# Railroad Hearing Here Monday



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# Hearing Scheduled In Community Center

The hearing on the petition for abandonment of the railroad from Winters to Abilene will begin at 9:30 a.m. Monday, December 6, in the Winters Community Center.

One week has been alloted for the hearing, according to information from the Interstate Commerce Commission, but is has been anticipated locally that presentation of evidence and arguments will not use that much time.

Ad administrative law judge, representing the Interstate Commerce Commission, will hear arguments and evidence for and against the petition. Final decision is not expected for some time. Also, it was understood, petitioners and opponents will have opportunity for appeal on any decision handed down by the Commission.

At the hearing, which will be public, area shippers and direct users of the railroad, and others, are expected to present evidence of the need for continuance of the rail line into Winters, and the negative impact on the economy of the whole area in the event the railroad is abandoned.

Shippers and others vitally interested in the presence of the railroad have been gathering evidence purportedly outlining the importance of the railroad to the economic structure of the entire county, and the area. Rail shipment of agricultural produce into and out of the area, along with movement of other goods, can prevent

## City Will Apply For Federal **Grant Funds**

The City of Winters within the next few days will make application for federl funds under the Federal Block Grant Program, to be used for rebuilding part of the sewer system, it was announced this week.

A hearing has been called for the general public at the City Hall at 5:30 next Monday, Dec. 6, to discuss the proposal. The hearing is a requirement under regulations concerning the program.

Up to \$250,000 could be made available to the City of Winters, City Hall sources said. However, it was not known how much would be forthcoming. This money, if granted, would be used to help update the sewer system, and other projects approved by the West Central Texas Council of Governments. Application must be made through WCTCOG, and approved by that agency, it was stated. The public is urged to attend the

# Water Project Ready

meeting.

All distribution lines of the first phase of the North Runnels Rural Water Supply Corp. system were completed, and lines purged, by December 1, and ready for use, LaDell Davis, system manager, reported.

Many of the customers who will be connected to this first part of the project already have been receiving water from the distribution lines, and others are expected to complete their own lines and be ready to receive water shortly.

Davis said that as of December 1, minimum charges will be made to all customers assigned to the lines completed, whether or not final private connections have been made. He said meters will be read by a representative of the water corporation until the entire project is completed, and then readings will be made hy each customer.

economic hardships on both producers and consumers, it has been stated.

Local residents are being urged to attend the hearing, in order to show the public interest in the matter. Community leaders have insisted that a small turnout for the hearing will be a negative attitude toward the outcome. Businessmen have been urged to make arrangements to attend the hearing, to show their interest. The Winters Chamber of Commerce, and individuals, have increased publicity regarding the hearing and the effects the final decision will have locally.

Shippers of agricultural products, for example have explained that abandonment of the railroad would mean higher shipping costs into and out of the area, thus lessening the amount producers would receive for their produce, and increasing the cost

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## Mexican Dinner At Catholic **Church Sunday**

A Mexican dinner will be served by members of Mt. Carmel Catholic Church in the church hall, Sunday, December 5, beginning at 11:30 a.m. Serving will continue to 2 p.m.

Homemade food with dessert will be served. Take out orders will be

Cost of the dinner will be \$2.50 for adults and \$1.75 for children.

JOHN'S INTERNATIONAL-J. P. Dry, left, last week completed transactions selling his interest in John's International, Inc., a Winters industry, to another group of stockholders. Second from left is James West of Winters, who is president and chief executive of the new company. Third from left is Irvin Kaplan of Houston, a principal stockholder, and

on the right is Livingston Kosberg, of Houston, a principal stockholder of the company. Dry formed the company about seven years ago, manufacturing pickup boxes and accessories, and other metal products. Kaplan and Kosberg will not move to Winters, but the offices and manufacturing plant will remain here, it was stated.



DE STUDENTS-This group of Distributive Education students of Winters High School gained practical experience in commercial window display, by setting up show window displays downtown. Shown in Heidenheimer's last week, preparing to set up window displays,

are Celeste Sanchez, a senior; Tony Howard, a senior; Brandon Hambright, a senior; Marilyn Powers, a junior; and Olivia Aguera, a senior. Mrs. Vicki Harrison is Distributive Education instructor in Winters High School.

## **Bank Will Exhibit Work Of Local Artists**

Several local artists will exhibit their work in an art show in the lobby of the Winters State Bank, beginning December 8 and continuing through

The show will be open to the public during banking hours, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Included in the showing will be paintings of still life, scenery, and floral. Acrylic paintings also will be on

Artists whose works will be shown are Jane Walker, Shirley Minzenmayer, Eloise Chestnut, Nan Bryan, Darlene Sims, Dorene Kozelsky, Katherine Porter, Un Soon Lee, and

The Hospital Auxiliary will serve coffee during the show, on December

## **Cancer Unit Plans** Rummage Sale Dec. 3-4

The North Runnels Unit of the American Cancer Society will hold a rummage sale Friday and Saturday, Dec. 3-4, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., in the old Queen theatre building on West

Donations of articles, especially toys and Christmas decorations, are being solicited for the sale.

Proceeds are to be used for the of the North Runnals unit.

#### sponsored by the Winters Chamber of Commerce, will be held at 3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 4. Two divisions will be included in the

The annual Christmas parade,

parade, with cash prizes for each division. The children's division, for groups, individuals and organiztions, for children 12 and under, will have cash prizes of \$15, \$10, and \$5.

In the float division, for businesses and organizations, cash prizes of \$30, \$20 and \$10 will be offered for first, second and third place winners.

Winters school bands will be in the parade, and candidates for "Miss Sno Queen '76" will ride in the parade, on floats or vehicles provided by individual sponsors.

The Winters Lions Club will direct the parade, and make position assignments. Those planning to have entries in the parade are asked to meet in the parking lot behind the Chamber of Commerce office at 2 p.m. Saturday to be assigned positions and numbers. The parade will begin at 3

Out of town judges will pick parade

# "Miss Sno Queen '76" Contest Saturday,

About 30 Winters High School girls have entered the "Miss Sno Queen '76" contest, sponsored by the Winters Chamber of Commerce, and to coincide with the annual Christmas parade scheduled Saturday, Dec. 4.

Each girl entered in the contest will be sponsored by a local business. Sponsors are drawn by lot.

Out-of-town judges will pick "Miss Sno Queen '76" and announcement of the winner will be made following the downtown parade Saturday.

Before the parade, girls entered in the contest will attend a luncheon in the Housing Authority hall at 11:30 a.m. The luncheon is sponsored by the Ladies' Committee of the Chamber of Commerce.

Girls entered in the contest wil be assigned floats or cars by their sponsors for the parade. The parade will assemble in the parking lot behind the Chamber of Commerce office at 2 p.m. Saturday.

Following the parade, "Miss Sno Queen '76" contestants will assemble in the office of the Chamber of Commerce where the announcement of the winner will be made.

