

School To Build Administration Building

The board of trustees of Winters Independent School District last week accepted a bid by Wade Construction of Winters to build an administrative building for the school system.

Wade Construction submitted the low bid for the building, which will be constructed on a corner lot west of the

Elementary School grounds, at North Heights and College streets. Cost of the building will be \$42,350, completed.

The new administration building will house the superintendent's office, and the tax business and tax

collector's office. With 1925 square feet—35x55—the building will have two separate offices, a reception area, a work room, and a conference room. Recessed parking off the street will be provided. The building will be of brick veneer.

Superintendent of Schools Bill

Graves said construction is expected to begin within about three weeks, and the building should be ready for occupancy by the first of the year. The new building will face east.

At present, the superintendent's office and business and tax collector's

office are housed in the vo-ag building, in rooms originally meant to be classrooms. Because the vo-ag department now is a two-teacher system, the extra instruction rooms are needed, it was said.

Supt. Graves said the building will

be paid for out of existing surplus funds, and there will be no net on bonded indebtedness or the tax structure of the school district. The Winters Independent School District presently is completely debt-free, a status which has existed for several years, with no bonded indebtedness.

Still Questions In Search For More Water

Prospects for an additional water supply source for Winters were still up in the air, and were described as both "bright" and "dim," following a briefing meeting at the City Hall last Thursday afternoon.

"We're no closer (to the solution) than we were five years ago," was the comment of one observer, while another said after the meeting, "We could conceivably turn dirt within a year or 18 months."

At the meeting, officials of Winters and Ballinger, again, tentatively agreed to work together on efforts to promote and build a joint project in an attempt to bring additional water to both towns, after having decided some time ago to go separate ways.

At the meeting last Thursday, Gary Reeves, representing Freeze & Nichols, Consulting Engineers of Fort Worth, explained the studies and survey made by his company, to members of the Winters City Council, the Ballinger City Council, representatives of North Runnels Water Supply Corp., and other interested persons.

Bud Tinsley, of Underwood Newhouse Company, of Austin, explained some of the details of financing such a water reservoir project.

Reeves presented data compiled by Freeze & Nichols engineers in their search for a suitable site for a proposed dam and reservoir. The site they recommended is south of Winters, at the confluence of Elm Creek and Mud Creek. This site, known as Site No. 2 in the engineers' survey report, would impound water

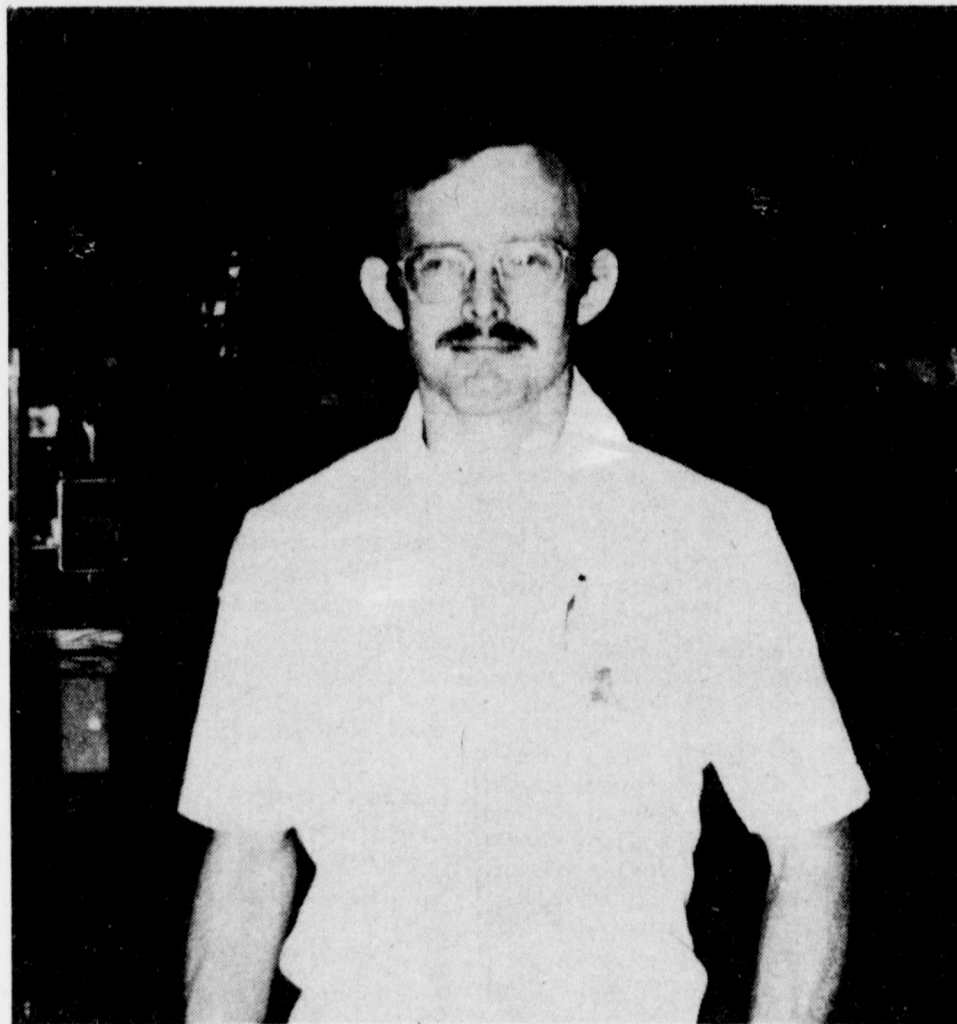
from Elm, Bluff Creek, and Mud Creek, in addition to other smaller streams in the area.

Engineers picked Site 2 over Site No. 3—immediately below the present Winters Lake dam on Elm Creek—because of the amount of water which could be stored. Drainage area for No. 2 would cover 339 square miles, engineers said, with an optimum capacity of an estimated 20,000 acre feet of water. Site No. 3 would give only 12,000 acre feet of water, they pointed out in the report. General water quality would be "fair," they said. Site 3 also would offer "fair" general water quality, they said.

