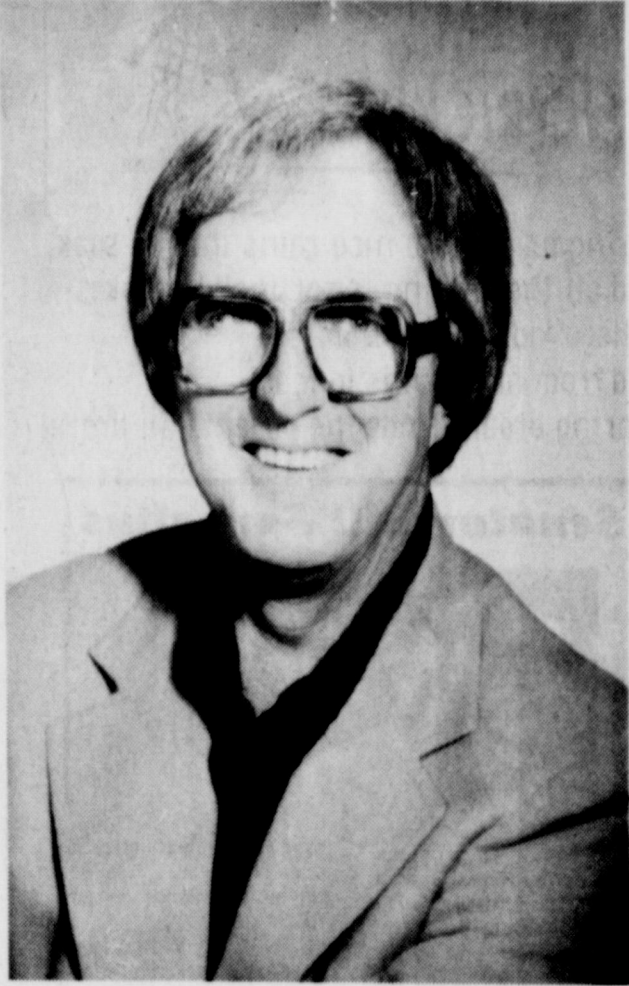


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Doug Manning Will Speak At Chamber Of Commerce Banquet Friday



DOUG MANNING

The first annual banquet of the newly-reorganized McLean Chamber of Commerce will be Friday night at the McLean Lions Club, beginning at 7 p.m.

Featured speaker for the banquet will be the Rev. Doug Manning of Hereford.

Chamber president Jim Barker will present the Citizen of the Year award at the conclusion of the festivities.

Nominated for the award were Ruth Magee, Jane Simpson, Jim McDonald, and Sam Haynes. Members of the Chamber voted on the award at their meeting last week, and winner will be revealed at the banquet.

The guest speaker for the evening is a nationally-known after-dinner speaker. He has spoken to students from Harvard, Yale, and the University of Mayland, Ohio State, University of Illinois, Oklahoma State, Oklahoma University, and many more. He has been the featured speaker at several national conferences of students.

He has a bachelor's degree in speech and English from Southwestern Oklahoma University in Weatherford, Okla., and has attended Hardin Simmons University and Oklahoma Baptist University. He was born and reared in Fred-

rick, Okla.

He has written a series of articles for the national student magazine in 1976-77 on preparation for marriage. He

has two new books in print, "A Minister Speaks ABOUT Funerals", and "Don't Take My Grief Away From Me", both written for the purpose of

helping people through the process of grief.

He also writes a humorous column for the newspapers entitled "The Penultimate

Word." In 1978, he was awarded first place by the National Press Association for his column.

Chamber members from Shamrock, Clarendon,

Wheeler, and other towns have been invited to the banquet.

Tickets may still be obtained from Lavern Back at the American National Bank.

City Council Discusses Dogs, Gas Lease, Water Rates

The McLean City Council discussed a dog pound, the search for a doctor, a gas lease, the summer water rates, and a council work session during their regular meeting Mar. 10.

Dr. David Woods discussed with the council requirements for a dog pound. Woods said that he would have to build a new pen to keep impounded dogs separate from his surgical patients. He said that he would like for the City to handle the reemption certificates and charge the fee, and that all dogs would have to be vaccinated before they could be released to their owner. Woods will investigate the price of pens and report back to the council on the cost.

Dr. Harold Fabian and Norman Knox, administrator of Highland General Hospital, appeared before the council to give them information concerning their search for another doctor for McLean. Knox

said that they had been in contact with several doctors but had received no firm commitments yet. Knox said that reopening McLean's Hospital would be a major project, but the Hospital Corporation of America was still investigating ways of reopening the facility.

Keith Hayhurst of Stahl Co. Drilling Company asked the council to sign a lease for the Biggie land which would give the company the right to drill for gas for a one-year period. The city would have a continuous option of buying all the production or just using the city's one-eighth. The council asked their attorney to look at the lease before signing it. The council met in special session Monday afternoon, and executed the lease.

The council voted to raise the mandatory retirement age for city employees from 65 to 70.

Housing Authority Board members were reappointed, and one new member was appointed. Members reappointed were Carey Don Smith, Mike Johnson, Johnnie Mertel, and Ted Simmons. New member appointed was Lavern Carter.

The council decided to keep the summer water rate as it was last year. The rate, which residents must sign up for in the city office, will begin in June, and will cost \$7.50 for

the first 20,000 gallons of water, and 45 cents for each 1,000 gallons over the minimum.

The council also decided to continue having their regular business meetings each second Tuesday, and to have a work and conference session the fourth Tuesday of each month.

The council also discussed replacing traffic signs, the reduction of the number of city

employees, and the replacement of traffic signs. No official action was taken.

Attending the session were Sam Haynes, mayor; council members Miro Pagan, Dale Glass, Boyd Meador, Ruth Magee, and George Terry; Keith Hayhurst of Stahl Co. Drilling; Dr. and Mrs. H.F. Fabian, Norman Knox of HCA, Charles Milam, city superintendent Bob Glenn, and city secretary Sheila Lee. Lee.

City Will Receive \$1,790 Tax Rebate

State Comptroller Bob Bullock Thursday said rebates of the optional one percent city sales tax this month total \$37.9 million.

The March payments will raise 1981 payments to date to more than \$162.5 million, up \$23.8 million over the first quarter totals last year.

McLean's check this month is \$1,790.50, compared to \$3,

429.19. However, even though the month's total is down, the total for the year is up 51 percent over last year, with the City receiving a total of \$7,621,466 this year, compared to \$5,038,444 in 1980.

Bullock said most cities received smaller payments month compared to March of last year because of a change in the agency's accounting

period and processing timetable but that generally 1981 payments to cities are running well ahead of the 1980 rebates for the first three months.

The city sales tax is collected along with the state tax by merchants and businesses and rebated monthly to the cities in which the tax is collected by the Comptroller.



For those of you who are making their vacation plans, we want you to know that the McLean High School Ex-Students reunion is set for June 19, 20, and 21. A time for visiting has been planned Friday night at the senior citizen center in McLean, and then registration will begin at the high school Saturday morning at 9 a.m., followed by a barbeque at the park, and class meetings that afternoon. The ex-students association is planning a dance for Saturday night.

This will also be the weekend of McLean's annual rodeo, so if you are a MHS ex, of just want to come back home and see some of your old friends, mark June 19, 20, and 21 on your calendar.

I am approaching tomorrow one of the hallmarks in any woman's life...my 40th birthday. I don't dread that 40th birthday, even though I know that it officially marks the beginning of middle age for me. The only time I was ever upset about a birthday was my 30th, and I cried all day, bawling my eyes out. However, life has a way of dealing with me, and that was the year that I came extremely close to losing my life, and the truth dawned on me what the alternate is to growing older.

So I am thankful to have reached my 40th birthday with no more scars from life than I carry.

In fact, I consider myself one of the luckiest of persons. Life has really dealt very kindly with me. I have been fortunate to have parents who loved me, children who love and respect me, and a loving and understanding husband who is my best friend, several true blue friends, and brothers and sisters who are healthy and caring.

Top all that with living in a town which has no crime, has pure air and good water, and the best people on earth...how could anyone be luckier?

Now, all that sounded brave and honest and sincere, didn't it? And I mean it, all of it, just please don't say anything about middle-aged, or 40, or See Distaff page 2



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McLean May Have Rail Service Again

According to an Associated Press story from Oklahoma City, McLean may soon have rail service again. According to the story the Santa Fe Railway and the Missouri, Kansas and Texas line have reached a tentative agreement for joint operation of the old Rock Island line from Amarillo to Memphis, Tenn., which would include the line through McLean.

Spokesmen for Santa Fe said more talks are slated later this month concerning the railroad.

Under the new proposal, according to a story in the Amarillo Daily News, the Katy would continue to handle shipments between El Reno, Okla., to Memphis, and the Santa Fe would operate through trains between Amarillo and Memphis and would handle local service between Amarillo and Elk City, Okla.

James Townsend, rail planning director for the Oklahoma State Department of Transportation, said the three states (Oklahoma, Texas, and Arkansas) are prepared to offer \$100 million to acquire and improve the old Rock Island line from Amarillo to Memphis.

According to the wire service story, the Santa Fe and Katy reached "an unpublished verbal agreement" on the deal earlier this month.

County Show Winners Named

Members of Gray County 4-H and Future Farmers of America clubs showed their livestock at the Gray County Junior Livestock Show, sponsored by the Pampa Noon Lions Club in Pampa Saturday.

The Junior Livestock show precedes the Top O' Texas Stock Show which began Sunday.

Among winners from McLean were Robin Rohde, who won reserve champion in the heavy weight other pure breed division (hogs); Greg Gable, who won grand champion Lamb; Greg Gable, breed champion in the heavy weight Suffolk lamb division; Stacie Smith, fine wool lambs breed champion; and Robin Rohde, reserve champion steer.

Two Candidates Sign In Alanreed

Two candidates have signed up for two places on the Alanreed School Board. Ed Seiler and R.D. McLean are the candidates for the two positions. The election is scheduled for April 4.



