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Barbara Homer and Maggie Weinheimer assisted Saturday with selling baked goods at the Christian Mother's Bazaar. Father Richard Neyer has his eye on a delicious two layer cake. (Below) Sugar Plums to delight children of all ages were displayed by Judy Eatmon on Saturday. This gingerbread carousel was an eye-catching sight along with a collection of gingerbread houses and Christmas cakes to order fresh for Christmas.

Christian Mothers Hold Bazaar

The Christian Mothers of St. Mary's Church had another successful bazaar here Saturday according to president Kay Britten. There were 28 booths displaying and selling a great variety of handmade items along with the bake sale, craft items, and stew luncheon sponsored by the Christian Mothers to raise funds for their organization.

Ruby Babcock took first place in the sweatshirt contest with her painted sweatshirt of Santa. Honey Kemp received second place and Dobbie Ollinger, third. There were 14 sweatshirts entered with a variety of styles and decorations. Next year, the group will sponsor a Christmas Stocking contest.

The Christian Mothers extend a special thanks to the following merchants for donating door prizes: Pav's Station, Groom Grocery, Images, Yvonne Barker, Karen Brown, Circle B Meat Co., Golden Spread Grill, Vivian's, Groom Dry Goods,



Lucky 13, Tower Fuel Stop, Stop N' Shop, Country Store, Country Station, Brit-

ten Supply, Groom Hardware, Hope's Beauty Box, and Blackwell Supply.

Bowers Resigns District Post

Richard Bowers, manager of Panhandle Ground and Water Conservation Dist. No. 3, informed the board of directors at the regular board meeting Monday, Nov. 24 that he has accepted the position of manager for the North Plains Water Conservation District. Bowers will begin work for North Plains WCD on January 2, upon the retirement of Orval Allen.

Bowers had been manager of Dist. No. 3 since October, 1979 when he replaced Felix Ryals. The North Plains WCD comprises all or parts of Sherman, Hansford, Ochiltree, Lipscomb, Hartley, Moore and Hutchinson Counties. The district office is located in Dumas. Bowers stated that although he and his family will miss seeing all their friends in this area, they are excited about the move to Dumas.

Anyone interested in applying for the job of manager, should contact the Water District offices at 300 Omahandro in White Deer for a job description. Each applicant needs to deliver a resume to the Water District office by 5 p.m. Monday, Dec. 15. The board is planning to meet the evening of Dec. 15 to review the applications and set a time to conduct interviews with some of the applicants.

Accident Report

Carson County DPS troopers investigated three personal injury accidents and three with property

damage during the month of October. Six persons were injured in the accidents. There were no fatalities in the county during the month of October.

In the Amarillo Highway Patrol District comprising 31 counties, troopers investigated 9 fatal accidents, 83 personal injury accidents and 106 property damage accidents. There were 11 persons killed during the month of October and 110 persons were injured in these accidents.

Groom Juniors Pass TEAMS

Juniors at GHS were tested during the month of October along with all other Texas high school students by the exit level of the TEAMS test.

This is the second year for the test to be given since it was implemented by the state to insure all graduates possess minimum skills they should have achieved during school.

Groom again had a 100 percent of the junior satisfactorily complete the TEAMS test.

Four Texas Panhandle schools ranked in the top 10 on percentile scores on the TEAMS test given in 1985 to high school juniors.

Adrian was first, Gruver third, Darrouzett fifth and Channing 10th. All schools in the top 10 were ranked in order of the final scores netted by each junior class. The state average score on the test was 53 percent for math, 46 percent reading, and 50 percent writing.

Highland Park was the only large school to rank in the top ten. The student teacher ratio for Highland Park is 15.8, the state average is 16.3. Most of the other top 10 finishers were small schools with a far lower number of students per teacher than the state average.

Adrian spends \$6,111 per student each year on education, Gruver, \$4,472. The state average is \$3,345.

Other schools in the top 10 were Fayetteville, second; Byers, fourth; Falls City, sixth; Highland Park, seventh; Moran, eighth; Throckmorton, ninth and Channing, tenth.

Christmas Is

Around Corner

Enjoy the serenity of today because the day after Thanksgiving, the Christmas rush is on. You have exactly 27 days left until Christmas.

The News reminds you to get your Christmas greeting ready to bring by the office on Monday. The Christmas edition will be printed Thursday, December 18.

Greetings will again be published for \$2.00. Bring us your personal wishes or just call 248-7333 and we'll select a verse for you.

Display greetings are also available in a number of styles and price ranges.

Don't be left out—deadline for greetings will be Friday, December 12.

Community Calendar

Alpha Mu Xi meets Thursday, December 4, 7:30 p.m. at the home of Mrs. JoAnn Byrd.

