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Railroad Hearing Continued Monday

The continued hearing on the proposal by Abilene and Southern Railway Co. to abandon the railroad line from Winters to Abilene will begin at 9:30 a.m. Monday, Feb. 14, in the Winters Community Center.

The hearing was begun Dec. 7, 1976, but was continued to Feb. 14 after two days of testimony. The presiding Administrative Law Judge, Robert E. Joyner, of the Interstate Commerce Commission, in December ordered the hearing continued to a later date so that principals could develop testimony and study evidence which had been entered during the first two days.

Abilene and Southern proposes to abandon the 39 miles of track between Winters and Abilene. In a related application, Missouri Pacific Railroad Co., of which Abilene and Southern is a wholly owned subsidiary, is asking to operate 7.31 miles of the line in Abilene. Both proposals are being considered in the hearing.

Abilene and Southern is asking that the line be abandoned according to what is called the "34-car rule." The Interstate Commerce Commission rule means that if fewer than 34 loaded cars per mile of track move on a rail line per year, the company can propose that it be abandoned. This rule was rescinded by the ICC in November, 1976, but the Winters hearing is proceeding on that rule since the application for abandonment

was made before the rule was rescinded.

Opposing the abandonment proposal are Winters shippers and others, who feel that the loss of the railroad would mean a great economic loss to the community, because of the need for rail transportation facilities to move locally produced grain and other commodities out of the area, and raw materials for livestock feed and other freight. The line to Abilene is the only rail connection available to the Winters community. Abilene and Southern abandoned the line from Winters to Ballinger several years ago.

Frank Brooks, an attorney of Dallas, is representing Winters shippers in the matter. Attorney for Missouri Pacific is John P. Legendre of Dallas.

During the first two days of the hearing in December, several witnesses were called, including E. V. Fischer, Missouri Pacific terminal manager.

Witnesses called by Brooks included Charles Stout of Ovalo, a Missouri Pacific track foreman; J. R. Turner of Abilene, locomotive engineer; Winters Mayor Homer Hodge; Runnels County Extension Agent C. T. Parker; Randall Conner, Area IV president of the Young Farmers of Texas; J. D. Litton of Waco, who is associated with Winters Warehouse Co.; and Gene Wheat, local manager of Bob Loyd LP Gas Co.

During the first two days of the hearing in December, John P. Legendre, attorney for the railroad, tried to enter certain exhibits which were objected to by Brooks, because

Rev. Mel Swoyer Going To Church In Abilene

The Rev. Mel Swoyer, who has been pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church in Winters for a little more than three years, Sunday tendered his resignation to the church congregation, and announced plans to become pastor of Grace Lutheran Church in Abilene.

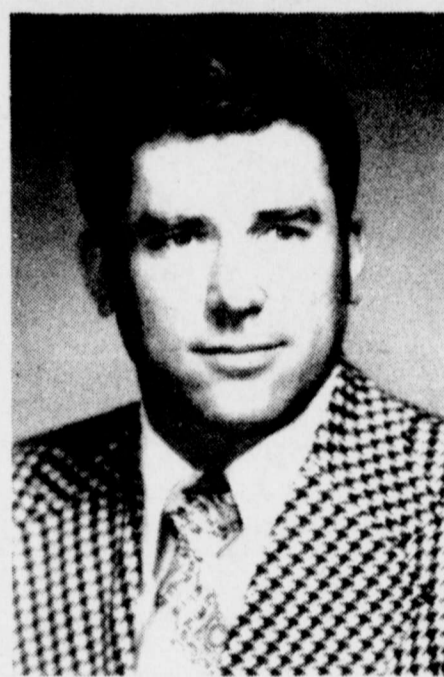
The resignation will be effective March 1.

The Rev. Swoyer has been pastor of the Winters Church since October, 1973. During the time he has been in Winters, he has been active in community affairs. He has been president of the Winters Ministerial Alliance, is presently a member of the board of directors of the Winters Chamber of Commerce, is a member of the Winters Lions Club.

he said his clients had not had access to the exhibits and could not properly respond to them. The exhibits had to do with revenues and expenses of the railroad. Judge Joyner allowed the exhibits to be entered into the record after an explanation, and then ordered the hearing continued to Feb. 14 so opposition attorneys could study them.