CONTESTANTS AND SPONSORS

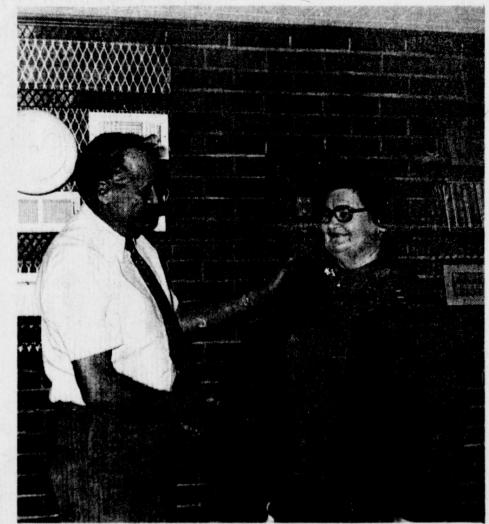
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Sheri Krause-Huffman House Kelley Thomas-Harrison Auto

Debbie Austin-Dairy Queen Kelli Busher-Winn's Variety Susan Williams-Bahlman Jewelers Christy Spraberry—Springer

Shelia Mathis-Spill Bros. Co.

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RETIRED-Mrs. Hattie Minzenmayer of Route 1, Winters, is congratulated by Hal Dry, vice president-general manager of Dry Division, Wallace Murray Corporation, upon her retirement last Wednesday. Mrs. Minzenmayer has been employed by Dry Division since Jan. 14, 1971.

Born Hedwig Frances Turk, in Gonzales County, she married the late Skeet Minzenmayer in Winters. They had four children, Henry Jr., of San Antonio, Luther of Midland, Mrs. George (Margaret) Pruser Jr., of Winters, and Mrs. Jerry (Frances) Holle of Ballinger; and eight grand-

Retirement plans? "Take it easy, and one day at a time," Mrs. Minzenmayor said



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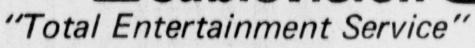
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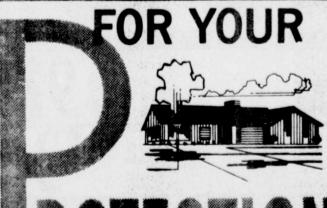
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NOTICE TO THE HERBICIDE AREA IN RUNNELS COUNTY

A Special Meeting of the ssioners' Court on Tuesday, December 7th, 1976 at 10:00 A.M. for the purpose of hearing the report of the recently appointed Herbicide Committee and take the necessary action pursuant to the Texas Herbicide Law.

J. W. Purifoy, County Judge; Chas. E. Bradshaw, Commissioner Prec. #1; David Carroll, Commis sioner Prec. #2; Pat Pritchard, Commissioner Prec. #3; Marvin Salling, Commissioner Prec. # 4.

NOTICE FOR BIDS Purchase bids will be considered

by the undersigned Executor of the Estate of Emmie Michaelis on the following two tracts of land: (1) 186 more or less as described in Deed from Paul Michaelis and wife Louisa Michaelis to C. T. Michaelis as recorded in Volume 169, page 14 of the Deed records of Runnels County, Texas.

(2) 374 acres of land more or less as described in the Deed executed L. W. Michaelis to C. T. Michaelis in Volume 178, page 530 of the Deed Records of Runnels County, Texas.

Seller reserves right to reject any and all bids and all royalty on non-participating basis shall be reserved by seller for a period of 20 years or as long thereafter as there is production.

Seal bids should be received by mail or in person prior to 10:00 A.M. on December 20th, 1976. The Estate of Emmie Michaelis by E. C. Grindstaff, Independent Executor, P.O. Box 576, 707 Hutchings Ave., Ballinger, Texas 76821 (915) 365-3515. 37-4tc.

CARD OF THANKS We can not change the Divine laws, but we can face the days ahead with courage and with hope-thankful for friends, especially Ted Meyer, Rev. Mel Swoyer, and relatives for their understanding, flowers, and food at a time of need. - The Family of Ida Jacob 39-1tp.

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or at any time, to make any

adjustment, in whole or in part, in

any subsequent current monthly

bill that may be applicable to such

All bills shall be due and payable

The above rate is applicable to

each residential and commercial

consumer per meter per month or

for any part of a month for which

In addition to the aforesaid

gas is used at the same location.

rates, Company shall have the

right to collect such reasonable

charges as are necessary to

conduct its business and to carry

out its reasonable rules and

SECTION 2. The rate set forth

in Section 1 may be changed and

amended by either the City or

Company furnishing gas in the

manner provided by law. Service

hereunder is subject to the orders

of regulatory bodies having juris-

diction, and to the Company's

Rules and Regulations currently on

and determined that the meeting

at which this ordinance was passed

was open to the public, as required

by Texas law, and that advance

public notice of the time, place and

purpose of said meeting was given.

this the 15th day of November,

A.D. 1976.

ATTEST:

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF RUNNELS

PASSED AND APPROVED on

Buford Baldwin, Secretary

Winters, Texas.

Homer Hodge, Mayor City of

I, Buford Baldwin, Secretary of

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SECTION 3. It is hereby found

file in the Company's office.

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39-1tp.

Huburt Halfmann

when rendered.

NOTICE

A hearing is called for the general public at the City Hall, 310 South Main Street, for the purpose of discussing A Federal Block Grant Program for the City of Winters. Time: 5:30 Monday, December 6, 1976, Upstairs City Hall.

The Public is invited to attend this discussion and other projects. 29-1tc.

AN ORDINANCE FIXING AND DETERMINING THE GENERAL SERVICE RATE TO BE CHARGED FOR SALES OF NATURAL GAS TO RESIDEN-TIAL AND COMMERCIAL CON-SUMERS WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF WINTERS, RUN-NELS COUNTY, TEXAS, AND PROVIDING FOR THE MANNER IN WHICH SUCH RATE MAY BE CHANGED, ADJUSTED AND

AMENDED. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY

OF WINTERS: SECTION 1. Effective with the first gas bills rendered from and after thirty (30) days from the date of final passage of this ordinance, the maximum general service rate for sales of natural gas rendered to residential and commercial consumers within the city limits of Winters by Lone Star Gas Company, its successors assigns, is hereby fixed and determined as follows: First-1000 Cu. Ft. or Fraction Thereof-\$3.000. Over-1000 Cu. Ft. at \$1.875 Per Mcf. No gas bill will be rendered to any residential or commercial consumer served under the above rate not consuming any gas during any monthly billing period, except that where customer's only use for gas service is in an outdoor grill and/or a fireplace starter, the amount shown for the first consumption block shall

constitute a minimum monthly bill. the City of Winters, Runnels ADJUSTMENTS County, Texas, hereby certify that The amount of each monthly bill the above and foregoing is a true computed at the above-stated rates and correct cony of an ordinance shall be subject to the following passed and approved by the City adjustments: Plus or minus the Council of the City of Winters at a amount of any increase or deregular session held on the 15th crease, respectively, above or day of November, 1976, as it below the \$1.3488 per Mcf level in appears of record in the Minutes of the intracompany city gate charge said City in Book 9, Page 81 & 82. as authorized by the Railroad SEAL OF SAID CITY, this the or other regulatory body having 16th day of November, A.D. 1976. jurisdiction for gas delivered to Budford Baldwin, Secretary City of Lone Star Gas Company's distribution system for sale to residential and commercial consumer where such changes are caused by increases or decreases in the cost of gas purchased by the Company; plus an amount equivalent to the proportionate part of any new tax, or increased tax, or any other governmental imposition, rental, fee or charge (except state, county, city and special district ad valorem taxes and taxes on net income) levied, assessed or imposed subsequent to July 1, 1976, upon or allocable to the Company's distribution operations, by any new or

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It is anticipated that the increased cost of service under Schedule of Industrial Rates-N. Rate Schedule For Public Free Schools-N and Schedule For Industrial Rates-N for Agencies of the State or Federal Government will result in \$6,200 additional annual revenue to Lone Star Gas Company in the City of Winters.