Boy Scouts are reminded to bring small toys for Christmas tree Saturday, Dec. 5 at 3:00 to decorate for Festival of Trees.

Business in Groom will observe the Thanksgiving holiday by closing on Thursday. Businesses to remain open on Thanksgiving Day are Stop N' Shop and All-sup's.

The City Office, Groom Branch Library, Brumley Insurance and The Groom News will close both Thursday and Friday.

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Tuesday Grain Prices At Local Elevators

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

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Local Happenings

Rex Peebles attended a conference in Houston over the weekend which covered aspects of Gifted and Talented programs being formed this year in all Texas schools.

Ken Ruthardt and Darron Eschle of Southwest Texas State University at San Marcos arrived home Friday for the Thanksgiving holidays.

Vivian Lacy spent Sunday in Canyon at the Canyon Hill Church of Christ attending the annual pre-thanksgiving service. Dr. Ronald Lacy and wife Sandy of Amarillo also attended.

Mrs. Georgann Hinson underwent back surgery last week in Amarillo. She was to be released from the hospital on Tuesday of this week.

It's A Girl

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Martin of Spearman on the birth of a daughter, Katherine Nicole. She arrived November 8, 1986 and weighed 7 pounds and 6½ ounces.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Martin of White Deer and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Clubb of Spearman. Greatmothers are Mrs. Mary Britten of Groom and Mrs. Hallie Martin of White Deer.

N.B. Helton was admitted to the Pampa Hospital last week and is recuperating from surgery.

Mrs. D.H. Farley has returned home to Clarendon from Houston where she was hospitalized. She will continue to receive treatment in Amarillo.

Herbert and Dolores Price of Turkey visited their uncle and aunt the Jake Lacy's last week.

Methodist Women

United Methodist Women met Tuesday afternoon, Nov. 18 in the church parlor.

Mrs. Jerry Lee Moore, presided for the business session to open the meeting. An announcement was made that the annual Christmas luncheon would be Wednesday, Dec. 10 at 12:30 o'clock.

Julia McGee conducted the pledge service "A Worldwide Mission" with Mrs. N.B. Helton, Mrs. Roy Ritter, Mrs. E. W. Lamberon, Mrs. Glynn D Harrell, Mrs. E.C. Goodlett, Mrs. John Eschle and Mrs. Moore taking part.

Mrs. A.J. Babcock was hostess of the social time following the meeting.

Others present were Mrs. Essie Cooper-Knowles, Mrs. O.P. Blackwell and Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Schaffer.

Kuehler Promoted

Kevin Kuehler has been promoted to assistant vice president at First Bank of Amarillo announced First Bank President Noel Bruce.

Kuehler, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arnold J. Kuehler of Groom, came to First Bank in April and previously had been an operations officer. He has attended West Texas State University.

Country Neighbors

Mrs. R.W. Wills, Mrs. Roy Ritter and Mrs. J.E. Lee were hostesses of Groom Country Neighbors for the Annual Thanksgiving luncheon Wednesday, Nov. 19 in the Wills home.

Mrs. H.F. Britten, president, chaired the business session following the meal. A \$50.00 contribution to the Community Center was voted to be paid from club funds, plans were made for taking a turn feeding the volunteer workers when work is started on the center and it was decided gifts for the Girlstown, U.S.A. of Borger would be brought to the December meeting.

Hostess gift was received by Mrs. Jim Wall.

Guests present were Mrs. John Hickox and Edna Russell. Other members in attendance were Mrs. B.F. Patterson, Mrs. O.A. Pool, Evelyn Hubbard, Mrs. Joe Britten, Mrs. R.J. Kuehler, Mrs. Claude Schaffer and Mrs. Glynn D Harrell.

Mrs. Harrell will be hostess of the December 17 meeting at 1:30 p.m. at her home.

Weinheimer Adds Points For WTSU Crops Team

The West Texas State University Collegiate Crops team placed fifth at the Chicago Board of Trade collegiate crops contest held Saturday, Nov. 22 in Chicago.

The team placed first in identification, third in seed analysis and fifth in commercial grading.

Pat Weinheimer, a sophomore plant science major from Groom, placed first in identification with a perfect score of 600 and fourth in seed analysis with a score of 590 out of a possible 600.

Due to health problems, Monsignor Kevin Hand was recently transferred to Stratford to take care of the church there and at Sunray His new address is Box 28, Stratford, Texas 79084, 396-2320.

Mr. and Mrs. Phil Miller, Matt and Marc were visitors Saturday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Doug Hamilton and sons in Borger.

Mr. and Mrs. C.L. Rutherford spent last week in Ozark, Ark. visiting his sister.

Jane Burroughs and children, Anna and Josiah of Shreveport, LA. arrived in Groom Saturday to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leldon Hudson through Friday.

