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Count Your Blessings



It's that time of year when we pause to give thanks for the plentiful harvests which our nation has enjoyed throughout the year, while praying that those harvests may ever continue to be bountiful. Let us also pray for guidance...that the fruits of the earth may bless every table throughout this land. That is our earnest hope on this Thanksgiving Day, November 24, 1983.

The Whittler's Bench

By Sam Haynes

It's the time of the year again when we should all stop and count our many blessings. Those among the unemployed may find it difficult to make an extensive list, but I have thought of a few I would like to share with you. I'm thankful

to sit on, a knife to whittle with, and a piece of wood to whittle.

•that Teddy Kennedy is not President of the United States.

•that the Ayatollah Khomeini is at the age where he will soon reign in his eternal kingdom

to eat, even though we have to choose between Big Mac and Whopper

•that earthquakes are not commonplace in the Texas Panhandle

•that most of us have TV sets, hopefully to see the Dallas Cowboys win the Superbowl

against Drunk Driving is going great

•that we haven't been sued by our own children for faulty up-bringing

•that we don't live in Russia, Cuba, or Afghanistan and be forced to "enjoy" the blessings of Communism

in all their wisdom have not declared a National Holiday for Jesse Jackson, Tip O'Neill, John Dillinger, or "Pretty Boy" Floyd

•that we all have something to drink, even though TV would have you believe that it must be Coors, Michelob, or

Miller

•that Yassar Arafat was not born twins

•that our country has finally shown the Communist that we can be pushed only so far

•And finally, that we can still write our opinions about anything without fear of censorship.

I hope you have as many things to be thankful for, and that you have an even more blessed year in 1984!

McLEAN WEATHER

Date	High	Low
11-15-83	61	33
11-16-83	67	38
11-17-83	65	43
11-18-83	69	43
11-19-83	49	38
11-20-83	68	33
11-21-83	75	43
Precip. for period - .05"		



How To Speak Texan In One Easy Lesson

Bill Howe
The Shamrock Texan
(Editor's Note...The following article was in editor Bill Howe's column "Here's Howe" last week. Although he claims it is instructions on how to become a native Oklahoman, since I am an "Okie", I'd prefer to change it to "How To Become a Native Texan In One Easy Lesson.")
Agg - what a hen lays.

Aints - He's got aints in his paints. Arn - Ma's tard of arnin'. Bag - He bagged her to marry him. Bobbed - a bobbed war fence. Bresh - The woods.
Bub - The light bub burned out. Cheer - What you set in. Crick - Small stream. Clum - He shore clum the tree. Chiny - Asian country dishes. Core - He got hisself a new Ford core. Dinner - What you eat at noon.

Dainz - Saturday night social. Drackly - I'll get it drackly. Elum - A graceful tree. Errol - TV or radio antenna.
Evenin - Afternoon and before supper. Fance - What's round a hawg lot. Farred - He got farred from his job. Flar - A rose is a purdy flar. Frash - Them eggs aint frash. Fraidy Holes - Store cellars.
Furners - All non-

Texans. Futher - Hits two miles futher to town. Grain - She was grain with envy. Hail - Whare bad folks go. Hep - Lend a hepping hand. Hern - It ain't hern, it's his'n.
Hillbilly - People in the next county. Holler - What's betwin the hills. Hard - I got me a new hard hand. Hydrun - Where you get a drank. Holt - He grub a holt of the fance.

Bryan Smitherman Given Commemorative Clock

The Texas Agri-Business Electric Council presented Bryan Smitherman with an engraved electric clock recently, commemorating Smitherman's award-winning 4-H record book. Smitherman's record book won first place in the 4-H district contest and third in the 4-H state contest. This is the second year Smitherman's book has placed third in the state compe-

titition. He has entered the electric energy category each year. Smitherman also placed third in an electric energy method demonstration at state this year. Bryan is an 18-year-old senior at McLean High School. After graduation, he plans to attend Texas Tech University and major in landscape architecture. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Tony Smitherman.