A Statement of Intent has been filed with the City of Winters and is available for inspection at the Company's business office located at 116 N. Main.

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7:00 USA-USSR Boxing

10:00 The Exorcist ATURDAY DEC. 4

2:00 Bite The Bullet 4:30 Mauro The Gypsy,

The Dragon Skate Canada

6:00 Bite The Bullet 7:00 Rollerball 9:30

11:45 On Location SUNDAY DEC. 5 2:00 High Hill

2:30 Prisoner Of Second Avenue The Private Life of 4:30

Henry VIII The Killer Elite Prisoner of Second

Avenue 11:00 The Killer Elite MONDAY DEC. 6

4:30 Lost On The Stars 6:30 International Gymnastics

7:30 Lost In The Stars

9:30 Mitchell 11:15 On Location TUESDAY DEC. 7

4:30 B Must Die

6:30 Bite The Bullet 8:45 B Must Die 10:45 Bite The Bullet WEDNESDAY DEC. 8

4:30 The Moonrunners 6:30 NHL Hockey The Knack... 9:00

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10:30 The Private Life of Henry VIII THURSDAY DEC. 9

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## Two Blizzards Named To **All-District Team**

Phillip Colburn, a member of the 1976 Winters High School Blizzard football team, was named to both offense and defense first teams in All-District picks for District 6-AA last week.

Jimmy Chapman, a senior, was named to the second team, offense.

Colburn, a junior student, was named an All-District offensive lineman, first team, and as a defensive

Chapman was named a running back on the second team, offense.

DISTRICT 6-AA ALL-DISTRICT

Offense-1st Team

Quarterback-Ray Torres, senior, Colorado City,

Running backs-Don Earl, senior, Stamford; Larry Smith, Merkel, senior; Ken Kelso, senior, Coahoma; Gary Hulme, Soph., Colorado City.

Receivers-Bill Harrell, senior, Stamford; Pete Parham, senior, Colorado City; Benny Arispe, senior, Colorado City.

Linemen-Jim Jordan, senior, C-

City; Kevin Herm, senior, C-City; Terry Don Roberts, junior, Coahoma; Kenny Fryrear, senior, Coahoma; Phillip Colburn, junior, Winters.

Offense-2nd Team Quarterback-Bryan Tabor, senior,

Running Backs-Jim Bob Phillups, senior, Coahoma; Jimmy Chapman, senior, Winters; Roger Doane, senior, Merkel; Frank Sanchez, junior, C-City. Receivers-Brad Pursley, junior,

THE WINTERS ENTERPRISE, Winters, Texas. Thursday, Dec. 2, 1976 5 Merkel; Allen Ritchey, senior, Ballinsenior, Merkel.

Lineman-Ruben Ornelas, senior, C-City; Billy Smith, senior, Coahoma; Benny Herman, senior, Stamford; Tom DeBerry, junior, Wylie; Glen

Braune, senior, Merkel. Defense-1st Team

Lineman-Bobby Fryar, senior, Coahoma; Jackie Ellis, senior, C-City; Steve Belvin, senior, C-City; Phillip Colburn, junior, Winters; Mark Shaw,

Linebackers-Ruben Ornelas, senior, C-City; Ken Kelso, senior,

Coahoma; Greg Haley, senior, Ballinger; Larry Smith, senior, Merkel. Backs-Time Greenfield, junior,

Coahoma; Wayne McKee, senior,

C-City; John Biera, senior, Merkel;

Rast Rosenquist, senior, Stamford.

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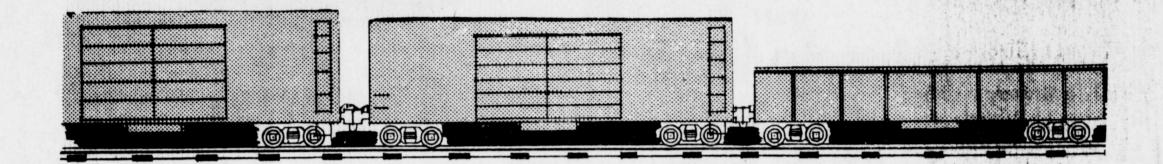




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Runnels County Farm Bureau will send 12 voting delegates to the 43rd annual meeting of the Texas Farm Bureau Dec. 5-8 in Fort Worth, according to LeRoy Pelzel, Miles, president of the 1186 member county organization.

Attending as delegates from Runnels County will be Mr. and Mrs. Edward Bredemeyer, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Estes Jr., of Winters; Mr. and Mrs. Leon Frerich of Norton; Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Droll, Rowena; Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Pelzel, and Mr. and Mrs. James Eggemeyer,

Dub McMillon, agency mafrom District 7, Texas FB.

# Crews News

Middle age is when you've got everything and still don't feel good.

We're glad to hear Mr. Burley Campbell is back at home and doing real well. He got to come home 'Thanksgiving Day. He got to come home after a spell in the hospital. Mr. and Mrs. Jim Martin of San Angelo, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Martin and boys of San Antonio and Bonnie Clark of Ballinger spent Thanksgiving with them. Mr. and Mrs. Buck Campbell of Abilene on Sunday.

Mrs. John Sims and girls Melinda and Kris of Winters spent Sunday with the Kat Grissoms.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Prater and Perry of San Angelo were weekend guests in the Noble Faubion home.

Our latest report about Mrs. Effie Dietz is she's still in the Ballinger Hospital, Room 21 and is doing nicely. Over the Thanksgiving

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had Thanksgiving dinner in Also attending from this Sweetwater with the Robert county will be Mr. and Mrs. Hills. Mr. and Mrs. Mike Hill and Mrs. Leona Voss also nager, and Mr. and Mrs. were guests. Gary Hill spent Doyle Dondra, state director the weekend, he's from Andrews.

holidays the Morrison family.

had their reunion at the

Howard Morrison hilltop

home. 31 attended. Mrs.

Annie Morrison, 87, who is

making her home in a San

Antonio nursing home got to

attend also. Tee and Selma

Berry made the trip here

from Arlington also their

daughter Mr. and Mrs.