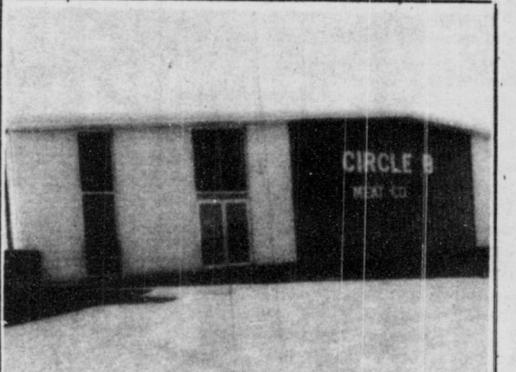
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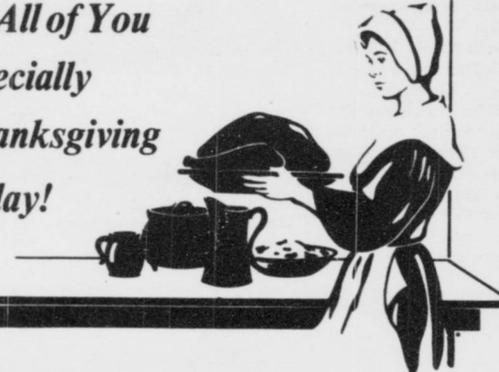
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Mary Ann Koetting Receives Kidney

Mary Ann Koetting of Groom is hospitalized this week in Wichita, Kansas. Mrs. Koetting, a kidney dialysis patient for about a year now, received a new kidney in a transplant operation performed there Friday morning, Nov. 21.

Mrs. Koetting received the call Thursday night that she was the best match for a kidney from a young Kansas City, Mo. person. She was flown to Wichita via a Pampa company plane. The surgery at St. Frances Regional Medical Center, one

of four hospitals equipped for this operation, began at 1:00 a.m. and took four and a half hours. Mrs. Koetting was joined at the hospital by her children who traveled to Wichita by car.

Mrs. Koetting is doing fine, according to family

spokesmen, and doctors are very pleased with her progress. She had a minor setback Monday night with doctors going back to surgery to remove a blood clot, but the kidney remains functioning and Mrs. Koetting's recovery has been pleasing to the doctors.

Mrs. Koetting considers herself very fortunate having been placed on the list to receive a donated organ only two and a half months ago. She knows other kidney patients who have been on dialysis for years waiting for the right match to become available for a transplant.

Family members have now returned home as all is going very well for Mrs. Koetting. Doctors will watch her progress very closely for the next three months, the time when rejection is most common.

Mrs. Koetting is a patient in room 6105 of St. Francis Regional Medical Center, 929 N. St. Francis, Wichita, KS. 67214. She can be reached by phone at 316-268-5698.

Hermesmeyer Promoted

Southwestern Public Service Co. has promoted Jerry Hermesmeyer to group manager of production.

Hermesmeyer, who formerly served as plant manager at SPS's Harrington Station northeast of Amarillo, will supervise all the electric company's plants in his new position.

He joined SPS in 1966 and holds a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from Texas Tech University.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C.F. Hermesmeyer of Groom.

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Mrs. Eile returned home from a trip to Nev. where she brother.

Mrs. Sybil Brown and Mrs. Edna Frederiksen were visitors Sunday to Hereford with Mr. and Mrs. Herschel Black and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Kirk Cline and children of Amarillo visited Friday and Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Pete Fields.

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Dr. Black Gives Good Report To Groom GEDC

Groom Economic Development Corp. met in regular bi-monthly meeting on Nov. 20.

Dr. Keith Black met with the Corp. to discuss the future of his practice in Groom. He stated the practice in Groom was growing and he may be required to open the clinic an additional day. He further stated he enjoyed practicing in Groom and would like to continue.

Also discussed was a meeting with FmHA on monies available for low to moderate income housing and ways it could be applied for.

Team leaders were named and encouraged to gather volunteers to work on the community center. Team leaders are Carlton Turvaville, Kenneth Sweatt, Johnny Eschle, Bobby Pool, Johnny Cline, Gary Britten, Alice Kuehler, Tina Weller and Sue Britten. If you have not been contacted to help, please call a team member and volunteer your services. Most of the work will be done on Saturdays.

Members attending the meeting were Bill Homer, Johnny Brumley, Carlton Turvaville, Sue Britten, Johnny Eschle and Bobby Pool. Guests were Susan Brown, Martin Hermes-meyer and Dr. Keith Black.

The next meeting will be Thursday, Dec. 4. Meetings are open to the public.

Your School

By Superintendent
Rex Peebles

We are busy in our developmental year for our Gifted and Talented Program, due to be phased in next year.

