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These cars stranded on Monday during the blizzard were stuck behind high drifts when the snow ended late Monday.



Curtis Whatley, Jerry Moore and Darrell Whatley offered their assistance to clear a six car traffic jam when the News Publisher got stuck at the front of the line Tuesday.



This drift made it halfway to the top of the home of Bob and Dinah Howard on Wilkerson Street.

Spring Comes, Spring Goes In Texas Panhandle

A typical spring for the Texas Panhandle arrived Saturday with warming weather and thunderstorms on Sunday. By mid-morning Monday blizzard conditions took over and blowing snow wrecked havoc throughout the panhandle.

The local old timers are comparing Monday's storm to that of the blizzard in 1957 which lasted three days.

School officials made the decision Monday to dismiss school at 10:45 when power outages caused the building to cool considerably.

DPS officers said they were able to investigate four accidents on Monday, the last occurring at 10:30 a.m. Don King said that after that, no traffic was moving or DPS vehicles could not get to those stranded. They said no injuries were reported with any of the accidents. King investigated a wreck at the 85 mile marked and drove to the TA Truck Stop in Amarillo to talk with those involved. He left the truck stop about 11:00 a.m. and arrived in Conway at 3:30 p.m. He left Conway about 6:00 and made it back into Groom at 11:00 p.m.

Troopers reported that the east bound lane of I-40 was not open to travel from Amarillo until about noon on Tuesday. West bound traffic was moving slowly during the morning hours.

DPS officers also reported that many persons spent the night in their vehicles along I-40 and FM 2300. Rescue trucks with four wheel drive lent assistance but were only able to make it north on FM 2300 to the Jerome Weinheimer home. The National Guard in Pampa picked up many stranded along FM 2300 and took them to the Celanese plant where they spent the night.

Some lucky motorists found refuge in Groom with the motels soon booked to capacity about 100 persons spent the night at First Baptist Church. A school



bus shuttled people from the Tower Truck Stop and another 150 spent the night at the school. The United Methodist Church held the overflow and Jerry Moore, pastor, reported that about 12 people stayed in his church.

Groom Ambulance was called out about 12:15 Monday to transport an injured person from East I-40 to the Pampa Hospital. The ambulance arrived at the hospital about 8:00 p.m. The patient was suffering from neck and back injuries but made it fine to the hospital. Attendants Tony Treadwell and Brent Stephens spent the night in Pampa and returned to Groom Tuesday afternoon.

They brought a full load home as they rounded up Groomites that had been stranded in Pampa which received about 20 inches of snow. Some 15 persons returned in the ambulance. Patti McLaughlin said that she and Pam Ashford were stranded along the highway and picked up the National Guard in a tank and taken to Celanese where they spent the night. Thelma Pool also rode home in the ambulance. She was shopping the Revco store when the roof collapsed. She

escaped injury just getting wet in the accident.

Pantex employees who live in Groom left that plant at 3:30 Monday afternoon, they were unable to get home and turned back reaching the Pantex plant again at 2:30 a.m.

Groom residents were without electrical power for only about two hours on Monday. Area towns did not fair so well with power restored in Panhandle late Monday afternoon and power in White Deer was not restored until late Tuesday.

School started on Tuesday morning at 10:00 a.m. with Principal Ken Sweatt reported that attendance ran 60 percent.

Once again local farmers are to thank for digging residents out and getting the streets cleared with tractors and blades.

Community Calendar

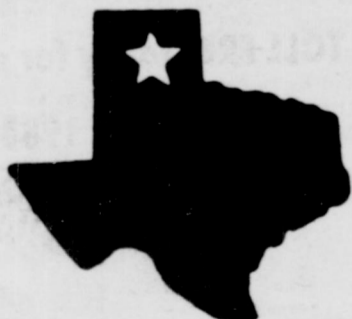
PTO meets Monday, March 30 at the School Cafeteria, 7:30 p.m. for a planning session for the upcoming UIL Reception.

SOS meets at the First Baptist Church today for a noon luncheon.