Sutherland out on the plains

some place. Afterwards they

piano at the Clyde Brevards

and had a sing song. All of

Mrs. Annie Morrisons grand-

The Allen Bishop family

were with the Jimmy Cris-

well family for the Thanks-

Mr. and Mrs. Horace

Stokes, Mr. and Mrs. S. J.

Brevard, Mrs. Alta Hale

spent Thanksgiving with

Mrs. Lemma Fuller in Cole-

Hoppe and girls spent the

holidays with Mr. and Mrs.

Mr. and Mrs. Marion

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Jack Ziller in Liberty Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin

children were here.

giving holiday.

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TUESDAY, Dec. 14

ORDER PICTURES FOR CHRISTMAS NOW

WALLET CREATIVE

gathered around the

Judie and Jim Chapman of Winters were dinner guests Thanksgiving out here with Selma and Hazel Dietz.

Wood attended the Groom

and Forsan football game

Friday night. Afterwards

they spent the night with

their daughter, Mr. and Mrs.

Don Minzey. Mr. and Mrs.

Bobbie Calcote came by for a

visit on their way to Pearson

to see Mr. and Mrs. Maloze

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hill

Bryant Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Faubion had these guests on Thanksgiving. Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy McAden and girls: Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Gerhart and family; Mr. and Mrs. Mike Prater of San Angelo; Mr. and Mrs. Noble Faubion; Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Faubion of Ballinger; Mr. and Mrs. Bobbie Baker of Midland; Walter Jr. Pape of Denver, Colo.; and Bradley Pape.

Area missionary Harry K. Morris held services Sunday at the Hopewell Church due to the illness in the Bob Underwood family.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Clay and son Cody of Lubbock ate Thanksgiving with the James Earl Coopers. The Richard Chambliss also were guests. Buddy and Charollet Sutherland, old friends of the Coopers dropped by on their way home Sunday.

Spending the holidays with Jack Bragg were Mr. and Mrs. Carl Bull of Tow and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Mulax from San Antonio.

Mrs. Hazel Mae Bragg won a free turkey for her holiday guests at the Oaks Grocery in Coleman. Those guests were Dr. Larry Bragg and Miss Cindy Stermond of El Paso, Mr. and Mrs. Glen

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# De La Cruz Plan To Wed

Mrs. Weldon L. Collins announces the approaching marriage of her daughter, Sherry, to Mr. Rick De La Cruz, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jose S. De La Cruz of The wedding will be in the

**Young Farmers Yule** 

Grissom hosted the Thanksgiving dinner before the game. Steve and Jan returned home with the Kat Grissoms and then attended the Hamlin and Seagraves Lions Club Building at football game in Big Spring Wingate. on Friday night.

Through the week with the Doug Bryans were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Feldhousen, Vance and Flint of Francitas, Lelon and Vicki Bryan, Cheryl Pritchard of Stephenville, Dewitt and Francis Bryan, Susan and Brent.

Bragg, David and Shelly of

Hondo, Mr. and Mrs. Harold

Bragg, Mike and Joy of

Attending the Cowboys

and St. Louis football game

in Dallas Thanksgiving were

Mr. and Mrs. Kat Grissom,

Mr. and Mrs. John Sims and

girls, Mr. and Mrs. Ricky

Grissom, Corey and Stacey,

Mr. and Mrs. Von Byrd and

Jennifer of Abilene, Mr. and

Mrs. Steve Grissom and

daughter of Fort Worth,

Mrs. Kathrine Thomas and

Talpa.

Those attending the party and birthday dinner for Mr. Andrew Michaelwicz 74th birthday at Cross Road Community were the honoree Mr. Michalewicz, Mrs. Michalewicz, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Jacob, Brenda and Beverly, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Busnsenlehner and sons, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Jacob and family, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Jacob, Mr. and Mrs. Bernice Michalewicz and Barbara and Denny Heathcott, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Stuable and family, Mr. and Mrs. Olen Weishauhn and family, Dennis Holubec, Mr. and Mrs. Don Michalewicz and family, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Michalewicz and family, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hoelscher and

daughters. Brenda and Beverly Jacob of San Angelo were home 4 days during the Thanksgiving holidays.

The O. Z. Foremans had their reunion in the Ballinger Community Center Sunday, approximately 40 attended. Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hallmark, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Bridwell were visitors. A new addition to the Foreman reunion was little Reesa Noel of San Antonio, a greatgranddaughter to O. Z.

The Coleman Foremans visited with Mrs. Effie Dietz in the hospital afterwards. She was in good spirits.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Villers, Jim and Peggy of San Angelo were home with the Raymond Kurtzs Thanksgiv-

The Chester McBeths had Thanksgiving dinner in Tuscola with Mrs. Mable White. Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Tounget of Lubbock spent Friday and Saturday in the McBeths

With the Marvin Hambrights Thanksgiving were Mr. and Mrs. Michale Dyes

# Miss Collins, Mr. Rick

(CORRECTION)

Max. Mr. and Mrs. Steve **Party Monday Night** The annual Winters Young Farmers family Christmas party will be held Monday, December 6, at 7 p.m. in the

Ladies will bring dessert. December 23.

Members will bring gifts for their own children if they desire.

First Baptist Church, Win-

the error in the above

announcement as published

last week, and for any

inconvenience or embarrass-

ment it may have caused.)

(The Enterprise regrets

ters, May 14, 1977.

Final plans will be made for the Young Farmers Christmas Ball, planned for

selection, and a gift ex-

Co-hostesses with Mrs.

Dorsett will be Mrs. J. S.

Tierce, Mrs. Elo Michaelis,

Mrs. Ennis Steele and Miss

tenberg, Carl Baldwin, Reese

Jones, and Carroll Stoecker.

be held Thursday, December

IN WHITTENBERG HOME

home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack

Whittenberg were Mrs.

Stanley Roth of Phoenix,

Ariz.; Mrs. Bernice Stanford

and Larry of San Angelo;

Mr. and Mrs. Randall Wat-

son, Terry and Lori of

Coleman; Mrs. Pete Wessels

and Clarence, Mr. and Mrs.

Willis Whittenberg and Mr.

and Mrs. Ronnie Bethel and

Thanksgiving guests in the

9 at the Humble Building.

The Christmas Party will

change will be held.

Lucy Kittrell.

## **Retired Teachers Meeting Scheduled December 7**

Runnels County Retired Teachers Association will meet Tuesday, Dec. 7, at 2:30 p.m. in the home of Mrs.

Earl Dorsett, 510 Tinkle. Mrs. Homer Hodge Jr., will present a Christmas

### Dale Sewing Club Meeting Recently

The Dale Sewing Club met Monday at the Humble Building for an all-day quilt-

Present were Mesdames E. E. Thormeyer, Herman Spill, Bill Mayo, Marvin Traylor, I. W. Rogers, Quincy Traylor, Oliver Wood, Thad Traylor, Ralph McWilliams, Verge Fisher, Clarence Hambright, Jack Whit-

#### IN BUCHANAN HOME

Visitors in the Joe Buchanan home during the Thanks-Doris Bradshaw of Wichita Falls; Bruce and Beckie Pearce of San Angelo; Bob and Faye Pearce of Abilene; Im Doyle, Pat, Kathy, Billy, In Kim and Tammy Buchanan, all of Ovalo.

