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Court Orders Section Of Pampa To Be Placed In Precinct 4

District Judge Grain-ger McIlhany ruled Friday in 31st District Court in Pampa that Gray County commissioners' precinct lines must be redrawn to provide equal representation.

clude part of Pampa, making it likely that someone from Pampa would have a good chance to be elected commissioner of Precinct 4. Ted Simmons of McLean is the present commissioner.

McIlhany ruled in favor of Ralph Prock, plaintiff in the suit filed in 1976 against members of the Gray County Commissioners Court. The suit originally was a class action, but Prock later became the only plaintiff.

districting to proceed in accordance with past decisions of the Texas Supreme Court, to provide precincts of approximately equal population, tax valuations, and road mileage.

missioners will have to appeal the decision by then or accept the ruling. They were to meet Wednesday morning, March 15 to discuss possible action.

on the east, Highway 152 on the north, Highway 70 on the west, and Donley County on the south. A large part of the geographical area of Gray County would be in Precinct 4, but the populations of each precinct would be about the same.

precincts. Arguments for the redistricting cited by Prock emphasized rural domination of the commissioners court resulting from precinct lines which put Pampa, with 80 percent of the population, in one precinct.

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Editor's Notebook

There certainly are a lot of things going on in McLean. With a let-up in the freezing temperatures and ice and snow, people are beginning to venture outside and get around a little more.

The beginning of the spring sports, other school activities, events put on by clubs and churches, stock shows, and other happenings are making McLean a pretty busy place.

The "busyness" of the people in this town shows up in the number of news items of events which just happened or are coming up. I've heard people say something to the effect of "How can you find enough news to fill up a paper in a little town like that?" Well, so far, my problem has been trying to keep up with everything that's going on. Who said nothing happens in a small town?

I would like to repeat an appeal from two weeks ago concerning McLean school track records. Coach Jim Yakubovsky is trying to establish exactly what the McLean records are in track and field events so that they can be recorded, put up on a board for all to see, and be incentives for present and future athletes.

Any newspaper clippings, times written on the back of ribbons, or other record of McLean track times in the past, from 1977 on back, would be helpful in establishing the list. So if you mothers or ex-Tigers or former Tigerettes have scrapbooks with any specific information, please get in touch with Coach Yakubovsky (779-2339) or someone else in the athletic department. All he wants is to look at what you

McLean Weather

TEMPERATURES	DAY	HIGH	LOW
Wed.	3/8	50	24
Thurs.	3/9	65	38
Fri.	3/10	No Report	
Sat.	3/11	No Report	
Sun.	3/12	76	39
Mon.	3/13	63	30
Tues.	3/14	57	33
Sun.	3/12 precip.	.66	



Ann Brown of McLean reaches for the volleyball in a match of the McLean Volleyball Tournament last weekend. Other players waiting to help are, left to right, Ann Rhine, Joyce Eck, and Jacque Gillispie. (Staff Photo by Lisa Patman)

Shamrock Volleyball Team Wins

By LISA PATMAN
McLean News Staff

There was a real battle last Saturday night for the number one spot in both the men's and women's divisions of the annual McLean Volleyball Tournament. Nineteen teams, 12 women's and seven men's, had competed earlier in the week, and Saturday night's showdown pitted the best teams against each other.

High scorers in the women's events were Charlie's Angels from Shamrock upsetting the favored McLean Centennials captained by Nancy Billingsley. The three games were close: 15-11 McLean, 15-13 Shamrock, and 15-12 Shamrock.

Third place went to Run 'N Gun from Shamrock, while Samnorwood's Bluebirds went away with the consolation trophy.

In the men's division, the Samnorwood Jokers, after an exciting and hard fought struggle, brought Casper Smith's Ghost Riders of McLean down to second place. Scores were 15-8 McLean, 15-12 Shamrock, and 15-13 Shamrock. The Renegades of Shamrock placed third, and the Game Busters of Shamrock took the consolation prize.

Two other McLean teams, the Spirits and the Winos, vied for third place in both divisions but were defeated in the playoffs.

The three-day tournament had a good crowd turnout, with high spirits and good sportsmanship abounding.

All four of McLean's teams worked hard to make the tournament a success, and special note should be made of the fact that most of the proceeds will be donated to the Little League and Babe Ruth baseball programs here in McLean.



Milton Best and Stanley Simpson of McLean, on the right side of the net, get in the air during the McLean Volleyball Tournament last weekend. See additional photos on page 2. (Staff Photo by Lisa Patman)

Consolidation Eyed At School Meeting

In a special meeting March 9, the McLean school board met with members of the Alanreed school board and other citizens to discuss the proposed consolidation of the McLean and Alanreed school districts.

No action was taken at the meeting. Discussion included how consolidation would affect the tax rate for Alanreed residents, what would be done with the Alanreed school buildings, and how Alanreed's bonded indebtedness would be affected.

McLean school officials have asked the state for figures on what state compensation the Alanreed school district would be eligible for in the event of consolidation.

Tiger Band Receives I

The McLean High School Tiger Band, under the direction of Mike Lee, received a I in the concert band division of the UIL spring band contest in Canyon Tuesday.

The McLean musicians earned a II in the sight reading portion of their performance.

The first division rating was the second for the Tiger Band in three weeks. McLean received a I in sight reading at the Gruver Band Festival in February.

McLean Stock Entries Successful At Pampa Show

McLean youngsters swept the Gray County Junior Show in Pampa Saturday, taking a grand champion award, a reserve champion award and a showmanship trophy, including four of six number one slots in the steers competition.

Teresa Woods of McLean 4-H won grand champion in the English breed and cross division with a 1208 lb. steer.

In the same category, Jem Ann Rice took reserve champion with her 969 lb. steer.

Rex Morris of McLean FFA won the award for showmanship in the steer division.

Other winners were: Light English Breed and Cross: 1. Jem Ann Rice, McLean 4-H, 3. Beth Smitherman, McLean 4-H, 4. Cindi Carpenter, McLean 4-H, 5. Greg Gabel, McLean 4-H.

Medium English Breed and Cross: 1. Mark Morris, McLean, FFA, 2. Rhonda Woods, McLean 4-H, 3. Elson Rice, McLean 4-H, 4. Stacie Smith, McLean 4-H, 6. Deb Crockett, McLean 4-H.

Heavy English Breed and Cross: 1. Teresa Woods, McLean 4-H, 2. Joe Mercer, McLean FFA, 4. Todd Allison, McLean 4-H, 5. Bryan Smitherman, McLean 4-H.

Light Exotic and Exotic Cross: 1. Rex Morris, McLean FFA. Medium Exotic and Exotic Cross: 3. Allen Turpen, McLean FFA.

In the barrow competition, winners included: Light Duroc: 4. Mike Reynolds, McLean FFA, 7. Mark Tate, McLean 4-H.

Medium Duroc: 2. Stephen McAnear, McLean 4-H, 11. Leisa Gabel, McLean FFA.

Heavy Duroc: 5. Bryan Smitherman, McLean 4-H, 6. Lance Gabel, McLean 4-H, 9. Elson Rice, McLean 4-H.

Hampshire Light: 2. Lee Ann Tate, McLean 4-H.

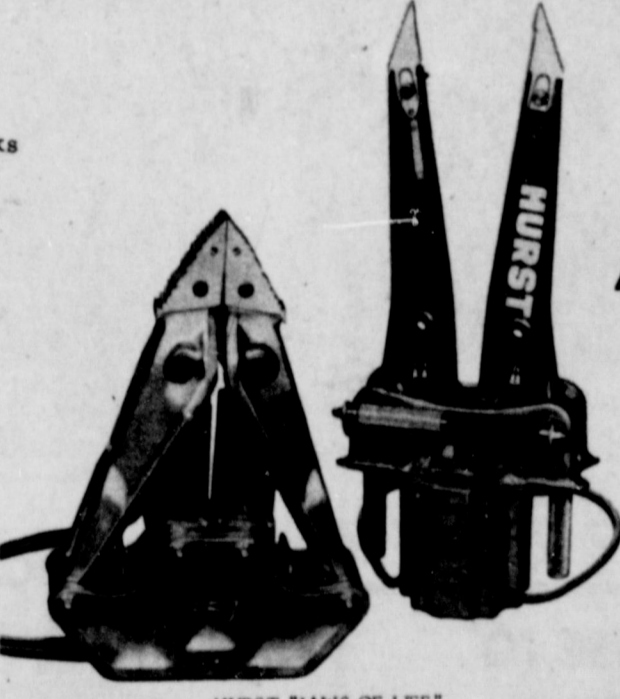
Other Pure Breeds, Medium: 4. Eddie Brooks, McLean 4-H, 6. Candi Carpenter, McLean 4-H.

Light Crosses: 3. Mike McCowen, McLean FFA, 5. Bill Hambricht, See STOCK SHOW, Page 2

City Election Set For April 1

Voting is scheduled for Saturday, April 1 from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. in the McLean city council election.

Incumbent Miro Pakan, Boyd Lee Thompson, H. D. (Casper) Smith, G.W. Terry, and Boyd Meador are seeking the three open positions on the city council.



HURST "JAWS OF LIFE" Needed by McLean Fire Department

Fire Department Seeks Life-Saving Equipment

Two McLean High School teenagers are driving down a rain-slick street in McLean. The left front tire blows suddenly and the car spins out of control, smashing upside down into a telephone pole. The top of the car is smashed, and both doors are crushed. The gasoline tank is ruptured, and gasoline begins to leak slowly around the wrecked car. Both teenagers are unconscious, suffering from multiple injuries.

Within minutes the McLean Rescue Unit is on the scene. The ambulance arrives with all its modern life-saving equipment.

But the doors of the car are jammed shut. The leaking gasoline rules out the use of a cutting torch. Minutes make the difference in saving the lives of the teenagers, who are

Annual McLean High School Rodeo Slated

Saturday afternoon will signal the start of the 6th annual Tri-State Rodeo sponsored by McLean High School. The event at the Felton Webb Arena will mark the second rodeo this semester for the McLean High School Rodeo Club. Last week in Hereford, McLean's David Tolleson placed third in ribbon roping and sixth in steer dogging.

Three performances will be offered at McLean: at 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Saturday and at 1:30 p.m. Sunday.

Bill Hext of Canadian is this year's rodeo producer, with Merv Pierce of Carlsbad, N.M., doing the announcing, courtesy of K-Bob's Steak House. Kelly Cooke of Lubbock will serve as rodeo clown.

Eleven events are scheduled. Girls' events include barrel racing, pole bending, goat tying, break-away roping, and bull riding, while the boys will be involved in bareback riding, bull



TECHNICIAN JOE ARMBRUSTER USING CLINICARD ANALYZER

McLean Hospital Using New Equipment

By LISA PATMAN
McLean News Staff

The computer age has reached McLean Hospital. With the arrival of two new machines, a Clinicard Analyzer and a Flame Photometer, complete blood chemistries now can be done in a fraction of the time it previously took.