Greg Gable Named To Who's Who List

The 1984 edition of "Who's Who Among Students in American

Junior Colleges will include the names of 44 students from Howard County Junior College District who have been selected as national outstanding campus leaders.

Greg Gable, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clay Gable, has been named to the list. Campus nominating committees and editors of the annual directory have included the names of these students based on their academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities and potential for continued success.

See OKIE, Page 7

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred G. Lewis
request the honour of your presence
at the marriage of their daughter

Rebecca Lynn
to
Mrs. Gregory Lynn Kenley
on Saturday, the twenty-sixth of November
Nineteen hundred and eighty-three
at two o'clock in the afternoon
Good Shepherd Lutheran Church
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Our children
Stefanie JaNae Houdyshell
and
Mr. Allen Roy Turpen
have chosen
Saturday, the twenty-sixth of November
Nineteen hundred and eighty-three
as their wedding day

We invite you to be our guest
at the reception
at one o'clock in the afternoon
McLean Church of Christ Annex
McLean, Texas

Mr. and Mrs. Harold W. Houdyshell
Mrs. Ann Pierce
Mr. J. C. [Butch] Turpen

We would like to express our thanks to all of the people in McLean and surrounding area who made donations, furnished items for our "Country Store", and all of the workers who did such a fine job.

Also a heartfelt "Thanks" to all of those who attended and to the Senior Citizens for donating the use of their fine facility.
The Alanreed-McLean Museum fund raising project was a huge success because of a lot of work and cooperation of people of this area.
Your continued support will be appreciated.
Alanreed-McLean Museum
Board of Directors

Peerless Prognosticator Predicts

by Sam Haynes

Air Force	28	San Diego St21	
Alabama	14	Auburn	17
Arizona	29	Arizona St.	14
Arkansas	24	Texas Tech	17
Florida	28	Florida St.	27
Georgia	31	Ga. Tech	14
Houston	17	S.M.U.	31
Nebraska	24	Oklahoma	27
Tenn.	24	Vanderbilt	14
Texas	28	Texas A&M	17
Wyoming	24	Hawaii	20
Dal Cowboy	31	ST. Louis	20
Denver B.	34	SD Chargers	28
Washing. R.	28	Philly Eagle	13
New Orleans	27	Minn Viking	21
Houston Oil	24	Tampa Bay	21
L.A. Raiders	31	N.Y. Giants	24
Notre Dame	14	Miami Fla.	28

Last Week
12 Right
8 Wrong
1 Tie
Pct. - .600
Season Pct. - .688



KINDERGARTEN TEACHER LELA Kennedy helps Andy Glass work on his pilgrim picture. (Photo by Kathy Carter)



KINDERGARTEN STUDENT JILL Hefley colors the traditional pilgrim picture as McLean Elementary youngsters prepare for the Thanksgiving holidays. (Photo by Kathy Carter)

LINES
by
LEM
O'RICKK

A "turkey" on TV is bad,
A turkey on Thanksgiving sad;
The Turks on Cyprus, though,
Would have everyone know;
A Turkey in Greece makes them mad!

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COW POKES
By Ace Reid

"Do you realize way off in the future some archaeologist will be pickin' up ring tabs, and tryin' to figure what us primitives used 'em fer!"

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Four McLean Tigers Named All-District