### CARD OF THANKS

We are sincerely grateful to friends and neighbors for their many acts of sympathy and thoughtfulness during our bereavement. These expressions have been deeply appreciated and will always be remembered by the family of Mrs. G. C. Byers. -Bo and Bess Byers, Becky and Barby

### IN O'DELL HOME

Thanksgiving visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Suvern O'Dell were Mr. and Mrs. Jack Roe, Haysville, Kans.; Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Lee Blackmon and family, West Fork, Ark.; Mr. and Mrs. James Spradling and family, San Antonio; Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Stanfield and Marty, Barbara Blackmon and children, Austin; Mr. and Mrs. Michael O'Dell, San Angelo; Mr. and Mrs. Benny O'Dell, Mr. and Mrs. Garland O'Dell and Clay, Phyllis and Kay O'Dell, Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Overman, Mr. and Mrs. R. Q. O'Dell, Winters; Mr. and Mrs. John Haney and son, Abilene; Melinda Hill, Wingate, and Tony Howard, Winters.

of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. Arbury Faubion, Cliff and Donna, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Hambright, Brandon and Toni and Eldon Hambright in the afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. George Lange and Scott, Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Lange and son of Beeville, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Tucker and girls of Miles, Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Hambright and boys of Bronte and David Lange of Lubbock. Others visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Burley Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. Theron Osborne, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hambright and Dean Taylor.

Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Osborne and family of Houston were up for Thanksgiving in the Lilly and Selma Osborne home. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Theron Osborne and Mr. and Mrs. Wesley McGallion and son.

Mr. and Mrs. Berdell McDonald, a niece of Levelland, came to see the Burley Campbells on Friday.

Sub Deb Club

Meeting Recently

The Sub Deb Club honored the Goal Diggers Club with a Thanksgiving dinner last Tuesday in the Fellowship Building of the Church of Christ.

Thanksgiving and fall themes, with autumn leaves and scarecrow characters,

THE WINTERS ENTERPRISE, Winters, Texas, Thursday, Dec. 2, 1976 7 were carried out in the party

The salad supper was one of many held by the two girls' clubs since they were formed in the early 1940's. Approximately 22 club members, sponsors and guests attended the annual event.

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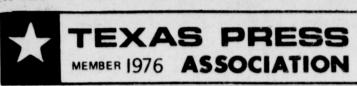
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Merrill Nursing

Home News

We are always pleased to

welcome a new resident to

make this a "Home away

from home." Those who have

come into our home recently

are Mrs. Carolyn Nelson,

Miss La Francis Johnson,

Mr. Ollie Hamilton, and Mrs.

Cecil Inez Smith, the mother

of Mrs. John Waddell, moved

in yesterday. Lavinia Croc-

kett has returned to live

here, after spending several

weeks with her daughter in

Conroe. We hope these five

people will have a pleasant

Our administrators, Janice

and Johnnie Merrill are in

Houston this week attending

a seminar. Janice says she is

always eager to learn how to

better care for the residents

Many of our residents

were out of the home over

the Thanksgiving holidays,

and others had an opportu-

nity to express the things

they were most thankful for

at the "Tuesday Fun Time."

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## Gift Tea Honors Bride-To-Be

Miss Sheila Williams. whose marriage to Stanley W. Tatom will take place January 8, was guest of honor at a gift tea and miscellaneous shower in the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Mathis Nov. 13.

Green, gold and yellow were the colors throughout the home.

Miss Susan Williams, sister of the bride-elect, presided at the register. Others who assisted in hostess duties were Mmes. C. J. Blackshear, Clifton Poe, Roger Bryan, Cecil Tekell,

Dennis Poe, Lee Harrison, E. A. Fairey, Dennie Rogers. James West, M. E. Mathis, and Miss Jean Sneed.



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### Sew and Sew Club Meeting

The Sew and Sew Club met recently in the home of Mrs. J. R. Woodfin. Quilting was done for the hostess.

Present were Mesdames Dolly Airhart, Nellie Adcock, Mabel Bagwell, Opal Belew, Nolan Cave, Suvern O'Dell, Pete Polk, F. N. Robinson, Dock Rogers, and Miss Mildred Patton and Miss Leila Harter.

Custom quilting will be done at the next meeting. Be Busy Sewing

Chib Meeting The Be Busy Sewing Club met November 22 in the

home of Mrs. Etta Bryant. The afternoon was spent doing handwork for the Attending were Mesdames

Lewis Blackmon, Bill Milliorn, M. H. Hogan, Eura Lloyd, Vallie Brannon, Becky Poe, Mayola Cathey, Nadine Smith and the hostess.

The next meeting will be a Christmas luncheon December 13 in the home of Mrs. Nadine Smith.

#### Southside WMU Meeting Tuesday

The Southside Baptist Women's Missionary Union met Tuesday of last week in the home of Mrs. Marilyn Rose. Mrs. Fred Young brought the Bible study, and Mrs. Joy Hasty read the prayer

Others attending the meeting were Mesdames J.

# INSURE Property

# CLASSIFIEDS GET RESULTS R. White, Juanita Bentley What You Have Fire-Life-

JNO. W. NOR MAN The Insurance

# Miss Casey and Mr.

Wingate announces the en- December 11, at 7 o'clock in gagement and approaching the evening, in Ashbury marriage of her daughter, United Methodist Church,

## Diversity Club Saw Cancer Film Recently

Dr. Rahlman, a chemo therpist of San Angelo, showed a cancer film and held a question and answer period during a meeting of the Diversity Club in the Church of Christ Fellowship Building November 18.

Mrs. W. L. England, Mrs. Earl Roach, Mrs. Frank Brown, and Mrs. Wayne Roberts were hostesses.

Guests were members of the Literary and Service Club, the Junior Culture Club, and others.

Approximately 40 attend-

## WINGATE **NEWS**

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Howard and children of San Angelo were holiday guests in the home of Mrs. I. G. Hensley.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Smith and Jim and Mrs. M. R. Smith and brother Boyd King were dinner guests in Robert Lee with Marie and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Buddy King are visiting his mother Madalyn King.

Gladys, W. F. and Tommy Matthews of San Angelo were visiting her mother, Mrs. Wheat last Thursday. The Gene Wheats came in the afternoon.

Mrs. Clarence Morris is ome from the hospital.

Ray Bagwell of Odessa was visiting his mother Mrs. W. N. Bagwell this week.

Melva and Ken Rogers of Midland were here for the holidays with Ruby and Bob.