Spring Begins Saturday

THE FRUIT TREES and the spring flowers are in bloom early this year, but springtime does not officially start until Saturday. (Photo by Linda Haynes)

MHS Honor Roll Announced

The names of students listed on the honor roll for the fourth six weeks at McLean High School were released this week by principal Ron Cummings.

Listed on the 90 and above roll were seniors Jo Ann Durham, Jamie Glass, Teresa Killham, and Mike Lane; junior Terri Glass; and freshmen Allen Patman, Terri Pipes and Bryan Smitherman.

Listed on the 80 and above roll were seniors Lee Acy, Darla Brewer, Phyllis Crutch-

Fireman Control Housefire

McLean Volunteer firemen answered a call Tuesday morning at 4:55 a.m. at 203 Cypress street to the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Gray-

er, Rozanna Eck, Brett Simmons, and Rhonda Woods; juniors Missy Billingsley, Susie Billingsley, April Bryant, Rene Conner, Nora Gately, Cindy Glass, Donna McAnear, Leslie Skipper, Pete Skipper, and Theron Stubbs; sophomores Dale Glenn Gipson, Debbie Hutchison, John Jones, Robbin Skinner, and Teresa Woods; and freshmen DeWayne Adamson, Don Bode, Darin Corley, Maria Eck, Doyle Lee, Kevin McDowell, and Craig Morris.

Fire Control Housefire

A fire, which started in the bathroom and spread to the attic and the roof of the

Rodeo Club Competes At River Road

The McLean High School Rodeo Club participated in the River Road Tri-State High School Rodeo last weekend, and Greg Gable brought home a second place in calf roping with a 9.7, a second place in ribbon roping with a 7.8 and a fourth place in steer wrestling.

The group will go to Canyon this weekend for another TSHSRA rodeo.

Judge Says 'No!'

Gray County Judge Carl Kennedy informed Paul and Neal Middleton Tuesday that because of the response from the citizens of McLean that he would be opposed to their obtaining a license for a private club near the city limits of McLean.

Kennedy said that he had received 244 letters opposing the license, and 19 letters in favor of the move. "I see no other way to determine the will of the people in this instance," Kennedy told The McLean News. "We wanted to give an opinion that would reflect the wishes of the people of McLean."

The issue was raised earlier this month when the Middletons began considering opening a private club in the gift shop section of their business, the Dixie Restaurant. According to Texas law, the Middle-

ton's would have to apply to the Alcohol Control Board for a license to operate a private club. The board contacts

county officials, and if any official is opposed, then the board could call for a hearing on the matter. The Middletons wanted to find out what the county officials thought before going to the expense of applying for the license.

County sheriff Rufe Jordan informed the McLean men that he would oppose the license on the grounds that McLean was a dry precinct. County attorney Robert McPherson told the Middletons that he would not oppose the move.

It was left to the county judge to make a decision, and Kennedy asked that the Middletons request the citizens of McLean to write to him giving their opinion about the matter.

The judge said that most of the letters he received opposing the license were form letters there were several names of

Neal Middleton said that there were several names of people who had told him they wrote to the judge in favor of the license which were not listed among the 19 in favor of the move. Kennedy said that he received Middleton's own letter early Tuesday morning, and also received three letters opposing the license that day.

Middleton told The McLean News that among the missing letters were ones from his employees and his family. Kennedy said that he had no explanation for the missing letters, but that unless there were a large number of missing letters, his decision would be no different.

McLean Track Teams Place Second At Lefors

The McLean High School boys and girls track teams brought home two second-place wins in the Lefors Track Meet last Saturday. The boys scored 91 points for second, with Booker taking first with 148 points. The McLean girls scored 102 points for second, with Booker scoring 139 for first, and Lefors scoring 71 for third.

In individual events, McLean's sprint relay (boys) won third with a time of 48.6. Running on the relay were Tim Killham, Dusty Sanders, Terry Todd, and Dudley Reynolds. In the two-mile run, McLean's Mike Lane won second place. In the 120 high hurdles, Tim Killham was second with a time of 16.5. In the 100-yard dash, Dusty Sanders was third with a time of 12.1, and Terry Todd was fourth.

In the 440-yard run, Dudley Reynolds was second with a 58.1 in the mile-run, Bill Corley of McLean was second with a 5:33.0 and Tim Hembree was fifth. In the 800-yard run, Bobby Sprinkles was fourth and Bill Corley was fifth.

In the mile relay, McLean ran third with a time of 4:03.4. Running on the relay team were Tim Killham, Terry Todd, Mike Lane, and Dudley Reynolds.

In the long jump Tim Killham was fourth, and Terry Todd was sixth. In the high jump, Mike Lane was third with a distance of 5.8. In the pole vault, Tim Killham was first with a distance of 10-3, and Mike Lane was third with a 9-3.

In the girls division, McLean won the sprint relay with a time of 53.8. Running on both the sprint relay and the 880-

relay were Maria Eck, Tammy Killham, Donna McAnear, and Leslie Skipper. The 880-relay was second with a time of 1:56.6.

In the two-mile run Rhonda Herndon was first. In the 100 yard low hurdles Donna McAnear was first with a time of 17.2. In the 100 meter run, Maria Eck was second with 13.6. In the mile relay McLean was second with a time of 5:07.5. Running on the mile relay were Rhonda Herndon, Vonda Heasley, Sharla Todd, and Tammy Killham.

In the triple jump, Leslie Skipper won fourth, and Maria Eck won fifth. In the long jump, Leslie Skipper won second and Donna McAnear was fifth. In the high jump, Leslie Skipper was second.

The Tigers and Tigerettes travel to Groom Saturday for a track meet there.

Cowboy Randy White To Speak At Pampa

Randy White, all-pro defensive tackle for the Dallas Cowboys, will be speaking in Pampa Tuesday, March 31, M.K. Brown Auditorium, according to officials of the Pampa High School Choir Boosters Club.

The program, entitled, "An evening with Randy White," will also provide an opportunity for area citizens to hear the high school choirs perform several numbers, according to Billy Talley, PHS choir director.

Proceeds from the event will be used to assist in financing the Concert Choir's in the AstroWorld Choral Festival in Houston in April.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Fraser, in charge of financial activities for the booster club, said tickets may be purchased from any member of the booster club, from choir members or at Fraser Insurance, 114 W. Kingsmill, or from Bobbie Combs at the Pampa News. Tickets are \$7.50 each.

A sell-out crowd is expected to hear White, selected as most valuable player, along with tackle Harvey Martin, at Super Bowl XII. White will be speaking about the Dallas Cowboys, his experiences in football and will conduct a question-answer period at the conclusion of his talk. This program will begin at 8 p.m.



RANDY WHITE

OPINIONS

VIEWS ARE WRITTEN BY LINDA HAYNES, UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED - IF YOU HAVE AN OPINION ON ANY CURRENT SUBJECT WE WELCOME YOUR SIGNED LETTERS.

A Perplexing Problem

The primary reason to study history is to learn from the mistakes of the past. It would probably be a good idea for modern-day Texas ranchers and farmers to go back and look at what slavery did to Southern culture in the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries. Philosophers and writers have spent the decades since the Civil War trying to understand how slavery polluted the South and destroyed the slave-owners.

The great Southern writers like William Faulkner wrote on the theme that the white plantation owners who exploited the blacks caused irreparable harm to their own souls because they built their fortunes, their livelihood, and their entire way of life on the suffering of the slaves.

Texas are in danger of falling into the same economic trap that ensnared the plantation owner of 200 years ago. That is, ranchers and farmers are facing extremely perilous times economically, and many people in agriculture will lose their land and their way of life unless they find a way to cut costs and still get the work done. That solution, for many ranchers, has been to employ illegal aliens or "wetbacks" coming across the river from Mexico.

The problem is growing more complex every day, with good men on both sides of the question arguing about what is right and what is wrong.

The Mexicans are fleeing unbearable poverty in their own country, and are willing to work in Texas for pittance. At even extremely low wages by U.S. standards, the illegals are making many times what they could back home. Many ranchers argue that they are helping the aliens to have a better way of life.

And some of the ranchers care for their aliens in a very humane way by providing adequate housing, good food, and medical care.

And then there are those that we hear stories about...those who work a group of "wetbacks" for a month, and when payday comes, the rancher calls the Border Patrol and says he has located illegal aliens. The patrol picks up the aliens, takes them back across the border, and the rancher goes out and hires another group of desperate people to work, repeating the cycle over and over, never having to pay.

Although no one wants to talk about it, even McLean's farmers and ranchers are using the "wetbacks."

The people in south Texas have faced this problem for many years, and I do not believe that anyone has come up with a workable solution yet.

However, the problem should be discussed and the consequences of encouraging the presence of these illegals should be faced. I don't believe we will ever have a Civil War in Texas but it is very possible that by keeping quiet and allowing our fellow citizens to import and use illegal aliens, we may be presiding at the funeral of our way of life as we know it.

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Deaths

CHRIS W. KIRK

Chris Wade Kirk, 6-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Wade Kirk, died Tuesday in Fort Worth.

Graveside services were Friday afternoon at 2 p.m. in Hillcrest Cemetery with Jay Farber of El Reno, Okla. officiating.

The child was born in Pampa and attended the State School in Fort Worth.

Survivors in addition to his parents include his grandparents, Mrs. Erma Franks of Tulsa and Mrs. Freda Kirk of Sayre, Okla.

MARIE ROUNTREE

Marie Rountree, 85, died Thursday.

Services were Friday afternoon in Samnorwood Baptist Church with the Rev. C.R. Hanks, pastor of Dozier Methodist Church, and the Rev. Rick Smith, Samnorwood officiating.

She was born in Pampa, Ohio, moved to Collingsworth County 34 years ago from Pampa.

She was a member of Samnorwood Baptist Church. She was an artist, a teacher of art and ceramic classes.

She married Earnest Rountree in 1948 in Wellington. He died in 1977.

Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Mildred Rhoten of McLean; a son, Everett J. Robison of Tahlequah, Okla.; a sister, Mrs. Mary Geiner of Canyon; five grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren and four great-great grandchildren.