Also at the December sessions was David Hughes, an attorney representing the State of Texas through the Attorney General's office, who said he also will have additional witnesses for the group protesting the abandonment.

Opponents to the abandonment proposal have encouraged a turnout of Winters area residents for the hearing as evidence that there is much concern over possibilities of losing the railroad.



DR. DAVID RAY

Chamber of Commerce Banquet Friday Night

Dr. David Ray, assistant vice president for development, Hardin-Simmons University, will be the principal speaker at the annual Winters Chamber of Commerce membership banquet Friday, Feb. 11, at 7:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria.

This annual banquet will be occasion to publicly introduce new members and officers of the board of directors, and give recognition to outgoing officers and directors.

Outgoing president is Bill Graves. He is being succeeded by Mike Tuggle. Tommy Lancaster is the new vice president, and Mrs. Freddie Bredemeyer, treasurer. Mrs. Emma Marks is secretary-manager of the chamber.

James Gehrels will be master of

Junior Culture Club Seeks To Support Parks

Winters' Junior Culture Club is seeking to add support and promotion of the City Parks to their annual projects, with offers to donate specific sums annually for use on improving the parks.

Meeting with the City Council Monday night, representatives of the woman's club proposed to donate \$500 per year for upgrading the parks and for maintenance, provided the City match that sum, apparently in addition to the amount already included in the annual city budget.

The club also proposed organization

ceremonies. Special dinner music will be played by Lee Roy Moore.

Highlight of the banquet will be presentation of the Man of the Year Award. This presentation will be made by J. W. Bahlman, last year's recipient.

The banquet is produced by the old board of directors and officers each year.

Retiring directors are Bill Graves, Phil Harrison, Mrs. LaDell Davis, John McAdoo, Gary Pinkerton, Lanny Bahlman and Mrs. Milton Gerhart.

Holdover directors, with another year to serve, are Mike Tuggle, Rev. Mel Swoyer, Margaret Bell, Mrs. Freddie Bredemeyer and Louis Johnson.

Incoming directors, who were

Library Board Seeks Funds For Operation

"The financial outlook (of the Winters Public Library) is rather black," Mrs. H. M. Nichols, treasurer of the Winters Library Board, told the Winters City Council Monday night.

At the time, she said, there was only about \$90 in the general fund for the Library, with only about \$400 in the building fund. There is a \$2,500 certificate of deposit in The Winters State Bank, it was stated, but stipulations by the donors prevent this money from being used for maintenance of the library.

Mrs. T. L. Russell, president of the Library Board, and Mrs. Nichols appeared before the Winters City Council Monday night to request financial assistance for the library. Operation of the library has been on a voluntary basis, with no funds allocated from the City.

Library Board members pointed out that the librarian, Mrs. Ollie Lou Cole, is paid only \$50 per month, and "sometimes there is not enough money" to pay this meager salary.

Mayor Homer Hodge, speaking for the Council said nothing has been included in the City's budget for the library, but the council would take the matter under advisement.

Meanwhile, there were indications of a public subscription drive to raise funds to keep the library in operation. Also, a membership drive is being studied. Family memberships in the library are only \$3 per year.

Students Will Work On History Mag

Again, students of Winters High School are seeking help from the public on gathering and compiling information on the history of this area.

The local Texas History class students are competing in a program sponsored by the West Texas Schools American Heritage Project. Purpose of the project is to encourage the students to explore and research local history, and the "good old days," Mrs. Raymond Schwartz, teacher, said.

Work can be on an individual or group basis, and can be in the form of an essay, pictures, drawings, or any material which can be published in a magazine format. This project is similar to one done locally last year by English students of John Key.

Students are asking the public for any information which could be included in this history project. Those who have information may contact Mrs. Schwartz at the high school at at home.

City Employs Man To Maintain Community Center

Following opening of bids from persons seeking employment with the City of Winters for maintenance of the Community Center, the City Council Monday night approved employment of Edwin Hart in that capacity.