Estimated cost of construction of a dam, including acquisition of land, etc., would be about \$2.5 million, at today's prices, it was said. Another estimated \$750,000 would be needed for a pipeline from the reservoir to the water treatment plant in Winters, according to officials.

Several financing avenues were discussed by Bud Tinsley, including revenue bonds, tax bonds, loans and grants. It was also suggested that the Legislature be petitioned to pass legislation authorizing a special water district for the area, in order to take advantage of any State or Federal funds which might be obtained, in way of grants or loans.

It was stressed that full cooperation on the parts of everyone involved, the governing bodies of Winters and Ballinger, and officials of other organizations working for more water, must be obtained in order to solve the water problems of the entire county.



WINN'S MANAGER—Bill Dinger, formerly of San Antonio, last week was named manager of the Winters Winn's Variety Store. He succeeds Richard Davis, who has been transferred to a Winn's Store in Killeen.

Dinger has been with the Winn's chain for 3½ years. He graduated from Rockport High School, and has a

bachelor of arts degree in television journalism from Texas A&M University, where he was a member of the Aggie Band. He was with a Winn's store in San Antonio before coming to Winters. His wife, Eileen, is a native of Houston. They have one daughter, Dawn, 4 years old. Mr. and Mrs. Dinger plan to move to Winters soon.

Water Consumption Going Up

Now that Winters has re-entered a "drying up" period since the July rains, hot August days are beginning to pull the moisture out of the ground. Result: Residents are beginning to use more water daily.

Jim Hamner, superintendent of the Water Department, said that there were about seven one-million gallons plus days during June, and then when the fall-like rains fell in July, usage dropped to about 600,000 to 800,000

gallons of water daily.

Then last Wednesday, consumption started to climb again, with more than 900,000 gallons of water pumped through the city's lines. Consumption is expected to reach over a million gallons daily this week, if the temperatures remain in the 90-plus range.

Hamner said the Winters Lake caught considerable water during the wet days of July, and the water level is about 18 inches below the spillway.

Teachers Will Go To Work Next Wednesday

Winters Independent School District will open the 1976-77 school year with a general faculty meeting at 9 a.m. Wednesday, August 11, at the school cafeteria.

Teachers and aides will be welcomed by Superintendent of Schools Bill Graves and Board President Billy Joe Colburn. Bob Lindsey, pastor of the First United Methodist Church, will deliver the invocation and a devotional.

The meeting will be devoted to a study of new policies and educational procedures for the coming year. Teachers will continue with a work day August 12 to prepare for the first day of school, and will participate in a workshop August 13 dealing with goal setting. The workshop will be sponsored by the Region XV Educational Service Center of San Angelo.

First day of classes for all students will be Monday, August 16, with school beginning at 8:30 a.m. School will be dismissed at 3 p.m. on the first day and buses will run at that time.

Supt. Graves said that staffs for both the elementary school and high school are complete at this time, with the employment of eight new teachers and one aide. He also said that the school's summer maintenance projects are nearly complete, including remodeling in the band hall, renovation

SWCD Tour

Details Released

Douglas Cole, vice chairman of the Runnels Soil and Water Conservation District Board announced further details for the Zone 3 district director election and tour which will be held

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of three temporary classrooms for Special Education, painting of the elementary building trim, and extensive painting and cleaning in most other academic areas.

Young Farmers Elect Officers Monday Night

Officers for 1976-77 were elected by the Winters Young Farmers at a meeting Monday night.

Scotty Belew was named president; Michael Deike, vice president; John Hogan, secretary; Clarence Wessels, treasurer; and Rodrick Bredemeyer, reporter.

George Martin and G. W. Tarpley presented a program on arc and oxygen acetylene welding at the James Spill building.

A discussion was held on the Area IV field day and banquet scheduled at Coleman September 18.

District 6-AA Has Been Shuffled

District 6-AA, of which Winters school is a member, will have a new look this year, with two schools dropped from this district and two new ones added. Assignments were made by the University Interscholastic League for two years.

Hamlin and Anson were assigned to other districts, and Merkel and Wylie were added to District 6-AA.

Member schools of 6-AA for the next two years will be Winters, Stamford, Merkel, Wylie, Coahoma, Colorado City and Ballinger.

Second Play Day Planned

Activities will get underway at 1 p.m. Saturday, August 7, for the second "Play Day" sponsored by the Winters Rodeo Association, in the new arena north of Winters.

Competitive events will be run for four age divisions for boys and girls, with ribbons to be presented to the first four places in each event.

Entry fee will be 50 cents for each event.

Spokesmen of the sponsoring organization said they already have received entries from several area towns, and it is expected that this second show will far surpass the first show held a few weeks ago, because there reportedly are no conflicting events in the area on this second date.

Minors' releases must be signed by parents or guardians of those young people entering any of the events, it was said.

Participants will be divided according to age: 8 and under, 9 through 12, 13 through 15 and 16 through 19.

For youngsters 8 and under, events will include boot race, flag racing, barrel racing, and pole bending.

In all other age divisions, events will include barrel racing, flag racing, pole bending, goat sacking and goat tying.

Admission will be \$1.00 per person.

Blizzards Start Two-A-Days Next Monday



YARD OF THE MONTH—The yard of Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Airhart, on Floyd Street, was chosen as the Yard of the Month for July. Judging was by members of the Diversity Club,

the Junior Cluture Club and the Literary and Service Club. The Yard of the Month beautification project is being sponsored by the Winters Chamber of Commerce.

The 1976 Winters High School Blizzard football team will begin two-a-day workouts next Monday, August 9, with double-drills to run through Friday, and one single drill Saturday.

Coach Jimmy Stubblefield said morning practice will begin "on the field" at 7 a.m., and evening drills will begin at 6:30.

Practice will be without pads through Thursday, Coach Stubblefield said, with the team allowed to put on pads and begin body contact work next Friday.