MARY KATHERINE TURNER

Mary Katherine Turner, 90, died at 5:30 p.m. Sunday at Thomas Nursing Center.

She was born Sept. 16, 1890 in Strawberry, Ark., and moved to the McLean area in 1917.

She married Amos Edgar Turner in Strawberry Dec. 8, 1906. He died in 1961.

She was a member of the Methodist Church. Services were at First United Methodist Church at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday with the Rev. Joe Walker officiating.

She is survived by seven sons: Alonzo and Bill of Pampa, Rush and Vernon of McLean, Ivan and Joe of Amarillo, and Ed of Luder; one daughter, Mrs. Auna Barnes of Frith, 22 grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren and 3 great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by two daughters.

DISTAFF

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wrinkles, or being over the hill for a few days, please. I seem to have this alarming tendency to cry whenever those things are mentioned.

As I was cleaning out a cabinet the other day, I found this clipping. I don't know where it came from, or what paper it appeared in, but with all the talk about Reagan's budget cutting, I thought you might enjoy it.

HYMN TO THE WELFARE STATE

The government is my shepherd, therefore, I shall not work.

It alloweth me to lie down on a good job.

It leadeth me beside still factories, it destroys my initiative.

It leadeth me in the path of a parasite for political's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of laziness and deficit spending,

I will fear no evil for the government is with me.

It prepareth an economic utopia for my appropriating the earnings of my own grandchildren.

It filleth my heart with false security.

My inefficiently runneth over.

Surely the government should care for me all the days of my life.

And I shall dwell in a fool's paradise forever.

Jim Barker is working on the ex-students reunion, and he needs the address of Judy Saunders Organ and Lenda Patterson from the class of 1970. If you have either of these addresses, please write to Jim at Box 614, McLean, or call 779-2703.

Senator Lloyd Bentsen Watching Washington



capitol comments

Teachers will be interested to know the Education Committee passed out their appropriation recommendation to the Appropriation Committee. Here are their recommendations. This does not include the built in step increase. For pay grades seven, eight and nine—8.5 percent increase the 1st year and 6.8 percent the 2nd year. This would give between 26-27 percent increase for the two-year period when the step increase is considered. For pay grades 1-6 and 10-18, a 6.8 percent increase per year. With the step increases added, this would mean about a 25 percent increase over the two-year period. Keep in mind this is not final, only a figure for the consideration of the Appropriation Committee and the House to start the debate.

In my opinion, passing an additional bill for insurance benefits will be tough sledding. The reason? Many teachers are now insured under their regular family plan. Since one cannot collect double benefits, much of the cost of providing an insurance program would be a big subsidy to the insurance companies. Many legislators feel anything to be considered for insurance should be better spent on salary increases.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE

A bill was passed in both Houses this week that will cut out many of the abuses that have been in existence for the past several years in the area of unemployment insurance. Many people have been abusing the system and this causes the employers insurance to be hiked. This bill will be a much needed improvement.

UNION DUES CHECKOFF

On Wednesday, the House passed Senate Bill No. 118 which will prohibit any state agency from making a dues checkoff for any union or association dues. There are about 4,500 State employees that are AFL-CIO members.

PRISON APPROPRIATIONS

The House passed a bill today that appropriated \$35 million for the purpose of building additional prisons. Governor Clements vetoed this legislation last year. The liberal members of the House chided the Governor for vetoing the same legislation two years ago when the request was for \$24 million to build the same system.



The genuine mandrake grows only grows around the Mediterranean Sea and in the Himalayas.

LINES by LEM O'RICKK



Spring brings the nice rains that do soak,
 And all the "spring is sprung" bad jokes;
 College kids are all home,
 And from mountains to foam;
 "Spring break" finds the parents all broke!

Senator Bill Sarpalius Reports



AUSTIN -- One of the more controversial issues facing Texas this legislative session is products liability. Manufacturers and businesses have lined up against consumer groups, with the Legislature and the ordinary person caught in the middle. The reaction to what many consider a serious problem—the growing number of products liability lawsuits—is S. B. 511. This bill has the support of nearly every business group in the state. When it went through the Senate Economic Development Committee, every Senator except one voted for it. That lone dissenter was your Senator.

The bill would have made it nearly impossible for an injured consumer to sue the manufacturer, seller, or distributor of a defective and dangerous product in many cases. If the product were six years old, the suit would be barred completely. That means if your 1975 automobile blew up and burned you, you could not sue. If you worked in a factory and were exposed for a long period of time to a cancer-causing agent or to asbestos poisoning, you could not sue. The fact that you suffered horrible injuries or illness would not help your case.

We presented amendments to the bill to lengthen the six-year period to ten years. Our amendments also would give a right to recovery to someone who suffered from a disease like asbestos poisoning. We feel this is very important because in many cases the injured person would not know there was something wrong with him until six years had passed. Many of these diseases take a long time to show themselves.

One of the favorite catch words we hear around the Capitol is "free enterprise." We believe in real free enterprise, and for good rea-

son. But free enterprise does not mean a free ride for business or for consumers.

S. B. 511, in its original form, was a reaction in one direction. It went too far in that direction. The probable result of that overreaction, a few years down the road, is an overreaction in the other direction. This backlash could take the form of a products liability pool, standards for products set by the government, or even a government agency to oversee manufacture.

Responsible government stays away from a wild swing in one direction followed by a wild swing in the other direction. That is disruptive to business and to the economy in general. That is why the original bill was unacceptable, and why we proposed to amend it.

We want to hear your thoughts and ideas on products liability or on any other subject. Please write to Senator Bill Sarpalius, Post Office Box 12068, Austin, Texas 78711.

FIRE

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 nome, was brought under control by the firemen.

Fire chief Jim McDonald said that smoke, heat, and water had done extensive damage to the rest of the house.

The fire was reported by the Graybeal's son.

No cause of the fire had been determined at press time, and no estimate of damage was available.



COW POKES

By Ace Reid



"Naw, he ain't a wild man, just a Democrat that lost in election!"

"COWPOKES" IS BROUGHT TO YOU BY THE FRIENDLY FOLKS AT American National Bank in McLean





A Sure Sign Of Spring

ONE OF THE FIRST harbingers of spring, blooming daffodils and jonquils, came out in McLean this year before the calendar said that spring was here. [Photo by Linda Haynes]

Stooksberry, Seth Engagement Announced

Mr. and Mrs. Bill G. Stooksberry of Wilcox, Ariz., formerly of McLean, are announcing the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Melba to Terry Seth, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Seth of Midland.

Miss Stooksberry is a graduate of McLean High School and holds a bachelor of Science degree from West Texas State University in Canyon. She is presently employed as a special education teacher in the Midland Independent School District.

Seth is a graduate of Robert Lee High School of Midland. He has a bachelor of arts degree from the University of Texas. He is presently employed with the Midland YMCA as community program director.

Fourth Graders Will Play In Tournament

McLean's fourth graders will participate in the Hedley Pee-Wee Tournament March 19, 20, and 21 at Hedley. The tournament is a fund-raising benefit for Mellisa Guthrie, a 1978 graduate of Quail schools. Miss Guthrie was stricken with bone cancer when she was in the fifth grade, and part of her facial structure was removed. She is now a student at Hardin-Sim-

mons University, majoring in education, and will undergo reconstructive surgery in the near future. The schedule for McLean's participation will be as follows: Boys: Thursday, McLean vs. Hedley, 6 p.m.; Friday, McLean vs. Samnorwood, 5 p.m.; and Saturday, McLean vs. Hedley, 7 p.m. Girls: Thursday, McLean vs. Wellington, 6 p.m.; Friday, McLean vs. Samnorwood, 4 p.m.; and Saturday, McLean vs. Hedley, 6 p.m.

Boys: Thursday, McLean vs. Wellington, 7 p.m.; Friday, McLean vs. Samnorwood, 5 p.m.; and Saturday, McLean vs. Hedley, 7 p.m.

"Behind an able man there are always other able men." Chinese Proverb

'Look Up' To Energy Savings

Consumers today look in every nook and cranny to find ways to save money and energy. In the home, they should look up, where the installation of a ceiling fan can save them as much as 30 percent on air conditioning and help reduce heating bills.

According to Emerson Environmental Products, the world's largest volume producer of ceiling fans, installation of the Emerson Casablanca® fan can save energy dollars all year, while adding a dis-



Many families today purchase three or four energy-saving ceiling fans per home for use in living rooms, bedrooms, kitchens, game rooms and porch areas.

tinctive, decorative touch to the home.

Ceiling fans offer significant advantages in the summer. The fans generate refreshing breezes that can make 82 degrees feel like 75. Homeowners and apartment dwellers will find themselves using air conditioners less often, and in some cases, not at all.

In the winter, when warm air rises and hangs in layers along the ceiling, a ceiling fan will gently pull trapped air downward, tending to equalize floor-to-ceiling temperatures. Savings may be even more significant where there are high ceilings. Families can spend less time boosting their thermostats and more time enjoying their energy-efficiency in comfort.

The ability to control individual "comfort zones" is another attraction of the ceiling fan. Rooms can be regulated individually for temperature control as needed, saving precious energy compared to heating and cooling an entire house from one source. In fact, many families today purchase three or four models per home for use in bedrooms, kitchens, game rooms, living rooms and porch areas.

Using less power than a 100-watt lightbulb, Emerson fans feature energy-efficient, direct-drive motors that economize on power consumption yet maximize on efficiency in operation.

McLEAN BRIEFS

Randy Curry, son of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Curry, has recently been named director of civil defense in Stroud, Okla. He is a pharmacist in Stroud.

Mr. and Mrs. Crisp had their granddaughter, Marilyn Carter from Dallas visiting for a few days.

Cathy Danner, Babe Brown and Louise Johnson were in Pampa on Saturday - just messing around.

Ramah Lou Lankford, Emily Rippy and Micky Jackson were in Pampa on Monday.

Morse Haynes of Lubbock and Sam D. Haynes of Canyon are spending this week with their parents Johnny and Joyce Haynes. Dane Kerns of Perryton has also been visiting the Hayneses.