I attended the State Gifted and Talented Convention over the weekend and I have learned a great deal about the implementation of the program. We will target three elementary grades initially and plan to extend one grade per year until we cover the entire system. Most schools began with the third grade—however, I visited with some school people that started with kindergarten. But it all sounds exciting and we are anxiously awaiting next year.

In the past—Motion by Van Earl Steed, and seconded by L.M. Britten, that the following named teachers be offered teachers contracts, all nine months, except Mrs. B.A. Ragsdale whose contract was for ten months at salaries as herein stated: Urban Brown, \$130; Mrs. R.T. Foster, \$120; Mrs. Sanford Johnson, \$120; Mrs. Vesta Johnson, \$120; Mrs. Melvin Asberry, \$120; Mrs. W.C. Whatley, \$125; Mrs. Vivian Doherty, \$120; Mrs. Myrtle Frances Wood, \$120; Mrs. Mary Ragsdale, \$155; and Mrs. Paul Honeycutt, \$130. The salaries stated were the monthly salary. The motion carried. May 10, 1943.

Check Safety To Make The Holidays Bright



- Before hanging strings of lights, spread them on the floor and check for frayed or bare wires, cracked insulation, loose connections, and damaged plugs or light sockets.
- Check extension cords for wear or damage and don't run them across walking areas.
- Test lights before putting them on the tree. Unplug them before making repairs or replacing bulbs.
- Overloading circuits with too many lights can cause fire. Follow manufacturer's instructions about the number of lights allowed on one circuit.
- Choose a fresh, green tree, trim its base and keep it in plenty of water. If the needles are brown and break off easily, it could be a fire risk.
- If you buy an artificial tree, make sure it has been tested for flammability by Underwriters Laboratories (UL).
- Place your tree away from the fireplace or other heat sources and out of the traffic pattern.
- Never string lights on a metallic tree. Light strings with damaged insulation can electrically charge a metallic tree. Instead, shine unattached colored floodlights or spotlights on the tree.
- Always turn off lights before leaving home or going to bed. You'll save money and be safer, too.
- Never use lighted candles on a tree or near evergreens. And don't burn evergreens in the fireplace.
- Do not use inside lights on the outside. All outside lighting equipment, including lights, cords and plugs, should be waterproof and made for outdoor use. Also, hang sockets downward and don't leave a socket empty.
- When hanging lights on the rooftop or in tall trees outdoors, stay clear of electrical lines. Make sure you or your decorations don't come in contact with them.
- Should you receive a CB radio or television this Christmas, let a qualified serviceman install the CB base unit or television antenna for you. This delicate job is best left to the professionals.
- Be sure electrical toys are tested for safety. Look for the UL mark.

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Happy Holiday**

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The Varsity Boys and
Girls basketball teams will
host Samnorwood on Tues-
day night. Action begins at
6:30 p.m.

The McLean FFA is cur-
rently engaged in its annual
sale of fruit. If you would
like to purchase grapefruits,
oranges or apples, please
contact any member of the
FFA or Bill Layman.

There will be a brown
bean and cornbread supper
Tuesday night Dec. 2 at the
new fire station. Proceeds
will be given to Girls Town.
Donations of \$3.50 or above
will be appreciated. Darryel
Herndon and The Country
Comfort Band will entertain.
The supper will last from
5:00 to 6:30 p.m.

Office Closed for Holiday

The McLean News office
will be closed Thursday and
Friday for the Thanksgiving
holiday. Please notify us of
any visitors you have or any
trips you made during the
holidays.

The office will be open
again Monday morning at
8:30 a.m.

Varsity Girls Win Opener

The McLean Girls Varsity
basketball team began their
season in fine form last
Tuesday night as they open-
ed with a 46-35 victory
against Samnorwood.

The team started out with
a 5-4 lead after the first
quarter and never fell be-
hind. Shandee Rice led the
offense with 20 points and 14
rebounds. Other team mem-
bers who scored were Angie
Reynolds with 7 points, Jem
Ann Rice with 6, Shawn
Crockett with 5, Misty
Magee and Darla McAnear
with 3, and Kim Beaver with
2.

The team shot 38% from
the field.

In their second game on
Friday night, against Hed-
ley, the girls lost a heart-
breaker by a score of 40-38.
McLean jumped out to a 6-4
lead in the first quarter but
Hedley came back to tie the
game 18-18 at the end of the
first half. After the third
quarter, there was a 26-26
tie and Hedley was able to
outscore McLean 14-12 in
the final period and edged
by with a 40-38 win.

Once again, Shandee Rice
led the McLean attack with
12 points and 10 rebounds.
Misty Magee was second
with 10 points and 9 re-
bounds. Others scoring were
Shawn Crockett with 6
points, Angie Reynolds with
4, and Jem Ann Rice, Kim
Beaver and Darla McAnear,
each with 2.