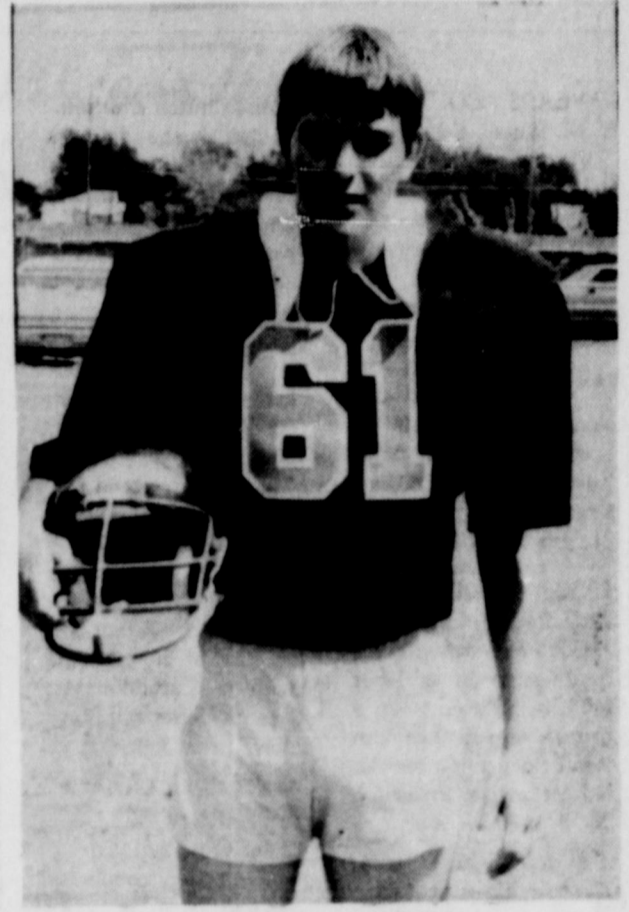
SCOTT STUBBS, FIRST team defense, ends and linebackers and first team offense, guard



GREGG MANN, FIRST team offense, receivers and ends



STEPHEN McANEAR, FIRST team defense, lineman



JERRY MONEY, FIRST team offense, center

[Editor's Note: Due to an early press date this week, The McLean News was unable to include the members of the Tiger football team selected to the Honorable-Mention squads. Their pictures will be in next week's paper.]

District 1A coaches met recently to decide on the 1983 all-district football players. The following teams comprise District 1A: McLean, Groom, Wheeler, Booker, Lefors, Follett, Claude, and Phillips.

Stephen McAnear and Scott Stubbs were named to the first team defense, McAnear as lineman and Stubbs as end and linebacker. Completing the defensive first team are lineman, Richard Wickhauser, Follett, Manson Porter, Wheeler, and Lance Reames, Wheeler; ends and linebackers Tim Knox, Claude, Wade Bentley, Wheeler, and Tim Mounsey, Booker; secondary, Ronny Jones, Wheeler, Rex Ruthardt, Groom, Junior Rivas, Booker, and Kelly Kunka, Follett; and punter, John Winegeart, Lefors.

Scott Stubbs was listed on the first team, defense as guard and Gregg Mann as receiver and end. Also on the list was Jerry Money as center. The rest of the defensive first team are guard, Wade Bentley, Wheeler; tackles, Jay Cartwright and Manson Porter; receivers and ends, Ronny Jones, Wheeler, Wesley English, Groom, and Mark Hall, Claude; quarterbacks, Steven Snapp of Wheeler, and Shawn Farrar, Claude;

backs, Rex Ruthardt, Groom, Danny Rodriguez, Phillips, and Toby Collins, Wheeler; and place kicker, Rodney Bond, Wheeler.

Included on the honorable mention team were linemen, Lance Stovall, McLean, Ricky Withers, Lefors, Joe Martinez, Booker, Devin McQuitty, Booker, and Heath Cave, Groom; ends and linebackers, Rodney Hill, Claude, Brett Laubhan, Follett, Joe Estes, Phillips, DeWayne Kinsch, Phillips, Toby Collins, Wheeler, Keenan Atherton, Wheeler, Wesley

English, Groom, and Ted Britten, Groom; secondary, Allen Calhoun, Phillips, Wayne Benefield, Wheeler, Brett Hughes, Booker, Jeff Britten, Groom, Shawn Farrar, Claude, and Richard Ray, Claude; and punter, Gene Pool, Groom, and Wayne Benefield, Wheeler.

Making up the honorable-mention offensive team were centers, Louis Leven, Groom, Scott Coxwell, Booker; guards, Heath Cave, Groom, Tim Mounsey, Booker; tackles, Brandon Hudson, Phillips, Lance Reames, Wheeler;

Robert Swaner, McLean, Joe Martinez, Booker, Kevin Wood, Groom; receivers and ends, Wayne Benefield, Wheeler, Darin Corley, McLean, Shawn Ammons, Booker, Ted Britten, Groom, and Shannon Johnson, Lefors.