Thurman Trew made a business trip to Clarendon Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lynn McMullen and Steven of Sand Springs, Okla. spent several days with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Roy McMullen and his sister, Mrs. Gerald Tate and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Odell Mantooth visited his mother in Weatherford, Okla. last Wednesday and Thursday.

Eva Peabody and Lavern Carter were in Pampa Wednesday.

Mary Powell was in Shamrock Thursday for dental treatment.

Mrs. Fern Boyd visited her sister, Mrs. Sherman White in Pampa last Wednesday and Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. R.T. Wood of Lake Tanglewood visited friends here last Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Trew attended funeral services for her aunt, Mrs. Olivia Oldham in Canyon on Tuesday.

Mrs. C.B. Peabody and Mrs. W.G. Carter were in Amarillo Sunday to visit their sister and Aunt, Ruby Blackman who is a patient in St. Anthony Hospital.

Mrs. Ruth Trew returned home Monday. She had been in Newman Hospital, Shattuck, Okla. following being involved in a car accident on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Crockett of Hereford spent the weekend with their parents Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Crockett.

John Bayless of Borger was in McLean Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Smith of Lefors were here on business Monday.

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Lavern Carter attended the Panhandle Relays last Friday and Saturday. Granddaughter Telena ran in the 1 and 2 mile and came in 3rd and 2nd.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Lester and Loree Barker visited their brother, Henry Kinard in Dal-

hart last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy McMullen were in New Mexico a few days last week.

Helen Simmons is in Borger visiting with the John Bayless family and Oma Abbott.

Pauline Miller and Verna Hudgins were in Elk City, Okla. on business Monday.

Helen Glass of Clarendon visited with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Glass and Mr. and Mrs. Ted Glass last Thursday.

Ramah Lou Lankford, Micky and Tracy Jackson accompanied by Lauren Lankford of Amarillo were in Shamrock Saturday.

Virginia Tate was in Weatherford on business last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Cook of Shamrock spent Sunday with Myrtle Phillips.

Mrs. Emme Norman and children, Elizabeth, Rebecca and William of Abilene are spending this week with their mother and grandmother, Mrs. Vivian Grigsby. They all visited in the Jimmy Don Morris home in Dumas on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ott Davis were in Pampa on business, and visiting Monday.

Mrs. Betty McCurley has been visiting her sister in law and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. O.C. Allen and with other relatives in Crowell.

Among those attending the Top O' Texas Junior Livestock Show were: Mr. and Mrs. J.C. McAnear, Mr. and Mrs. K.W. Hambright, Mr. and Mrs. Bob McDowell, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Tate, Mr. and Mrs. David Woods, Mr. and Mrs. Tony Smitherman, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Houdyshell, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wynn, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Billingsley, Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Hess, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Allison, Mr. and Mrs. Clay Gabel, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Coleman, Mr. and Mrs. Roy McMullen, Mr. and Mrs. O.O. Tate, and Nona Mann, Jan Johnson, Opal Allison, Joyce Eck, Laverne Brooks, Toni Helton and Zack, Francis Kennedy, Cheryl Smith, Lavern Carter, Mary Ann Rice, Louise Johnson, Beth Smitherman, Jamie Trew, Diane McAnear, F.J. Hess, David Tolleson, Joe Mercer, and Johnny Carpenter.

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Stubbs, Morris Engagement Announced

Mr. and Mrs. Burl Stubbs are announcing the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter Robin to Mark Morris, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Morris. Miss Stubbs is a 1980 graduate of McLean High School. She is employed by Lamb's Flowers. Morris will graduate from McLean High School in May. He is employed by McLean Cattle Co.

Local Man To Speak

J. Boyd Smith will give his testimony concerning his conversion at the Pentecostal Holiness Church Sunday evening, with services beginning at 7 p.m.

The pastor, Rev. Archie Cooper, invites the public to this service at the church at 603 N. Commerce.

Professors bring creative techniques to Tarleton classes

STEPHENVILLE — Teachers at Tarleton State University say they are using innovative but effective new techniques to reach students.

Dr. Donald Zelman, assistant professor of social science, has each class research, write and present a play on historical topics with students portraying historical characters set in actual events.

Sue Eddings, assistant professor of English, routinely has students bring a small object to class and write a descriptive definition of the object.

Math teacher Dr. Timothy Flinn said he has received favorable comments from his technique of allowing students to pick which problems they will work for the semester.

The problems are weighed for credit in terms of their relative difficulty, but students are not aware what rating any one problem has.

Methods used by Tarleton faculty surfaced recently in a report to a "quality in teaching" conference held at Texas A&M University. Tarleton is part of the Texas A&M University System.



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In The Kitchen

by Linda Haynes



With more and more women taking jobs outside the home, the business of preparing meals has got to be quick and efficient. Like most working wives, I have a whole collection of favorites that can be prepared in just a few minutes between work and ballgames, church, night classes, or other nighttime activities. Probably our favorite super fast supper is canned salmon, flaked and sprinkled with vinegar, slices of cheddar cheese, crackers, and cold crisp dill pickle spears.

But if you need something a little more substantial for your family, you might try one of these recipes.

HOT SPINACH SALAD
Open a can of spinach; heat in microwave or on top of stove. Add 1 hard-cooked egg, finely chopped; a sprinkle of onion flakes, 1/4 tsp. dry mustard; 1/4 tsp. salt; 1/4 tsp. pepper; 1 tablespoon salad oil; 3 tablespoons red wine vinegar. Serve hot.

BROWNE POTATOES
Drain 2 cans (about 1 lb. each) small new potatoes and saute in melted butter until lightly browned. Makes 6 servings.

MONTEREY ENCHILADAS
3 tablespoons salad oil
2 large onions, thinly sliced
2 large green peppers, seeded and chopped
salt
2 cups (1 pt.) sour cream
2 cans (10 oz. each) enchilada sauce
1 package of 12 corn tortillas
1 pound soft monterey jack cheese, cut in thick strips
2 cups shredded Cheddar cheese.

Heat oil in a wide frying pan and add onions and peppers; cook until vegetables are soft. Season with salt to taste. Turn mixture into a smaller container and set aside. In the

frying pan blend sour cream and enchilada sauce and heat, stirring just until simmering. Remove from heat. Dip a tortilla in sauce and let stand for a few seconds to soften. Place tortilla in a shallow baking dish, and spoon about 1/12 of the onion mixture across the center and top it with about 1/12 of the jack cheese. Fold tortilla around filling. Repeat this procedure until all tortillas are filled, and arrange them close together in the dish. Ladle remaining sauce over casserole and sprinkle the tortillas evenly with Cheddar cheese. Bake in moderately hot oven (375) for 20 to 25 minutes, or just until cheese inside enchiladas is melted. Makes 6 servings.

Engineer's book advocates changes in home environment

COLLEGE STATION — The bathtub—unchanged in 50 years—is too short, too narrow and too low and toilet seats should be redesigned to be more comfortable, claims a human factors engineer.

A new textbook by R. Dale Huchingson takes a questioning look at devices and machines that are supposedly people-oriented but don't quite measure up.

"The book advocates that we think critically of the world," said Huchingson, professor in Texas A&M's Industrial Engineering Department. "Americans grew taller by four tenths of an inch per decade to 1970, our last reliable figure. Engineers and others in design must take these factors into consideration."

The book contains sections on aerospace, surface transportation, communications and data processing systems, as well as industrial systems and the environment.

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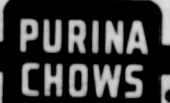
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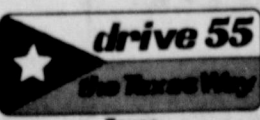


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RUSS TAMBLYN

Russ Tamblyn Is Appearing In Amarillo

Motion picture star Russ Tamblyn is currently in Amarillo to appear at Country Squire Dinner Theatre in the comedy hit *Here Lies Jeremy Troy*, with performances through April 11.

Russ Tamblyn became famous through his acting and dancing talents in such musicals as *Seven Brides for Seven Brothers* and *West Side Story*.

Other movie roles include *Samson and Delilah* (in which he was the young King Saul), *The Kid from Cleveland*, *Re-*

treat Hell, Father of the Bride, and *Father's Little Dividend*, in which he played Elizabeth Taylor's brother.

MGM musicals include *Hit the Deck* (opposite Debbie Reynolds), *The Wonderful World of the Brothers Grimm*, and the title role in *Tom Thumb*.

In 1958, Russ was nominated for an Academy Award for his performance in *Peyton Place*.

On television, Russ Tamblyn danced on the *Ed Sullivan Show* and *Kraft Music Hall*, among others. He danced with

Leslie Caron in a Royal Command Performance at the London Palladium.

Currently he is co-starring with Dean Stockwell and Dennis Hopper in a musical comedy, *The Human Highway*, scheduled to be released this year.

Here Lies Jeremy Troy, starring Russ Tamblyn will run nightly except Mondays at Country Squire, 1-40 at Grand in Amarillo. Buffet food service begins at 6:30 p.m., with performance time at 8:15 p.m.

LIBRARY NOTES

by Sam Haynes

Give Us This Day Our Daily Bread

Colleen Townsend Evans
A marvelous book, which will be as timely 100 years from now as it is today, has been written by the author of other successful and pertinent books such as "Vine Life," "Teaching Your Child To Pray," "Love is an Everyday Thing," and "A New Joy."
"Give Us This Day Our Daily Bread" points up the fact that most people pray only during times of crisis, or when we want something badly, and forget our communication with God when times are good with few problems.

Mrs. Evans shows in this publication by personal examples as well as biblical teachings, that we shouldn't consider any problem too small and insignificant for prayer, and she expertly points out that when we ask for what we need, we should also ask how best to use what we

are asking for in order to share our blessings in a truly Christian manner.

This excellent book will not only teach you how to pray, but shows us not to pray for flashy miracles, and to concentrate on the necessities of life including spiritual necessities which show how to better live in harmony with our fellow man.

This book should be mandatory reading for all those who profess to be Christian, and could be the thing to lead others toward a Christian life.