The Varsity Girls were
scheduled to take on Claren-
don Tuesday night at the
gym.

In the Varsity Boys com-
petition, the Tigers defeated
Hedley last Friday night by a
score of 51-39. Mark McCar-
ty led the scoring with 15
points. Clint Herndon was
second with 12.

Junior High games began
last Monday night as the
Boys team and the A and B
Girls teams took on Groom.
The Boys won their game
31-6 while the A team girls
lost 30-16 and the B team
girls lost 48-2.

The second game of the
Junior High season was
played Monday night in
Lefors. The Boys won 47-11,
the A team girls won 19-18
and the B team Girls lost
12-8.

Members of the Junior
High teams are:

**Boys-Mickey Gomez, J.T.
Haynes, Cash Carpenter,
Derryl Langley, Bobby Sher-
man, Destrly Magee, Tuffy
Sanders, David Johnson,
Tanner Hess, Daniel Harris,
Jason Thomas, Quillan
Rutherford, Michael Barker,
Chad Williams and Tony
Northcutt;**

**A Team Girls-Holly
Hauck, Lee Ayn Jordan,
Sally Worsham, Kelly Beck,
Monica Layton, Dannie Sul-
lins, Misty Coleman, Brandy
Melton, Julianna Crockett
and Missy Young;**

**B Team Girls-Becky
McCarty, Patsy Barker, Hol-
ly Hefley, Kisha Riggsby,
Peggy Adams, Rhonda
Glass, Heidi Syfrett, Lee
Ann Stubbs and Shakuntla
Patel.**

City Council Discusses Variety of Subjects

The McLean City Council
met last Tuesday night in its
regular monthly session.
Members present were
Mayor George Terry and
Aldermen George Green,
Dr. H.F. Fabian, Martha Jo
Bailey, Miro Pakan and Jer-
ry Cook.

In the main items of
business:

-The council voted to pay
the cost of moving the Fire
Department to its new sta-
tion.

-Hired Larry Swanson to
install a door on the old fire
station.

-Approved the purchase of
gas from El Paso Natural
Gas at spot prices.

-Agreed to advertise for
bids to do repair work on the

water tower. Improvements
will include painting and
sand blasting the tower,
repairing pipe and repairing
the auto shut door.

-Raised the city's payment
on employees' group insur-
ance from \$15 to \$25.

-Approved a \$3.00 per
hour increase in the wages
of any city employee who
performs the duties of su-
perintendent in his absence.

-Approved a \$50 wage
increase, effective Dec. 1, to
any city employee who car-
ries a recognized water li-
cense.

-Heard a presentation
from Superintendent Bob
Glenn on the water project.
The first phase has been
completed and the second
will begin in March, 1987.

Former Principal Dies

Word has been received
that John E. Harding, Sr., a
former McLean resident,
died recently at Methodist
Hospital in Lubbock.

He was born in Byers and
graduated from Byers High
School in 1923. He obtained
his bachelor of arts degree
from Howard Payne Univer-
sity in 1927 and later earned
his masters degree from
Texas Tech University in
1939. He was a commercial
teacher and principal of
McLean High School for
about 10 years beginning in
1930. He was a cousin of the
late Reed Grogan of
McLean.

He was a major in the
Army Air Corps in World
War II. After the war, he
was an associate professor of
economics and management
at Texas Tech.

He was a member of the
Silver Key Club, which later

became the Phi Delta Theta
fraternity in 1953. In 1978,
he received the fraternity's
Legion of Merit Award in
recognition of his devotion to
Phi Delta Theta.

In 1963, he was honored
by Sigma Delta Chi for
outstanding contributions to
the Texas Tech campus and
was recognized by Alpha
Kappa Psi in 1969 for more
than 25 years of service to
college education.

He was a charter member
of the National Economics
Fraternity, the Ranch Head-
quarters Association and the
Texas Tech Ex-Students
Association's Century Club.

He was also a member of
the West Texas Museum
Association and Phi Gamma
Mu and was active in Tech's
Intercollegiate Rodeo Assoc.

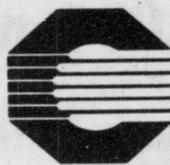
Survivors include his wife,
Lorene, of Lubbock; a son,
See "Principal", p.6

COW POKES

By Ace Reid



"Come on in and eat with us, I can smell Maw
burnin' somethin'!"



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Alanreed News

Bill McKee of Amarillo visited his mother this week.

Don Ross has been transferred from the hospital to Olson Manor Nursing Home in Amarillo.

Visiting the Hartley Davises over the weekend were Mrs. Forest Brents and Lisa and Mr. and Mrs. John Davis and Ross, all from Amarillo.

Don Charles Dorsey was called away last week due to the death of a relative.