Quarterbacks, Elson Rice, McLean, Russell Taylor, Lefors, Jeff Britten, Groom; backs, backs, Junior Rivas, Booker, David Godino, Booker, Rodney Hill, Claude, Darren Grimes, Wheeler; and place-kicker, Lance Stovall, McLean, and David Godino, Booker.

Birthdays

- NOVEMBER 25
Billy Frank Hambricht
Terri Lee
- NOVEMBER 26
J.D. Back
Mrs. Clifford Martindale
- NOVEMBER 27
James Amos Page
Michael Glenn DeWitt
Brody Carter
- NOVEMBER 28
Earl Johnson
Ronald James Smith
- NOVEMBER 29
P.L. Ledgerwood
Mrs. John Collie
Larry Williams
Hartley Davis
Thacker Haynes
- NOVEMBER 30
Mrs. R.B. Patterson
Mrs. Hal Mounce
- DECEMBER 1
Butch Dorsey
Christian Mohrenweiser
Robert L. McDonald

Forty percent of the average American diet consists of fat.

McLean Briefs

Visiting with Mrs. Beulah Humphreys Sunday were her niece, Mr. and Mrs. Scott Murphy of

Ask Mike Johnson about his favorite turkey story. ...

Houston, and her son Jack Humphreys of Pampa.

We hear "Mr. Goodwrench" is the best man in town to show you around.



"GO STEADY WITH YOU? I'D LOVE TO! WHO IS THIS?"

LOOSE MARBLES

LISA PATMAN



I dreamed the other night that Old Dad and I were astronauts. There we were, hurtling into space, smartly executing the proper astronaut motions, punching little buttons, flipping tiny switches, and chewing our reconstituted orange drink. Then Old Dad spoiled it all.

"Did you turn off the water in the bathtub?" he asked.

"I thought you were going to do that," I shot back. "You know that astronauts are in charge of turning off the water, locking up the house, and leaving the porch light on. Astronauts are supposed to make sure the cats have enough food, make the bed, and turn on the dishwasher."

"And did you?" he said nastily.

"Did I what?"

"There was room for another couple of Mickey Mouse glasses. You know how I hate to run the dishwasher when it's only half full."

"And the cats? Did you feed the cats?"

"I left them a blank check and directions to the supermarket. My nails were still wet."

"How about the beds?"

"Well, sort of."

"Sort of?"

"I stuck all the pillows on my side of the bed and covered them up. That way, if there's a burglar, he'll think we're home, and that you just got out of bed to load the shotgun."

In the dream, Old Dad grabbed the spacecraft's steering mechanism, sped to Pluto, and kicked me out, leaving me to spend the rest of my days among packs of animated orange dogs who drooled a lot.

In real life, I awoke to find that the water line had burst and flooded the house. I did the only sensible thing: I shoved all the pillows onto my side of the bed, covered them, and pretended Old Dad was out loading the shotgun. I've heard what bandits plumbers can be.

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Happy Thanksgiving from McLean Variety

We will be partially closed Thursday, Friday & Saturday. If you need any decorations or etc., please feel free to call 779-2618. I will be more than happy to open for you!



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Quotable Quotes

You cannot build character by taking away a man's initiative and independence. You cannot help men permanently by doing for them what they could and should do for themselves.

Abraham Lincoln
It is true, the world is a stage. It is also true that a lot of folk's think it is "heavenly" to stand in the wings and harp.

John M. Cline

It is a chance that makes brothers, but hearts that make friends.

John S. Swift Co.

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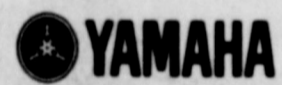
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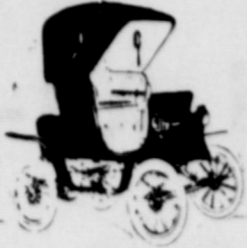
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DOWN MEMORY LANE

Compiled By Sam Haynes

10 YEARS AGO...
E. M. Bailey, Ed.
Visiting in the E. M. Bailey home over the weekend were Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Bailey and Allen of Plainview and Valerie Hill of Amarillo.
Rev. and Mrs. Herman W. Bell, Mr. and Mrs. Newt Barker and Mrs. Luther Petty attended Northfork Worker's Conference at Kelton Baptist Church Thursday night.