Mr. Ulyses Eans of California is visiting his sister, Mrs. W. N. Bagwell. Mr. and Mrs. Irvy Talley

visited in the home of their daughter, Melva in Abilene Sunday. Mrs. Flossie Kirkland is

spending a few days in Abilene with Demetra. Mrs. Clarence (Soc) Morris

is a patient in North Runnels Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Briley and Bryan of Midland and the Gene Wheats of Winters were guests with their mother, Mrs. W. W. Wheat.

M. B. Folsom and Dody attended the football game at Hereford between Floydada and Demmitt this

Word was received here by Mrs. M. B. Folsom of the death of Mrs. Myrtle Hughs Hicks at Pearland. She was a former resident of Wingate.

Mrs. David Bryan is a patient in North Runnels Hospital.



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### Winters Joint 4-H Club Meeting

Winters Joint 4-H Club met November 22 in the vo-ag building, with Rhonda Carter presiding.

Dale Brandenberger showed slides on National Citizenship Short Course and Heritage Tour to Washing-

Members present were Rhonda Carter, John Carter, Karen Carter, Keith Kraatz,

## Literary, Service Club Heard Crime Program

A program on crime prevention, "Hands Up," was presented during a meeting of the Literary and Service Club Nov. 18 in the home of Mrs. M. G. Middlebrook. Mrs. C. A. Lacy was also a

The program was presented by Mrs. J. S. Tierce. Mrs. Bobbie Butts, Mrs. Lee Harrison, and Mrs. J. S. Tierce encouraged the group to take preventive measures to prevent crime. Mrs. Butts, a member of the Winters Police Department, spoke to the group about crime in Winters, and held a question and answer session. Mrs. Harrison used "Citizenship" as her topic on the program.

Mrs. Ray Alderman urged all members to be present at the hearing concerning the abandonment of the railroad from Winters to Abilene. The hearing will be Dec. 6.

Fifteen members and one guest, Mrs. Butts, were present.

Members present were Mesdames J. S. Tierce, Ray Alderman, E. E. Thormeyer, Loyd Roberson, Newt Blackerby, Earl Dorsett, Lee Harrison, C. T. Hart, H. M. Nichols, Elo Michaelis, Mae Lewis, Chas. Kruse Jr., Joe Irvin, M. G. Middlebrook, and C. A. Lacy.

#### FROM TRINIDAD

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Miller Sr., of Trinidad, spent several days recently in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Minzenmayer.

Kyle Kraatz, Don Kvapil, Melinda Kvapil, Claudette Faubion, Rosalinda Vera, Adelita Vera, Anna Vera, Rose Marie Faubion, Scott Gerhart, Janet Jacob, Fran Hoppe, Sherri Gerhart, Dawn Miller, Vonda Webb, Debbie Hamilton, Beverly Hamilton, Ronny Ripley, Gina Guevara, Wayne Kraatz, Francene Miller, Jim Bob Webb. Sponsors present were Elaine Miller, Oleta Webb, Ruby Carter, Mrs. O'Connor, and Dale Bran-

### NEWCOMERS

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sawyer of Blackwell announce the birth of a daughter, Connie Jean, born Nov. 19, 1976, in the San Angelo Clinic Hospital. The baby weighed 8 pounds 71/2 ounces. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. T. A. McMillan of Winters. Maternal grandmother is Mrs. Johnny Armstrong of Black-

Mr. and Mrs. Stan Graczyk of St. Paul, Minn., announce the birth of a daughter, Christina Marie, born Nov. 22, 1976. The baby weighed 7 pounds 13 ounces. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Matt Graczyk of Three Lakes, Wisc., and Mr. and

Mrs. A. O. Merck of Winters. Mr. and Mrs. Terry Loeh-

man of Odessa announce the birth of a son, Terry Lynn Jr., born Nov. 18, 1976, at Women's & Children's Hospital in Odessa. The baby weighed 9 pounds 121/2 ounces. Mr. and Mrs. Loehman have one daughter, Lisa. Paternal grandparents are Mrs. Weetona Stuteville of Winters and Eddie Loehman of Odessa. Maternal grandparents are Mr. Mrs. Noel Graves of San Angelo. Great-grandparents are Mrs. George Akeman of Winters, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Morris of Abilene and Mrs. Frank Borders of Ballinger.

# Miss Curbo, Mr. Poindexter were Wed

Sherri Lynn Curbo became the bride of Mr. Bobby Joe Poindexter in a ceremony Sunday afternoon at the First Baptist Church, with the Rev. James Gehrels officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Pat Wood and the late J. H. Curbo Jr.

Poindexter is the son of Donald Poindexter and the late Betty Poindexter. Cindy Pumphrey was maid

of honor and Johnny Key was best man.

Guests were registered by Kim Wood, sister of the bride.

Johnny Curbo, brother the bride was usher.

The couple will live in Charlston, S.C., where the bridegroom is stationed with the U.S. Navy.

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MR. AND MRS. ADAMS

## Miss Williams, Mr. Adams Wed In Pakistan

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Williams of Winters announce the marriage of their daughter, Denise, to Mr. Steve Adams, September 25, 1976,

He is the son of Harry B. Adams of Beaumont and Louise Little of Silsbee.

They were married in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gary McCreight. Performing the ceremony was Lt. Col. J. E. Umar Khitab, senior registrar for Christian marriages in Pakistan, and witnessed by Gerald Feierstein, U.S. Vice Counsel in Pakistan.

The couple was presented with traditional ornaments worn by brides and bridegrooms in Pakistan. For a wedding trip, they went to Saudi Sharif in the Himalayan mountains, and Pesha-

The bride is graduate of Winters High School. She attended Angelo State University and in 1975 received an associate of science degree in nursing. While in Angelo State she was a charter member of Lambda Omicron chapter of Delta Zeta, social sororiety, and Alpha Lambda Delta, freshman honor society. She was also a member of Alpha objective mood."

was his answer. the suggestions of the minority, some have developed a fatalistic attitude of "What's the use-there's nothing we

There is a very important issue regarding the future welfare of our town to be decided on Dec. 6, at a hearing set by the Interstate Commerce Commission, and there is something you can do. YOU CAN BE PRE-SENT at the Community Center at 9:30 a.m. and show the officials that you are concerned.

An excellent attorney will represent the city and witnesses have already been secured, but every able bodied person should attend the hearing "to impress the hearing committee of the importance of continued rail service to the community."

Farming is the backbone of our economy and farmers have a big stake in this, too. The railroad is used to move farm products out and farm machinery in. It does make a difference.

there are several factors in our favor. The government is looking favorable on small farming communities with existing rail service and the energy situation is playing a part. It is also in our favor that the hearing will be here instead of some distant city.

IF WE DON'T MAKE ENOUGH NOISE THE **Former County** Resident Died In Accident

Clarence Clay Keele, 74, of Melvin, a former resident of Runnels County, was struck by a car five minutes after his pickup struck and killed a Lockhart man Tuesday night of last week about 11.5 miles BATTLE IS LOST, BUT IT east of Eden on U.S. 87. HASN'T BEEN DECIDED

Pronounced dead at the scene by justice of the peace Mrs. Tek Brusenhan were Allie Morgan Fox, 47, of Lockhart, and Keele.