Anita Bruce made a trip to Amarillo on Friday.

**Drafty? Cold?
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**Gray County
Accident Report**

Captain Bob Russell, District Supervisor of the Amarillo Highway Patrol District comprising 31 counties said, "For the month of October, our troopers investigated 9 fatal accidents, 83 personal injury accidents, and 106 property damage accidents. There were 11 persons killed and 110 injured.

Sgt. Jim Powell of Pampa stated, "In Gray county, our troopers investigated 1 fatal accident, 4 personal injury accidents and 4 property damage accidents. In addition to the one fatality, there were 5 persons injured in these accidents."

New Arrival

Leland, Wanda and Sarah Myers proudly announce the arrival of their new baby, Jennier Elaine. Born Wed. Nov. 12 at Shamrock Hospital, she weighed 9 lb. 2 oz. and was 20 1/4 inches long.

Grandparents are Reverend Z.A. and Lois Myers of McLean and Bill and Emily Stout of Weatherford, Tex.

Care Center News

Sunday, Brother Gerald Beasley, of the Church of Christ, was here to conduct services.

Residents playing bingo Monday were Frank Reeves, Gladys Smulcer, Ruth Kemp, Lona Jones, Leon Burch, Earl Tolleson, Elsa Stalls, Grace Swallow, Annie Eudey, Kittie Hessey, Inez Fields, Teresa Richardson, Dick Wheeler, Alice Dickenson and Fay Wilson. Our helpers were Bertha Smith, Onie Gibson, Annie Herndon, Cliffee Heasley, Mildred Giesler and Annie Reeves.

Tuesday, Lena Carter, Mary Davis, Brenda McLain and Ted Robertson were here to assist the following residents in dominos: Earl Tolleson, Pinky Ledgerwood, Leon Burch, Lula Sheegog, Dick Wheeler, Ruth Kemp, Odessa Beeman, Teresa Richardson and

Annie Eudey.

Wednesday morning, Brother Gerald Beasley and the ladies morning Bible class were here for a fellowship with our residents. Cookies and punch were served. In the evening, Barbara Kress from Orofino, Kan. was here to play the keyboard. Barbara is the daughter of Dorothy Patterson.

Thursday morning the following residents finished

making their puppies in a basket: Earl Tolleson, Leon Burch, Annie Eudey, Odessa Beeman, Gladys Smulcer, Alice Dickenson and Teresa Richardson. Many thanks to Loyce Murray for helping our residents.

Friday, Martha Parker was here with her great movies.

Monday, Dec. 1, the residents will decorate the Christmas tree at 9:00 a.m.

Long Time Resident Dies

Services for Joe Willis, 91, were held on Sunday at the First Baptist Church in McLean. Reverend Jeff Messer, pastor, and Reverend Buell Wells, retired

pastor, officiated. Burial was in Hillcrest Cemetery.

Mr. Willis died on Friday in Amarillo.

He was born in Altus, Okla. and moved to McLean in 1910 in a covered wagon.

He married Velma Fulton in Wheeler in 1924. He was a cattle rancher and a member of the First Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Jolene.

Survivors include his wife, three daughters, Brilla Mary Osburn of Amarillo, Laura Velma Willis of Mesa, Ariz. and Bonnie Lee Simpson of Hobbs, New Mex.; 5 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.

**Robert Hornback Talks
About Navy Career**



U.S. Navy sailors have been on the lookout for enemy submarines since they were introduced in World War I.
Robert Hornback of

McLean, is a Navy aviation structural mechanic who helps search for submarines from Navy helicopters.

A crew member at Helicopter Antisubmarine Squadron Light 43, the 20-year-old petty officer third class is the son of Ben and Darlene Eads of McLean.

"I work on the landing gear, hydraulic systems and flight controls of the SH-60B Seahawk helicopter," says Hornback. "I also assist the aviation machinists in working on the helo engines and rotors."

Hornback graduated from Pampa High School in 1984, and joined the Navy that September.

"I'm glad the Navy has given me the opportunity to travel and meet people from different cultures," he says. "Besides traveling, working with aircraft is a goal I've had for a while."

Special Flea Market

Artisans and craftsmen are invited to display their wares at the monthly City of McLean Arts and Crafts Sale, scheduled for Dec. 6 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

"The booths will be located in the factory building in McLean," manager Sam Green said. "This is a good

opportunity to do some Christmas shopping."

Each 12' by 12' display area will rent for \$12 for the day. Exhibitors will supply their own display tables and chairs.

There will be drawings for door prizes and Santa Claus will make a visit to see the children.