20 YEARS AGO...
Jack Shelton, Ed.
Bob Patton, playing his final game in a Tiger uniform, refused to let a broken arm bother him last Friday night, as he led McLean to a rousing 20-12 triumph over the arch-rival Lefors Pirates. The big, bruising tackle who switched to fullback for the last two contests of the season, counted every point the Tigers scored during the evening, and in addition personally carried for 236 of the local's 332 net yardage gain.
Members of the Fidelis class of the First

Baptist Church entertained their husbands at a dinner and 42 party Nov. 12 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Florey. Present were: Messrs. and Mesdames George Colebank, Boyd Reeves, Jim Stevens, Burette Kinard, F. E. Stewart, Homer Abbott and Leo Gibson; Mrs. Ross Collie, John Collie, Miss Marjorie Fowler and Mr. and Mrs. Florey.

Clifford, Clinton and Elton Wayne McPherson attended a Father-Son visitation at the Masonic Lodge in Clarendon last Thursday night with their uncle, Fred Johnston of Clarendon.

30 YEARS AGO...
Lester Campbell, Ed.
A pioneer couple of McLean observed their 50th wedding anniversary Wednesday of last week, and did their best to make little notice of the occasion. Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Morse are the couple, but friends and relatives insisted on calling on them during the day, and observance was climaxed by the carving of a beautiful wedding cake.

Martha Ellen Bogan and James Samuel Morse were united in marriage November 11, 1903, at Willow, Oklahoma.

Barbara Nell Wilson presented one of her music students, Betty Ruth Dilbeck, as the program for the regular Tuesday meeting of the McLean Lions Club. Betty Ruth, quite an able musician for her age, played three numbers on her accordion and two on the piano.

A birthday supper honoring Nadine Lee was given Sunday, November 15, in the home of her mother, Mrs. O.K. Lee. Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Warren Carter and family of Skellytown, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Street and son, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Lee, Mrs. Pearl Turner, Mrs. O.K. Lee and family, and the honoree.

40 YEARS AGO...
T.A. Landers, Ed.
Mr. and Mrs. I.D. Shaw, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Jenkins Shaw and son of Alanreed, made a business

trip to Clovis, New Mexico, the first of the week.

Mrs. Marvin Hindman and Mrs. S.A. Cousins visited their husbands at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, last week. Hindman is being sent to Camp Claiborne at Alexandria, La., and Cousins to Camp Wolters near Mineral Wells.

Sgt. E.J. Windon, Jr., who has been confined to a hospital somewhere in England for the past three weeks, is reported improving.

Tom Clark and family of Pampa visited relatives here last weekend.

50 YEARS AGO...
T.A. Landers, Ed.
E.L. Sitter has been appointed by Mayor C.J. Cash to the cemetery commission to succeed Rev. Jno H. Crow. Other members of the commission are Rev. W.A. Erin chairman, and T.A. Landers.

Rev. and Mrs. W.A. Erwin took luncheon with Mr. and Mrs. Mark Huselby, of Mobeetie

Tuesday.
News from Denworth-Vester Dowell, Ernest Dowell, Bun Copeland, Homer Quarles and R.L. Marshall attended the turkey dinner at the McLean Baptist Church Tuesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Dickenson and little daughter were Shamrock visitors Sunday.

60 YEARS AGO...
T.A. Landers, Ed.
The McLean girls won the basketball game played last Saturday on the local field against the Clarendon High school team with a score of 34 to 4.

Miss Frankie Mae Upham was a Clarendon visitor Sunday.

R.L. Harlan of Heald was in the city on business Wednesday.

Bailey Lakey of Northfork was a McLean visitor Monday.

Adv. Pal Pinto Crystals are a product of the Mineral Wells waters. Especially good for rheumatism, constipation, indigestion and kidneys... For sale by A.C. Huff.