Two pre-season scrimmages have been scheduled, with Comanche here August 20, at about 6 p.m., and with Brady there August 27. The first game of the season will be a non-conference meeting with Clyde on Blizzard Field September 3.

Coach Stubblefield said he expects 13 returning starters to report for workouts next Monday. Spring graduation took only five senior members of last year's squad, he said, and he points to a "competitive" team for this season.

There will be no change in the coaching lineup this season. Coaching staff includes Head Coach Stubblefield, Bill Cathey and Sam Scott, varsity (Scott will also handle the B team), Eddie Knight, 7th grade, Bud Busher, 8th grade, and Phil Swenson, B team. All coaches will work with the varsity during the two-a-day drill

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**P. L. Harrison
Died Tuesday
Of Last Week**

P. L. Harrison, 60, died suddenly Tuesday morning of last week in North Runnels Hospital.

Funeral services were held at 4 p.m. Wednesday in Spill Memorial Chapel, with the Rev. Virgil James officiating.

Burial was in Lakeview Cemetery under direction of Spill Funeral Home.

Mr. Harrison was born May 3, 1916, in Winters, and spent most of his early years in the Pumphrey Community.

He married La Rue Fritz in San Angelo Feb. 16, 1940. They moved to California where he was employed in defense plants during World War II.

In 1947 they returned to Winters and became a partner with his uncle, Jack Harrison, establishing Harrison's Auto Parts. He retired from active management of the business in 1965 due to ill health, and in 1970 purchased Jack Harrison's interest in the business.

Survivors are his wife;

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**Miss Hord and
Mr. Hoelscher To Wed**

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Hord announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Pamela Kay, to Mr. Larry Paul Hoelscher. The prospective bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Elo E. Hoelscher of Miles.

Miss Hord is a 1974 graduate of Winters High School and is a nursing student at Angelo State University. She is presently employed at the San Angelo

Standard Times.

The prospective bridegroom is a 1972 graduate of Wall High School. He is a 1973 graduate of Texas State Technical Institute of Waco. He attended Angelo State University and is employed with Martin & Glover Co., of San Angelo.

The couple will be married next March in Sacred Heart Cathedral in San Angelo.

**Watson Family
Reunion Recently**

All seven children of the late Mr. and Mrs. Arch Watson were present Sunday, July 25, at the Ballinger Park for their second annual family reunion.

Fifty-eight members of the family were present, including Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Watson and Larry, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Sudduth, Doris and Randy, Mr. and Mrs. Cody Paske, all of Winters; Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Shellito and Darrell of Bellaire, Kans.; Mr. and Mrs. John Sellers and Davis of Ballinger; Mr. and Mrs. Gary Porter of Big Spring; Mr. and Mrs. Archie Watson, Debbie and Sherrie of Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Sudduth, Donna and Shellie, Mr. and Mrs. George Watson, Barbara, Loretta, Donna and Wallace, all of Winters; Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Sudduth, Mike, Teresa and Stephen of Luke.

Also, Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Sellers and Nolan Shane of Potosi; Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Shellits, Julia, Toby, Chris and Roy of Smith Center, Kans.; Mr. and Mrs. Edd Shellits, Shanna, Shanna, Shane and Sharrecc of Smith Center, Kans.; Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Shellits of Downs, Kans.; Mr. and Mrs. Michael Gerhart and David Allen of Plainview; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Paske of Lamesa.

Guests present were Mr. and Mrs. Olen Potts, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Harton, Troy Sellers and Teresa Hagle all of Winters; and Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Seelke and daughters and granddaughter of Potosi.

CARD OF THANKS

We would like to express our thanks to our many friends and neighbors for all their prayers, food, memorials and help in our time of sorrow. May we also say a special thanks to Bro. Griffing, Ted Meyer and Spill Funeral Home. May God bless each of you. --A. W. Hancock and family. 22-1tp.

Blackwell News

The fourth Wednesday night supper was held at 7:30 o'clock, July 28th, at the Fellowship Hall of the Blackwell United Methodist Church with thirty attending. The out of town guests were the Rev. Bill and Mrs. Perkins and children, Billy

Lou, Marion and Neta Ray of Vernon, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Kiker of San Angelo and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Raney of Bronte. A fellowship hour followed and everyone enjoyed the visiting very much.

A bridal shower honoring Mrs. Grady Ragland (the former Valarie Tankersley) was held Thursday night, July 29th, at 7:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of the Blackwell First Baptist Church with twenty-four attending.

**UM Women Met
Tuesday Morning**

The United Methodist Women met in the Fellowship Hall for the regular meeting Tuesday morning, with Mrs. M. G. Middlebrook, vice president, presiding. Mrs. Paul Gerhardt led the opening prayer.

Mrs. W. T. Nichols was leader for the program on "Ecumenical and Interreligious Outreach." Members on the program were Mesdames F. R. Anderson, Paul Gerhardt, Thad Traynor, Frank Mitchell, M. L. Robbins, and M. G. Middlebrook.

Mrs. Gerhardt read "A Nation Under God," as the devotional.

CARD OF THANKS

My family joins me in expressing deep appreciation for the kindness shown during my stay in the hospital and since I have returned home. A special thanks to Dr. Green and the staff of nurses at Ballinger Memorial Hospital for the wonderful care, to Rev. Mel Swoyer who gave words of comfort in time of need, and to all our friends for the visits, flowers, cards and food. May God bless each of you. --Mrs. Paul R. Gerhart. 22-1tp.



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**Mrs. Wright
Died Friday**

Mrs. Henry W. Wright, 97, died at 4:55 p.m. Friday in North Runnels Hospital.

Funeral services were held at 3 p.m. Sunday in Spill Memorial Chapel, with the Rev. Bob Lindsey and the Rev. Virgil James officiating. Burial was in Wilmeth Cemetery under direction of Spill Funeral Home.