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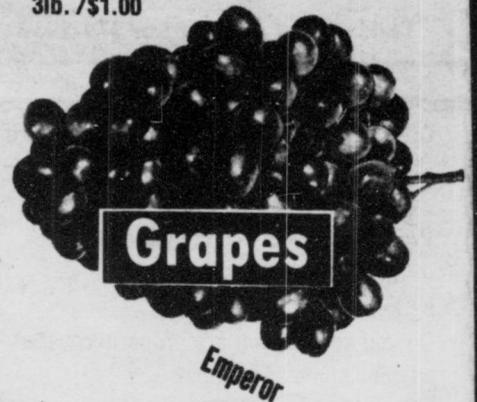


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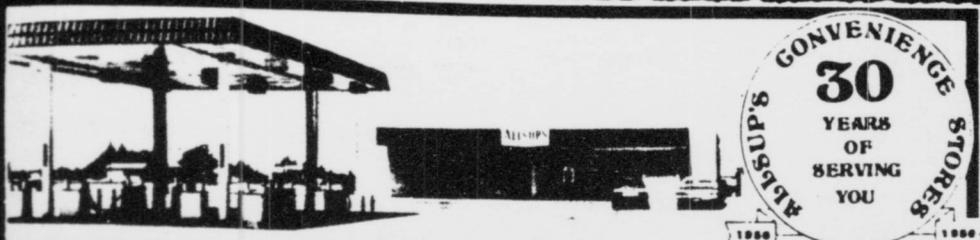
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Basketball Season Underway For Groom

Groom's Basketball season is underway with both varsity girls and boys taking care of opponents last week. The Tigerettes beat Higgins 65-44 early in the week and Friday defeated Alamo Catholic 60 to 32.

Coach Frank Belcher says his team is doing well with all team members able to play and score when called upon. "Our team is working well together," says Belcher that feels some teams have one or two key players, Groom's team is certainly pulling together to get the job done.

Leading scoring against Higgins was Suni Barnett with 23 points and 11 rebounds in the third quarter. Karen Bohr scored 12 points and had 12 rebounds. Erin Eschle scored 10 points.

Suni again led scoring against Alamo Catholic on Friday with 14 points. Eschle had 11 and Bohr 9.

Starters for the Tigerettes are Lezlie Sweatt, Suni Barnett, Erin Eschle, Karen Bohr and Jowannah Ruthardt. Other members of the team are Misti Kingston, Loretta Kuehler, Kelly Stroope, Jenni English and Jill Brown.

JV GIRLS

The JV team defeated Higgins 44-16. Jenni English was high point player with 14 points. Susan Smith scored 13 and Jill Brown added 9.

Other players for the JV are Carlene Britten, Heather Patterson, Julie Lyles and Tricia Fraser.

JUNIOR HIGH

The junior high teams also won games last week against McLean. The seventh girls scored 50 points to McLean's 2. Kristi Case led scoring with 20 points. Other members of the team are

Jolee Burger, Brandi Sustaite, Angela Belcher, Marie Conrad, Melinda Burgin and Amy Brown.

The eighth grade team defeated McLean 30-16. Shannon Fields scored 10 points and Lesa Sweatt and Katonya Meeker had 6 each. Other team members are Sherri Weinheimer, Heather Brown, Susan Babcock and Brandi Spence.

The eighth grade team lost Monday night in a heart-breaker at Miami. Groom fell short 25-24 with a last second shot missing the basket. High point player was Heather Brown with 8 points. Lesa Sweatt had 6 and Shannon Fields and Katonya Meeker had 4 each.

JUNIOR HIGH BOYS

Mike Conrad led scoring for the eighth graders against McLean with 9 points. Groom lost the contest 26-32. Groom came back on Monday and beat Miami 26-21. Jeff Fields led scoring with 13 points. Other members of the team are Robert Miller, Brian Baker, Michael Brown, Brent Payton, Daryl Homer, Bruce Britten and Kyle Howard.

The seventh grade team lost Monday night to Miami, 14-18. Daryl Homer led scoring. Team members include Jimmy Dale Kingston, Nick Kuehler, Jeremy Brown, Scotty Brown, Paul McLaughlin, Matt Fields, Johnny Carl Turvaville, John Weinheimer, Rhett Patterson, Shannon Miller and Daryl Homer.

Groom Tigers

The Tigers open their season at home with a win against Alamo Catholic, 69-55.

Daniel Lambert led the Tigers scoring 44 points, 18 from the field and 8 free throws.

Social Security System Shows Increase In Beneficiaries For 1985

The Pampa Social Security office has recently received information on the number of persons receiving Social Security Retirement, Survivors and Disability benefits. In the local service area the totals for December 1985 are:

County	Dec. 85	Dec. 84
Carson	1129	1102
Collings	1010	1044
Gray	4996	4983
Hansford	837	828
Hemphill	517	526
Hutchin	4792	4582
Lipscom.	655	643
Ochiltree	1118	1081
Roberts	163	165
Wheeler	1678	1694
Totals	16895	166616

From December 1984 to December 1985 the nation went from 36,478,710 beneficiaries to 37,058,345 beneficiaries. This was a 1.6 percent increase.