Mrs. Evans shows in exemplary style and thought-provoking fashion that prayer should be a part of every thing we do, and a sustaining force which will make all of us better men and women and greater positive influences on our fellow man.

"Give Us This Day Our Daily Bread" is now available at Lovett Memorial Library.

Nursing Center News

Thomas Nursing Center welcomes back Mrs. Dona Sullivan from Shamrock.

Our deepest sympathy to the family of Mrs. Mary Turner, who passed away Sunday, March 15, here at the Nursing Center.

We have some new crafts we are starting this week. Some of our residents are kept busy making more of the things they've been working on, because we have a lot of orders to fill. We want to say a special thanks to John Holland. John spent hours cutting semi-trailer trucks out of wood for our men to finish.

Thanks also to Greta Thompson, Wheeler, for the brand new card table. We are really putting it to use.

Sunday, members of the Methodist Church were here to conduct church services for the residents.

Monday was Bingo day, and Wanda Bailey, Charlene Barker, and Tincy Gideon were here to play with the residents.

Tuesday and Wednesday mornings, Wanda Bailey was on hand to assist in the craftwork.

Tuesday afternoon our ladies pieced on their quilts.

Wednesday afternoon, members of the Methodist Church conducted Bible Study, and returned Thursday afternoon for a Sing Along.

Friday afternoon, we had our birthday party for the month of March. Honored this month were Lona Jones, Lula Crisp, and Kitty Hessey. Cor-sages for the honorees were furnished by Wanda Lamb. Lois Myers led the residents in a sing along, while the residents played their rhythm band instruments. Everyone had a great time.

After the birthday party, Bill Thomas showed movies to the residents. Our people love movie day. Martha Parker sees that we have amusing and interesting movies. We appreciate her so much.

Notes From Your County Agricultural Agent

by Joe Van Zandt

cost of farm inputs, it's information that should be put to good use.

CONSUMER FOOD VOTES IMPORTANT TO FARMERS

Every day is voting day in America's food stores. While farmers are busy producing raw products, consumers are busy accepting or rejecting the foods made from them.

Consumers have the power to accept or reject a commodity or a service, taking into account its cost and value. Farmers are becoming more interested in the outcome of their voting.

Years ago when one farmer fed his own and one other family, the farmer tallied the consumer's votes. There was a quick response if the butter was rancid, or the milk had turned sour or the sweet corn was not sweet. These responses came from the cash-paying customer as well as members of the farmer's family. The farmer then had a personal involvement in how consumers voted.

Today, because one farmer produces enough food to feed seventy (forty-eight at home, twenty-two abroad) others, he no longer takes a personal interest in how consumers vote. Though the farmer is giving less attention to how consumers vote than formerly, this does not mean their votes are less meaningful.

The counting goes on continuously, and someone is keeping the record and counting the vote. Someone is getting the rewards for responding to the vote.

Who is this someone? He is the one supplying the products you see in the retail stores and restaurants. He is a processor marketer. Because these

people are sensitive to how consumers vote, farmers feel they need not be.

How do we know that processors and marketers are responding to the consumers vote?

For one thing, we see more and more items on the grocer's shelves. There are now about 15,000 in an average supermarket, and a large number are new. For example, consumers used to buy potatoes on one form—fresh, by the bag. Today there are at least fifty different potato products

that require no paring knife for preparation in the kitchen.

Consumers have a choice—either frozen, dehydrated, canned or combined with other foods. Consumers are more and more concerned with taste and convenience than price. This includes more eating out. The eating out business is increasing faster than the retail food business. Today about 31 cents of the average American's dollar goes for food eaten away from the home.

These changes are responses to consumer votes and spell

ALAN REED BRIEFS

Visiting the Dick Dragoos last week were his brother and wife of Colorado.

The Jess Finleys had son Eddie and family of Stillwell, Oklahoma visiting during the weekend.

Going from here and working in the food concession at the stock show were Polly Harrison, Mary Davis and Lena Carter, also Sophia Hutchison of McLean.

Sid Keese was at the stock show in Pampa Monday.

Visiting the W.H. Davis Saturday were Mr. and Mrs. Willis May of Panhandle.

Polly Harrison, assisted by Lena Carter, hosted a party for her Sunday School class in the basement of the First Baptist Church Saturday afternoon at 2 p.m. Games and cookies and punch were enjoyed by about twelve children and four adults.

The Alanreed Homemakers Club met March 11th in the home of Lena Carter with 8 members and four visitors present. Nell Keese, president, presided and read a scripture from John 3:1-2. Roll call was "my favorite exercise," and was answered by Anita Bruce, Lena Carter, Mary Davis, Louise Dickenson, Ruth and Brenda McLain, Polly Harrison, Sophia Hutchison, and Betty and Ramona Finley. The program on exercise was given by Polly Harrison. Details of the stock show and who was to go was discussed. Each member pledged a pie or cake. Refreshments of cookies, cake, tea and coffee were served and the meeting was adjourned.

Polly Harrison and Lena Carter visited in Pampa Thursday with Betty Marshall, Nettie Reed and the Jerry Carters.

The Robert Bruces are vacationing this week along with son Bob and family of Pampa.



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QUOTABLE QUOTES

by Sam Haynes

He does much who does a little well.

Thomas Lynch Heaven must be in there, ere thou canst be in heaven.

Boethius He will never go to heaven who is content to go alone.

Boethius Temper is so good a thing that we should never lose it.

Solomon All you need in this life is ignorance and confidence, and then success is sure.

Mark Twain I ask not for a larger garden, but for finer seeds.

Russell Conwell To make money, buy some good stock, hold it until it goes up, then sell it. If it doesn't go up, don't buy it.

Will Rogers The best way to convince a fool that he is wrong is to let him have his own way.

Josh Billings The constitution gives us the right to do our own thinking. It's up to us to acquire the ability.

Petoskey, Mich. News-Review I am the inferior of any man whose rights I temple under foot.

Robert Green Ingersoll

Scientists' goal is more rainfall for Hill Country

COLLEGE STATION — The craggy Balcones Escarpment and nearby Hill Country have long been popular with tourists for their rustic charm, but scientists say geological features of the area are also responsible for slightly more moisture falling on that area than on some adjacent regions.

Meteorologists from Texas A&M University will spend the next several months bent over thick volumes of weather data and peering into radar screens as part of a project to boost that rainfall even more through cloud-seeding.

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ESTATE AND TAX MANAGEMENT SEMINARS:

On March 24th, we have two outstanding seminars scheduled with Dr. Wayne Hayenga, Extension Economist - Management and Project Supervisor. These programs will be held in the Courthouse Annex Meeting Room.

The first seminar will start at 1:30 p.m. and will deal with the question, "Can You Pay Less Taxes with a Corporation?"

The second seminar to be held at 7:30 p.m. will include a discussion on Estate Planning for the farmer, rancher and small businessmen.

I think anyone interested in saving tax dollars will find either both programs interesting and beneficial.

Dr. Hayenga has an excellent background for dealing with these subjects as his background includes a Law Degree, Ag. Economics Degree, and personal involvement in farm operations. These seminars will be informative and on a practical basis so that you can make use of the material that fits your situation. There will be ample time to get your questions answered.

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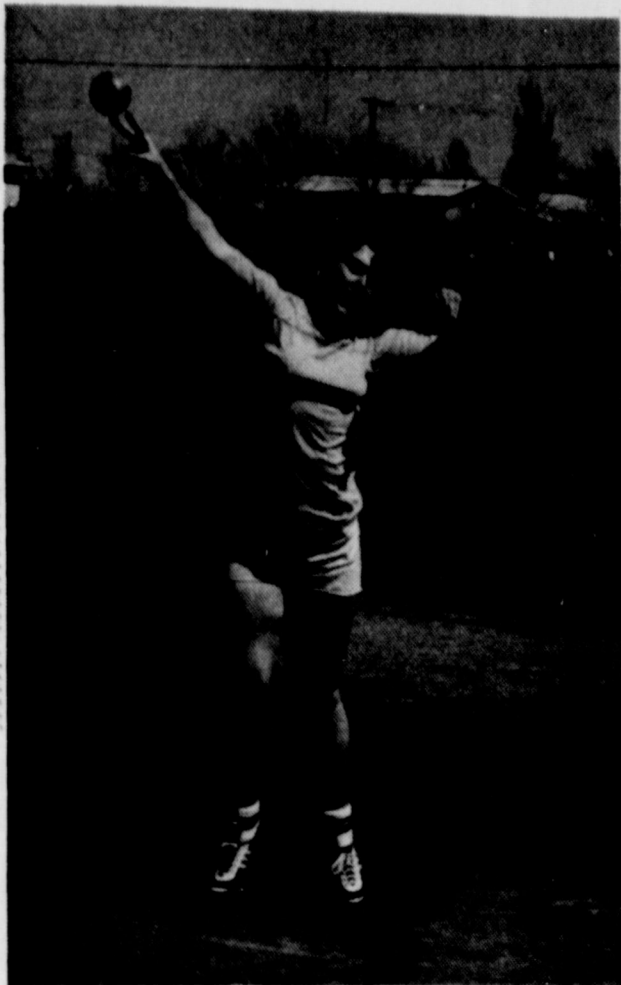
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CUBETTE JODIE GREEN practices putting the shot in preparation for McLean's entry into the junior high track meet Friday at Groom. (Photo by Linda Haynes)



One More Time THESE JUNIOR HIGH girls are running one last lap during track workout this week. The junior high thinclads will go to Groom Friday for a track meet. (Photo by Linda Haynes)

Tiger Tennis Teams Travel To Two Towns

The Tiger tennis teams played several matches in the last week as practice for the University Interscholastic League meet in April. The teams went to Lefors Monday afternoon for five matches. Tammy Killham of McLean defeated Cas Wittington 6-2, 6-1; Maria Eck of McLean defeated Tonya Mills 6-1, 6-2; Terry Glass and Cindy Glass of McLean defeated Lindy Livingston and Lisa Moxon 7-5, 6-1; Jody Durham and Teresa Killham defeated

Stephanie Allison and Donna Wallis 6-1, 6-0; and Mike Lane and Tim Smith of McLean were defeated by Rich Kidwell and Roy Livingston 5-7, 6-2, 6-4. Last Thursday the teams travelled to Wheeler for eight matches. McLean won two matches when Tim Smith defeated Mike Gallagher 6-2, 6-2 and Tammy Killham defeated Shandra Crockett 6-2, 6-2. The McLean players lost the other matches. Jody Durham lost to Beth Brown 6-2, 6-2;

Mike Lane lost to Randy Lee 6-1, 6-0; Teresa Killham and Maria Eck lost to Missy Wiggins and Lorie Lee 6-2, 6-1; Terry and Cindy Glass lost to Tonya Reardon and Beth Ann Alexander 6-2, 6-2; Terry Todd and Robert Swanson lost to Scott Wright and Ty Henderson 6-3, 6-1; and Chris Fontaine and Darin Corley lost to Wade Willis and Vaughn Christner 7-5, 6-2.