She was born Lydia J. Long, June 4, 1879, in Wise County. The family moved to Parker County while she was young, and in 1900 she married H. W. Wright. They

moved to Runnels County in 1922, settling in the Wilmeth Community, where she had lived for 54 years.

She was a member of the Methodist Church for 80 years.

Mr. Wright died Feb. 25, 1957. Two sons and two daughters also preceded her in death.

Survivors are two sons, Archie Wright and Leonard Wright, both of Winters; three grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

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Notice is hereby given that the City of Winters, A Municipal Corporation of Runnels County, Texas, will receive sealed written bids in the office of the City Secretary at the City Hall, 310 S. Main Street, Winters, Texas, until 5 P.M. on the 16th day of August, 1976 for bids for leasing:
On Real Estate—Sewer Farm, or City Farm consisting of 121.9 Acres more or less. 1 year with 4 years option. Lease beginning January, 1977.

The specifications consisting of conditions, covenants, and obligations may be picked up at City Hall.

The City of Winters reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to award the bid considered the most advantageous to the City of Winters.

MARKED MAIL BIDS TO BE OPENED August 16, 1976 at 5:30 P.M. at the City Hall, Winters, Texas, in care of City Secretary. The Winters City Hall, 310 South Main Street, Winters, Texas. 21-2tc.

Nelms Reunion
August 7-8

The Nelms Family reunion will be held Saturday and Sunday, August 7-8, at the Winters Community Center.

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HEO SCHEDULE

FRIDAY AUGUST 6
12:30 The Pallisers
1:30 That Hamilton Women
3:45 The Lone Wolf
4:45 Man and Boy
6:30 That Hamilton Woman
8:45 The Longest Yard
11:00 Hafey vs. Lopez from L.A. Forum

SATURDAY AUGUST 7
12:30 Murder on the Orient Express
3:00 Martha's Attic
3:30 The Lone Wolf
4:30 That Hamilton Woman
7:00 Murder on the Orient Express
9:15 That Hamilton Woman
11:30 Bruce Lee and I

SUNDAY AUGUST 8
12:30 The Man Who Would Be King
3:00 Professional Bowling
4:30 Championship Rodeo
5:30 Man and Boy
7:30 The Man Who Would Be King
10:00 Forbidden Games

MONDAY AUGUST 9
12:30 Jacques Brel
2:30 The Dragon
3:00 Pippi in the South Seas
5:00 Jubilation '76
6:30 Jacques Brel
8:30 Jubilation '76
10:00 The Reincarnation of Peter Proud

TUESDAY AUGUST 10
12:30 The Pallisers
1:30 Brother, Can You Spare a Dime?
3:30 Martha's Attic
4:00 High Hill
4:30 Forbidden Games (Subtitled)
6:00 Brother, Can You Spare a Dime?
8:00 Mort Sahl from UCLA

9:00 Freddie Prinze and Friends
10:30 Forbidden Games (Subtitled)

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 11

12:30 The Pallisers
1:30 Jacques Brel
3:30 The Marvelous Gift, The Dragon
4:30 Pippi in the South Seas
6:15 Jacques Brel
8:00 Cleveland vs. Boston
9:30 Hiroshima, Mon Amour (Subtitled)
11:00 Jacques Brel

THURSDAY AUGUST 12

12:30 The Pallisers
1:30 Wild Little Bunch
3:30 High Hill
4:00 Martha's Attic
4:30 Professional Bowling
6:00 Wild Little Bunch
8:00 Man in the Glass Booth
10:00 Bruce Lee and I

Young Homemakers Meeting Monday

Officers will be elected and projects for the next year will be discussed during a meeting of the Winters Young Homemakers, planned Monday, August 9, at 8 p.m. in the school Home-making Building.

A salad supper will be served, and members are asked to bring a salad and also the money collected from cookbook sales.

Re-orders have been made for cookbooks, and they will be available in about six weeks. Those who did not receive a copy of the cookbook may reserve copies by calling Sharon Deike, Susan Conner, Cindy Smith or Peggy Belew.

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Crews News

If you want to forget all your other troubles, wear tight shoes.

The Hopewell revival closed Sunday night, the services were well attended. Mr. Dewitt Chandler of San Antonio held the lesson each night. Dinner was served Sunday at noon.

Mrs. Perry Bragg and son Mark of Pecos were visitors of Hazel Mae Bragg, and Vernon Bragg on Saturday.

Mrs. Effie Dietz visited with Mrs. Olla Stovall on Thursday and Miss Clara McKissack.

Mrs. O. Z. Foreman entered the Hendrick Hospital Friday for tests in Abilene. Mrs. Chester McBeth was the only lucky winner Friday night at the Coleman REA meeting. She won a electric alarm clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Kraatz returned from a little trip from Galveston.

Mrs. Malcolm (Darlene) Davis had surgery on Friday instead of Tuesday as stated earlier.

Mrs. Jerry Kraatz uncle, Jim Webb of Dallas was a visitor on Wednesday and Thursday.

With the Marvin Hambrights during the week were Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Moore of Comanche; Mr. and Mrs. Arbrey Faubion and children; Mr. and Mrs. Burley Campbell and Dean Taylor.

Mr. and Mrs. Jake Ziller of Liberty Hill were home with her folks, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Hoppe over the weekend.

Bro. Bob Underwood, Mrs. Underwood, son Bobbie of Coleman, pastor Dewitt Chandler of San Antonio were dinner and supper guest Tuesday with the Hazel Dietz.

Mr. and Mrs. Burley Campbell attended the Abernathy and Martin reunion at Hord Creek Lake Sunday afternoon. 107 registered.

Mrs. Amber Fuller spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Odie Matthews. Mrs. Odie Matthews is on the sick list.

Mrs. Alta Hale; Mrs. Amber Fuller; Mrs. Hazel Mae Bragg and Mrs. Robert Hill attended the Coleman REA meeting Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Villers and Peggy of San Angelo and Mr. and Mrs. Raymond

Kurtz were supper guests with the R. C. Kurtz family in Winters Sunday night.