Using cassettes and computerized program cards, lab technician Joe Armbruster can obtain a digital read-out from the machines. With these read-outs the patients' body condition can be determined and treatment can be prescribed.

The Clinicard Analyzer, worth \$11,500, given to the McLean Hospital by Scientific Products, Inc. of Champaign, Ill., can perform 26 tests by using a wavelength of light and new chemistries. See HOSPITAL, Page 2

L. A. Sparlin Dies At 90

A funeral service for L.A. Sparlin of Wellington was Saturday at the Kellison Chapel in Wellington, with burial at Plymouth Cemetery.

Sparlin died March 9, He was 90.

He was a native of the Lurie community but had been a patient in the Thomas nursing home in Wellington since 1974.

He was the uncle of Mrs. Ott Davis and Doyl Sparlin of McLean.

COMMENT

The following article written by Virginia M. Hawkins appeared in a recent edition of The Washington Post:

"Every day we face a barrage of scare stories about how dangerous it is to be alive. We are told that eggs, butter, whole milk and other animal fats can kill us; nitrate, used to cure bacon and to preserve a variety of other meats, forms nitrosamines, which are carcinogenic. Coffee raises our blood pressure (I suppose that also applies to colas and tea, which also contain caffeine). Hot dogs and other foods colored with Red Dye No. 2 cause cancer, too, they say. Salt is bad; sugar is pure poison. Cattle and poultry are fattened on carcinogenic chemicals (now their feed is being supplemented with concrete dust, but so far, no one has discovered what ailment that will cause).

"Tobacco and alcohol can kill you; so can hair dyes. Fluorocarbon aerosols and supersonic planes destroy the radiation-shielding ozone, and burning fossil fuels increases atmospheric carbon monoxide. The oceans are dying and the earth is becoming a huge pile of garbage. The pill causes blood clots and strokes. Our drinking water may contain as many as 73 harmful industrial chemicals. Lead gasoline is poisoning the air. Fireproof clothing for children causes cancer. Liquid-protein diets can kill you. Bacteria are becoming resistant to antibiotics. Asbestos is bad stuff. Radiation is all around us--microwave ovens, television sets, dental and other X-rays, smoke detectors and so forth.

"Depending on which story appeals to you, we are either entering a new ice age or the carbon monoxide we are pouring into the atmosphere will result in a 'greenhouse' effect that will melt the ice caps and raise the level of the oceans, inundating half the land masses in the world. Either way, there won't be enough agricultural land to feed the projected world population, so we might as well eat, smoke, drink, dye our hair and be as merry as possible under the circumstances.

"Excuse me, I think my bacon is burning."

NOTEBOOK

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have so he can determine if that might be a McLean record, whether individual or a relay team.

And from now on, maybe the school can keep better track of the times and distances so this kind of appeal won't have to be made.

Who were the three young men seen running through the northwest part of town on a recent Sunday night? According to rumor, they sprinted from a house on Cedar Street to one on Gray Street in 3 minutes and 11 seconds, then hopped into a sports car and sped away. Maybe they were practicing for "Celebrity Superstars."

The McLean News' list of subscribers in Gray County has reached 400. The 400th county

Southwestern Bell Seeks Rate Hike

Southwestern Bell has asked the Texas Public Utility Commission for authority to increase telephone rates by \$214.3 million in the 488 cities and towns served by the company.

The request represents an increase of 11.4 percent on intrastate revenues for the company.

Only \$37.7 million of the total increase would apply to basic residential telephone rates, said Gary Stevens, Southwestern Bell manager in Pampa.

Under the proposal, one-party residential rates would increase in a range from 75 cents monthly in the smallest towns to \$1.20 in the largest.

Proposed monthly two-party residential rate increases would range from 15 cents in smallest towns to 80 cents in the largest.

Requested increases for one-party business service would range from \$1.60 to \$3.80 per month.

The company suggested that extension telephone rates increase

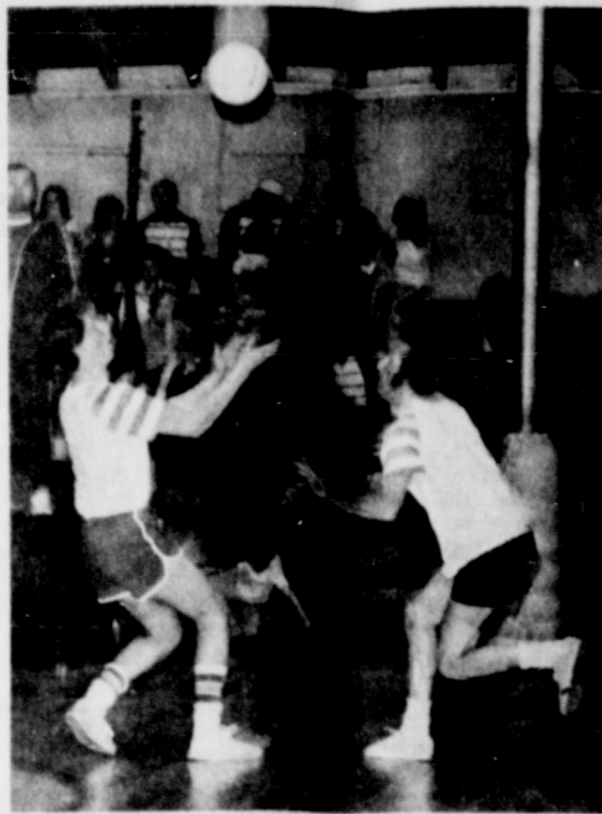
only 10 cents per month, from \$1.50 to \$1.60.

A spokesman said Southwestern Bell does not seek to increase rates for in-state long distance calls or WATS, nor for coin telephone or Directory Assistance.

In the Southwestern Bell proposal, gross receipts tax payments levied by and paid to 481 cities and town would be separated from basic telephone service charges. These payments would be shown a separate item on customer bills.

Stevens said that stating charges separately on bills would assure that city customers pay charges only for their municipality's tax rate, and also would assure that customers outside city limits do not pay the taxes.

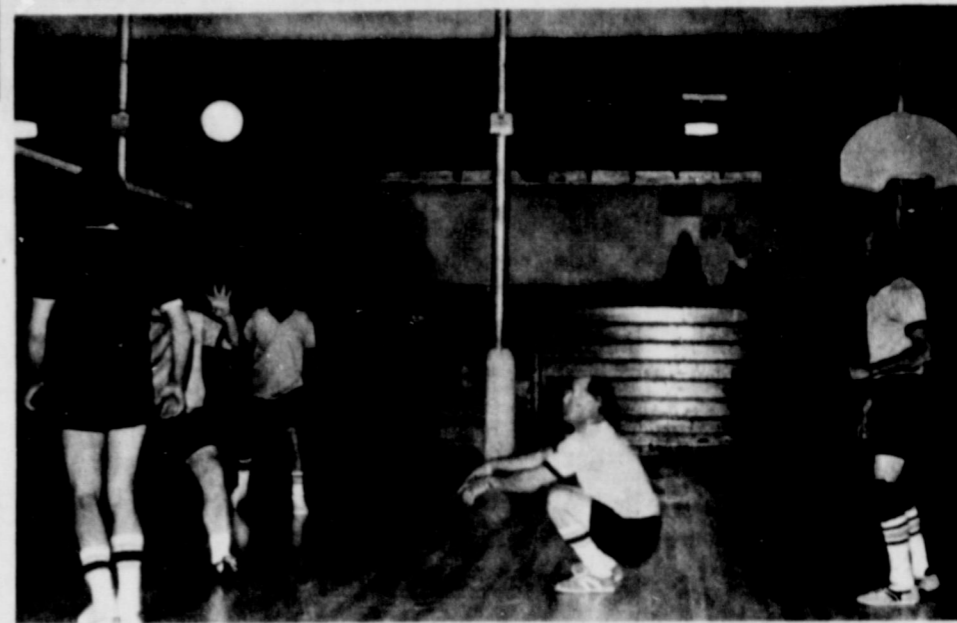
The remainder of the rate request would be increases in miscellaneous rates and one-time service connection and rearrangement charges, plus restructuring of rates for certain business special services.



Stanley Simpson and Jerry Hembree have nothing on their minds but the ball in a match of the McLean Volleyball Tournament last weekend. See story on page 1. (Staff Photos by Lisa Patman)



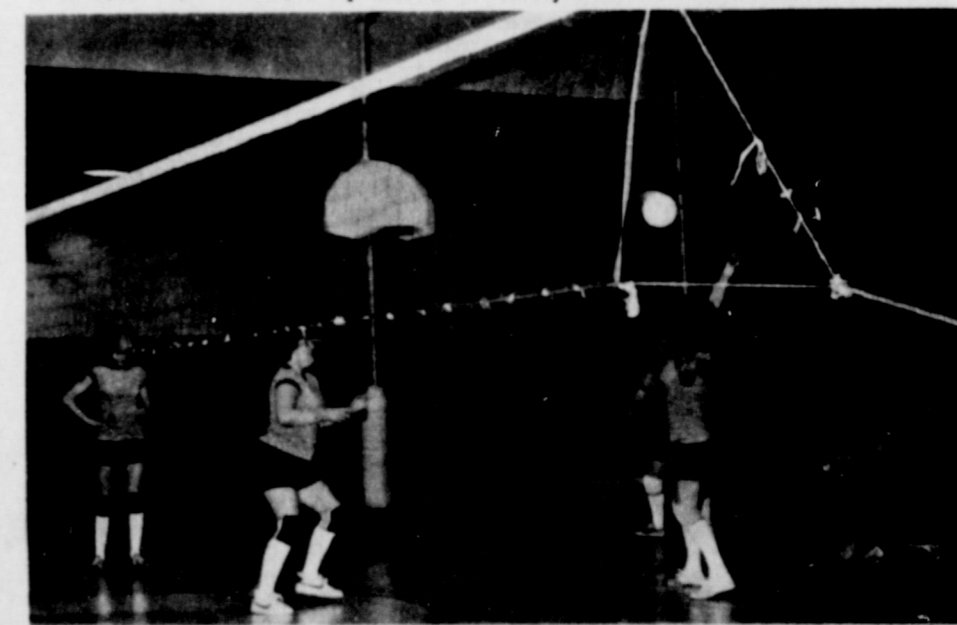
Doyal Billingsley tries to come out of the blocks in a recent volleyball match. Others in the picture are Casper Smith, Jim Ridgeway, and Cecil Reynolds.



J.C. McAnear gets low to prepare for the spike. Others in the picture are Doyal Billingsley, Cecil Reynolds, Jim Ridgeway, and Casper Smith.