The Community Center maintenance man will be responsible for cleaning up the center and the surrounding grounds, and for making minor repairs on equipment. Contract will be effective March 1.

elected by the membership last fall and took office Jan. 1, are Tommy Lancaster, Mrs. Ray Alderman, Charles Hudson, Mrs. J. W. Bahlman, Jim Hatler, Randy Springer and Rev. Robert Lindsey.

Decorations for the banquet are made by wives of the directors.

Tickets to the banquet, \$5.00 per person, may be obtained from any member of the board, or at the Chamber of Commerce office.

BANQUET SPEAKER

Dr. David Ray, assistant vice president for development, Hardin-Simmons University, is a graduate of Wylie High School, Hardin-Simmons University, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.

He has held pastoral posts at Cresson, Fort Worth, and Lubbock. For two years he was in ranch management, and three years in the real estate and insurance business. He also was in sales and sales management for three years.

He was named one of the Outstanding Young Men of America in 1968. He received an honorary Doctor of Divinity degree from H-SU in 1969, and was on the board of trustees, Wayland Baptist College, Plainview, from 1968 to 1972.

Dr. Ray is married to the former Joann Douglas. They have three children, Mike, Janet, and Kelle.

Band Boosters

To Have Bake Sale

The Winters High School Blizzard Band Boosters will sponsor a bake sale Saturday, Feb. 12, beginning at 9 a.m. at Piggly Wiggly, Sonny's Grocery and Market, and at Heidenheimer's.

Parents of band students are asked to bring their baked items to any of the sale locations Saturday.

of a park board, to be made up of members of the club and representatives from the council.

Mrs. George Davis, speaking for the club, told the council the club would like to help finance planing of shrubs, construction of additional facilities such as tennis courts, and other improvements.

Mayor Homer Hodge told the delegation that the City had applied to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department for funds for improvement of the parks, and is now awaiting a decision from the state agency.

Rocks and BBshot through windows, and other nighttime disturbances apparently seemed too mild for some person or persons last Thursday night, so they resorted to dynamite or some other form of explosive.

An explosion occurred about 11:30 p.m. Thursday in the alley behind Higginbotham Hardware on West Dale. The blast rocked the buildings in the immediate downtown section, and windows in the rear of Higginbotham's and Ace Automotive several yards away were broken. The concussion also broke windows on the second floor of the Winters State Bank building, almost half a block away, and many other windows facing the north-south alley to the east of the explosion site, including Wilkerson's Barber Shop and the Blossom Shop.

The explosive charge was set about 12 or 15 feet from the back wall of the Higginbotham building, and a hole about 18 inches wide at the top, and about 6 inches deep was blasted through the asphalt alley pavement.

Winters Police Chief Doc Smith said the explosion was apparently caused by a stick of dynamite. Smith said the police have no prime suspects at this time, but indicated that further investigation perhaps would reveal more information.

Miss Winters Pageant Set For March 5

The annual "Miss Winters" pageant, sponsored by the Winters Lions Club, has been scheduled for Saturday, March 5.

Winters High School girls are eligible for the contest, and may sign up in the principal's office as contestants in the event. Each girl will be sponsored by a business or firm. The girls chosen "Miss Winters '77" will represent the Winters Lions Club at the District 2A-1 Convention contest later in the spring.

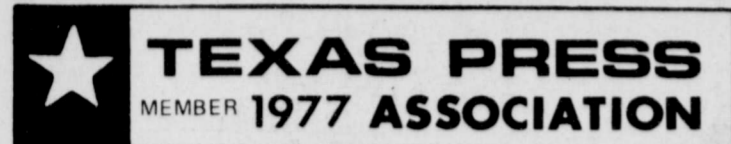
CLINIC

A diabetes, tuberculosis and blood pressure screening clinic has been scheduled at the Winters Multi-Purpose Center, 142 West Dale, February 16, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

Children's inoculations will also be given the same day, from 1 to 3:30 p.m.

Night Blast Rocked Buildings, Broke Glass





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Any erroneous reflection upon the character, standing or reputation of any person, firm or corporation which may appear in the columns of this newspaper, will be gladly corrected upon due notice of same being given to the editor personally at this office.