Mrs. Lemma Fuller spent Thursday night with Mrs. Alta Hale. They visited Mrs. Amber Fuller Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Chambliss and girls of Hawley spent the weekend with the Earl Coopers.

Mr. and Mrs. N. L. Faubion and Mr. and Mrs. Mike Prater of San Angelo returned after vacationing in Old Mexico, Big Ben and other places of interest. Mr. and Mrs. Jim McAden were out with the Faubions on Saturday night.

During the week with the Arthur Allcorns were Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Allcorn of Coleman; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Allcorn and T. H. Moore of Comanche visited his brothers Hartwell grave in the Crews Cemetery. While there he killed a rattlesnake.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Bryan visited the Leroy Bryans Sunday night. The Leland Bryans were out Saturday night. The Doug Bryans attended the late Edd and Bob Bryans reunion on Sunday in the Winters Community Center, it was well attended.

Mr. and Mrs. Theron Osborne visited Sunday night with the S. J. Brevards in Coleman.

Sorry to hear Mrs. S. J. Brevards aunt, Mrs. Lonnie Brown is in the Coleman Hospital ill, hope she improves real soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hill spent Sunday in Sweetwater with the Ronald Hill family.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Cooper enjoyed visiting with their grandchildren Dodi and Jana while their parents Mr. and Mrs. Richard Chambliss were in Colorado vacationing.

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Approved School Supply List

The following is a list of school supplies approved by Winters Elementary School, for students in grades as indicated: **PLAN A—**

COMPREHENSIVE EDUCATION

- 1 box 16 crayons
- 1 pair pointed scissors
- 1 small Elmer's glue
- 1 box map colors
- 1 ruler
- 1 red lead pencil
- Notebook paper
- 1 large pencil eraser
- 1 pencil No. 2 lead

KINDERGARTEN

- Primary pencil (Huskey #683 or King Cole #77)
- 1 large pkg. assorted colored construction paper 12"x18"
- Kleenex (one 200 count box)
- Toothbrush & toothpaste
- Scissors—blunt end
- Crayons—basic 8 (large, no roll)
- 1 Elmer's glue (33 cent)
- Plastic cup
- Cigar Box

FIRST GRADE

- Primary Pencil (Huskey #683 or King Cole #77)
- 1 large pkg. assorted colored construction paper 12"x18"
- Tablet (No. 1, Item 140021 Zaner-Bloser, Inc.)
- Washable glue or paste
- Scissors—blunt end
- Crayons—basic 8
- Kleenex (one 200 count box)

SECOND GRADE

- Big Chief Tablet
- Tablet (No. 2, Item #140022 Zaner-Bloser, Inc.)
- Ruler (12 inch, wooden)
- Elmer's glue in plastic bottle
- Eraser (blue or pink)
- 2 pencils #2 lead
- Scissors—blunt end
- Crayons—basic 8
- Kleenex (one 200 count box)
- 1 pkg. assorted colored construction paper (size 9"x12")

THIRD GRADE

- Tablet or notebook paper
- Pencil #2 lead
- Ruler (12 inch, wooden)
- Elmer's glue
- Scissors—blunt end
- Crayons—basic 8
- Kleenex (one 200 count box)
- Tablet (No. 3, Item #140023 Zaner-Bloser, Inc.)

FOURTH GRADE

- 1 box 16 crayons
- 1 pair pointed scissors
- 1 small Elmer's glue
- 1 box map colors
- 1 ruler
- 1 red lead pencil
- Notebook paper
- 1 large pencil eraser
- 1 pencil No. 2 lead

FIFTH GRADE

- 1 box 16 crayons
- 1 pair pointed scissors
- 1 small Elmer's glue
- 1 box map colors
- 1 ruler
- 1 pencil No. 2 lead
- Kleenex (one 200 count box)
- 1 red ball point Bic pen
- 1 pkg. typing paper
- 1 pkg. assorted colored construction paper

SIXTH GRADE

- 1 pair pointed scissors
- 1 Elmer's glue
- Kleenex (one 200 count box)
- 1 box map colors
- 1 ruler
- 1 pkg. typing paper
- 6 expansion folders w/ notebook paper
- 1 Spiral notebook (Super large)
- 2 blue ink ball point pens (no cartridges)
- 2 red ink ball point pens (no cartridges)
- 2 pencils No. 2 lead

SEVENTH GRADE

- Pencils No. 2 lead
- 1 pair pointed scissors
- 1 ruler
- 6 expansion folders w/ notebook paper
- 1 red ink ball point pen (no cartridges)
- 1 blue ink ball point pen (no cartridges)

EIGHTH GRADE

- Notebook paper
- 1 large spiral notebook (Super large)
- Pencils No. 2 lead
- 1 ruler
- 1 pkg. graph paper (5 squares to inch)
- 2 blue ink ball point pens (no cartridges)
- 2 red ink ball point pens (no cartridges)
- 3 Expansion folders w/ notebook paper



NEWCOMERS

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hutcheson of Paint Rock announce the birth of a son, Jason Andrew, July 29, 1976, at 2:48 p.m. The boy weighed 8 pounds 6 ounces. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Hutcheson of Paint Rock and Mr. and Mrs. Wesley M. Hays of Winters. Great-grandparents are Mrs. Bess Shultz of Paint Rock and Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Hays of Novice. Mrs. Bob Hutcheson is the former Chris Hays of Winters.

Merrill Nursing Home News

The monthly birthday party for August is set for Thursday, August 12th at 3 o'clock. Those having birthdays in August are Lillie Franks, August 1st; Pearl Hodges, 14th; Thelma Duke, 23rd; and Mord Tucker, 26th. Friends and relatives of the honorees are invited to the party. We are planning plenty of home made ice cream and cookies.

The debate last Tuesday afternoon proved to be both educational and entertaining. Mattie Cooke was the arbortator, Carl Smith, Bill Andrae and Gladys Roberts were the judges. Betty Brown and Rachael Seldon debated which was the more important, the dish rag or the mop. Mrs. Hodges gave a reading on "Woman's Mission," and the "Friskey Frosties" with Grace Hight at the piano and Mary Murphy instructing, enjoyed playing.