Melvin Simpson appears to be pondering whether or not to get up after a tough point in a volleyball match. His brother Stanley, at right, seems to be urging him back to action. Also pictured are Cecil Reynolds and Jim Bible.



From left to right, Helen Anderson, Jean Smith, Cheryl Smith, Linda Ridgeway, and Sonie Heasley are captivated by the volleyball in a women's match last weekend.

Letters to the Editor

Dear Sir:

I am concerned about the rising cost of natural gas in McLean, and would like for you, (The Editor), to perhaps interview the Mayor, on the following subjects: (1) What measures are being taken to hold natural gas cost down? (2) Why is natural gas so expensive in McLean, as compared to other cities in the area? (3) How much gas is lost each year in McLean due to bad pipe leakage, and how much of this gas loss expense is passed directly on to McLean customers? and (4) Since natural gas prices are soaring, and are expected to double or triple in the near future, why hasn't

the city already begun to look into an alternate energy source for McLean, such as a modern methane system, that many towns our size in the mid-west have already converted to, in order to keep gas costs out of reach for many of us--especially senior citizens on fixed incomes. (5) Why are deposits for natural gas hook-ups in McLean not returned to the customer after one year and why is the accruing interest rate on this deposit money only 4%? I checked today (3/8/78), with the gas offices in both Shamrock and Wellington. Both cities return hook-up deposits after one year to their customers and both accrue 6% interest. Why can't McLean do the same? Name Withheld Upon Request

STOCK SHOW

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McLean FFA, 7. Mike Harkins, McLean FFA. Middle Crosses: 7. Susie Billingsley, McLean FFA.

Heavy Crosses: 5. Tommy Milam, McLean 4-H.

The McLean exhibitors faced stiff competition in the Top of Texas Junior Livestock Show in Pampa Monday, placing very few winners.

Rex Morris won second place in showmanship in the calf division, and Mike McCowen picked up a first in the light cross breeds division for the best McLean showing of the day.

Other winners were: Light Duroc: 14th Mike Reynolds.

Medium Duroc: 9 Leisa Gabel, 16 Stephen

McAnear. Light Hampshire: 5. Lee Ann Tate. Light Yorkshire: 6. Candi Carpenter. Light Cross Breeds: 1. Mike McCowen, 5. Bill Hambricht.

Medium Angus: 2. Rhonda Woods, 3. Jem Ann Rice.

Medium Herefords: 8. Stacie Smith, 9. Beth Smitherman.

Heavy Herefords: 5. Mark Morris.

Light Cross Breeds: 10. Greg Gabel.

Medium Cross Breeds: 3. Joe Mercer, 5. Rex Morris, 8. Allen Turpen, 9. Elson Rice.

Heavy Cross Breeds: 10. Teresa Woods.

The FFA livestock judging team competed Tuesday.

Registered Herefords were judged Tuesday afternoon and Texas Agriculture Commissioner Reagan V. Brown spoke at the Hereford Breeders' Banquet at M.K. Brown Auditorium Tuesday night.

The Top of Texas sale, for which most of the McLean entrants qualified, was Wednesday.

According to the Internal Revenue Service, in 1975, there were 90,836 women millionaires--but only 89,164 men millionaires.

COURT ORDER

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inct. The county commissioners had proposed an at-large plan in which the precincts would remain the same and a candidate for a precinct office still would have to live within that precinct, but in which the voting for each precinct could be countywide. Such systems are consistent with federal law and are used in some states, but they conflict with the Texas constitution.

YOU and the LAW

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Q: Our daughter decided to drop out of high school, and now the juvenile court has charged her with failure to attend school... do we have to provide a lawyer for her even though she doesn't want to contest the matter?

A: State law requires that your daughter be represented by a lawyer if she has been charged with delinquent conduct or conduct indicating a need for supervision. It is your responsibility to provide her with a lawyer, even if she does not want to contest the charges. The juvenile court will appoint a lawyer to serve at county expense if you are unable to afford a lawyer.

Q: I was hospitalized for three months. I think my medical expenses might justify me itemizing when I file my income tax form this year instead of taking the standard deduction. What are some common medical and dental expenses?

A: Some of the more common items are medical insurance premiums, doctor's fees, hospital charges, medical and dental appliances, medicines and drugs, and transportation for medical care. Of course, these expenses must be reduced by certain percentages of your income.

Q: This year, I'm going to have to pay quite a bit more income tax than I had anticipated. To tell you the truth, I can't afford to pay the balance due on my return. What should I do?

A: Go ahead and file the return on time. Failure to file is a violation of the law and will bring penalties. Attach a letter explaining fully why the balance due is not enclosed. Penalties will

not be imposed if the taxpayer can show reasonable cause for the delay. Failure to pay, if penalties are imposed and the IRS is notified, brings a penalty of only 1/2 percent per month up to a maximum of 25 percent, plus interest.

Q: This is my first year to itemize my deductions on my tax form. A friend of mine told me that I can deduct state and local taxes. Can I, and what taxes are deductible when itemizing?

A: Your friend is right. State and local taxes are deductible, and those taxes include gasoline taxes which in Texas is five cents per gallon, state income tax and the state sales taxes. When deducting the state sales tax, you either use the table provided by the IRS or, if you have kept accurate records, you can deduct the actual amount.

Send your questions to "You and the Law," State Bar of Texas, P.O. Box 12487, Austin, 78711. Answers may appear in columns in hypothetical terms; personal answers not possible.

RODEO

Continued From Page 1 riding, calf roping, ribbon roping, steer wrestling, and team roping.

First, second, and third place buckles will be awarded in each event, and a high point team trophy for the girls and boys teams will be given. With more than 475 members in the Tri-State High School Rodeo Association, competition is keen, as each youngster tries to make enough points to place in the top 15 in order to be eligible for the Tri-State Finals in June.

There are 22 members of the McLean High School Rodeo Club. Sponsors are Jarrell Russell, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Lee Henley, Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Tolleson, and Mr. and Mrs. Willard Moore.

Pampa Farmer On Water Board

John R. Spearman, a board member of the Panhandle Ground Water Conservation District No. 3, has been reelected district director for Water, Inc.

Spearman, a Pampa-area farmer, was elected to the position by Water, Inc., members in District 3, which includes Gray and Wheeler Counties.

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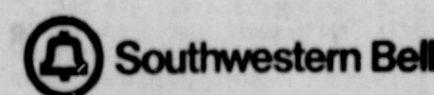
An uncovered lemon peel will absorb refrigerator odors and add its own fresh smell.

Public Notice

Southwestern Bell, in accordance with the rules of the Public Utility Commission of Texas, hereby gives notice of the company's intent to implement a new schedule of telephone rates in Texas effective April 14, 1978.

It is expected that the requested rate schedule will furnish an increase of 11.4 percent in the company's intrastate revenues.

A complete copy of the new rate schedule is on file with the Public Utility Commission at Austin, Texas, and with each affected municipality, and is available for inspection in each of the Company's public business offices.



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Fires Plague Area

There has been a rash of grass fires this week, according to Fire Chief Jim McDonald.

On March 9, the McLean Fire Department responded to four calls: one on Highway 70, another in front of the J.D. Fish home, and a third at the Jim Stevens home. The fourth fire, west of Lake McClellan, destroyed from 300 to 400 acres of grass.

There was a grassfire Friday night at Sand-

spur Lake which destroyed 150 acres.

High winds on Sunday and Monday complicated efforts to extinguish blazes on those days.

Sunday's grass fire in Alanreed was started by trash burning.

On Monday, grassland was destroyed at Max Coleman's place, and later in the day train sparks started another grass fire 1/2 mile east of McLean.

National Wildlife Week, March 19-25

The week of March 19-25 will be National Wildlife Week, and the USA Soil Conservation Service in Pampa will cooperate with the observance by offering publications about wildlife, according to Lee McDonald, Pampa district conservationist.

McDonald said single copies of several wildlife publications can be obtained free by contacting personnel at the SCU Field Office at the Gray County Courthouse Annex in Pampa. The telephone number is 665-1751.



The medical term for the fear of work is Ergophobia.

WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

A brief look at some former McLean residents and where they are now.

Amos Page, a former McLean resident who is now the Mayor of Quanah, recently received the Quanah Citizen of the Year award at a Chamber of Commerce banquet.

Page moved to Quanah from McLean in 1962 to establish the Quanah TV Service, now Quanah Cablevision.

He and his wife have four children: Mrs. Janice Dwyer of Crosbyton, Jill Page of Vernon, James Page of Lovington, N.M., and Jo Ann Page of Wichita Falls.

Pat and Mindy Reeves live in San Jose, California. They have two children, Becky and Scott and he is in the hardware business.

Rose Helen Dwyer is a freshman at West Texas State University.

Ricky and Jenny (Haynes) Evans live in Lubbock. Evans works for Furr's Food Corporation.

Gary Don and Nila (Richards) Ellison live in Austin, where Ellison is in the real estate business.

Louise Farren lives in Lebanon, Ore.

Leona Forbes, a long time McLean school teacher, now lives in Clovis, N.M.

Mrs. Lucille Gething, also a long time teacher in McLean, lives in Amarillo.

Maridale Glass is a freshman at West Texas State University. Mike Gray, a former

McLean coach, is coaching in Duncan, Okla.

L. L. Gordin lives in Dimmitt.

Tommy Duniven and his wife Diane live in Houston, where he is a member of the Houston Oilers football team.

Mary Dutton lives in Granbury.

Belva Dorman lives in Amarillo.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Dwyer live in Crosbyton.

Predator Kills Chicken, Rabbit

An unknown predator stalked the streets of McLean last Thursday night. Entering the chicken house of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Ayers, located at 301 E. 7th, he struck swiftly. The death count was high -- 27 chickens and one rabbit. Two chickens were missing.

Lovett Memorial

Library Notes

AN AUTOBIOGRAPHY, by Dame Agatha Miller Christie, Dodd, Mead & Company, New York. By LISA PATMAN McLean News Staff

For all Agatha Christie fans, this is the ultimate in Christie-mania. Here is a delightful account of her girlhood in Victorian England. It provides us with a glimpse of a period when customs, manners, and the family group were so important in that upper-class society.

Dame Agatha goes on to tell of her unsuccessful attempt to become a professional concert pianist. Indeed, it is almost accidental that she became a mystery writer. On a dare from her sister, Christie wrote "The Mysterious Affair at Styles." Its publication began her writing career.

This book takes us from Christie's happy childhood through a disastrous marriage to Archie Christie. That marriage ended in a sensational divorce. Later she met and married Max Mallowan, who was soon

to become one of Britain's foremost archaeologists.

Christie writes of her many travels all over the world, of her visits to her husbands "digs," and of her various homes throughout England and the world.

World War II drastically changed her life. Mallowan enlisted in the Air Force, and Christie immersed herself in volunteer work, all the time producing a book a year as well as various short stories and plays.