The Pampa service area varied by county, but the entire area had a 1.7 percent increase. This is in-line with the rest of the nation.

Persons needing further information or assistance can contact the Pampa Social Security office at 669-1018. Almost all Social Security business can be handled over the telephone. If you wish to visit the office, it is located at 125 S. Gillespie in Pampa.



Carole Fields and Juandell Ritter manned bazaar displaying hand painted items for the Brush & Pallet booth at Saturday's every decor.

Christian Mothers Enjoy Progressive Dinner

A Progressive Friendship evening and the Shower for the Christ Child were substituted for the regular meeting this month of Christian Mothers/Altar Society. The evening began with appetizers at the home of Margaret Babcock with Maggie Weinheimer and Marla Britten hostesses. The group then moved to the home of Belinda Britten for salads served by Alice Kuehler, Louise Conrad and Mary (Harry) Britten. The final destination was the home of Janice Koetting for desserts provided by Janice Weinheimer and Angela Looten. The Shower of the Christ Child is held every

year near Christmas and each member is asked to bring a basic item for a baby. The gifts are then donated to the Monarch Home for Needy Mothers in

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Commissioners Set Employees Holidays

Carson County Commissioners met Monday, Nov. 24 at the Courthouse in Panhandle. The court accepted a letter of resignation from the Emergency Management Coordinator, Mary Alice Roberts, effective Nov. 30, 1986.

Commissioner Jones reported that repairs to a bridge in Precinct 2 south of St. Francis had been completed. Also Commissioner Strong agreed that he would see that a sealing material and repairs will be made to the

courthouse steps on both the north and south side would be made.

Judge Roselius reported that two DPS used cars had been purchased for use in the Sheriff's department. The cars of the sheriff's department that were replaced will be sold at the Amarillo Car Auction.

Commissioner Britten informed the court of a request from DPS troopers stationed in Groom for office space, a secretary and copy machine. No action was taken.

The following holiday

schedule will be observed by county offices, Thanksgiving holiday, Nov. 27 and 28. The Christmas holiday will begin at noon on Christmas Eve and continue the 25 and 26.

The annual Christmas party for all present and former county employees will be at 10:00 a.m. on December 22 in the Commissioner's Courtroom.

Financial Focus

By Tom Byrd

Regardless of what security we select, it should meet our goals. One of the basic tenets of investing is that it should not be done on impulse. Know what you want before you buy. Then, determine if your selection will do for you what you want—in short, if it will meet your needs.

If, for example, you want your investment to give you income, then you must expect your choice to provide suitable dividends (stocks or equity investments) to meet your needs. In addition, you must be reasonably convinced that this income will be paid to you regularly and on time.

Whether or not you get your income will depend on the ability of that particular corporation to meet its obligations. It is also generally true that the higher your yield or return, the more risk you assume.

A U.S. Government-guaranteed bond probably will not provide as much income as an unsecured note of some small corporation. On the other hand, the government bond will afford you more risk you assume.

A U.S. government-guaranteed bond probably will not provide as much income as an unsecured note of some small corporation. On the other hand, the government bond will afford you more safety and peace of mind. So, if you're aiming for maximum income on your investment, chances are you're going to have to sacrifice a bit of safety. To put it another way, "There's no such thing as a free lunch."

If, on the other hand, income is secondary and you're after capital appreciation, then you probably should invest in securities you think you may sell for more than you paid for them.

One thing you can be certain of, however, is that no stock or bond can simultaneously offer you minimum risk, attractive income and tremendous growth potential. If a security features on of these attributes, the others will be secondary or practically nonexistent. At certain times, however, it may be possible to obtain securities which potentially offer some modest combination of these features over a period of time.

Investment term of the week: Bond—Basically an IOU or promissory note of a corporation, usually issued in multiples of \$1,000 or \$5,000. In every case, a bond represents debt—a bondholder is a creditor of the corporation. In most cases, bonds are secured by a mortgage.

Stocker Cattle

Stocker cattle operators will soon be buying calves to put on winter pasture, and the type of animals they buy will go a long way in determining whether or not they will reap a profit, says the Texas A&M University System specialist. The stocker operator must buy cattle that will grow fast, be efficient in feed conversion, and sell for top dollar. Since these animals will be going into feedlots in the spring, the stocker operator must

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Fri.—Turkey & Noodles Breakfast—Donuts

also consider the value of the animals to the feeder. The cattle feeder is interested in rate of gain in the feedlot, carcass cutability or yield, and carcass quality.

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