Don't miss those deductions

COLLEGE STATION — In the time of year when Uncle Sam asks adherence to honesty as millions of us file our income taxes, two Texas A&M University business experts offer advice for those filling out long forms.

"Before filing, first check with an accountant, tax consultant or a representative of the Internal Revenue Service for possible changes in tax laws," advises Dr. Charles Maurice, head of the Department of Economics at Texas A&M.

Maurice said because tax laws often change, long forms could be confusing — particularly for those being pushed by inflation into higher income tax brackets who want to reduce the amount of taxes they will pay.

"Frequently people don't know what they can claim against their income," Maurice said, "and some pass up deductions simply because they don't know tax laws."

Although most Americans will file the 1040A, or short form, this year, those who choose the long-form route, the 1040, will fill out an average of two to three additional forms. While the total number of forms is over 30, there are about six or seven most commonly attached to the 1040, said Dr. Clair Nixon, professor of accounting at Texas A&M.

"The object of filing taxes is to accurately declare income or losses," Nixon said. "The incentive is for people to get their due return or pay a due amount without being fined or penalized for mistakes or false statements. The government counts on us being honest."

He explained deductions commonly overlooked include travel, medical and charitable expenses. Other deductions are local and federal tax preparation expenses, interest expenses, theft and damage to property.

"People often deduct vacations as business travel expenses because they make them business-related trips," he said. "When you drive, it's easier to take the whole family."

Traveling to and from a doctor's office, pharmacy or hospital can also be deducted, as can travel expenses incurred when working for the church or a charitable organization such as the Red Cross.

Though many families will declare one income, an increasing number of families will declare two.

"That will cost them more in taxes," Nixon said, adding, however, he doesn't advocate "living together" for a tax break.

In some instances married couples can expect revenue back in addition to their tax refund," he said. "This applies to couples with one or more children making less than \$10,000 a year."

Nixon explained one way a person with widely varying incomes can reduce his taxable income is to average his current income with that from the previous four years.

LOSE WEIGHT...
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The Pot Pourri Shop

Gone Fishin'
by Jeanette Fish

Funny...what it takes to make you recall a particular year, a special winter. Sort of like--remember where you were on Pearl Harbor Day? Looking through some old school papers last week, I recalled a storm in the 60's--and me--snowed in with a nine and ten year old girl and boy--NO SCHOOL!--for one week.

We lived three miles east of Lefors at the Carbon Black

4-H CORNER

4-H BICYCLE PROJECT

A 4-H Bicycle Project is being planned. It will start in April. The project will cover safety rules and regulations, along with bicycle maintenance and care. All 4-H members interested in this project should contact the County Extension Office so that we can make arrangements for the number of members in the project.

TEENS EXPLORE PARENT EDUCATION

The Teens Explore Parent Education project group met for their last meeting on March 4th. The members discussed children's needs and watched and discussed films on "What's in a Name" and "Toys and Activities for the Pre-School Child." Certificates for completion of the TEPE project were presented to Shelly Cochran and Lori Enoch.

DATES

March 19th-Method Demonstration Workshop in the courthouse Annex at 3:45 p.m.

4-H OFFERS CHANCE FOR INTERNATIONAL LIVING

Through the 4-H program, Texas youth are becoming more involved in the international scene. Every year youth take part in the International 4-H Youth Exchange (IFYE). Between 35 and 40 countries participate in this program, with more than 85 participants exchanged each way.

When the IFYE program began in 1948, it was primarily a cultural exchange program. With changing world conditions, however, emphasis in the exchange has been made to best meet the needs of youth and their educational programs.

To create international understanding and assist in the development of youth programs throughout the world, delegates from the U.S. and their foreign counterparts travel abroad from three to six months during spring, summer or fall.

Exchanges live and work their host families learn the cultures, language, and ways of life. Opportunities are provided for pursuing special study interests and for observing and working with youth programs.

Serving as a host family to a foreign exchange is a rewarding and satisfying experience. The host family can provide lots of information for the visiting 4-H'er and can also receive new ideas and information of distant lands and their people.

Families interested in hosting a foreign youth exchange or youth interested in being a delegate to a foreign country can contact the County Extension Office for additional information.

Birthdays

- March 21
Mrs. A.L. Conatser
Preston Morgan
Loree Watson
Sandra Bailey
Robert E. Lacy
Linda Haynes
Norma Lantz
- March 23
Marilyn Mounce
Todd Allison
- March 24
Margie Janet Ellison
- March 25
Dennis C. Bryant
Mrs. Frank Rodgers
- March 26
Mrs. Jim Back
Mrs. Lana Jones
Jonelle Richardson
- March 27
Mrs. F.R. Crisp

SPORTS SHORTS

The "Tennis Match of the Century" between Billie Jean King and Bobby Riggs also drew the greatest crowd in tennis history... 30,472. The fans who watched the match saw King beat Riggs in straight sets.



There is not a single verified case in North America of a wolf attacking a human being.

I believe my background as an educator gives me a special insight to the educational needs of McLean's young men and women. My primary interest lies in assuring that these young minds have the opportunity to develop to their fullest extent by wise and efficient use of tax dollars. I eagerly seek your support and vote in the April 4th School Board Election.

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EARL ROSE

Earl Rose To Give Concert In Shamrock

Shamrock Community Concert Association will present Earl Rose, jazz pianist on Saturday, March 28, 1981 in the Shamrock High School Auditorium at 8:00 p.m. This will be the final concert for the 1980-81 season.

A concert of striking musical diversity is expected when pianist/composer/conductor Earl Rose performs. In recent years Mr. Rose has fit a concert career of solo recitals as well as symphony appearances into his activities, acting on many occasions as assistant musical conductor for Johnny Carson's NBC "Tonight Show", as well as composer, arranger, and co-producer of featured songs for the Emmy Award-winning "Captain Kangaroo" television series. His other television activities include a recent guest appearance on the daytime series "Another World" and the musical assignments on NBC's "The Big Event," the former "Dick Cavett Show," and numerous television pilots. He will be composing the music and title song for a forthcoming CBS "Movie of the Week" starring Kate Jackson.

Mr. Rose has had many of his compositions recorded and performed by artists and orchestras both in the United States and England. One of these compositions, "Overnight Success", released on Columbia Records, reached the best-selling charts. He has recorded several albums and has composed the score for the motion picture "Cry Your Heart Out". He recently completed the score for his first musical "Nobody's Perfect."

Earl Wilson and the late Ed Sullivan are among the many New York columnists who have singled Earl Rose out for bravos for his appearances in the "Big Apple". He has had repeated mention in Jack O'Brian's "Voice of Broadway" column and Cue, New York's top entertainment magazine, calls his performance "pure entertainment."

Equally at home in any musical idiom, in concert Earl Rose offers varied and inventive arrangements which incorporate music from the classics to the most current trend in popular music. In choosing his selections, he will often pair a popular song with a work from the classical repertoire that it reminds him of, sometimes making the transition mid-song. Mr. Rose also presents several original com-

positions in his concerts. This attention to the full spectrum of piano music is a result of training that is every bit as varied as his performances.

Born and raised in New York, Earl Rose began his piano studies at the age of seven and by the time he

reached high school was performing regularly for concerts, dances and other activities. He graduated from the Mannes College of Music in New York and has also studied at U.C.L.A., the Vienna Academy of Music and the Juillard School, where he studied conducting.

Homemaker News

by Elaine Houston

SERVE CHILDREN "BERRY INTERESTING SNACKS:"

Do you have a hard time getting your children to eat, particularly the foods that are good for them? Appeal to their sense of color with a variety of fresh foods. Serve bright, lustrous red, fresh strawberries, especially while in season.

Berries are a good source of vitamin C and like all fruits, contribute fiber and nutrients to your diet.

Usually you'll find strawberries at their best during the peak season from April through June. Look for berries with a full red color and a bright luster, firm flesh and the cap stem still attached.

The berries should be dry and clean and the package unstained. Usually, medium to small strawberries have better eating quality than the larger ones. Avoid partially green berries. Strawberries do not continue to ripen after picking and the green is an indication that the berries were picked before mature.

You can usually find a few less desirable berries in most containers of strawberries. But try to make sure the berries at the bottom of the container are reasonably free from defect or decay. Mold can spread rapidly from one berry to another.

Remember, strawberries are so delicate they must be picked by hand, and so perishable shippers send field fresh berries to your grocer under refrigeration as quickly as possible.

So when you get the berries home, sort and refrigerate dry berries and plan to use them as soon as possible. Also a key in maintaining quality is keeping the cap on the berries. Just before serving, wash in cool water, lifting them gently from the water as dirt and grit settle to the bottom and drain dry. Then let your children remove the caps on a big bright bowl of berries!

MARCH FOOD SUPPLY

The severe January freeze in Florida is behind us, but -- coupled with less than usual shipments from Mexico -- a number of vegetables should be in light supply for March, according to U.S. Department of Agriculture marketing specialists.

Fresh tomatoes and most tender vegetables, including snap beans, sweet corn, eggplant, green peppers and squash may be in light supply, together with frozen sweet corn, lima beans and carrots.