Of course, there is more than just her life story. She describes the creation of her most famous characters, Hercule Poirot and Miss Jane Marple. She also describes her method of writing and how she comes upon various plots she uses.

This is a warm, interesting book which provides a readable and revealing look at the world's most famous authoress of mystery stories.

It is available at Lovett Memorial Library.

Rural Families Lose TV Reception

Many rural families in the McLean area have had no television reception since the recent snow and ice storm. The Wheeler County Translator System's 250-foot television tower was put out of operation by the extremely low temperatures.

Spokesmen for the company said this week they are planning to re-

build the tower if the users of the service pay back dues.

The cost of the new tower will be approximately \$15,000 to \$18,000, which partially will be paid by insurance.

Users who wish to pay back dues should contact the Wheeler County Translator Systems, Inc., P. O. Box 637, Wheeler, Texas 79096.

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McLean Briefs

Johnny Williams, son of Mrs. B. F. Williams and brother of Jane Simpson, has been visiting in McLean. His home is Mount Vernon, Wash. He and Mrs. Williams visited with his brother Pete in DeLeon last week.

J. D. Throckmorton is in St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Cliett are in Dallas, where she has been a patient in the Institute of Neurology of Dallas for the past three weeks. Mrs. Cliett previously had an extended stay in a Dallas hospital. She recently was in a coma for 36 hours, but now is reported improving.

Jim Hathaway is home from Amarillo after having surgery.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Welting of Kenesaw, Neb., visited the Rev. and Mrs. James Merrell Sunday and Monday. Welting is a sheep and cattle rancher and a farmer.

There will be a blood pressure clinic for the public from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. March 23 in the Senior Citizens building. Everyone is urged to attend.

Boyd Thompson and his wife Brenda of McLean have received a Personal Sales Award plaque from Amway Corp. for achieving their yearly personal sales goal.

Clyde Allen Windom of Dallas was in McLean two days last week, and Mrs. E. J. Windom, Jr. returned home with him for a few days' visit.

Mr. and Mrs. J.P. Dickinson and Mr. and Mrs. Miro Pakan attended Neil Simon's "Barefoot in the Park" at a dinner theater in Amarillo last Tuesday. Dickinson and Mrs. Pakan celebrated their birthdays, and each was presented with a birthday cake.

Judy Morris is in the hospital in Shattuck, Okla. recovering from back surgery.

Some names were omitted from the story last week concerning Mrs. Maria Budinsky's 91st birthday. Also attending the party were Mr. and Mrs. John Cullers and son David, and Edward Pakan, all of Shamrock.

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Annual MHS Rodeo Set For This Saturday, Sunday

by Tom Eck

The McLean High School Rodeo Association will be sponsoring the annual high school rodeo held here at the Felton Webb Arena Saturday and Sunday. Tri-State High School Rodeo Association rules will apply and the rodeo will be T.S.H.S.R.A. affiliated.

The stock will be provided by Hext from Canadian. Cloning the show will be Kelly Cooke.

Events in the rodeo will be bull riding, bareback bronc riding, steer wrestling, team roping, calf roping, ribbon roping, goat tying, girls bull riding, barrel racing, and pole bending. First

through third place buckles will be given. Trophy saddles will be given to the all around cowboy and cowgirl. Also trophies to the highpoint team will be presented. Interviewing one of the participants found that: "I'm sure the competition in the bull riding will be stiff as it always is at the good rodeos."

Track Team Competes In Relays

by Sam Haynes

The McLean Tiger track team competed in the Panhandle Relays last weekend. The Tigers were not in full force because of the FBLA convention in San Antonio, but they did manage to score four points, as Jay Killham got fourth in the pole vault.

Other tracksters competing were Curtis Simpson in the 100, 220, 440 yard relay and broad jump; Tom Eck in the mile run, 440 yard relay and broad jump; and Tim Killham in the 440 yard relay and the 330 hurdles. Other team members who couldn't make the trip because of the FBLA trip or illness were Sam Haynes, Scott Raines, Randy Suggs, Steve Ellison, Mike Reynolds, Dwayne Morgan, and Butch Cline. The Tigers will be competing in the Warrior Relays this weekend at Miami.

FBLA Receives Award

by Steve Ellison

The McLean chapter of the Future Business Leaders of America returned from San Antonio last Sunday night. Three members returned with individual honors, while the chapter received two awards.

As you remember from last column, they left on Wednesday. These days were filled with meetings, campaigning and contests. The winners of these contests from McLean were: Steve Ellison 4th in Mr. FBLA contest; Diane McAnear, 5th in accounting test

and Natalie Morris 4th in job interview. The club was also awarded for Outstanding chapter and installing the greatest number of new chapters. Natalie Morris also was named to the Who's Who in FBLA for her outstanding work over the years on the local, district and state levels.

Speaking on behalf of the chapter I would like to give special thanks to Mrs. Johnson and Mr. Gee whose good attitudes during the trip made it fun for everyone involved.

FFA ATTENDS AREA MEETING

by Gina Layne

The McLean Future Homemakers of America chapter attended the Area I meeting of FFA last Friday and Saturday at Amarillo High School and the Amarillo Civic Center.

Friday evening, the members dined at the Georgia House. Later, McLean's FFA chapter president, Jodette Swamer, attended the House of Delegates for the election of new area officers at Amarillo High School. The rest of the chapter attended action labs concerning problems of teenagers, also at AHS. Afterwards, the members went to the late movie and stayed at the Quality Inn.

Saturday morning the members attended the general session at the Civic Center. For lunch, they ate at Applegate's Landing and then went shopping at Sunset Center and Western Plaza.

FHA To Sell Tupperware

The Future Homemakers of America of McLean High School soon will be selling Tupperware utensils. Anyone interested can contact an FHA member.

Wealthy ladies in ancient Rome sometimes washed themselves in a sugary mixture consisting of 20 pounds of crushed strawberries and two pounds of raspberries.

Gray County Spelling Bee Set Today

The 1978 Gray County Spelling Bee competition was scheduled for today (Thursday) in Pampa.

Eighth grader Terri Glass and seventh grader Teresa Woods were to represent McLean Junior High in the event. Dudley Reynolds, an 8th grader, was an alternate.

William McIlroy, junior high English teacher, is the sponsor of the McLean students.

The annual event is sponsored by the Amarillo Globe-News and West Texas State University, with Rena Belle Anderson, Gray County superintendent, serving as spelling bee coordinator.

The contest includes seventh and eighth grade spelling champions from all junior high schools in Gray County. The Gray County champion will advance to the regional bee in Amarillo.

New Arrivals

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Patton of Wichita, Kan. are the parents of a girl, Pamela Marie Patton. Born on Jan. 9, she weighed 5 lb., 2 oz. Grandparents are Pat and Eloise Patton of Tucson, Ariz., and Mr. and Mrs. Sam Donald of McLean. Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. R.L. Brown of McLean. Mrs. Arnold of Las Cruces, N.M., and Mrs. Roper of Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Glenn of Jacksonville, Ark., are the parents of a girl born Feb. 28. The baby, Valerie Rose, weighed 6 lbs., 4 1/2 oz. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Roy Glenn of Jacksonville, formerly of McLean. Mrs. Lona Jones, of Jacksonville also a former McLean resident, is a great-grandparent. Great-great-grandmother is Mrs. C. G. Nicholson of Muleshoe, formerly of McLean.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Back of El Paso are the parents of a boy born March 9. Named John Randall (J.R.), he weighed 6 lbs., 14 oz. and was 20 1/2 inches long. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. R.L. Brown of McLean and Mr. and Mrs. Oran Back of Ajo, Ariz. Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Back of Borger and Mr. and Mrs. M.E. Brown of McLean.

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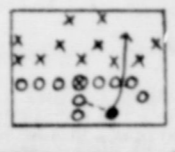
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X's and O's

By BILL COWARD
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Such findings emphasize the importance of good sports instruction in the schools: not just to build a team for the school although that is one of the most popular ways of doing it, nor just to occupy 50 minutes or an hour of each student's time every day; but to establish patterns of activity that students can follow right into adulthood.

A relatively high level of physical fitness is essential to the mastery and enjoyment of sports. Without strength, staying power, and agility, it is impossible either to become generally skilled or to apply strength successfully.

Many of us probably are under the impression that you can get in shape by practicing it, but that is a delusion. All good athletes know this. That's why they put themselves through rigorous conditioning and training programs before attempting to participate. A good rule to remember is this: "You don't get fit by playing, you get fit by playing."

The most important activity of all, of course, is running. It is a basic skill in most of our popular participant sports and it's also a good way to develop cardiovascular endurance.

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Billie Lowery Competing In Amarillo For High School Basketball Queen

Billie Lowery, a McLean High School senior, is in the running for high school basketball queen at the National Women's Invitational Tournament in Amarillo. The queen will be announced Saturday night at halftime of the annual high school all-star game which is played in conjunction with the tourney.

All queen candidates are members of their high school basketball teams.

Competing in the college tournament are Old Dominion, Texas, Kansas, Fort Valley (Ga.) State, Kentucky, Long Beach State, Drake, and Minnesota. Wayland Baptist, the winner of the event each of its first nine years, will be busy in the AIAW playoffs.

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PLOWIN' Out The Corners



This week is the beginning of a new year for the column. The beginning of the 33rd year of Uncle Zeb's life. It would be so nice if we could both be the same age. So much has happened since Uncle Zeb was born. It is so hard once in awhile to keep from going back over these years.

We had children, one at least in school, and another that has always been so much like my very own. We were so busy. We had so much work on the farm to do. But, it seemed so important that we take a big part in the school. My wife had been a teacher so we just sort of breathed the spirit of school. Finally, I wound up president of the school board. My but they must have been hard up in those days. The board would keep at me to serve again. I did not realize that they just wanted me because if we made a change they might get it, and they didn't want that. Actually they almost had me thinking I was necessary to having a good school, and I would run year after year. Now, if I offered a prize, I

could hardly find anyone who remembered my tenure and some of the speeches they had to listen to. If you do remember one of those speeches, I apologize. I was soft-soaped into it.

Then, I would stand there so proudly, and shake hands and offer the graduate his or her diploma. I would like to know do any of you students that age remember those trials that far back. Money to hire a speaker was so short that at least a time or two the Superintendent talked me into making the graduation talk. I wonder if anyone remembers. I would love a letter from someone who does. Anyway, I became convinced that things might just go to the bad if I didn't keep helping, and just look how much better things are. Anyhow, I guess many of us think we are very much needed; that somewhere on some wall your name will be scribbled by someone who will remember you as a great influence in their life. Looking back now, I must have thought so to have stayed in so long. Forgive me.

Club Activities

"Exercise" was the theme of the program given by Susan Barker at the regular meeting of Alpha Xi Upsilon on Feb. 28. Jack Dorsett was guest speaker.