Emment Thompson and family of Plainview school house were shopping in McLean Saturday.

Frank and Bollivar Linkey and Slavonia were in McLean Saturday.

70 YEARS AGO...
A.G. Richardson, Ed.
County court has been in session at Lefors this week and it is reported that a full docket is demanding its attention. Quite a few citizens from this place have been attending.

Justice Guill's court was in session at the Crabtree office Friday morning but there was no business of importance, as all of the cases were postponed to the next term with the exception of one in which the plaintiff took judgement by default.

At the regular meeting of the town council held on Friday afternoon last week it was decided to appoint an additional police officer to serve in the capacity of night watchman until after the holidays. This action was taken at the suggestion of some of the business men of the town who agreed to pay half of the salary of

such an officer as a means of protection against rowdyism during the period of national joy seeking. In view of the decision Jas. F. Heasley was given the appointment and he assumed his duties Saturday morning.

Prof. Taylor is this week conducting a singing school at the Back school house.

D.N. Massay received telegraphic work from

Marietta, Oklahoma, Saturday morning to the effect that one McGoff was held at the place by the county officers, having been arrested on advises from the local sheriff's department. He left Sunday on the noon train for the prisoner and placed him in jail at Amarillo to wait trial at the next term of the District court. McGoff was indicted by the recent grand jury upon a charge of seduction, and descriptions of him were sent out by Deputy Sheriff Massay with the result stated.

The Potpourri will be closed Nov. 24, 25, and 26. We hope everyone has a Happy Thanksgiving. Watch for our Open House Dec. 1, 2, and 3 with savings throughout the store. Cindi, Bob and family

Charles Herman Skipper, 72, Dies Nov. 17

Charles Herman Skipper, 72, died Nov. 17 at 7:50 a.m. in the Shamrock General Hospital. He was born Nov. 13, 1911 in Quail, and moved to McLean from Sudan in 1953. He married Betty Emory in Wellington,

December, 1962. Services were Saturday, in the First Baptist Church with Rev. Buell

Wells, pastor, officiating. Internment was in the Alanreed Cemetery. He was a farmer.

He is survived by his wife, Betty, of the home; one daughter, Sandra Bailey, McLean; four sons, Floyd of McLean, Loyd of Washington, Okla., Billy Joe and Charles (Pete), both of

McLean; his mother, Lucy Skipper of McLean; one brother, Milton, of Amarillo; two sisters, Lucille Elliot, Midland, and Nelly Houston of Dallas; and eight grandchildren.

Long-Time Alanreed Resident Dies Nov. 18

Gerald Edward Hessey, 65, died Nov. 18 at his home, eight miles north of Alanreed. Grave-side services were 3 p.m. Sunday at the Alanreed

Cemetery with Carl Baker, pastor of Alanreed Baptist Church officiating.

He was born Oct. 9, 1918 in Clarendon. He

had lived in Alanreed all his life. He graduated from Alanreed High School in 1938, and Draughn's Business College in 1941. He was a

farmer. He is survived by two brothers, Eugene of Alanreed, and Johnny of Amarillo; and one sister, Kitty Clyde, of McLean.

School Menu

BREAKFAST
FRIDAY, Nov 25
No School - Happy Thanksgiving
MONDAY, Nov 28
Corn Dogs W/ Mustard, Baked Beans, French Fries, Peanut Butter CHEWIES
TUESDAY, Nov 29
Roast Beef, Brown Gravy, Whole Kernel Corn, Mashed Potatoes, Hot Rolls W/ Honey & Butter

WEDNESDAY, 30
Spaghetti W/ Meat & Sauce, Tossed Salad, English Peas, Garlic Sticks, Fruit
LUNCH
MONDAY, Nov. 28
Pancakes, Bacon, Butter, Syrup, Juice, Milk
TUESDAY, Nov. 29
Hot Cereal, Toast Juice, Milk