Fox was standing in the road beside his apparently stalled car when a pickup driven by Keele struck him at about 6:30 p.m., Department of Public Safety officials said.

Fox's body was tossed about 165 feet from the point of impact, officers said.

Keele stepped out of his pickup and ran 200 feet back toward Fox's car, DPS officials said. When he turned to go back to his truck, he was struck by a car driven by William Edward Lohn of Brady at 6:35 p.m.

The bodies of the two men were taken to Day-Loveless Funeral Home in Eden. Fox's body was sent to Arkansas.

Funeral services for Mr. Keele were eld at 3 p.m. Thursday in Spill Memorial

#### CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our deep appreciation to our friends and neighbors that shared in our sorrow in the loss of our wonderful dad and grandad. We especially thank Dr. Strole and Dr. Iles, the staff of Hendrick Hospital, for the flowers and food brought in, Rev. Steinberg and Rev. Pendergrass for their survices, and Ted Meyer and the staff of Spill Funeral Home. May God richly bless each and every one of you. -The Family of

# LUNCHROOM MENU

Monday December 6 Barbecue on toasted bun, pinto beans, creamy cole slaw, doughnuts, dill pickles, milk or chocolate milk.

**Tuesday December 7** Salmon croquettes, tartar sauce in cups, savory rice, whole kernel corn, pear half with grated cheese on top, chocolate chip cookies, hot rolls with butter on top, milk or chocolate milk.

Wednesday December 8 Western spaghetti, tossed green salad with French dressing, green beans, cream potatoes, sliced peaches, peanut butter cookies, French sticks with garlic butter, milk or chocolate milk.

Thursday December 9 Hamburger or combination sandwiches, French fries, catsup in cups, fruit salad, pork and beans, chocolate sheath cake, milk.

Friday December 10 Chicken fried steak, cream gravy (by choice), whipped potatoes, tossed green salad, frozen peas, cake, hot rolls with butter on top, milk or

money we spend it here.

chocolate milk.

"Anything that helps the town helps us all. We are dependent upon each other and all industry contributes to our well being. The railroad undergirds all phases of community life."

The city and school both benefit from taxes paid by the railroad. And when any source of revenue is lost something has to be added to take its place.

We believe the time is coming when the railroad will be needed even more than now. And if it is lost there will be no chance of regaining its services.

Small communities like Content, Truett and Victory who fought for the railroad and failed to get it have disappeared from the map. There is a psychological factor involved that we won't mention here-just show up and be counted.

And when we succeed, we can say, like the little mouse crossing the bridge with the elephant, "We sure did shake that bridge!"

THE WINTERS ENTERPRES Winters, Texas, Thursday, Dec. 2, 1976 9

Chapel, with the Rev. Mos- years. ley, pastor of the Melvin Baptist Church, officiating. Burial was in Fairview

Cemetery in Winters under

the direction of Spill Funeral

Born July 31, 1902, in Bell County, Mr. Keele came to Runnels County in his youth and lived in the Winters-Bal- two sons, C. G. of Southfield,

He married Delia Louise Adami June 23, 1924, at Winters. He later moved to West Texas and in 1950 moved to New Mexico. He returned to Winters in 1968 and moved to Melvin in 1972.

He was a longtime rancher. Survivors include his wife; linger area for a number of Mich., and James of Hous-

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ton; two daughters, Mrs. Walter Johnson of Amaribo and Mrs. John Gregory Mesquite; three brothers, Ben of Eden, Orville of Stanton and Audie of Ballinger; and nine grandchild-

A son, Raymond, died in

ren.

Grandsons and nephews served as pallbearers.





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Chi, National Honor Society. Mr. Adams is a 1968 graduate of Hillcrest High School, Dallas, and attended El Centro College in Dallas. Islamabad, Pakistan. He served in the U.S. Navy and is now employed by

> Haliburton International. Mr. and Mrs. Adams are at home in Dubai, U.A.E.

#### U-M Women Met Last Tuesday

The United Methodist Women met in the Fellowship Hall of the First United Methodist Church last Tuesday, with Mrs. M. G. Middlebrook presiding.

Mrs. Melvin Dozier was leader for the program, "An Outpouring of Grateful Thanks." Mrs. Sharon Mc Ginnis sang a solo. Others on the program were Mrs. Ralph Arnold Mrs Fred Young and Mrs. Middle-

Names were drawn for the Circles for 1977. Sixteen members were present.

### FROM ARIZONA

Mrs. Stanley L. Roth of Phoenix, Ariz., was a visitor in the home of her mother, Mrs. Pete Wessels and

CORNER BY CHARLSIE POE

What if that little group of

men who formed a commit-

tee, back in 1908, to bring

the railroad to Winters had

said, "What's the use, we'll

never get a railroad," and

by the Winters people on

July 7, 1909, when the first

train puffed into the station.

The band was playing and all

the citizens turned out to

The arrival of the train

was the result of many hours

of hard work by the men of

the town. Thirty three of

them signed the petition

asking for the railroad and

that was just about all the

men at that time. It meant

hard work to raise a large

sum of money by donations,

and travel to secure ease-

ments through farms, also

buying property for a depot,

switches, tracks and yards.

All this required time away

from home and business, but

these men were willing to

Mrs. John Gardner who

now runs Spill Brothers,

bought by her father in 1905,

said, "When the railroad

became available my Dad

hauled all his furniture by

rail for years and years. He

received whole carloads of

sofas, beds or chairs at a

time. Furniture is now

shipped by rail to Dallas or

Abilene, and we have to go

"We used the service as

long as it was available. Rail

is a safe way to move

furniture, it comes in good

shape, and the railroad is

economical in the use of fuel.

Personally, we believe there

is going to be an energy

"I would welcome the

opportunity to go back to rail

service, and that's possible

only if we have a railroad

The W. H. Lockharts

entered the Motel business

in Winters 18 years ago and

the first three years were

rough said Mrs. Lockhart.

"But this town has come into

its own, industry wise, in the

"When we came here the

mill was on a decline and the

only other plant was the

evaporative cooler factory

which operated a few months

during the year. The oil

production also bottomed out

"Since then Dry Manufac-

turing Co. has been a big

asset, also Wintex, and now

John's International. The

services of the Milling &

Grain Co. have been greatly

improved and expanded un-

der new management. The

new North Runnels Hospital

helps from all standpoints.

Sooner or later, if we didn't

have the doctors and facili-

ties for treatment in case of injuries we would lose our

industries. We draw a lot of

business from the industries

indirectly and when we get

in the 60's.

last 15 years," she adds.

here."

after it with trucks.

work for progress.

celebrate with a picnic.

There was great rejoicing

hadn't tried.

me we have some lively discussions except when he is in a negative mood. Once when he had said "No" to my every suggestion, I said, "I know what's wrong with you. You were born in the "No, I wasn't," he replied. It is very easy to be negative without realizing it, like the farmer who was congratulated for making a bumper harvest. "Yes, but it sure was hard on the land," In spite of the fact that there has never been a time in history when as much attention has been paid to

When Paige, my five-year-

old grandson, comes to see

can do."