Mrs. Miller Died Monday In Lubbock

Mrs. Ruth Ramsel Miller, 78, formerly of Winters, died at 3 p.m. Monday in Methodist Hospital in Lubbock.

Funeral services were held at 3 p.m. Tuesday in Spill Memorial Chapel, with the Rev. Bob Lindsey, pastor of the First United Methodist Church, officiating. Burial was in Fairview Cemetery.

She was born April 12, 1898, in Hylton, and had been a resident of Lubbock for the past three years. She was a member of the United Methodist Church.

Survivors include her husband, Clarence; a son, G. W. "Buddy" Ramsel of Lubbock; a sister, Mrs. Alma Marietta of San Angelo; a brother, D. T. Duncan of Los Angeles, Calif.; three grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were George Garrett, Gattis Neely, M. L. Dobbins, LaDell Davis, Roger Robinson and Bill Robinson.

On Dean's List At Texas Tech

Kirk M. Nelson of Winters was included on the dean's honor roll for the fall semester at Texas Tech University.

Mrs. Matthews Died Sunday In Lubbock

Mrs. D. R. (Vera A.) Matthews, 93, of Lubbock, mother-in-law of Mrs. Buck Matthews of Winters, died at 9:30 p.m. Sunday in Lubbock.

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. Wednesday at the Melton Chapel of Memories in Lubbock. Dr. Elwin Skiles, president of Hardin-Simmons University, officiated. Burial was in Caddo Cemetery.

Born Vera Richardson, Oct. 23, 1883, in Caddo, she married D. M. Matthews. He preceded her in death. She was a member of the Second Baptist Church of Lubbock and the Order of the Eastern Star. After living in Abilene for 20 years, she moved to Lubbock, where she had resided for 27 years. Mrs. Matthews was the sister of Dr. Rupert N. Richardson, president emeritus of Hardin-Simmons University.

Survivors include three daughters, Mrs. A. C. Hamilton of Lubbock, Mrs. Milton K. Davis of Schenecady, N.Y., Mrs. Carl Brock of Longview; a daughter-in-law, Mrs. Buck Matthews of Winters; a brother, Dr. Richardson of Abilene; eight grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

Sub Deb Club Meeting Monday

The Sub Deb Club met Monday evening in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hatler, with Debbie Austin serving as hostess.

Summer vacation trip was discussed, and plans were made to visit Merrill Senior Citizens Home on Valentine's Day.

Present were Debbie Carey, Patti Walker, Jeree Isbell, Cherie Krause, Debbie Austin, Susan Lisso, Beeky McAnally, and the sponsor, Cindy Hatler.



Butter spreaders make good knives for children because they are small and blunt.

Miss Morrison and Mr. Riley Marks Will Wed

Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Morrison announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Robbie, to Mr. Riley Keith Marks.

The prospective bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Marks of Winters.

Miss Morrison is a 1975 graduate of Winters High School. She is currently a nursing major at Angelo State University, and is a

candidate for spring graduation. She is employed by Dr. J. E. Green Jr., at the Ballinger Clinic.

Mr. Marks is a 1974 graduate of Winters High School, and attended TSTI at Sweetwater. He is presently employed by Winters Welding Works.

Wedding vows will be exchanged May 21 in the Wilmeth Baptist Church.

Friends and relatives are invited.



BY CHARLSIE POE

John Formwalt, the first sheriff of Runnels County, was well known in Winters as he was a brother-in-law to Jim Johnson, and often visited here.

A very popular sheriff, Formwalt was a rangy man about six and a half feet tall and was called "the ugliest man in the county."

Runnels County was organized Jan. 12, 1880, and an election of county officials was held on Feb. 16 where Formwalt carried the day as sheriff. Runnels City became the county seat by one vote over Maverick when another election was held on April 14.

The second building erected in the frontier town was a saloon and when the cowboys rode in they often engaged in the sport of "shooting up the town."

Several stories have been told about Formwalt's unorthodox way of closing the saloon. "He would amble by and say 'lights out boys!' He then walked to the end of the street, rolled a cigarette and smoked it. If the lights were not extinguished by that time, he shot them out. It was said there was no complaint as he always replaced the light bulbs the next day. Some say that he rode down the street on his white horse, Eagle.