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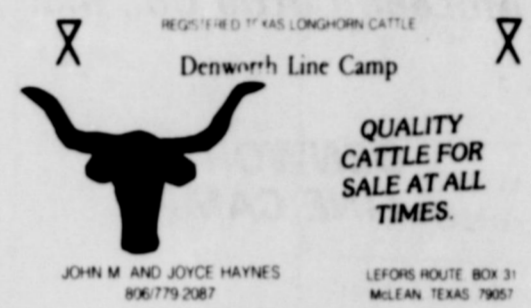
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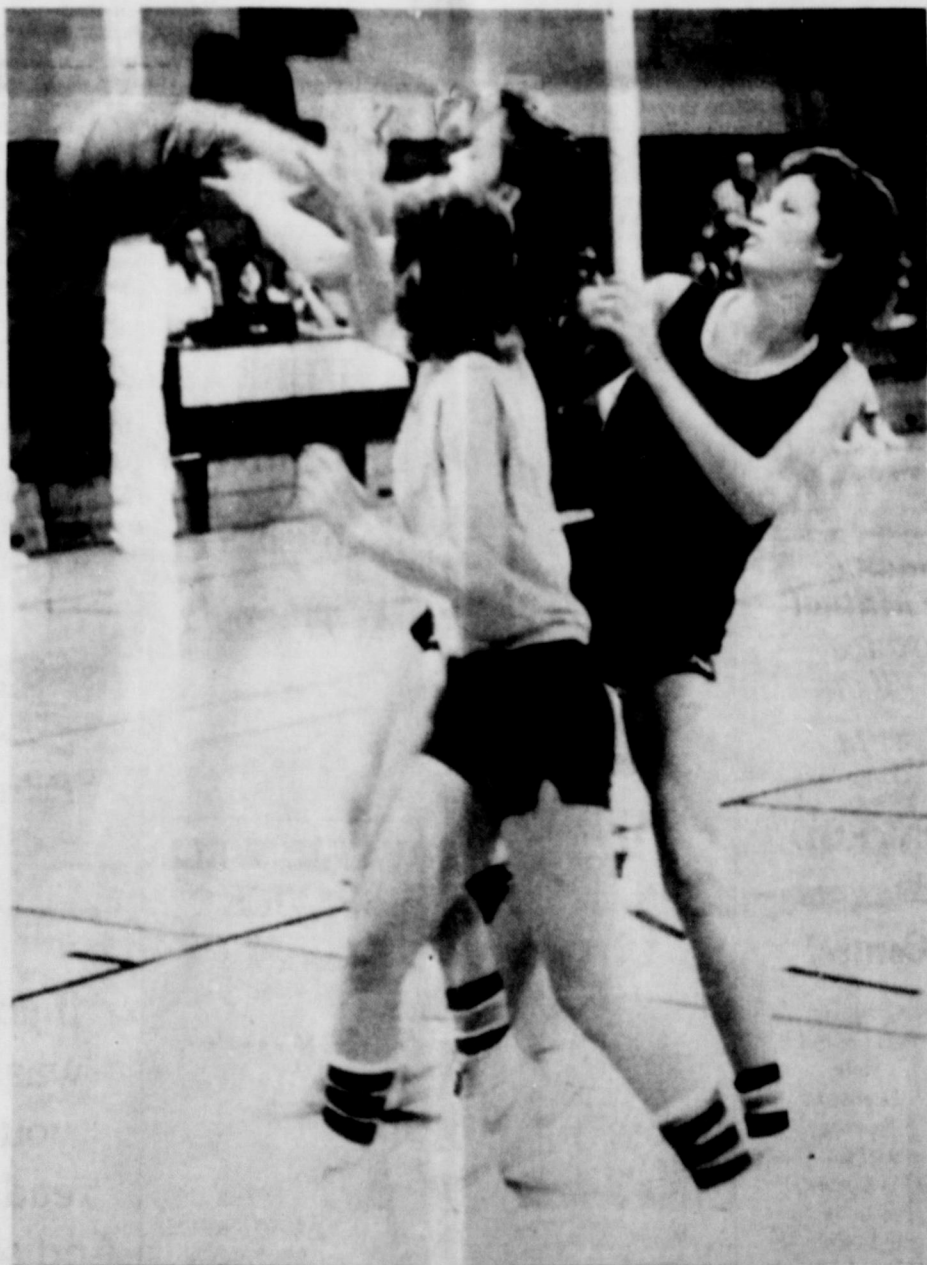
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TIGER SCOTT STUBBS makes two in Friday's scrimmage between McLean and Hedley. McLean won the match 36-33. [Photo By Kathy Carter]