Members participated in the program by doing various exercises. Freda Holland served as hostess for the meeting. Jean Smith won the door prize.

Alpha Xi Upsilon will support the convalescent home in any way possible, it was decided at a meeting Tuesday after a report was given on the Council of Clubs program.

The Rev. Owen B. McGarity, Presbyterian minister at Clarendon and Memphis and a psychology teacher at Clarendon Junior College, spoke on "Enrichment."

Those attending were hostess Jacque Gillispie, Jean Smith, Janet Yakubovsky, Evelyn Shaw, Susan Barker, Mary Bybee, Freda Holland, Suzie Lee, Carlene Beauchamp, Nancy Billingsley, Sonie Heasley, Frankie Smith, Billie Kingston, Brenda Dickinson, Charlotte Hefley, Marie Cummings, and Shirley Stokes.

The executive board made plans for a Founders Day banquet April 27.

At next Tuesday's meeting, officers will be elected.

Joe VanZandt, Gray County agricultural extension agent, will present a program on gardening at 10 a.m. March 23 at the Senior Citizens Center in McLean.

The program will be for members of the Young-at-Heart Club and any other interested persons.

VanZandt will offer facts on basic gardening, soil preparation, and how to plant for optimum production.

An organizational "town hall meeting" of the Council of Clubs March 9 resulted in several suggestions for improvement in the community of McLean.

Representatives of several McLean clubs, organizations, and churches were present at the meeting in addition to interested individuals.

Each person present was asked to state what he was most interested in concerning the future of McLean. The answers included:

More entertainment for the youth; encour-

agement and activities for senior citizens; volunteer help for the new convalescent home; encouragement for new industry and urging trading at home; cleaning and beautifying the city; control of animals, including cats and dogs; and assisting the housing project and Cemetery Association when help is needed.

Interest in a community building was expressed.

The idea of summer recreation programs, including a general community picnic, was discussed.

The group voted to meet the second and fourth Monday nights of each month to talk, plan, and work to 'get people working together for a better McLean.'

The next meeting will be at the city hall at 7 p.m. March 27.

An open meeting to acquaint residents of Shamrock and the surrounding area with the Weight Watchers program will be held at the Shamrock Community Library at 7:00 Monday. New Weight Watchers members will be accepted after the open meeting, and time and day for regular classes will be set by members of the new class.

June Blakemore, a lifetime resident of Shamrock and a Weight Watchers member since October of 1977, will be the lecturer for the classes. Adele McGinty, area director for Weight Watchers, will attend the first meeting and assist in presenting the program to guests.

Mrs. Blakemore, who has lost 24 3/4 pounds since becoming a Weight Watchers member, said, "Learning basic nutrition and how to apply it to personal eating habits is one of the most important aspects of the program."

Hospital Report

IN McLEAN HOSPITAL THIS WEEK: Annie Eudey Sally Haynes Margaret Milam Mary McClellan Myrtle McCoy Lummie Pruett Frank Reeves

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Track Teams Begin Season At Panhandle, Lefors Meets

The McLean high school and junior high track teams began their seasons last week, with several local athletes winning ribbons.

At the Panhandle Relays Friday, Jay Killham placed fourth in the pole vault with an effort of 10' 6". Several of the high school boys on the team did not compete because of the FBLA trip to San Antonio.

In the Lefors junior high meet Saturday, Cecil Estes won sixth place in the mile run with a time of 6:08.8. The mile relay, composed of Dudley Reynolds, Bick Horn, Brock Crockett, and Billy Joe Skipper, placed seventh with a time of 4:41.5.

Also at Lefors, the junior high girls picked up several ribbons. Winning second place in the

mile relay with a time of 4:51.1 were Rhonda Herndon, Donna McAnear, Terri Glass, and Leslie Skipper. Skipper also won a third place ribbon in the high jump with a leap of 4' 8".

Fourth place winners were Skipper in the long jump and the 880 relay team of Terri Glass, Margaret Horn, Donna McAnear, and Leslie Skipper.

Those who placed sixth were Revina Herndon in the shot put and the 440 relay team of Donna McAnear, Margaret Horn, Revina Herndon, and Leslie Skipper with a time of 57.3.

Both the high school boys and girls will be running in Miami Saturday in the Warrior Relays. Field events are scheduled to begin at 9 a.m.

Daniels, Layne Vie For Miss Irish Rose

Lynda Daniels, Miss McLean 1978, and Gina Layne, McLean Lions Club sweetheart, will represent McLean in the Miss Irish Rose contest at the annual St. Patrick's Day Celebration March 17-18 in Shamrock.

The McLean colleens, both seniors at McLean High School, will attend a banquet Friday night at the National Guard Armory and will ride in the St. Patrick's Day Parade Saturday morning.

Political Calendar

Political announcements appearing in this column are subject to the action of the Democratic primary May 6, 1978. All announcement fees must be paid in advance.

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A South American bird called the hoatzin has claws on its wings when young—which helps it climb about in the trees.

The winner of the Miss Irish Rose contest will be announced Saturday afternoon.

Miss Daniels is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Daniels of Alanreed, and Miss Layne is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William B. Layne of McLean.

McLean FBLA Returns From Convention

The McLean High School Future Business Leaders Association chapter returned from the state convention in San Antonio Sunday with several awards.

The Verna B. Payne Award for Outstanding Achievement was awarded to McLean, along with the Installation Trophy.

Natalie Morris was named to Who's Who in FBLA and also placed fourth in the job interview.

Steve Ellison placed fourth in the Mr. FBLA contest, and Diane McAnear placed fifth in the accounting contest.

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bleeding badly.

Firemen work in vain with hand tools, and after 45 minutes of heroic effort, finally manage to pull the bodies from the car. Both teenagers are dead on arrival at the hospital.

A fictitious scene? Yes. But it could happen. And it has happened in other places.

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The fire department is taking donations now to buy the tool, which will cost between \$4,000 and \$5,000. Anyone interested in making a donation, can leave it at McDonald's Garage, Parson's Drug, or the American National Bank.

HOMEMAKER NEWS

By ELAINE HOUSTON
County Extension Agent

SPECIALIST TO TRAIN CLUB LEADERS

June Cline, organization specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service will be in Pampa from 9:30 - 3:30 March 21 to conduct an officer training workshop for home demonstration club officers, committee chairmen, and club members. The meeting will be held in the Courthouse Annex Meeting room. Home demonstration club leaders and County Extension Agents from surrounding counties will be in Pampa for this sub-district meeting.

ADULT SITTER CLINIC

An Adult Sitter Clinic will be held in Pampa the first week in April to train older adults to sit with hospital patients, nursing home residents, and any other convalescent patients. The two-day training will feature information on sitter adjustments, sitter responsibilities, basic health care and adapting to various job environments.

The training will be free. Anyone interested in attending the Clinic should pre-register because space is limited. Call the County Extension Service to register, 669-7429.

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Also, draperies installed with a tight closure at the center opening and around the periphery reduce heat loss through windows as much as 21 percent.

X's & O's

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Few things are as good for the body of the spirit as a lively set of tennis, a brisk swim or an outing on a boat or a bicycle. Sports skills acquired early in life and kept sharp by constant use can be a valuable source of pleasure and of better health.

A study on longevity, made in California, found by following the health records of 7,000 people for several years that seven "good living habits" can extend life expectancy by as much as 11 years for men and 7 years for women. They are: 1. Exercise regularly, 2. Get the right amount of sleep, 3. Eat a good breakfast, 4. Eat three meals a day at regular times and avoid snacks, 5. Control weight, 6. Drink moderately or not at all, 7. Don't smoke cigarettes.

Most health experts agree that lack of exercise contributes to many of the degenerative diseases that afflict so many middle-aged and older persons. The conclusion is inescapable, but still holds our much hope. To a surprising extent, our own actions are responsible for the kind of health we have—good or bad.

If that's true, and nearly all medical authorities agree that it is, we can improve our health significantly by improving our personal habits. That, of course is easier said than done. Success will require the best efforts of all of us. But in the end, aren't we worth it?

Before you begin to exercise, go to your family doctor and get a physical exam. Find out what your limitations are and how to overcome them if it is possible. Don't start too vigorously for your body. A common mistake made by many is starting out like a house fire and then finding out their body is not in condition to stand the sudden stress. Start slow and build up, don't ask your body to do more than it is capable of doing. You will find that as you get in shape, you will be able to do more. We have a saying here at McLean High School. Don't cheat your body. Ben Johnson said his work "Volpone, or 'O health health! blessing of the rich! riches of the poor! can buy thee at any rate, since thou enjoyest this world out thee?"

News from Alanreed

The Alanreed Home Demonstration Club met March 8 in Mrs. Anita Bruce's home for its birthday lunch. Seven members whose birthdays were in January, February, and March were honored.

The all day program featured a covered dish luncheon for nine members and two guests. Mrs. Elaine Houston, Gray County home demonstration agent, gave a lecture on the importance of fiber in the diet.

In the business session, Fay Connor was elected secretary.

Five members of the Alanreed Home Demonstration Club worked Saturday in the concession stand at the Pampa Stock Show. They were Lena Carter, Sue Crisp, Mary Davis, Fay Connor, and Anita Bruce.

Mr. and Mrs. Brad Dalton of Pampa visited Lena Carter Sunday.

Mabel Worsham was hospitalized in Groom last week.

Willis May of Panhandle visited in the home of Hartley Davis of Alanreed Saturday and Sunday.

Mabel Worsham is in the Groom hospital.

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Down Memory Lane

TEN YEARS AGO
E. M. Bailey, Editor
Despite the cold weather Monday night, a good attendance was at the First Baptist Church for a father and son hamburger fry.
The hamburger fry was sponsored by the Baptist men. Father and son enjoyed the food and fellowship together.
An inspirational program was brought by Ted Simons Jr., Guy Pharis, Alan Duniven, and Jimmy Heater.

TWENTY YEARS AGO
Bill Perkins, Editor
The white blanket of snow that greeted McLean residents Wednesday morning came as quite a surprise, although a welcome one to most of us. The schools were opened Wednesday, but the buses did not make their runs. Besides bringing additional moisture, many people who have watched the weather for many years tell us that the longer winter lingers on the less likely violent weather is to occur in late months.
Although slowed down temporarily by snow, more construction is underway in McLean. Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Cooke are adding onto their beautiful home; J. B. and Wanda Waldrop have started construction on their new home in the west part of town. Bryan McPherson is building a new service station building on the East bound lane of Highway 66, and Mrs. Legin Burris is getting ready to build an addition to her florist shop. And the Windom's new West Wind Motel is nearing completion.

THIRTY YEARS AGO
Lester Campbell, Editor
City politics were again the talk of the town this week, as six names were filed for the three alderman positions, and, in an unexpected move, three names were filed for the office of mayor.
Filing for mayor, for the unexpired term of one year, were Ruel Smith, Harris King, and Boyd Meador. All three names were filed Saturday, the last day for legal filing. King is the present mayor.
The six names filed for aldermen are O. G. Stokely, Ed Lander, both members of the council now, and Clee Meharg, J. M. Payne, Guy Hübler, and Leo Gibson.