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# Shall These Tracks Be Torn Up?

#### OPINION

These are railroad tracks-in Winters. Since 1909, they have been a prime factor in the building and growth of the entire area. Even though the coming of the automobile and the truck during the decades since the first tracks were laid, they are still economically important to the present and future of the community.

However, there is great danger that these tracks will be ripped out, leaving Winters and this area without railroad inlets and outlets, bringing farm machinery and livestock feed ingredients and other freight into our town, and hauling away the produce of farms and ranches and industry

The Abilene & Southern Railway Co. has petitioned the Interstate Commission for person to abandon the line into Winters. With abandonment of this trackage, this community would be severed from the main railway lines in Abilene-literally cut off from the rest of the world, except through highway traffic.

To some thinking, loss of the railroad would have little effect. After all, according to some reasoning, there are the highways and the big trucks which could service the community. "There are only a few people (companies) using the railroad, anyway, and they could easily use the highways and trucks," some believe. And, "Times have changed; the presence, of a railroad is not so important these days of modern hichway transportation," goes some thinking.

There is more to it than that, however. Even though most of us personally do not receive and ship freight and goods via the railroads, the use of the railroads by the shippers who do has a vital economic effect on every person in the community, whether or not we realize it. For instance, much farm machinery is shipped into Winters by rail. Which means, according to those in positions to know, a savings of a good many dollars to the farmers who purchase this machinery. The presence and use of a railroad in the community means that those who buy the farmers' produce are able to pay just a bit more than would be the case if everything had to be shipped by truck. Railroad freight has certain "transit privileges," it has been explained, not allowed for trucks, which means lower

It's a matter of mathematics and economics.

freight costs.

And to those who believe that "Times have changed . . .": Many experts in the field now agree that a complete reversal of the trend away from the railroads as a method of transportation is in prospect. They see a trend to a return to the rails as a primary means of moving this nation's produce and goods. They point out that, per unit of fuel consumed, the railroad is 10 times more efficient than any other method. This alone, in these days of energy shortages-and prospects for the situation to worsen-and increasing fuel costs, should indicate something. Most of us probably will

live to see the day when we again become as dependent upon the railroads as we were in the first half of this century.

And to those who believe that the effects of loss of the railroad would be felt by only a few: Anything which economically affects anyone or any company affects everyone, whether we admit it or not. The fight to save the railroad is not a selfish act on the part of any one individual or company-they are fighting for the economic survival of us all.

Once these tracks are removed, they will never be replaced. And this community probably would feel the loss more bitterly than we would the loss of practically anything else.

If enough people let their interest in continuation of the railroad be known, there is a probability that the tracks will remain in place, to serve us and those who follow. Everyone, regardless of their position in the community, is urged to attend the hearing next Monday, to amplify their interest, to show their concern over the prospects of losing the railroad, and the economic distress it could

This is no time to "Let George do it!" We all must take and show an interest in this matter. If we sit idly by and twiddle our thumbs, and expect the other person to pull our chestnuts out of the fire, then we shall deserve exactly what we shall surely get-a community with out a railroad. Now is the time to act, on our own and in groups, to show our interest.

## Railroad -

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of incoming materials and products for consumers. Energy conservation, for the present and for the future, will be vital, it has been explained, and the area and the nation continues to search for more economical means of goods shipment.

Abilene & Southern Radway Company, operators of the line, in mid 1975 petitioned the Interstate Commerce Commission for permission o abandon the line from Winters to Abilene

In protest in the autonment proposal, shippers and others have pointed out that the laway company has used figures commend for the year 1974, to show cause it abandonment. Opponents have shared that 1974 "is not a representative year, because of the prolonged drouth responsible for a short crop year, and a bad livestock year. Only 357 cars were moved in and out of Winters during that period,

The year 1973 was a much better railroad traffic year, it was said, with 956 cars in and out. And then in 1975, a big grain crop and a building livestock year, more railroad traffic was experienced by midyear than during all of 1974. It would have taken

they said, far below the normal traffic.

2868 trucks to move the tonnahe shipped into and out of Winters for 1973 alone, it has been said, which would have been much more expensive. Also, it was pointed out, rail traffic in 1976 has been substantially greater than that of the "example"

Some years ago, the railway ompany abandoned the line from Vinters to Ballinger, where connecions with Santa Fe were made. This made little difference on the traffic out of Winters, as most traffic went from Winters to the main line at Abilene.

During the past few years, the railway company has accomplished comprehensive repair and rebuilding projects on the line from Winters to Abilene. New rails were put down,

and the roadbed reballasted and repaired. In 1970, it was pointed out, new rail was installed to milepost 10; in 1971, to milepost 17.5; in 1972, to milepost 27; in 1973, to milepost 31.6; and in 1974, the project was completed

In this rebuilding project, it was said, 85 to 89-pound rail was installed to replace the 54-pound rail which had been in place for many years.

to milepost 39.

Opponents of the abandonment petition have emphasized the need for the railroad to remain in place and in use, because of the growing energy shortage. They stated that a railroad is 10 times more efficient per unit of fuel consumed than trucks. They call attention to the talk of the trend to return to the railroad for freight hauling because of the energy situation, which is likely to continue and become even more acute. "If these conditions continue and grow," they say, "and the railway serving the Winters area is ripped out, the economic effect on this area would be disastrous.'

was decided to continue the local contest. In the past several years the Runnels District has had a regional and state winner.

The top three essay winners from each school will be awarded ribbons. There will also be an award for the Auto district champion essay.

Imagination is more im portant than knowledge.

## Sno Queen -

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Teresa Wright-Heidenheimer's

Janet Brun-Robinson Chevrolet Co. Kathy Bredemeyer-Mil-

ton's Auto Parts Mary Jo Plumley-Jim Hatler Insurance Fran Hoppe-West Dale

Kathy Walker-First Savings & Loan

Becky De La Cruz-Smith Drug Co. Sara Parramore—Bahlman Cleaners

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# Will Sponsor **Essay Contest**

The Runnels Soil and Water Conservation District will sponsor an essay contest again this year, according to Douglas Cole, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Runnels Soil and Water servation District.

The subject for essays this Runnels District year will be "Soil and Water Conservation-Present and Future", and essays should be 300 words or less. Cole said this is an open

contest to young men and women 18 years of age and under. Entries will be accepted until February 1, 1977. Essays should be sent to the Runnels Soil and Water Conservation District. Box 446, Ballinger, Texas 76821 or they may be

handed to any of the district in the Runnels S&WCD, it directors: Cone J. Robinson, Sr. of Norton; Sam Faubion of Crews; Otto Gottschalk of Ballinger; David Ocker of Rowena; or to Douglas Cole of Winters.

According to Cole, the State Soil and Water Conservation Board notified the local district that there would not be a state conservation awards program this year. He said due to the interest in this contest