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April Fools Day

April 1



Tuesday Grain Prices At Local Elevators

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

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A special thanks to Bob Howard, Greg Britten, Pat Britten, Page Blackwell and John Homen for rescuing Craig. You all are special!
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Art & JoAnn Britten

The florist in Alto, Texas, lined Main Street with pink balloons to announce the arrival March 17th of Sara Ragan Witt, 7 pounds, 4 ounce, daughter of Jay and Melody Witt.

Larry Byrd visited his grandmother Loula Wall last week.

Visitors last Sunday in the Robert Kuehler home were Mr. and Mrs. Paul Detten and family of Panhandle.

Local Happenings

Mr. and Mrs. Max Summers and Lance of Colleyville spent four days last week visiting Mr. and Mrs. Billy Cornett. Mr. Summers attended to business at Bell Helicopter in Amarillo.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Cornett, Linda Summers and Lance visited last week in Muleshoe with Mr. and Mrs. Harmon Elliott.

Monica Weinheimer and her daughter Carolyn Madison visited in Chico Texas with Diana and family.

Attending a Catholic Life steak dinner in White Deer March 8 were Mrs. Monica Weinheimer and her daughter Carolyn.

Enjoying a farewell dinner in Pampa Tuesday, March 17 were Monica Weinheimer and children Carolyn and Eugene and family, Mr. and Mrs. Merlin Rose and family and Mr. and Mrs. Joey Roden and family of Pampa.

Steve Garmon of McLean, Va. visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W.M. Garmon this past weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hughes visited in Groom last Wednesday and Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. John Hickox.

Lonny, Bobby and Ronna Britten of Celina and Debbie, Jennifer and Jarrod Hanning of Wheeler visited in the home of Zoah Britten last week.

Visiting Monica Weinheimer the past two weeks were her daughter Carolyn Madison Everett of Washington and son Eugene and wife Ann and their children Monica and James of Columbia, Mo. They returned home March 18.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kuehler visited last week with Rose Ann Kuehler in College Station. They went on to Austin where they visited Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kuehler and attended the convention for the Federal Land Bank. Their daughter Beth joined them in Austin for a visit. They returned home Sunday.

T.C. Sustaire underwent a heart catheterization last week and will be going to Houston for treatment.

Methodist Women

United Methodist Women met Tuesday afternoon, March 17 at 2:30 p.m. at the church. Mrs. Jerry Lee Moore, president, opened the business meeting. Announcement was made the annual senior breakfast will be April 8 in the fellowship hall of the church. The program "Hear Us When We Pray" was under the leadership of Julia McGee with Mrs. Roy Ritter, Mrs. Glynn D Harrell Mrs. N.B. Helton, Mrs. E.W. Lamberson, Mrs. A.J. Babcock and Mrs. Moore taking part.

Mrs. Harrell was hostess for the social time to conclude the meeting. Others present were Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Schaffer, Mrs. E.C. Goodlett and the Rev. Jerry Lee Moore.

Visiting in the Cecil Culver home over the weekend were Cecilia Loftis and children, Casey, Krista and infant son, Caleb of Fairfield; Pam Downing and her daughters Melissa and Melinda from Watkins, Colo.; LeVern Williams from Waco; and Velma Hickox, Loula Wall and Burnice Johnson and Gloria Ledwig all of Groom.

Kountry Kousins

The regular meeting of the Kountry Kousin Extension Club met March 20 at the home of Bea Stephens with Kay Stephens as co-

hostess.

President Toni Pavlovsky presided over a short business meeting. Members responded to roll call by sharing a tradition in their family.

Members participating in next month's flower arranging program will be asked to donate \$1.00 to help defray costs with the club paying the balance.

Judy Eatmon gave a program on financial planning. Members shared their hobbies and money making projects.

The April meeting will be on the 10th at the home of Connie Fields with Susan Turvaville as co-hostess.

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"Groom People Are The Best"

After moving, I intended to write a "Groom people are the best" letter. Somewhere in all the unpacking that letter kept being delayed. Now, after the death of my daddy, there is a dual purpose for writing it.

Most of us who have lived or live in Groom feel that the most caring, sharing people anywhere live there. The 1 1/2 years Denai, Collin and I spent with you were invaluable in terms of family bonding, old friendships rekindled, and new ones made. We learned to appreciate many of you in new ways; thank you for letting us share the everyday and special times and the happy and sad times.