GIVE ME THAT Ball!!! Tigerettes Melanie Billingsley & Candi Carpenter wrestle for the ball in the Tigerettes second scrimmage Friday. The Tigerettes defeated Hedley 55-40. [Photo By Kathy]

Tigers, Tigerettes Defeat Hedley Friday

McLean Tigers hung up their football uniforms and donned basketball suits Friday night to defeat Hedley 36-33. It was the first scrimmage of the season for the Tigers, and according to coach Jerry Cook, McLean showed a lot of potential.

"We'd had less than a week to prepare for the scrimmage, but I was pleased with the way our boys played," explained coach Cook.

Making up the Tiger varsity basketball team this year are Elson Rice, Darin Corley, Robert Swamer, Scott Stubbs, Gregg Mann, Darrell Myers, Martin Gately, Kirk Anderson, and Randall Wynn. Listed on the junior varsity are Jerry Money, Donnie Smith, Chet Bohler, Carl Sherman, Scott Setler, Darrin Johnson, Mark McCarty, Andrew Harris, Dan Fish, and Bill

Watkins. "Randall Wynn has not been able to get any playing time due to an arm injury, but we are hoping to have him back before much longer," said Cook. "Also Jerry Money, Donnie Smith, Chet Bohler and Darrin Johnson will be alternating between the varsity and junior varsity. This will give us some added depth, and will give them some valuable playing experience."

The Tigerettes also scrimmaged Hedley Friday night and defeated them 55-40.

McLean roundballers were scheduled to meet Briscoe here Tuesday night, but results from the matches were too late for press time. McLean's varsity girls and varsity boys will travel to Samnorwood Nov. 29 for the second game of the season. The girls game is scheduled to begin at 6:30.

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Gray County Project Included In 1983-84 Texas Program

A project in Gray County is included in the 1983-84 Texas Farm to Market Road program approved recently by the Texas State Highway and Public Transportation Commission.

Amarillo District Engineer A.L. McKee said the program provides \$435,600 to extend Ranch to Market Road 3302 from 4 miles south of State Highway 152 south 2.7 miles to the end of Ranch to Market Road 1474, 1.9 miles north and east of FM 1321.

The road currently is a graded county road.

The State Highway and Public Transportation Commission authorized construction of 194 miles of new farm to market roads statewide Wednesday. The action allows the highway department's 24 districts to

move forward with details concerning design and right of way acquisition for their respective farm to market road programs for the 1983-84 period.

Actual construction of the proposed roadways must await the accrual of necessary right of way which is the responsibility of local officials in the 64 counties where the 68 new projects have been authorized. That process often takes several years or more. Most of the projects involve upgrading existing county roads which have rapidly increasing traffic volumes.

The money for the new construction comes from the state's general fund and the \$50,250,500 is roughly the same budget as for previous years. A decrease in inflation in the last three years has

allowed the highway department to get more miles of work with its budget. During the highly inflationary 1979-80 budget period, the department authorized only about 60 miles of new farm to market construction per year. The current commission action allowing 97 miles per year is made possible by that decrease.

The increase is characterized by department officials as "catch-up" construction from the lean inflationary years. This increase is not nearly keeping up with the traffic volumes generated by rapidly developing Texas communities. At its monthly public hearing, the Commission listened to requests for highway projects by several Texas cities and to requests for

highway projects by several Texas cities and restated its inability to accommodate traffic needs with the current

State funding level. Earlier this month, Mark Goode, Engineer-Director for the State Department of Highways

and Public Transportation, announced several new measures to cope with the dwindling highway budget. Goode's

department has been authorized by Governor White to "borrow" up to \$22.9 million in Federal Funds from FY 1984

allocations. Goode has also cut maintenance services by five percent and is freezing purchase of new equipment.

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