FORTY YEARS AGO
T. A. Landers, Editor
According to Witt Springer of the City Drug Store, there have been 730 cases of small pox vaccine sold in McLean the past few days, most of the cases being school children.
At a meeting of the board of education of the McLean Independent School district held Monday evening, the following members of the faculty were reelected for the coming term: Misses Luene Winton, Isabel Newman, Rosalie Carter, Helen Heath, Jewel Cousins, Lillian Abbott, Betty Farley, Julia Slough, and Dale Smith and Messrs. Neal Wilkins, J. W. Datson, Orville Cunningham, Otto Pixler and C. H. Leeds.
Supt. C. A. Cryer, Principals W. M. Bralley and S. H. Branch, Vocational Director C. J. Magee and Coach Bill Allen were reelected some time ago.

FIFTY YEARS AGO
T. A. Landers, Editor
Lefors lost the county site election held last Friday, with a vote of 3,678 for Pampa to 1,377 for Lefors. A petition was presented to the district judge asking that the records not be moved until a hearing in the matter of alleged irregularities in the election be had. This hearing has been set for Friday of this week. The McLean vote was 892 for Lefors

and 1 for Pampa.
The sheriff's force captured a still for the first time in several months, about three miles west of Pampa Sunday evening, with two barrels of mash, 400 pounds of sugar, bran, empty barrels, etc.
The occupant of the shed had rented it with the statement that he worked nights and couldn't sleep in town because of the noise.
No arrests were made at the time of the capture.

SIXTY YEARS AGO
M. L. Moody, Editor
Russell & Son have sold their meat market to the Haynes-Mertel Grocery Company. The Russell market has been closed, and Mr. Russell employed as meat cutter in the Haynes-Mertel meat department.
Having been neglected for several months past, the sanitary condition of our town is getting almost too bad to be called respectable unless one is lax in his application of the term. This condition is due to the fact that during the past few months we have had no city scavenger. We have no city scavenger because there is not enough money in this disagreeable job to make it even moderately profitable. We are told that a large portion of the people are unwilling to pay anymore and a number will not pay at all. As warm weather comes there comes also the dangers of a scourge of typhoid. If it comes the people responsible for the unsanitary condition of the town will be morally responsible also for the suffering and perhaps deaths that the disease will cause. Let's clean up.

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Cindy Glass
James Daniels
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Margaret Glass
Mrs. A. L. Conatser
Preston Morgan
Loree Watson
Sandra Bailey
Robert E. Lacy
Linda Haynes
Norma Lantz
Dave Jefferson
MARCH 22
None
MARCH 23
Marilyn Mounce



This photo records a recent gathering in McLean of five generations. Standing at left is Debbie Patton of Wichita, Kan. Her mother, Mary Donald of McLean, is holding Debbie's daughter, Pamela Marie Patton. Also in the picture are R. L. Brown of McLean, Mrs. Donald's father, and Mrs. M. E. Brown, his mother.

Queens Win AIAW Region IV, Advance To Satellite Tourney

The Wayland Flying Queens took a giant step by winning the Region IV AIAW basketball tournament this weekend in Nacogdoches and now are four games away from the women's collegiate national championship.
The Queens, expected to show down LSU with No. 2 ranked LSU didn't materialize as Stephen F. Austin upset the Lady Tigers to qualify for the regional finals against Wayland. The Queens already had beaten SFA twice this season and made it three of three with an 86-70 victory to take the regional championship.
Wayland advances to the AIAW Satellite Tournament Friday and Saturday in Denton, where the Queens will meet Ohio State in the first game. North Carolina State, ranked No. 5 and a team which defeated Wayland earlier this year, will play Kansas State in the other preliminary contest. The two winners will meet Saturday night.

Stephen F. Austin is not out of it yet and will travel to Long Beach, Calif., for one of the other three satellite tournaments. Sixteen teams still are in the running for the national title.
The Final Four will converge in Los Angeles March 24 to decide who is No. 1.
Delta State, three-time defending national champion, bit the dust in its regional meet and is out of the playoff picture in its first year without All-American Lusia Harris. The sixth-ranked Lady Statesmen lost to Valdosta State, No. 13 in the nation.
Wayland got to the finals of the regional tourney by crushing McNeese State 101-57 last Wednesday, topping Texas Tech for the fifth time this season Thursday 85-49, and stopping an improved Louisiana Tech squad Friday 87-81. The Queens had beaten Louisiana Tech, No. 20, by 14 points in November.

Gov. Briscoe Set To Make Stop In Pampa

Texas Gov. Dolph Briscoe, running for reelection, is scheduled to make a campaign stop at Pampa's Perry Lefors Field at 3 p.m. Monday.
Briscoe is expected to be at the airport for about 45 minutes. Stops at several other West Texas locations are slated for the governor during his Monday campaign trip.

News from your County Agricultural Agent

By JOE VAN ZANDT
Texas A&M University Extension Service

DELAY WHEAT IRRIGATION

Irrigation wheat farmers who are not planning to graze their wheat can save money by holding off on early March irrigations. Irrigated wheat that is going for production only can go without irrigation for a few more weeks if the farmer is interested in increasing his net profit. Our recent snows have replenished our soil moisture to adequate levels for awhile.
About all farmers get from early March irrigations is increased forage production from wheat when soil moisture is not real short. Producing the most wheat per acre-inch of water can probably be made this year with two irrigations, one in early April and the other in early May.
If farmers are interested in going for higher yields of wheat and want to apply three irrigations, then I would recommend the following: one irrigation in late March, the second irrigation in late April and the third irrigation about the middle of May.
With irrigation costs up, wheat prices down, fairly adequate moisture

CONTROL SCALE INSECTS

Very few plants are likely to escape attack from scale insects, and now is the time gardeners should undertake one of the few effective control measures against the destructive pests. The insects get their name from the fact that the adults form a protective layer of wax over the body. This protective shield, which may vary from a thin wax layer to several layers in the form of plates, powders or tufts, makes the insect relatively safe from most insecticides.
Dormant oils applied during the late winter and early spring offer one of the few measures effective in controlling scale insects. Dormant oils kill all life stages of the scale insect. A continuous oil film envelops the insects, eventually suffocating them. Except for the plant roots, the plant must be completely covered with oil to obtain satisfactory control.
Dormant oils should be applied before buds

begin to swell, when temperatures are between 40 and 65 degrees Fahrenheit, and when no freezing weather is expected for the next 48 hours.
Dormant oils have several advantages over most insecticides used in scale control. They are less expensive, give effective control when applied properly, leave minimum residue on fruits and nuts, and are safe to handle. Dormant oils have the additional advantage of being effective against other pests, such as mites, pecan phylloxera and hibernating caterpillars. The oils also kill the eggs of numerous other insect pests.
When mixing and applying dormant oils, the gardener should use only the amounts recommended by the manufacturer. Some trees tolerant of the recommended application rates of oil may be damaged if excessive amounts are used. Even recommended rates have been noted to cause damage to such trees as beech, sugar and Japanese maple, hickory, walnut, butternut, Douglas fir and Colorado blue spruce.

in the soil, it makes sense to me, to hold off irrigating wheat at least until the latter part of March or early April.



A fish called the oarfish looks like a horse and has a streaming red mane.

City Council Discusses Deserted Buildings, Biting Dogs, Retirement

Deserted buildings, dogs, and employee retirement were the main topics of discussion at the regular city council meeting Tuesday night at the city hall.
Aldermen decided to participate in an employee retirement and insurance program beginning April 1. Both the city and the employees will contribute to the program, which will provide both retirement funds and life insurance.
In other action, the city council discussed the city ordinance concerning deserted buildings. Letters have been mailed to owners of these buildings, asking them to destroy the buildings or the city will enforce the ordinance, which allows the city to arrange for removal.
A lengthy discussion about dogs who reportedly have bitten people followed. The council urged that the owners of these dogs be asked to comply with the city ordinance governing animals. Under that ordinance, the owner of a dog running loose is given a warning, and, on the next infraction, can be fined as much as \$200.
Patching weather damaged streets also was discussed. City superintendent Bob Glenn was instructed to contact a paving contractor. Some consideration also was given to paving some streets with citizen assessment participation.

Mayor Sam Haynes reported to the council that he had received no word from the Farm Home Administration concerning a pre-application for a loan to replace the city's antiquated gas system.
In other action the city council agreed to serve as the tax equalization board for the city.
Aldermen present were Miro Pakan, Dale Glass, W.C. Kennedy. Others attending were city superintendent Bob Glenn, city secretary Stella Lee, city police chief Ray Sharber, Bill Heasley, Lloyd Bybee, and Shirley Stokes, who was representing the newly formed Council of Clubs.
Council members who were absent were W.W. Boyd, who is recovering from a lengthy illness, and

Mrs. Ruth Magee, who was attending the Top of Texas Hereford Breeders Association banquet in Pampa.