I'm even more thankful now for the time in Groom because we have wonderful memories of times with Daddy—a man who cared about his family and you. The number of friends and relatives at his funeral was evidence that he had touched your lives, too. It is a comfort to us to know that you realized what an exceptional gentleman he was. For all those years he worked on the farm BESIDE other farmers. Then when he had to give that up, after trying his best, he worked FOR the farmers. As a relative reminded me at the

funeral, "Although the farm ordeal and incidents since, he wasn't unfair or ugly to anyone and wouldn't let us be! He was hurt, certainly, but rose above it and found a place of service at the elevator and enjoyed it."

Daddy was usually busy with his family but he always had time to speak a word or two or do something for any of you. Bill Burgin was one we all knew would be the same each day—unselfish, caring, honest. He practiced the Golden Rule and lived what he believed. I believe Daddy was allowed to live an active life long enough to be an example and then was taken quickly, perhaps to be spared poor health, but surely to remind us that things never last forever.

Johnny, Lenora, Donald and I share the appreciation of the heritage he has left his family which isn't land or money which sooner or later we all give up. Our invaluable heritage is Daddy's and Mother's faith, and we must accept it for our own, that the lasting treasure is in Heaven; now Daddy has received his. As much as he would have done for anyone, he couldn't "place" our treasure for us. It would be a wonderful tribute if you, the community he cared for could "profit" from Daddy's life as his family has.

You ARE the best people anywhere!

Dondra Burgin Downs

Voters Decide

Elections Next

Saturday, April 4

Elections will be held next Saturday, April 4. Absentee voting is running very low so it would seem safe to say that the election will not draw a large voter turnout.

City elections are virtually set with only the number needed to serve having their names on the ballot. Al Homer seeks the mayor's position with Jerry Thornton, incumbent, and Ronny Fields set to fill spots on the city council.

No absentee ballots have been cast in the election.

The question of an additional half cent sales tax will also be decided in the election. Voters need to be mindful of this issue and cast a vote in the issue so that all interested voters have a chance to decide whether or not to implement the new tax.

LEGAL NOTICE

The Carson County Commissioners' Court is taking bids toward the purchase of a new farm-type tractor with the following minimum specifications.

115 PTO horsepower diesel engine; powershift transmission; dual 540/1000 RPM PTO; Category II 3-point hitch with swinging drawbar; Operator's cab and environment controls; AM-FM Radio; 18.4 x 38 radial rear tires; 11:00 x 16 front tires; 500# added wheel weight per rear wheel; 500# added weight on front; 3 remote hydraulic outlets; 4 year municipal lease plan. A 1964 2020 John Deere tractor, SN M53TRO-209802T, might be used as a trade-in. Bids should be figured with and without the trade-in.

This notice is in accordance with Article 1659 and/or Article 2368a, Vernon's Annotated Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas which requires publication of this notice once a week for two consecutive weeks prior to the time set for letting such contract. The date of the first publication is to be at least 14 days prior to the date set for letting such contract. Bids are to be delivered to the County Auditor of Carson County, Texas, prior to 10:00 a.m., on Monday, April 13, 1987, the date and time at which such bids shall be publicly opened, read and considered by the Carson County Commissioners Court. The court shall have the right to award its contract to the party who, in the judgment of the Commissioners' Court, has submitted the lowest and best bid. The commissioners

Court has the additional right to reject all bids when the bids received are not satisfactory to the Court.

For clarification of specifications, and to see the used John Deere tractor, contact Commissioner Jerry Strawn, Commissioner of Precinct 3 Panhandle, Texas.

Eight ballots have been cast in the absentee election for school trustees. Seeking election are incumbent, Bud Fields and Phillis Jackson, Janice Weinheimer, Bobby Pool and Joe Homer. Two will be elected.

Band To Perform

Groom Band will compete next Wednesday, April 1, in contest in Panhandle. The band will be the first band to perform at 8:30 a.m. in the UIL Concert and Sightread-

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ing contest. According to director Jose Munoz, selections to be performed by the band will be "Newcastle March", "Little English Suite", and "Hansel and Gretel Overture".