Bright spot in the vegetable picture is cabbage. Active shipments from Texas and Florida assure cabbage a place on the plentiful roster. Peanuts should also be light due to the smallest harvest since 1964.

Otherwise, plenty of pork, broiler-fryers and turkey will be available with all-time high milk production records for March. A record rice crop and large crops of dry beans and peas last year ensure plentiful supplies for the month.

Shipments of fresh grapefruit so far this season have lagged behind the heavy volume of one year ago, and harvest in Texas is behind last year's schedule, but the grapefruit supply is large and more than enough for requirements. Fresh oranges are also plentiful because of the bumper crop of navel oranges in California.

Produce bins will be full of apples and winter pears, since storage holdings have been substantially larger than early last year.

Rounding out the plentiful supply picture for March are raisins and dried prunes. The 1980 raisin crop appears 2.5% larger than 1979, and is the largest crop since the 1943 record one. The 1980 prune crop was the greatest since 1973.



Maine is the only state in the United States whose name has one syllable.

MHS Poets

CAPE CAUGHT

I was flying through the air, with the greatest of ease.
Up over the clouds, and down through the trees.

It was May the first, year two thousand and one.
My cape got caught, on a shuttle to the sun.

The ship went faster, as up we went.
I couldn't breathe so I pitched my oxygen tent.

It went up very well, but it had a slight wobble.
I climbed right in, but it was the garbage chute.

I banged on the shuttle window, with all my might
And everyone inside, was filled with fright.
It was cold out there, in my shorts and my cape
But I guess they thought I was a space-bound ape.

I banged again, for I was turning quite blue
When you go without air, you usually do.

I noticed an opening, apparently made by a brute.
I climbed right in, but it was the garbage chute.

It went up to the galley, and down to the hold
I went to the galley, for I was feeling quite bold.

I stepped on a tomato, got hit with some spinach.
I'm allergic to fear, so I started to itch.

I soon hit the galley, all run out of air.
But to my dismay, no one was there.

I was scared as could be, more than ever from birth.
I found the captain, and talked him in to heading back to earth.

LOST IN SPACE
One time I was in a rocket ship and lost in space.
And I said to myself, where is the place?
To find my way back all I could do is trace.
I hit one of the jets and burned my face.
And therefore I am still lost in space.

LOST IN SPACE
Once I had a chance to go on a trip.
To a far away planet that had a big dip.
I got on this big thing and my pants went rip.
Come to find out I was on the wrong ship.
And that was the end of my little trip.

EDITOR'S NOTE: The following poems were submitted by students of Mrs. Jacque Riley at McLean High School. We thought you might enjoy seeing the literary efforts of some of the McLean young people. We will print more next week as space allows.

LOST IN SPACE

Lost in space what will I do,
I do not yet have a clue,
Oh dear, oh dear, what shall I do?

I left my family back beyond,
And I don't know what I may come upon,
There's frightening things in the atmosphere.

Things you can see but cannot hear
No place to land, no place to go,
I'll be forever lost in space, I know.

Alicia Marsh

LOST IN SPACE

I am a space ship, I'm lost in space
I am flying, to any old place.
I see a planet not far ahead
It's gigantic, it's lovely and red
I better not land there because it's a sun
Uh oh, it's too late, now I am done.

So I say goodbye to this wonderful world.
But all I can say is, I gave it a whirl.

LIGHTNING

Lightning is like a river,
Flowing through the air,
At first it's like a quiver,
And then it is not there.

If you stand below it,
And it happens to strike you
You will surely know it
It'll be like a barbecue.

Now that I have warned you,
If your not like me,
You might find yourself too,
Roasted like a tree.

Don Bode

Craig Morris

Karen Wilson

SAT score decline and academic skills might not be related

COLLEGE STATION — The decline in national average scores on the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) may not reflect a decline in academic skills among the nation's high school students, suggest two Texas A&M University business analysts.

Instead, the average test scores — which have been steadily dropping over the last 20 years — may simply reflect the greater number of students taking the exam, say Drs. Robert Hill and William Fuerst in a study that attempts to explain the declining test scores.

"As the number of test-takers increases, average test scores tend to decline," the study reports, "because the sample of those students being tested has become more representative of an underlying population."

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Tips On Toys
Helpful Hints for Fun, Safety and Economy

FUN AND GAMES
An increasing number of Americans are enjoying family life more by rediscovering the pleasures of games that the whole family can play together.

According to the Toy Manufacturers of America, these family games are not only educational and developmental for youngsters, but they give adults an outlet for their skills too. Some of the electronic games are quite sophisticated. One television baseball game, for example, depicts plays and the game player must decide who fields the ball and where to throw it.

One of the major reasons for this rediscovery of home entertainment is the high cost of outside entertainment. Now, while you and your family enjoy playing a challenging game at home, you can save the price of an evening out and at the same time help develop your skills together.

Loose Marbles
by Lisa Patman

While back the House of Representatives approved legislation that limits police searches of newsrooms. Boy, was I relieved. Those of us here at the News have lived in fear that some watchful FBI agent might realize the potential bombshells hidden in our files and demand a complete search of the premises.

An astute G-Man might, if he were to conduct a diligent search, uncover that incredibly dangerous chocolate bar hidden under the heap of paperclips, rubber bands and rulers in my left hand desk drawer. Or he might find that hidden roll of film—the one that has candid shots of the family dog.

And, if going through my filing cabinets, he chanced upon the file which reads Patman-Personal, wouldn't he be excited with my collection of rare grocery bills, old credit memos, not to mention four out-of-date telephone directories.

Another red-hot item is secreted in my out-box. Although it is masterfully disguised as a wind-up toy left by a forgetful toddler, any CIA snoper worth his salt could figure out that's where I keep my microfilm.

Of course I keep the real give-away clue with me at all times. My legs, which are never far from my side, have been cleverly tattooed with secret missives which look like varicose veins. In the missives are hidden the secrets of the ages. My legs are my fortune, so to speak. Why else would the State Department refer to me as "Mata Hairy?"

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LEGAL NOTICE: PUBLIC NOTICE OF TAX EXEMPTIONS AVAILABLE TO HOMEOWNERS

The McLean Independent School District tax office is currently accepting applications for residence homestead exemptions. The deadline for filing is April 1, 1981. Applications should be filed as early as possible to avoid inconvenience to the homeowner.

Two types of homestead exemptions from school taxes are available to taxpayers who own their residence homestead in this school district on Jan. 1 of this year. First, the general homestead exemption is available to all homeowners and exempts \$5,000 from the market value of the homestead.

If you did not receive an application, or if you have questions about qualifying for exemptions or filing application forms, contact the school tax office at 779-2301. Application forms may also be picked up at the tax office at 600 N. Main.

Second, any person who is 65 years of age or older or who is disabled can be exempted an additional \$10,000 from the market value of the homestead. Proof of age or disability may be necessary.

Application forms were mailed earlier to all homeowners who qualified for a homestead exemption in 1980.

CONTRACTORS NOTICE OF TEXAS HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Sealed proposals for roadside mowing on State Department of Highways and Public Transportation Right-of-Way in the following Counties: Carson and Gray. Bids will be received at the District Office of the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation, P.O. Box 2708, Amarillo, Texas 79105, until 3:00 p.m., April 2, 1981, and then publicly opened and read.

A pre-bidders conference will be held in the District Office, 5715 Canyon Drive, Amarillo, Texas at 10:00 a.m., Thursday, April 2, 1981.

The State Department of Highways and Public Transportation, in accordance with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (78 C.F.R., Part 8), issued pursuant to such Act, hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively insure that the contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement will be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder without discrimination on the grounds of race, color, or national origin, and further that it will affirmatively insure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in consideration for an award. Plans and specifications are available at the office of James N. Moss, District Maintenance Engineer, 5715 Canyon Drive, Amarillo, Texas and at the Maintenance Warehouse Office of Randal L. Patterson, Maintenance Construction Supervisor, located on US Highway 66 in Groom, Texas. Usual rights reserved. 11-2c

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CARD OF THANKS

We would like to thank the wonderful people of McLean for the food, flowers, and messages during our loss.

Family of Francis Bashaw and Robert L. Matheny

Thanks to all of you for your thoughtfulness when Ohmer was in the hospital. We appreciate the cards, food, visits and other acts of concern. God Bless each of you. Mr. and Mrs. Ohmer Smulcer



The first Mongolian-English-English-Mongolian dictionary was published in January, 1953 as an Army Manual.



Gray County Gardening
By Joe VanZandt

DAMPING-OFF CONTROL IN GARDENS

Each spring, I get several inquiries on what's causing bean seedlings to die suddenly. This is a common problem in all areas of the county and is brought about by a group of soil-borne fungi.

These fungi are present in soil throughout the year, but are especially damaging during a cool, wet spring. Once the condition begins to appear, there is little that can be done to correct the problem. However, there are several steps that should be taken to reduce losses from damping-off where this disease has become a problem.

"Rotation" is one of the most important steps to preventing losses from this disease. Never follow vegetables from one group with another vegetable from the same group. Vegetables from the same group have similar diseases which build up in the soil and increase losses each year. Following is a grouping of plants based on their soil-borne diseases:

- Group "A"
Watermelon
Cucumber
Squash
Cantaloupe
Honey Dew Melon
Pumpkin
- Group "B"
Cabbage
Cauliflower
Brussel Sprouts
Turnip
Mustard
Radish
Collards
Lettuce
Swiss Chard
Spinach

- Group "C"
Pepper
Tomato
Potato
Eggplant
Okra
- Group "D"
Carrots
Sweet Potatoes
Beets
- Group "E"
Sweet Corn
Onions
Garlic
Shallots
- Group F
Beans
Peas
Cowpeas

"Planting on a bed" is a method of planting which will keep the root zone of developing seedlings in a drier, more aerified soil and thus reduce losses from damping-off. Soil saturated with water has a greater tendency to have damping-off problems than soil from which free water drains quickly after a rain.