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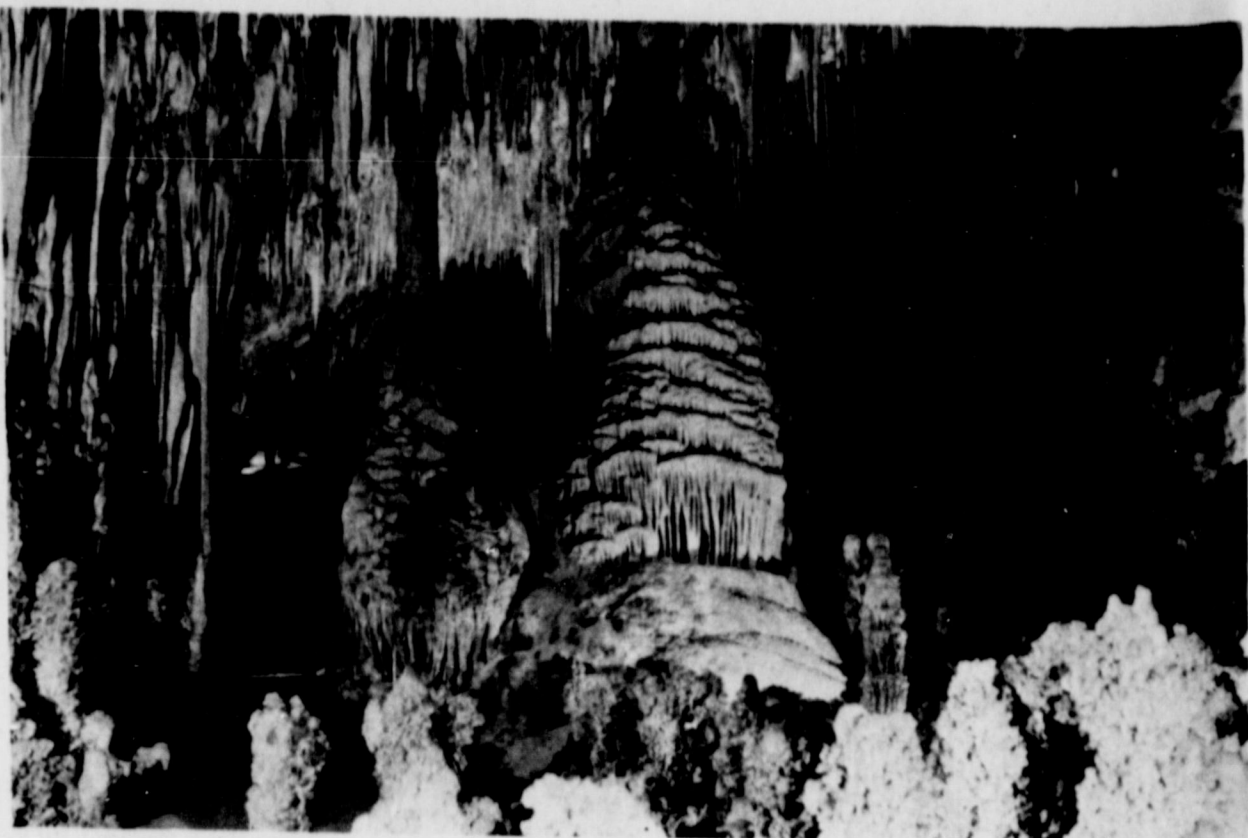
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FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE IN THE 66TH DISTRICT
Residence:
Post Office Box 62
Claude, Texas 79019
Phone: (806) 226-2832
Birth:
August 13, 1943
Parents: Mr. and Mrs. Leo Conrad of Claude
Family:
Married to the former Anne Lenore Canon of Midland, Texas. Three daughters: Shannon, B. Chris, and Cory, 3 months.
Education:
Claude High School 1961 graduate. Junior and senior class president; co-captain football and basketball teams; band member; officer in Future Farmers of America; Lone Star Farmer award; DeKalb award and member livestock and crop judging teams. Texas Tech University 1968 graduate. Bachelor of Science with degree in Agricultural Economics.
Business Profession:
Farming and Stocker Cattle Operator.
Foreign Employment:
Served as agricultural advisor in Guatemala, Central America, with the Peace Corps. Peace Corps staff representative in Mexico for training program of volunteers 1965-1967.
Community Involvement:
Secretary, Claude Jaycees 1971; Board of Directors, Claude Lions Club 1973; Chairman Board of Directors, Farmers Supply and Consumers Association 1974; Member, Panhandle Plains Historical Society; Member, Panhandle Livestock Association.
It is important to all of us to have Glenn Conrad represent us in the State House. He knows our problems first hand and will stand up for the best interests of the people in our smaller towns and rural communities when he gets to Austin. Too much legislation is passed solely for the benefit of big money interests and big cities. We need Glenn Conrad in Austin. He deserves your vote and wholehearted support.
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TEMPLE OF THE SUN IN CARLSBAD CAVERNS NATIONAL PARK

your National Parks Right Around Home by Ben Moffett

Most visitors to Carlsbad Caverns National Park in southeast New Mexico come with cameras at the ready.

A few bring along an array of paint brushes, acrylics, oils, water colors, easels, canvas and similar paraphernalia. The intricate formations in the park's caves and the cactus-studded backcountry landscapes have long been favorite subjects of Southwestern artists.

And since 1972 these artists have been able to display their paintings in the Carlsbad Caverns visitor center during an annual art show.

This year park superintendent Don Dayton scheduled the art show from March 22 through April 4 and artists from throughout the region are again expected to enter and compete for the top prize—a blue ribbon.

So if you are planning a visit to the park dur-

ing the show and don't have time for a backcountry visit, let the backcountry come to you through the paintings. And you can help determine the winner by casting a vote for your favorite.

Late March and early April is an excellent time to visit Carlsbad and the nearby Guadalupe Mountains National Park in West Texas—the days begin to get warm without being hot.

After enjoying the art show, take a stroll through the Caverns. The walk-in trip begins at the natural entrance near the visitor center and usually takes about a half to three hours. You can start the trip any-

time between 8 a.m. and 3:17 p.m. daily in winter and 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in summer.

The first mile and a

half of the trip features an 830-foot descent, then an 80-foot ascent known as Appetite Hill before reaching the Underground Lunchroom where elevators are located. Everybody rides back to the top.

If you don't think you can handle the walk-in, you can go down in the elevator for the shorter Big Room tour.

As you enter the Caverns, you'll be given a radio receiver and along the way you can pick up messages that tell about the features you are near. You may set the receiver on any of three channels—one broadcasting in English, one in Spanish and one with a special script for children.

There are rangers strategically stationed along the way to answer questions or help you in any way.

The visitor center is located seven miles west of Highway 62-180 at the end of State Route 7, 27 miles southwest of Carlsbad, N.M. and 150 miles east of El Paso, Texas.

The park is a Designated Fee Area and the visitor center is the place to pay the daily entrance fee of \$3 for private non-commercial vehicles or \$1 per person for those arriving by commercial carrier. Golden Eagle and Golden Age passports are honored.

Be sure to wear low-heeled, rubber-soled shoes for the Cavern trip and a light sweater.

If you are planning a park vacation, write the National Park Service, P. O. Box 728, Room P-1, Santa Fe, N.M. 87501 for a free trip planning guide which lists NPS areas within an easy drive of your home and charts facilities and services available at each.

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HOUSE FOR SALE: 3 bedroom house in Alantree, newly remodeled. Call 779-3133. 9-tfc

FOR SALE: Brick bldg, 25 x 115 ft, located 105 N. Main has complete beauty shop equipment plus some stock. Priced to sell. Boyd Meador, Real Estate Broker. 8-4c

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Cards of Thanks

I appreciate all the cards and visits during my stay in St. Anthony's Hospital. They certainly brightened up my day. Jim Hathaway

When a family loses a loved one the sorrow can only be eased by God. Our Heavenly Father has sent the Holy Spirit—"The Comforter" to strengthen us during these trying times, and He also uses friends. We are eternally grateful to the Lord for His closeness during our loss, and for Him allowing us to live among the kindest and most thoughtful people anywhere. God bless all of you.

The family of Gene Nicholas

Notices

ALCOHOLIC Anonymous and Alanons will meet each Thursday night at 8 p.m. at the V. F. W. Building at 218 Wheeler. For more information call 779-2484. 30-tfc

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Public Notices

CITY NOTICE
We are asking garbage customers to move their trash barrels directly across the alley from their neighbors' barrels whenever possible. This would make fewer stops for the truck and would be a big help to the city. City of McLean.

THE CITY OF McLean is accepting bids on approximately 40 acres of love grass to be cut and baled. This field is located at the landfill one mile east of town. Bid should be price per large round bale and bidder will bale the hay and remove it from the field. Bids should be turned in to the City Hall by 5 p.m. March 31. 11-2c

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF VIRGINIA RUTH MESNEAK, DECEASED

Notice is hereby given that original Letters of Administration for the Estate of VIRGINIA RUTH MESNEAK were issued on the 8th day of March, 1978, in Cause No. 5131 pending in the County Court of Gray County, Texas, to: PEGGY ATWOOD

The residence of such administratrix is Gray County, Texas. The post office address is: 1112 E. Francis, Pampa, Texas 79065.

All persons having claims against this estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and the manner prescribed by law.

DATED the 10th day of March, 1978,
CLARA E. BLACK,
Administratrix
By JOHN W. WARNER, One of Counsel for the Estate

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF ARTUS A. HUNT, DECEASED

Notice is hereby given that the original Letters of Administration for the Estate of ARTUS A. HUNT were issued on the 8th day of March, 1978, in Cause No. 1528, pending in the County Court of Gray County, Texas, to: CLARA E. BLACK

The residence of such administratrix is Gray County, Texas. The post office address is: 516 N. Zimmers, Pampa, Texas 79065.

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Facts from a pro on driving to survive.

Q. What's the simplest way to get better control over my car and improve driving? — C.C., Midland

A. Buckle your seat belt. I'm serious. It's hard to control a car in an emergency if you are flailing around trying to stay behind the wheel. Any modern car will stop or turn hard enough to throw you around if you aren't strapped down. Driving without a seat belt means you can't use all of the stopping power or evasive ability built into your car. Having a lapful of front seat passenger won't improve your chances, either. This may be the best reason in the world to get front seat passengers to buckle up.

Q. My brother-in-law just bought some oversized tires for his car. He claims they'll give it better stability and handling. Is this true? — D.S., Port Arthur

A. Not necessarily. Increasing the area of the tire that contacts the road will usually give you better traction on dry roads, but might reduce traction on wet roads. Why? Because making the contact patch larger reduces the weight per square inch on the road and can cause hydroplaning at lower speeds. This happens when water builds up in front of a tire until the tire is actually riding on top of it, like a water ski. Under the tread design allows better water drainage, wider tires may force you to slow to a crawl in wet weather.

Q. I've just moved to Texas. What does the law say about turning headlights on in the evening and having them on after daybreak? — E.W., Garland

A. Texas law says to turn them on no later than half an hour after sunset and turn them off no earlier than half an hour before sunrise. The law also says to turn on your lights any time vehicles or persons are not clearly visible at a distance of 1,000 feet.

Lights not only help you see, they help other drivers see you. Motorcycle riders often ride with their lights on during clear daylight just to improve their visibility to other traffic. You'll see trucks running with their lights on anytime near sunset, particularly if the sun is behind them. If you have trouble seeing other vehicles that are running without lights, your car is probably pretty hard to see, too. When other vehicles are easily visible, with lights on or not, it's probably safe to turn yours off.

If you have a question on driving, send it to:
Texas Office of Traffic Safety
P.O. Box 1165
Austin, Texas 78767

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1. Male deer	3. Rugged mountain crest	23. Greek letter
5. Pecks	4. Biological factor	24. Most effortless
8. Portion	5. Cheerlessly	25. Gloried as in victory
10. Angry	6. Melody meter	26. Ate sparingly
12. Eucharistic plate	7. Musician	29. Spring
13. Tendon	8. Cubic meter	30. Periods of time
14. Choice group	9. Says	31. Flower branch
15. Mother (Sp. law)	11. Pitcher	32. Depart
16. Toward the sheltered side	17. Sloping roadways	35. Fish
17. Sun god	18. A knockout	37. Bill of an anchor
18. Sea (comb. form)	20. Plainness	
19. A knockout	21. Yes (Sp.)	
20. Light wood		
22. Modernized		
27. Rapacious person		
28. Greek letter (law)		
29. Things (law)		
31. Great quantity (colloq.)		
33. Hawaiian bird		
34. At home		
35. Variety of wheat		
36. Monetary unit of India		
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1. Onionlike plant		
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MHS Tennis Teams Defeat Shamrock

The McLean High School tennis teams were victorious in their first match of the season, defeating Shamrock on the city park courts Monday afternoon.