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Groom

Tigerettes Win Second Meet

Groom Tigerettes led the way over the weekend at the Sunray Track Meet taking first place in Division I with 131 points. Vega with 119 points and Booker with 114, took the second and third spots.

Erin Eschle led the girls placing first in three events and running on two relay teams which placed first. She placed first in triple jump with a distance of 32-11½; long jump, 16-1½; and the 400 meter at 64.57.

Also placing first in their events were Jill Brown in the 100 hurdles 16.69; Jowannah Ruthardt in the 800 timed at 2:38.44 and Karen Bohr finishing the 100 in 12.44. Karen also took second place in the triple jump with a distance of 32-3.

Both the 400 relay team and 1600 meter relay team placed first as well. Team members completed the 400 in 1:51.56. Running legs were Suzan Smith, Karen Bohr, Heather Patterson and Erin Eschle. Members of the 1600 meter relay are Suzan Smith, Jowannah Ruthardt, Karen Bohr and Erin Eschle. Jill Brown, Jowannah Ruthardt, Lezlie Sweatt and Heather Patterson completed the 800 in third place.

Also placing in events were Suzan Smith, sixth, long jump; Carlen Britten, fourth, 100 hurdles and Heather Patterson, fifth, and Jill Brown, sixth, in the 200.

The Groom Tigerettes may be short on the number going out for the sport but those who have made the effort have met with success in their early season. The boys placed third in the Sunray meet behind Sunray and Vega.

Bruce Thornton took first place in three events, the 800, 2:08.86; the 100, 11.22; and 1600, 5:11.13.



Paul McLaughlin makes the way to the finish line.



Heather Patterson completes the 200 in the fifth spot.



Marie Conrad completes the 1200 M run in first place.

Teammates Brice Ruthardt placed second in the 400 and 200 with times of 54.5 and 24.7, respectively, and Daniel Hinson also took second place with a 134-7 toss of the discus.

The 400 meter relay team placed first with a time of 45.4.

Junior High Girls

Marie Conrad, first, 1200 M, 4:29.63 and second, 800, 2:43.3.

Lisa Sweatt, first in the 100 M hurdles, 17.9 and fourth in the triple jump 28-2.

Brandi Spence placed sixth in shot 25-1½ and fifth in discus, 65-0.

Angela Belcher placed fifth in the 100 M hurdles, 19.5 and sixth, high jump, 4-2.

Shannon Fields placed third in triple jump with 28-10. She also placed fourth in the 400 with a time of 72 seconds.

Boys Junior High results were not available as both Coach Terry Coffee and Gary Rambo were stranded in the snow storm in Panhandle. These results will be published next week.



Erin Eschle won three first places in events Saturday at the Sunray track meet.

GROOM COMMUNITY CENTER BUILDING FUND Financial Statement As of 2-28-87

RECEIPTS

Transfer from Lions Club Building Fund to open account	\$ 786.21
Memorials deposited	955.00
Donations deposited	2,880.00
Total Receipts	\$ 4,621.21

EXPENDITURES

Utilities	\$ 215.31
Plumbing, heating, electrical supplies, paint	969.32
Labor	125.00
Office Supplies (checks, stamps, deposit books)	58.67
Total Expenditures	\$ 1,368.30

Bank Balance-----\$ 3,252.91

GROOM MEMORIAL HOSPITAL FUND Financial Statement As of 2-28-87

RECEIPTS

Beginning balance	\$ 411.24
Income from Auction	12,952.75
Total Receipts	\$13,359.97

EXPENDITURES

Globe News (advertising auction)	150.50
Note balance at State National Bank	1,000.00
Refund on auction items	112.50
Utilities	122.05
White Deer News (advertising auction)	16.80
Panhandle Herald (advertising auction)	18.20
Moon Roofing Company	5,800.00
Plumbing supplies, hardware, paint, electrical supplies	498.80
Carpet and floor tile	2,789.25

Total Expenditures-----\$ 10,508.10

Bank Balance-----\$ 2,855.87

Total of both funds \$ 6,108.78

Suni Barnett Selected To Play In All-Star Game



Tigerette standout Suni Barnett has been selected to play in the Golden Spread All-Stars game on April 3. Suni, a senior at Groom High, will play basketball for the East squad. The game will begin at 8:30 on Friday night and depending on which team wins, games Saturday will be played at 6:30 and 8:30.