We appreciate the churches of our town helping with the Sunday afternoon service and the Wednesday morning Bible Study.

State Tax Rep To Be In Ballinger Aug. 17

Comptroller Bob Bullock announced that a representative from his San Angelo office will be in Ballinger Tuesday August 17, to answer questions from taxpayers and provide assistance in filing returns.

Bullock said a representative from his office will be at the District Court Room from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. Phone No. 915-365-2633.

Bullock also announced that the San Angelo Field Office, located at 1900 Sherwood Way, San Angelo, Texas, is open from 8 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Monday through Friday of each week to better service taxpayers and assist in any problems a taxpayer might have.

For any assistance call the San Angelo Field Office at 915-949-0575, or use the toll-free Tax Information number, 1-800-252-5555, without charge from anywhere in Texas.

WINGATE NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Green returned from Norman, Okla., after a visit in the Johnnie Green home. Kerry and John Green came home with them and also Brett and Belinda Dunnam from Graham.

Tell Denson came by the David Bryans and brought them some nice fish. Others were Mr. and Mrs. Woodfin who brought Ruby a nice lap throw and David two pot lifters. Mrs. Bagwell sent jelly and cake. The Arvin Childers brought cantaloupes and watermelon. Duncan Hensley brought tomatoes. Leila brought lunch. The Galloways have brought pies and Mrs. J. W. Allen brought angel food cake. Ruby Phillips cake and Mayola cake. This goes on pretty after and its really appreciated. Ruby is about the same and is up part time.

Flossie brought jelly. Mrs. Grace Smith and brother, Boyd King are visiting in Midland and Odessa. Mrs. Wheat visited Mrs.

Roscoe Morrison who has been ill. Mrs. Augusta Morrison is not well, her sister from the Carolinas is coming to stay a while with her.

Mr. Harmon is not feeling so well. Mrs. Kirkland has been helping Mrs. Harmon lately.

Mrs. Nellie Adcock is at home now after a long stay in the hospital.

In the H. O. Polk home over the weekend were a niece, Barbara and family from Odessa.

Mrs. Roam Chiam, of Leveland and sister of Mrs. Bill Harmon passed away Saturday and burial was in Leveland Monday.

Mr. Melan Robinson suffered a heart attack while picking leaves and was rushed to San Angelo and at this writing is in intensive care.

Butch Barte passed away after a long illness and burial was in Shep Cemetery Friday.

Kathy Hall of Dallas is visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. David Bryan.

Melva Rogers and a friend visited in the O. I Phillips home Sunday.

Nelan Bahlman was guest speaker here at the Church of Christ Sunday. His family

and mother were also here. Rickie Dean was the speaker at the Baptist Church.

Bill and Julie Wheat spent Saturday night with their grandmother, Mrs. Wheat.

Mrs. I. G. Hensley is visiting in San Angelo.

Mrs. A. W. Hancock passed away and was buried in the Wingate Cemetery.

CARD OF THANKS

We would like to take this opportunity to say thank you for the many acts of kindness shown to us in our hour of sorrow of the loss of our mother and grandmother, Mrs. H. W. Wright. A special thank you to Ted Meyer and the staff of Spill Bros., the nurses, Dr. Rives and Dr. Lee of North Runnels Hospital, Bro. James and Bro. Lindsey, for the beautiful service, the choir, the floral offerings, prayers, food, visits and cards. May we be of help to you in your time of need. —The Family of Mrs. H. W. Wright 22-1tp.

In the pursuit of happiness, the difficulty lies in knowing when you have caught up.



ENTERTAINMENT FOR AUGUST MOVIES

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THE THIEF OF BAGDAD
MAN IN THE GLASS BOOTH
MAN AND BOY
MEMORY OF US
SILENCE
LOVE AND DEATH
THE HOMECOMING
HESTER STREET
BRUCE LEE & I
FOUR FEATHERS

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MORT SAHL FREDDIE PRINZE AND FRIENDS LES FOLIES BERGERES

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THROUGH A GLASS DARKLY
HIROSHIMA MON AMOUR

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L'AVVENTURA
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CHILDREN'S FILMS AND PROGRAMS

PIPI IN THE SOUTHSEAS
MARIO AND THE MARVELOUS GIFT
UNDERSEA EXPLORERS
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POE'S CORNER
BY CHARLISIE POE

When Dave Compton of Norton moved to Runnels County in 1910 from Itasca, he remembered that Uncle Johnnie was saying, "Use a buster on the land, don't plow with a disc."

Mr. Ballew made good crops, but Mr. Compton recalled that when the farmers in the area saw a weedy field, they said, "Uncle Johnnie, you'd better get a plow!"

A new way of farming for West Texas—to make a crop with very little rain, was also promoted by Uncle Johnnie, said Compton.

One article from the Semi-Weekly Farm News describes this theory. It was written in January of 1912 or 1914. The date of the year was lost.

RUNNELS COUNTY MAN SAYS IF UNDERGROUND IRRIGATION WATER SUPPLY IS PRACTICABLE, GREAT FUTURE FOR WEST

I have read with very much interest the communication from my friend, E. L. Boykin, from Garden City in regard to farming in West Texas by irrigation from wells. If this type of farming proves successful it will mean more than any one factor in the development of West Texas. If, then, Mr. Boykin demonstrates that the underground supply of water is sufficient to supplement the rainfall in quantities to make good crops, and if this ocular demonstration proves that these lakes of water can be lifted cheaply by gasoline pumps, the problem of feeding the increasing population of the West has been solved. Moreover, Mr. Boykin is a benefactor.

But, if we are going to be perfectly frank and honest, there is an interdigitation point in our heads as to both propositions—namely, the supply of water and the economy in lifting and applying it to the surface.