The Tigers and Tigresses won every match over the Irish. The results were:

No. 1 boys singles -- Steve Ellison defeated Rick Gowdy 6-0; No. 1 girls singles -- Gina Layne defeated Nancy Garza 6-1; No. 2 boys singles -- Sam Haynes defeated Gary Aron 6-3; No. 2 girls singles -- Jo Ann Durham defeated Rhonda Bachman 7-5, 6-0; No. 3 boys singles -- Randy Stewart defeated Craig Terry 6-1, 6-4. In boys doubles, Tom Eck and Randy Sugga beat the team of Craig Terry and Rocky Green 6-3, and Sam Haynes and Steve Ellison defeated Larry Lacy and Gary Mears 6-0. In girls doubles, Sherry Glass and Melinda Hunt defeated Natalie Jones and Jackie Riley 7-5, while Joy Rhine and Robin Smith beat Teresa Boyd and Sandra Conger 6-2.

The McLean tennis teams will be in action Monday against Shamrock again, and Wednesday they will travel to Clarendon for a match with the Broncos.



Paris, France is named from the ancient Celtic tribe, the Parisii, whose capital was known to the Romans as Mudtown.

The Consumer Alert
by John L. Hill
Attorney General

AUSTIN—Few consumers realize when they purchase plane tickets—whether for business or pleasure—that they are taking part in a consumer transaction. Fewer still realize that they can exercise some control over the cost of that transaction.

Generally, air fares are based on mileage and convenience. The more inconvenience you are willing to put up with, the less you have to pay.

For starters, the attorneys in our Consumer Protection Division say that consumers should know some of the ways scheduled airline fares vary:

Classes of service: On most scheduled domestic flights, there are two classes of service—coach, or tourist, and first class. Coach is the basic service, usually including a meal and a non-alcoholic drink. First class service means a more comfortable seat, better food, free drinks, and better service. First class usually costs about 50% to 60% more than coach.

often available to groups. The cost per person depends on the size of the group.

Since it is difficult for the average consumer to keep up with the latest regulations of the Civil Aeronautics Board, the federal agency that deals with all U.S.-certificated airlines and foreign airlines that serve within the country, you'll probably want to rely on a travel agent. It's important when you do to explore the alternatives. What are the lowest fares on the route you want to take? What do you have to do to qualify? Would it pay to take a more circuitous route? Would it be worthwhile to sign up for a tour? What happens if you cancel out, or want to change your plans?

Also, if things go wrong with your trip, it will help to know what your rights and alternatives are. Here are some guidelines offered by our Consumer Protection Division lawyers for coping with the most common problems:

Delays and cancellations: Airlines have the right to cancel flights without prior notice. When a flight is cancelled, the airlines is required to get you on the next available flight to your destination. There's no extra charge even if you have a coach ticket and wind up in first class.

Bumping: If you are bumped, you may be entitled to "denied boarding compensation." The compensation doesn't always apply to foreign airlines, and it never applies to intrastate airlines. The most you can collect is \$200. You don't have to accept it if you prefer to sue.

Lost or damaged baggage: Report damage or loss immediately. The airline will send you a claim form within a few days. Baggage is often located within 24 hours, but if your baggage is permanently lost the airline will cover your loss up to \$750 per bag.

If you need help or information with a consumer problem involving air travel, consult the Texas Aeronautics Commission or our Consumer Protection Division in Austin, San Antonio, Houston, Dallas, Lubbock, El Paso, or McAllen. If you live outside these areas, call toll-free: 1-800-252-9236.

News and Advertising Deadlines for The McLean News are at noon on Tuesdays

MAILING RULES CHANGE

New packaging regulations that are designed to increase safe handling of parcels by reducing damage due to the use of inadequate containers and faulty closure and reinforcement materials became effective March 9, according to the Postal Service.

The new requirements replace existing postal regulations on the correct way to package and wrap parcels and are the result of a year and a half of cooperation with mailers' associations and others to develop more realistic and enforceable standards for mailing. The new rules reflect established commercial standards and will apply to all mailers, both individuals and businesses, using the Postal Service.

The major areas of change for the mailing public are:

1. The use of fiberboard containers in strengths directly related to the weight and nature of the parcel contents. For example, 125 pound test fiberboard is required for lower density loads up to 20 pounds. For difficult loads of 20 pounds, 175 pound test board is required.
2. It is recommended that paper wrappers not be used on fiberboard containers. Experience shows such wrappers can be torn and lost in handling, and the address of the parcel lost.
3. A clarification of closure and reinforcement requirements with the recommendation that pressure-sensitive, filament, reinforced tape be used for closing and reinforcing containers, instead of twine or cord. Masking tape and cellophane cannot be used in closing and reinforcing packages.
4. A strengthening of the marking requirements on the outside of parcels. This would include a mandatory provision that the container with the marking "Do Not Bend" must have stiffeners protecting the contents. Also, extraneous information such as order numbers, which can be confused with ZIP Codes, will not be permitted adjacent to or immediately under the last line of the address. It is recommended also that a return address be enclosed in a parcel.
5. To minimize loss of

address labels and envelopes attached to packages, the new regulations call for sealing of such labels and envelopes to the container, with no more than one-eighth inch separation between the edges of the label or envelope and the

container.

The Postal Service also said a series of guidelines for packaging and materials are in the regulations for certain types of packages that have experienced relatively high damage rates, such as books, soft goods, records and tapes.

The Postal Service said more details on the new regulations will be available at post offices.

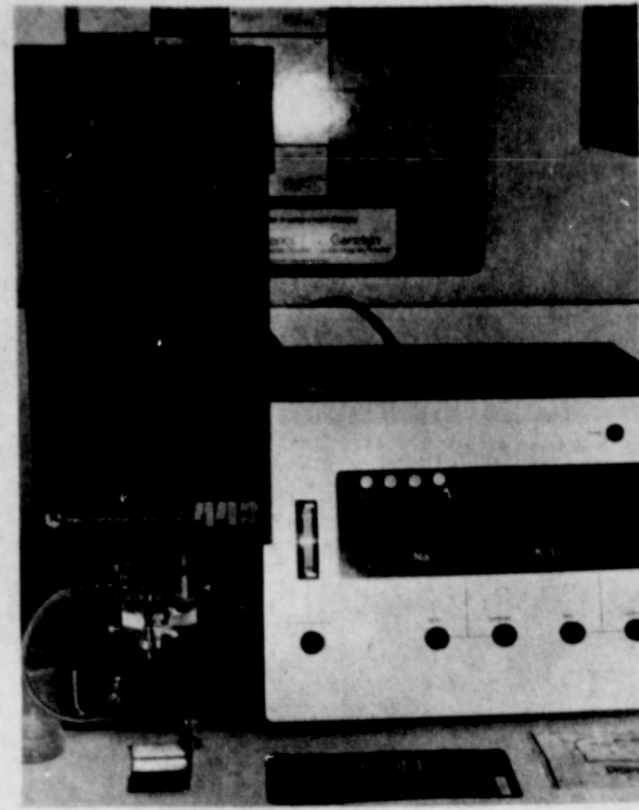
Caldwell To Move

Russ Caldwell, administrator of Shamrock General Hospital and former administrator of the McLean Hospital has announced his resignation effective March 27.

Caldwell will accept a job as sales representative for Will Ross Hospital Supply in the Midland-Odessa area.

Mrs. Caldwell is a teacher in the Lela school. The Caldwells have two sons: Mark, an employee of Pasley Construction Co., and Mike, a student at Angelo State University in San Angelo.

The cheetah is the only member of the cat family whose claws will not retract.



FLAME PHOTOMETER -- NEW HOSPITAL EQUIPMENT

HOSPITAL

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programmed automatically.

The Flame Photometer was purchased for \$3995. It replaces an antiquated and time-consuming process in which accuracy was difficult.

These machines will virtually eliminate sending blood and urine samples to out-of-town laboratories, thereby reducing the hospital's lab costs considerably.

Both the analyzer and the photometer will be especially valuable in detecting kidney damage, diabetic acidosis, uremia, cardiac enzymes (heart damage) and bone damage, by measuring enzyme count and electrolyte percentages and other complicated processes.

Modernization of the lab will continue with the acquisition of blood cell counter which is expected soon.

<p>Kuners TOMATOES 3 for \$1 Shurfine Whole 303 Can</p> <p>GREEN BEANS 2 for 79¢ Griffin Fresh Shelled Black-Eyed</p> <p>PEAS 303 Can 2 for 79¢</p> <p>Ellis 15 oz. can BEEF STEW 53¢</p> <p>Shurfine Halves 303 can PEARS 2 for 99¢</p> <p>Armours 15 oz. can CHILI 69¢</p> <p>Ellis VIENNA SAUSAGE 2 for 79¢</p> <p>Campbells Tomato SOUP 3 for 85¢</p>	<p>Bordens YOGURT</p> <p>Post BRAN FLAKES</p> <p>Keabler Club CRACKERS 1 lb. box 79¢</p> <p>Gold Medal FLOUR 5 lb. bag 79¢</p> <p>Wesson OIL 48 oz. bottle \$1.89</p> <p>Betty Crocker Layer CAKE MIX 63¢</p> <p>Bordens Square - 1/2 gal. ICE CREAM \$1.19</p> <p>Sunshine Graham CRACKERS 1 lb. 69¢</p> <p>Sunshine Oatmeal COOKIES 20 oz. pkg. 89¢</p> <p>Sunshine CRACKERS 1 lb. box 49¢</p>	
<p>COKES 64 oz. No Return Bottles 79¢</p> <p>FOR YOUR FREEZER Keith's Krinkle Kut 2 lb. bag POTATOES 2 for 89¢</p> <p>Shurfine WHIPPED TOPPING 2 for 98¢</p> <p>Shurfine Cut 10 oz. pkg. OKRA 2 for 89¢</p> <p>Shurfine 10 oz. pkg. CORN 3 for \$1</p>	<p>MEATS</p> <p>Korn Kist BACON 2 lb. \$2.89</p> <p>Armour all-meat FRANKS 12 oz. 87¢</p> <p>Kraft Velveeta CHEESE 2 lb. \$2.19</p> <p>VEGETABLES</p> <p>GRAPEFRUIT 8 for \$1</p> <p>LETTUCE head 39¢</p> <p>TURNIPS lb. 19¢</p>	<p>OLEO Spring River Soft 1 lb. Bowl 59¢</p> <p>Bold 3 King Size \$2.49</p> <p>Ivory LIQUID 32 oz. \$1.29</p>

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