Barnett has played varsity ball four years and started for the Tigerettes the last three seasons. She led the team in scoring this season with 467 points and is the high point player for the Tigerettes the past four seasons according to Coach Frank Belcher. She averages 16.1 points per game and is 73 percent from the free shot line. She rebounded 132 times this season and has been named to the All-District team the past

two years.

Active in school, Suni is a member of 4-H, FHA, FFA and serves as secretary/treasurer of the Student Council. She was also a homecoming queen candidate in the fall.

Commissioners To Consider Purchases

Carson County Commissioners met Monday in Panhandle with all members present.

The Commissioners agreed to advertise for bids for a 115 hp tractor for Precinct 3 and also discussed exterior maintenance work for the courthouse.

The next meeting will be March 26 when bids will be opened for purchase of a motor grader for Precinct 4.

Chance Barkley Honored At Shower

Kathleen Barkley and son Cance Keith were honored with a shower Monday March 16 at the Bank Hospitality Room.

Attending from out-of-town were Jean Noggler, Jane Meyer, Kay Ledbetter, Tana Kahout and Diane Koetting.

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Groom Ambulance Service
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Groom, Texas 79039

MEMORIALS

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Bill & Flora Glenn
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Ronny & Dee Babcock
Leldon & Betty Hudson

For Bernie Tyrrell
Mr. & Mrs. Austin Crowell
Mr. & Mrs. John Crowell
Connie Crowell
Mr. & Mrs. Page Blackwell
Leldon & Betty Hudson
Bill & Flora Glenn
Hammers
For Helen Homer
Mr. & Mrs. Page Blackwell
For Irvin Anglin
Mr. & Mrs. Page Blackwell
For A.F. Britten
Mr. & Mrs. Page Blackwell
For John Stout
Ronny & Dee Babcock

Groom School Menu March 30 - April 3

Mon.—Chicken Strips
Breakfast—Cereal & Toast
Tues.—Chili Cheese Dogs
Breakfast—Pancakes
Wed.—Steak Fingers
Breakfast—Hash Browns & Toast
Thurs.—Nachos
Breakfast—Bacon, Biscuits & Gravy
Fri.—Fish
Breakfast—Donuts

Area Civic Leaders Hear Economic Report From SPS

Sixty-one industries that are growing and that are best suited for this part of the southwest were revealed recently at a meeting of economic development leaders from a four-state area.

The list is the result of a "target industry" study conducted by Public Demographics, Inc. of Cincinnati, Ohio, for Southwestern Public Service Company (SPS) for the benefit of communities the electric utility serves.

"This study will allow communities to take a 'rifle' approach in seeding industry to diversify our area's economy," said Bert Ballengee, SPS chairman of the board and chief executive officer. "We haven't given our communities a magic wand that will suddenly cause new industries to flock to our area. We have provided a very necessary tool, thought, for them to use as they seek more jobs

and economic growth for this region."

From the list of 61 industries, a 13-member task force of prominent area business leaders selected a "top ten" which they felt would be most beneficial for this area and would be the prospects most likely to locate here.

The goals for all industries were fourfold: Support existing industry here by providing a market for their projects and services; attract new industries; attract and retain industries that utilize the existing labor force; emphasize diversification to broaden the area's economic base of agriculture and energy.

The Lubbock meeting also featured workshops and information to help communities market themselves to prospective industries.

Attending from Groom were James Duke, local SPS representative, Johnny Brumley and Bill Homer.

Revival

April 1 - 5
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Groom, Texas

Morning Schedule:

Wednesday - Friday
7:00 a.m.

Evening Schedule:

Wednesday - Saturday
Choir Practice 6:30 p.m.
Worship 7:00 p.m.

Regular Sunday Schedule:

Special Emphasis:

Wednesday - Family Night
Thursday - Youth Night
Friday - Children's Night
Saturday - Pack-A-Pew Night
Sunday - Be Faithful Day



REVIVAL TEAM

Evangelist-Dr. Ed Rogers, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Dumas, Texas

Song Leader-Robert Morgan, Music & Youth,

First Baptist Church, Wheeler, Texas

Rick Burton, Pastor

Armstrong County
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11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

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Voters To Decide Sales Tax Issue

Groom residents will have an opportunity election day to vote on raising the city sales and use tax one half percent in the upcoming April 4 election. The sales tax collected is currently 6 1/4 percent. At first glance the tax sounds good, but the benefits to a town the size of Groom are questionable.