So much depends on the success of this phase of farming that we cannot refrain from calling attention to the vast possibilities along the line. Millions of acres west of the one hundredth meridian await the application of just a little more water on the surface to make them the most productive in the world.

This dirt has been analyzed and found to be twenty times as rich in plant food as the ordinary piny lands and every progressive farmer familiar with this section realizes that the crying need is water. The tight, sticky lands commencing a few miles south of the Texas & Pacific Railroad and including many counties, are the best on earth for milo, feterita and Kafir corn, to say nothing of the new introductions, Sudan grass

and another new plant, the name of which I cannot recall. So far, the wisdom of man has not been equal to solving the water problem in this vast section.

The following article which appeared in the Ballinger Daily Ledger, July 7, 1915, is an illustration of Ballew's attempts to persuade people to come and share his newly found land of promise.

CROP CONDITIONS IN RUNNELS COUNTY

For quite a number of years we have tried to keep our county in the public eye. I have farmed here on the 100th meridian eleven years and the longer I stay the better I like the great undeveloped West. I want to do my full part in developing our section and inducing a desirable citizenship to come up the state and help us.

I have never induced a man to come here from a malarial district that I did not believe deep in my heart that I had befriended him and his posterity.

We have produced the bumper crop of small grain, wheat and oats, and are selling at satisfactory prices. I used to be a cotton crank. I don't mind being called a crank because it takes a crank to turn things. Well, I was a cotton crank, and I made money out of cotton on 195 acres of land without irrigation.

But away with cotton. This year not having time to sow a grain crop, I traded for one from a progressive farmer who sowed early in the fall before the excessive rains began.

There was 34 acres in oats and 46 acres in wheat. The oats made 69 bushels per acre. The wheat made a fraction less than 30 bushels per acre. After the expense of 75 cents per acre for cutting and binding and after paying for shocking, twine, hauling, threshing, sacks, and all incidental expense, including one-third out for the use of the land, this 80 acres netted \$766.26. At any rate the net proceeds over and above every expense would foot up at least \$800.00 on the 80 acres with every lick of work hired done.

And now I'm a grain crank, so you see I am a double crank and things must turn. With a soaking rain the last half of June the outlook for cotton, milo maize and feterita is indeed flattering.

As a matter of fact conditions were never better. With Jersey cows, silos, cream, chickens and eggs and the cash system, an era of great prosperity is dawning.

Runnels has on her glad rags: Wheat bread, drumsticks, livers and gizzards. Living with a laugh and

smile, no croakers save the frogs. Every body a booster but fools and they are silent. Brother, fate put you here—push and shout, ring it out. The only pauper in Runnels County is a deaf, dumb and blind idiot. Farming in Runnels County has truly been revolutionized. Everything on the modern farm is running smoothly and the running is both pleasant and profitable.

Bully fine times—frog-joy, joy rides, jelly cakes and Johnny cakes go away trouble.

Farming in Runnels is a "tippy" and "classy" business. Let the editors lead the cheering!

Uncle Johnnie In another letter Uncle Johnnie advised, "Put away your tear jug together with your skull and cross bones. Runnels is diked out in her glad rags and is just itching to prance out in front of the grand stand. We are ready to deliver the goods and set the pessimists to screaming. There is nothing left for the skeptic to do but go screeching up a tree."

Rainfall was deficient in 1916 and the year of 1917 recorded the lowest total precipitation (10.7 inches) since the weather bureau began keeping records in 1895. In the Fall of 1918 the drought reached its climax. On Sept. 20 the editor of the Dallas Semi-Weekly Farm News received the following letter from Runnels most avid promoter:

EDITOR THE NEWS: I have seen it stated that rain had fallen over West Texas and that the drought is broken. This statement is so far misleading that a denial from some source should be made public. 144 counties are suffering as never before in the history of the county. The cattle and hog industry is wiped off the map. Local showers have sloshed out in some spots, but, as a whole, Jersey milch cows are being

sold for 4 cents a pound, and pigs and chickens are sacrificed for what they will bring. There is no grass, no feed and no available money at any rate of interest.

Farmers and stockmen have borrowed to the limit. The credit stores have long since closed their books, and many industrious land owners are in a predicament that is not only embarrassing but distressing in the extreme. Thousands have gone east to work for bread to feed their loved ones, but some are situated so they can not leave and others have no working force. These will suffer unless relief comes from some source and that immediately. They have killed their last calf and sold their last hog to procure food from the stores, for their families. Some have accepted help from kin in other counties, and this is exhausted. Only about four inches of rain fallen this year and the situation is beyond description. We have read of starvation in foreign countries but the most pessimistic never dreamed that such a calamity would overtake the rich western prairies of Texas.

We are not exaggerating (sic) the awfulness of it all, and have hesitated for reasons obvious to all thinking men to even frankly and honestly confess the real truth. Our local pride has held us back too long. Suffering and distress is so acute as to make it criminal to conceal the awful facts.

Unless some measure for relief is forthcoming and that immediately the suffering will be such as has never been known. To be conservative, conditions are abnormally distressing, and no man has lived long enough to remember anything to compare with it.

Refined, godly, christian women wringing their hands, and strong men consult each other in whispered tones.

Not a grain of feed not a boll of cotton, and no seed to sow for winter grazing. The fields are being grazed to keep work stock from starving, and this grazing will soon be exhausted. This is no time for mincing words or concealing facts. A calamity is on us.

Why some organized effort has not been made is one of our mysteries...The Federal Farm Loan Act has helped some, but many home-builders owe more on their land than the local appraisers are willing to advance.

To conceal these facts on account of being afraid of giving the country a black eye, and to allow innocent women and children to suffer, I repeat, is criminal. John Ballew, Wingate, Runnels County, Texas P.S. Within a radius of two miles from where I write I can count fifteen vacant houses, including a church, a high school building and tabernacle. In the same territory there are only seven houses occupied, and two of them only by women and children. There is not a better farming section in Texas.

Even the Daily Ledger, when it reprinted the letter a few days later, had to admit that John Ballew had revealed the conditions truly.

