Bruce Thornton.

Though Groom let the Greyhounds catch up on the score board the second half, the Tigers out did their opponents in statistics with yards rushing

Food Stamps Tax Exempt

State Comptroller Bob Bullock today said changes in the states sales tax law will bring Texas into compliance with federal regulations on food stamp purchas-

Bullock said that Texas law exempts all food stamp purchases from the state's sales tax starting October 1,

The exemption will cost the state about \$5 million in lost revenue in 1988 but will prevent the federal government from witholding a projected \$808 million in annual assistance to 1.4 million Texans.

Last year's reauthorization of the federal food stamp program added new language that prohibits states from receiving food stamps if they collect taxes on food stamp purchases.

Although most food items are exempt in Texas, the state does collect tax on candy, soft drinks, diluted juices and other foods.

Tornado Sighted Sunday

Several farmers in the Grandview area received extensive hail damage from thunder storms that passed through the area Sunday afternoon. Among those hardest hit were Bill Ragsdale, Dean Burger, Raymond Maddox and Donald Ritter.

Sirens were also sounded in Groom as the same storm spawned a rope tornado that was visible some 10 minutes before going back into the Gruver's 135.

Coach Terry Coffee says his team has gotten an impressive lead in the first half of all their games saying, "we've physically handled each opponent," but speaking of Gruver, he said, "we went flat in the second

The Tigers will be off this week and coaches plan to work on fundamentals and drills as well as toning defensive techniques. It will also give injured Tigers time to heal including Matt Weinheimer, James Miller, Bruce Thornton, Rocky Crump and Brent Thompson. Coaches

say none of the injuries are serious but a week off for sore ankles and knees will certainly help.

The Tigers will be at home against McLean next week for their homecoming performance. After McLean, the Tigers will start their district season facing the top three teams in their first three outings. Coffee says he plans to move his team's focus toward handling teams physically all night, not just in the first half if the Tigers expect to hang onto their 17th ranking of 1-A teams in the state according to the Harris ratings.

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Please send memorials or donations to Groom Community Center to be used to help pay operation and maintenance costs for the facility in care of Brumley Insurance Groom, Texas 79039.

For Sale—24' steel building (oil field tank), \$575. Contact Matt Britten, 248-

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Bid Notice

Groom Schools is accepting bids on 9 IBM System II computers and software for the "Write to Read Program". Send sealed bids to Groom Schools, P.O. Box 550, Groom, Texas, 79039 before September 24.

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For Sale-large upright deep freeze, gas cook stove, and electric cook stove with microwave oven. Call Nita Jackson, 248-7382.

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Corner lot ready for mob-ile home. Corner of 4th and Cypress Streets in McLean. For rent or for sale. Owner will finance. Call 359-6792. If no answer call 779-2087.

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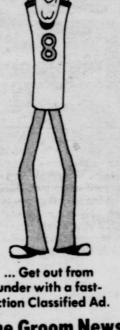
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