If the tax is approved, it will not be implemented until January of 1988 and any benefits of the tax will not begin to be rebated to the city until March 1988.

The tax is being hailed as a more fair tax in that everyone purchasing goods and services will pay the tax, not just the property owner. In theory the property tax will be reduced by whatever amount the sales tax will generate. The state has provided an elaborate form for

cities to determine how much the ad valorem tax can be reduced and be made up by the sales tax. In these hard times it will be difficult to project a year in advance the amount taxes can be reduced one place and made up in another. There are simply not very many collecting agencies in Groom for the sales tax and current sales tax rebate figures have been on a steady decline for a year now.

The new sales tax plan allows for the economy to get worse by making the property tax rate adjustable to compensate for any lost revenues. So, if worse comes to worse, we'll actually be relying on the property owners to cover the tax burden where it could fall short on the sales tax end.

It seems a complicated route to collect the same amount of taxes now being carried by the property owner. The new tax will not only have to be collected and reported to the state increasing the work load of those

Your School

By Rex Peeples

Our spring was short lived with the advent of a snow storm. We opened our gym to approximately 125 to 150 people Monday night. We got the streets opened enough to shuttle a school bus out to the Tower Truck Stop to bring people in. Kenneth Sweatt and Lee Brown worked until midnight on this project. Then Tuesday morning arrived and Johnny Brooks was in front of school with his tractor clearing off our parking area. Many thanks to these people who assisted during these needy times.

We turned out early Monday which caused us to lose one-half of a school day. That means Friday, April 17, we will have to have school until noon. I will write Austin to see if they will excuse that one-half day, but I'll not hold my breath on an affirmative answer.

In the past—The trustees of Groom ISD met in special session to canvass the issuance of \$200,000 bonds for a new school building. For issuance of Bonds 132; Against Issuance of Bonds, 7. Minutes of 12-09-49.

Traffic Related Deaths Lower

The 1986 traffic death toll in Texas was the lowest it has been in 10 years, according to DPS Director Col. Jim Adams.

The number of persons killed on Texas' streets and highways has decreased 3.1 percent—3,568 for 1986 compared to 3,682 deaths in 1985, Adams said.

"We are very pleased with this decline, though the number of people who died in traffic accidents in Texas last year is certainly still of tragic proportions," he said. "The good news is that it is getting safer to drive in Texas."

The death rate on Texas' roadways, another measurement of traffic safety, reached its lowest point ever—2.4 deaths per 100 million miles traveled.

collecting the tax. The reported tax will then have to be handled by the state and reimbursed to the city by the state. The same amount is currently being paid to the Appraisal District by many individuals and then reimbursed to the city.

Voters must consider what good they will receive from paying half a cent more on each purchase will really be worth it!

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Panhandle Community Services is seeking financial assistance from the U.S. Department of Transportation under the Section 18 Grant Program. Grant funds will be used to provide operational support for existing public transportation in Potter, Armstrong, Briscoe, Carson, Castro, Collingsworth, Dallam, Deaf Smith, Donley, Hall, Hartley, Hemphill, Hutchinson, Lipscomb, Moore, Parmer, Randall, Swisher, Wheeler, Gray, Childress, Sherman, Hansford, Ochiltree, Roberts and Oldham counties and expand those services as specific area transportation needs increase. Copies of the grant proposal are available for inspection by the public at Panhandle Community Services, 1605 West Seventh Ave., Amarillo, TX. Any person wishing to request in writing to: Panhandle Community Services, P.O. Box 32150, Amarillo, TX 79120 or at the above address prior to April 17, 1987.

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Bus Bids

The McLean Independent School District Board of Trustees is accepting bids on a 1975 Dodge 15 passenger van type bus. The bus may be seen at the McLean ISD bus barn. For further information, contact Jim Rutherford or Frank Sparlin.

The Board reserves the right to accept or reject any/or all bids.