"Know the soil temperature" at which the vegetable you are planting grows best and do not plant before the temperature is reached. Here are some optimum soil temperatures for seed germination:

VEGETABLE	Opt. Soil Temp
Beans	86-95F
Cucumbers	86-95F
Lettuce	77-86F
Okra	95 plus F
Spinach	77 F

This is a partial list of vegetables and temperatures at which they germinate best. As a gardener, you should know at what temperature ranges seed will germinate and grow the most rapidly. The less time spent as seedlings, the less plants will suffer from seedling disease.

As seedlings develop into more mature plants, they also develop a resistance to organisms involved in seedling disease.

"Seed quality" is important because high quality seeds will grow out of the seedling stage faster if all other factors favor seedling growth.

"Use of Vapam fungicide" will reduce losses due to seedling disease, but this practice is expensive and recommended only as a side benefit from nematode control. Captan is a fungicide that can be used on select vegetables. When using Captan refer to the label for vegetables on which it can be used and the rate per 100 feet of row.

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Sounds like multiplication? Guess again. It's newspaper talk for a column by 2 inch ad. Too small to be effective? You're reading this one!

THE MCLEAN NEWS
779-2447

Southwestern Bell Will Invest \$1 Billion

Southwestern Bell will invest more than \$1 billion over the next 12 months to meet the communications needs of its Texas customers.

Doyle E. Rogers, vice president for Southwestern Bell in Texas, said the 1981 investment represents the fourth consecutive \$1 billion state construction budget for the company.

Southwestern Bell provides service to 4.9 million customers, representing some 8.8 million telephones in almost 500 cities in Texas. The company is adding phones at a rate of 450,000 annually. By 1985 the total number of Texas telephones is projected to reach 11.7 million.

Call volumes within Texas also have shown a significant increase over the past few years. In 1980 Texas customers made more than one billion long distance calls, compared to about half-a-billion in 1975.

Last year, during an average business day, Texas customers placed some 62 million calls. Of that number, 4.6 million

To keep pace with the state's continued growth, Southwestern Bell this year will place about 7,000 miles of underground cable, much of it replacing aerial lines which are easily affected by adverse weather conditions. The company also will construct or enlarge switching offices to handle the ever increasing number of calls and continue to bring customers the newest in telecommunications products and services.

Texas has one of the highest percentages in the nation of customers served by Electronic Switching Systems (EES). Nearly 60 percent of the state's customers are served by the computer-operated switching gear which provides flexibility, is faster, more reliable and offers service options not available with older electro-mechanical equipment.



The commonest sound in language is the "a", as pronounced in our word "father." No language is known that does not contain this sound.

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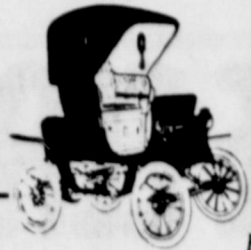
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DOWN MEMORY LANE

by Sam Haynes

From the files of The McLean News

10 YEARS AGO...
E.M. BAILEY, ED.

The Miss McLean '71 pageant was held recently in the High School Auditorium with Miss Lecretia Howard being selected to reign as Miss McLean for 1971.

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Alanreed News... Mr. and Mrs. George Shouse, sister and brother-in-law of Mrs. Mae Wyt, of the Johnson Ranch, were here in McLean visiting with her mother, Mrs. Walker, who is in the McLean Hospital.

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20 YEARS AGO...
JACK SHELTON, ED.

McLean Volunteer firmen battled their biggest grass fire of the year Sunday eight miles east of the city. Between two and three sections of pastureland on the Dee McDowell and Bryan Close ranches were burned by the blaze.

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Creed Lamb Jr., partner in the Richerson-Lamb Funeral Home here the past five years,

has acquired sole ownership of the establishment. Lamb disclosed that he has purchased the half-interest in the funeral home formerly owned by Glenn Richerson of Shamrock.

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More than one-third of the 35 students listed on the fourth six weeks honor roll at McLean High School are in the freshman class, according to principal Bob Green. Green this week announced the names of the top high school students in the first grading period of the second semester. They were freshmen: Gene Bench, Jim McCarty, Derrith Welch, Larry Williams, Joyce Beasley, Susan Blackwell, Judy Connell, Nancy Dickinson, Barbara Dwight, Kay Hall, Janice Saunders and Barbara Smith. Sophomores: Cheryl Grimsley, Linda Guill and Jeannie Lowe. Juniors: Paul Lee, Jim Watson, Dixie Burroughs, Betty Dilbeck, Phyllis Flowers, Pamela Mann, Janice

Page, Mary Pearson, Margie Railsback, Doris VanHuss and Alta June Watson. Seniors: Douglas Crockett, John Stewart, Rita Brown, Mary McClellan, Winnie Martindale, Nany Meacham, Ruth Pagan, Peggy Sharp, and Judy Wyatt.

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30 YEARS AGO...
LESTER CAMPBELL, ED.

W. Hickman Brown, owner of Brown's Drug Store, was elected as the first president of the McLean Junior Chamber of Commerce at an organizational meeting held Tuesday night in the American Legion Hall. The meeting was attended by a total of 55 men of the community, 17 Jaycees from Amarillo, and two Jaycees from Pampa.

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An Easter pageant, featuring representatives from every class in the local schools, will be held in the Municipal Building Friday night, March 23. Mrs. Jim Back, who is

directing the affair, announced this week.

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The McLean Tigerettes, a team which practically all spectators at the Interscholastic League's Class A basketball championship tournament said was the best entered in the touney, finished as second place winners after losing a heart-breaking 50-49 game to the Comanche Indians in the finals at Austin Saturday night. Four of the first string members of the local team were forced off the court with fouls before the end of the game, and Coach Don Leach was unable to halt the comeback by the Indians. The Tigerettes had led 33-18 at the half. Of the six girls chosen by the sports writers for the all tournament team, three were from McLean. Gudge and Bailey were named all-tournament forwards, and Bruner was named as an all tournament guard.

40 YEARS AGO...
T.A. LANDERS, ED.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Alexander entertained a group of friends at bridge in their home last Thursday evening. Vern Pendergrass was high point man and Mrs. Jim Back high point woman. They received prizes, as did Mr. and Mrs. Haskell Smith. Refreshments were served to Messrs and Mesdames Odell Mantooth, June Woods, Haskell Smith, Jim Back, and Vern Pendergrass.

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Roy Dean, small son of Mr. and Mrs. S.F. Attebury, was burned Tuesday morning. He was rushed to Pampa in a Womack ambulance for treatment. It is thought that while seriously burned, he has a chance for recovery.

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Following an annual custom, a birthday celebration will be held at the Church of the Nazarene Monday, March

24, for T. L. Lovelace, who will be 103 this year. Special guests for the occasion will be all people of the community who are 60 years of age and over.

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Mr. and Mrs. Wheeler Carter and children of Pampa visited the lady's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Pettit, Sunday.

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Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bidwell entertained Tuesday evening with four tables of forty-two. High score went to Mrs. Ken Rector and consolation to Mr. Rector. Refreshments of cake and punch were served at a late hour to the following: Messrs. and Mesdames Bee Everett, Chas. Guill, Ken Rector, D.L. Woods, Ruel Smith, J.A. Meador, Milton Banta and Frank Bidwell.

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This issue of The News carries a two-page colored comic section, with cartoons from internationally known artists.

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At a recent meeting of the city council, section 3 of ordinance N. 16 popularly known as the chicken ordinance, was amended to prohibit chickens from running at large in the city limits at any time in the year. The original ordinance applied only during the spring and summer months but now chickens must be kept up all the year.

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A warrant for arrest was served on the manager of two of Pampa's theatres this week for running a show on Sunday. The trial was postponed by the Justice of the Peace on account of the city attorney's being too busy to take up the case this week.

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60 YEARS AGO...
M.L. MOODY, ED.

Mrs. Hughes Quattlebaum of Amarillo came in Tuesday to visit her father, Geo. P. Wilson, and other relatives.

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Mrs. Walter Foster and Misses Alma Anderson and Oma Arnold made a business trip to Shamrock Saturday.



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When approached one day this week by the News man on the subject of cleaning up the town, Mayor C.S. Rice said that he had issued several clean-up proclamations in years past, but only a few would pay any attention to them, so he is through taking action of this kind unless he can be shown that the people are ready to do something. Mr. Rice agrees with The News that McLean needs cleaning up as badly as any community in the country, and says he will give any official aid he can if the people of the town will really get in the notion to do a clean-up job.

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Lost: Saturday afternoon, between McLean and Shamrock, a robe lined duck coat. Please leave at Bundy-Hodges store. J.W. Hunter.

MARCHSALE


Sunshine 2 lb. box CRACKERS \$1.19	 COKE or  7UP 6 pac can \$1.69	Ranch Style 15 oz. can BEANS 2 - 79c
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Gold Medal 5 lb. bag FLOUR \$1.07		Lipton Family Size 24 TEA BAGS \$1.59
Bordens 1/2 gal. Round Ctn. ICE CREAM \$1.69		Thank You Cherry 21 oz. can PIE FILLING 89c
Bordens 24 oz. carton COTTAGE CHEESE \$1.23		Shurfine Red 7 3/4 oz. can SALMON \$1.49
		Job Squad TOWELS 73c



PEACHES 29 oz. can	79c
FRUIT COCKTAIL 17 oz. can	59c
Chunks, Crushed, or Sliced PINEAPPLE 15 oz. can	59c
Cut 16 oz. can GREEN BEANS	2 - 79c
Golden 17 oz. can CORN Whole Kernel or Cream Style	2 - 79c
SPINACH 15 oz. can	2 - 79c
SWEET PEAS 17 oz. can	2 - 79c



MEATS & VEGETABLES

LETTUCE	38c head	 BACON 2 lb.	\$2.89
CUCUMBERS	2 - 49c	Buckboard Boneless HAMS 1/2's lb.	\$1.89
TANGERINES	39c lb.	Owens SAUSAGE 1 lb. pkg.	\$1.53
LEMONS	3 - 29c	2 lb. pkg.	\$2.98



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