The day after the Semi-Weekly Farm News published his letter, John Ballew went into the store at Wilmet where he traded, bought candy for his wife and children at home, and had it tagged with their names, then he sat down in a chair, placed a pistol to his mouth and pulled the trigger. The most avid promoter Runnels County will ever have slumped to the floor dead—a victim of the county's worst drought.

Then as October drew to a tortuous close, long, dreaching rains washed the drought away and Uncle Johnnie

Ballew's death was all in vain.

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SWCD Tour Details Released

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 Saturday, August 14.
 "The tour will leave the Norton Community Center at 10 a.m. and return there around noon. The tour will visit areas where brush management has been carried out, observe range seeding in various stages, and see test plots of sorghum, and watershed structures on Valley Creek," stated Cole.

Congressman Bob Krueger will be a special guest on the conservation tour which will be held prior to the director election. After the election, Congressman Krueger will make a few comments concerning agriculture and conservation.

Following the tour, a dutch treat Barbecue will be served by the Concho Valley Chapter of the Soil Conservation Society of America. The director election will be held at 1:00 p.m. following the meal.

Cone Robinson, Sr. of Norton, is presently serving as director of Zone 3, which is bounded on the South by the Colorado River, east by U.S. Highway #83, north by Bronte-Winters Highway and west by the Coke county line.

All interested persons are invited to attend the tour and luncheon. In order that preparation may be made, the directors would appreciate it if you would notify them or the Soil Conservation Service office in Ballinger if you plan to attend.

Advance tickets for the barbecue may be purchased from any of the directors. District directors are Cone Robinson, Sr., of Norton, Douglas Cole of Winters, Sam Faubion of Crews, Otto Gottschalk of Ballinger, and David Ocher of Rowena.



GRADUATE NURSE—Doris Ann Sudduth graduated from Mary Meek School of Nursing at Hendrick Memorial Hospital, Abilene, July 30. She will be eligible to take state board examination to qualify as a registered nurse in February, 1977. Miss Sudduth is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Sudduth of Winters. She is a 1973 graduate of Winters High School. She has accepted a position with Brownwood Community Hospital.

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"For heating pickling liquids, use unchipped enamelware, stainless steel, aluminum or glass utensils. Utensils made of copper, brass, galvanized or iron materials should not be used since the pickling liquid may react with the metal," she explained.

Handy small utensils for food preparation include measuring spoons and cups, sharp knives, tongs, colander and wooden cutting board.

A long-handled wooden spoon, cheesecloth for spice bags, rubber spatula, jar lifter and a glass measuring cup are needed for the cooking and filling procedures.

A water bath canner is necessary for processing the pickles.

Get set—with the right ingredients:

Produce: "Select top-quality produce, free from blemishes, uniform in size and slightly underripe. Remove the blossoms and pickle within 24 hours."

Salt: "Use coarse salt, sometimes called dairy or pickling salt. Iodized salt may cause pickles to darken."

Water: "Soft water is recommended."

Sugar: "Brown or white granulated sugar may be used."

Spices: "Use fresh spices for best flavor. Whole spices, tied in a cheesecloth bag, are preferred. Remove spice bag from pickling liquid before filling jars."

Vinegar: "Use a high-grade cider or white distilled vinegar of four to six per cent acidity (40 to 60 grains)."

Go—with a favorite recipe from a reliable source:

"For some tasty pickle recipes, write for B-188 Pickles and Relishes, available from the Texas Agricultural Extension Service for 25 cents. Send your request for the pamphlet and money directly to the Department of Agricultural Communications, College Station, Texas 77843, or contact your local county Extension agent for an order form.

Following are a few recipes from this publication you may want to try.

BREAD AND BUTTER PICKLES

- 25 large cucumbers
- 12 medium white onions
- 1/2 cup salt
- 1 quart vinegar
- 2 tablespoons white mustard seed
- 2 tablespoons celery seed
- 2 tablespoons turmeric
- 2 cups sugar

Soak unpeeled cucumbers in water overnight. Slice cucumbers and onions and place in pan and sprinkle with salt; let stand one hour and rinse. Add vinegar, sugar, mustard seed, celery seed and turmeric powder. Bring to a boil. Pack pickles in boiling water bath five minutes. Start to count processing as soon as water returns to boiling.

DILLED OKRA

- 3 pounds uncut and washed young okra pods
- celery leaves
- 6 small hot red peppers
- cloves of garlic
- 1/2 cup salt
- large heads of dill and stems or 1/2 teaspoon dill seed per pint
- 1 quart water
- 1 pint white vinegar

Pack okra into hot pint jars with a few celery leaves, pod of pepper, clove of garlic and head of dill or dill seed in each jar.

Make brine of water,

vinegar and salt; heat to boiling. Pour over okra. Close jars. Process in boiling water bath 20 minutes. Start to count processing time as soon as hot jars are placed in actively boiling water. Make six pints.

CHOW-CHOW RELISH

- 1 peck or 12 1/2 pounds green tomatoes
- 8 large onions
- 10 sweet green peppers
- 3 tablespoons salt
- 6 small hot peppers, chopped
- 2 teaspoons turmeric
- 4 cups vinegar
- 1 1/4 cups sugar
- 3 tablespoons salt
- 4 tablespoons dry mustard
- 3 tablespoons celery seed
- 2 tablespoons mustard seed

Chop tomatoes, onions and sweet green peppers, and sprinkle with salt. Let stand four to six hours in cool place. Drain well; add hot peppers, vinegar, sugar, salt and spices tied in thin cloth bag. Boil 15 minutes. Re-

move spice bag. Pack into hot jars. Close. Process in boiling water bath 15 minutes. Begin counting time as soon as water returns to boiling.



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BIG APPLE—Roger Stevens, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stevens, stands before a highly-productive apple tree in their yard, and holds a big apple which was pulled from the tree. This apple measured 12 inches around. There were many more of almost equal size on the tree, which has been a high producer this year.

COW POKES By Ace Reid



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