Bids should be submitted to the McLean Independent School District Office, P.O. Box K, McLean, Texas 79057, no later than 5 p.m. April 6, 1987.

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Down Memory Lane.....

20 Years Ago

Miss Jean Carol Bible has received notice that she is in the honor list for the fall semester at Amarillo College. Having a 3.4 average places her in the highest five percent of the student body.

Miss Bible wishes to thank the Masonic Lodge for the nursing scholarship that helped to make this achievement possible.

Jean is a 1966 graduate of McLean High School and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John V. Bible.

Visitors in the Roy McCracken home Saturday were Mrs. McCracken's sister, Mrs. Francis Paulk of Amarillo, two brothers and a niece, Charles Hunter of Midland, Jack Hunter and daughter of Odessa, two daughters and their husbands, Mr. and Mrs. C.C. Hoyten and Mr. and Mrs. J.M. Bilderback.

A McLean student, Harry Tate, has been named to the dean's honor roll at Lubbock Christian College for the fall semester. Tate is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Orphus O. Tate.

Tate is a 1965 graduate of McLean High School. He is a chemical engineering major and is a member of the track team.

40 Years Ago

Owners of air guns were warned this week by Mayor Boyd Meador that there is a city ordinance against the shooting of guns within the city limits.

30 years ago

Mrs. Charlie Vineyard, the former Donna Meacham, was honored with a come-and-go wedding shower Tuesday of last week in the parlor of the McLean Methodist Church. Hostesses were Mesdames Dusty King, Guy Beasley, Earl Eustace, Clyde Magee, Wheeler Carter, Bill Bailey and Paul Kennedy; and Misses Fern and Linda Grimsley, Flo Nell Crockett, Kay Stubbs, Othelia Eustace, Janiece Magee, Monta Jean Kennedy and Charlene Hull.

50 Years Ago

One of the most enjoyable meetings of the year was the guest program of the Sigma Gamma Monday evening in the home of Mr. and Mrs. T.A. Landers, when a review of "Gone With The Wind" was ably given by Mrs. Cecil G. Goff. The program chairman of the club, Miss Elizabeth Kennedy, opened the program. A piano solo was played by Mrs. Willie Louelle Cobb, also a guest, and following the review Miss Cobb sang "The Rainbow Trail" accompanied on the piano by Mrs. Goff. Miss Kennedy presented the guest artists with gifts on behalf of the club.

60 Years Ago

Mr. Charles Jordan and Miss Lena Sparks were married at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J.A. Sparks. Pastor B.W. Wilkins, of the Methodist Church, performed the ceremony.

60 Years Ago

L.G. McMillen has been elected president of the McLean Chamber of Commerce and D.C. Jones was named secretary.

Deputy Sheriff J.H. Poe, assisted by Jim Sullivan, captured a still on a farm near the Dial oilwell, north-east of town.

Taxpayers can Get Relief

Taxpayers can learn how to get property tax relief from their local appraisal district offices, according to Ron Patterson, executive director of the State Property Tax Board (SPTB).

Patterson said the SPTB staff is working with appraisal districts and local news media to help make taxpayers aware of filing deadlines for property tax exemptions and other forms of property tax relief.

"Property owners must file rendition forms by March 31 and apply for exemptions and special productive valuation by April 30 this year," Patterson said. Taxpayers should file all exemption and productive value applications, as well as rendition forms, with the local appraisal district.

A rendition is a report a property owner makes listing taxable property owned or managed on January 1, 1987. On it, a taxpayer can record an opinion of the property's value. "If the owner renders a property's value, the appraisal district must notify the owner if it places a higher value on the property," Patterson explained.

Some property owners are required by law to render their property. "Anyone who owns or manages income-producing personal property on January 1 must file a rendition statement with the appraisal district," Patterson said.

The chief appraiser may also require other property

owners or managers to render property; if so, the chief appraiser will send a notice and the appropriate rendition form. Property owners must file renditions by March 31.

Homeowners can usually get tax relief through residence homestead exemptions. "Homestead exemptions help homeowners because they allow a part of a home's value to be exempt from property taxes. This in turn reduces the amount of property taxes assessed on the house," Patterson explained.

Homestead exemptions are available for all qualified homeowners and additional tax relief is available for persons who are disabled and those who are 65 and older. Elderly homeowners who receive the over-65 homestead exemption also get a "freeze," or ceiling on school taxes.

Disabled veterans, survivors of deceased disabled veterans and survivors of those who died on active duty also receive tax exemptions from all taxing units.

"Farmers and ranchers can also lower their tax bills," Patterson said. "If their land qualifies for productivity valuation, the land will be taxed on its ability to produce, instead of its market value." Productivity valuation comes in two forms, often referred to by the section of the Texas Constitution that provides them: open-space or "1-d-1" valuation and agricultural or "1-d" valuation.

Property owners who last year received homestead exemptions, disabled veterans' exemptions and open-space land valuation do not need to reapply in 1987, unless the chief appraiser requests a new application to confirm the owner's current qualification.

People whose property is in more than one county appraisal district have an additional responsibility. They may have to file for exemptions and productivity valuation in each appraisal district in which the property is located. If they do not, taxing units may tax the property on its full market value.

Applications for exemptions and special valuation must be submitted to the appraisal office by April 30.

Complete information on tax exemptions and rendition requirements is in a pamphlet SPTB produces, "Taxpayers' Rights, Remedies, Responsibilities." The pamphlet also explains how taxpayers can challenge the values placed on their property by protesting to the appraisal review board. The free pamphlet is available

from appraisal district offices or from SPTB in Austin.

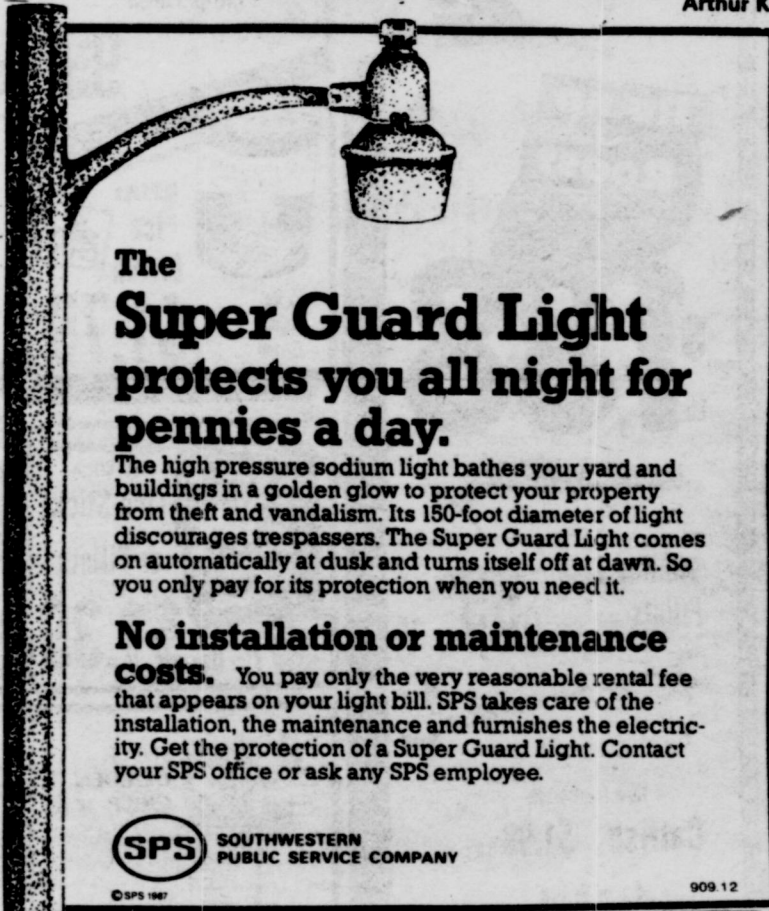
"Local governments will generate nearly \$9 billion this year," Patterson said. "It will help fund necessary services such as public schools, hospitals, fire and police protection, water, utilities and local colleges."

"I urge all property own-

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ers to learn about the property tax process, to file renditions and to take advantage of all forms of tax relief available to them," Patterson said.

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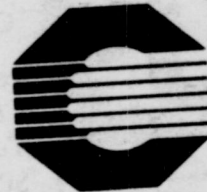
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