Other accounts are that he deputized his friends so they could officially "carry arms" to shoot the lights out", this is supposed to have occurred at least monthly and sometimes more often. Another legend is that by 1886 there were 17 saloons in the little city. (I haven't found anything to substantiate the last two statements. I doubt if there were ever more than 17 stores in the entire town.)

One of Formwalt's duties was taking care of the cowboys who drank too much on their visits to town. He sent the wayward cowhands back to the ranch and they paid their fines on the next visit to town, or if they failed to pay he took care of them himself. He may have been just one of the cowboys, but he was an efficient sheriff. The local newspaper editor wrote, "John Formwalt always fetches 'em."

An article in the Dallas Morning News written in 1925 states that Formwalt was born in 1848, at Pontotoc, Miss., among the Choctaw Indians. (Jim Eph Johnson said that he was part Indian.) His father, Major John Formwalt was the first county clerk of that county and later a captain of Rangers on the Texas Frontier before the Civil War. He served in Hood's Division and was wounded at the battle of Franklin, Tenn., where General Granbury was killed. His maternal grandfather McEwen fought in the Revolution, also in the Creek and Indian wars.

Thus John McEwen Formwalt came of fighting stock on both sides. The family came to Texas in 1857 and settled in Hood County. The old Formwalt place is two

miles northwest of Granbury on the Brazos River. "Formwalt Rocks," a rocky bluff overhanging a deep pool, was for many years a favorite fishing resort for people of the entire countryside. The family later moved to Granbury.

At that time the Indians were on reservations, but outbreaks frequently occurred and the settlers were always watchful. In 1861, Formwalt and others rescued two children who had been captured by the Comanches.

In 1869, Formwalt and eleven other men went into Mexico to deliver some cattle and started homeward with about a hundred head of saddle horses. They camped at Dagger's Bend, near the present city of Pecos. They

were attacked by 75 Indians from the Davis Mountains and all their horses taken. Having no means of travel save on foot and not daring to leave the supply wagon, the men remained at camp for five days. On the fifth day an emigrant train came along, bound for Colorado, and sold them a yoke of oxen. Formwalt and his companions made their way down the Pecos to Horsehead Crossing at Castle Gap, and after a trip of over 400 miles arrived safely at home.

After his marriage to Effie Walden in 1873, Formwalt moved with his cattle to the area that became Runnels County, but then only a few scattered families.

Formwalt served for 12 years as sheriff and eight more as cattle inspector. He was a good shot and in the performance of his official duty was forced to kill several men. One of them was a young saloon keeper, R. B. Midgett, who objected so violently to being charivariated on his wedding night that he shot at Formwalt several times. In an effort to stop the disturbance Formwalt shot the man in the leg. The newspaper article said that Midgett died instantly, but Frank Johnson and others said he died of an infection.

The grieving bride placed the following inscription, which may be seen in the Old Runnels Cemetery, on his tombstone: "Stranger tread lightly round this sacred spot, for we loved him dearly."

Always moving westward, Formwalt established a cattle ranch in the region of Van Horn in 1894. Everybody wore pistols and life was still cheap. He served as deputy sheriff for 23 years, and greatly aided in making the section a safe place to live.

In 1895 Formwalt lost his first wife and two years later he was married to Beulah Danvers, an orphan, who had been raised in his father's home. In 1917 they returned to Granbury to live.

In the newspaper article, Formwalt was described as being straight as an arrow, quiet and reserved in manner, but genial in conversation. "The burden of his 77 years seem to rest lightly on his shoulders. As he mingles with the Saturday afternoon crowds on the sidewalks, he towers head and shoulders above them. Most any day he may be seen sauntering along the shady streets, reading the morning paper in the lobby of the First National Bank building. Or with his paper stuck safely into his boot top, talking to a friend, as he leans gracefully against a spool of wire in front of the Morris Hardware Store."

Being a sheriff was difficult in pioneer days and it is not easy today.

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The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Gene Hoelscher of Rowena. The bridegroom is the son of John W. McMillan of Abilene.

Matron of honor was Kay Hoelscher, sister of the bride. Rodney Frey was best man.

CARD OF THANKS
I wish to thank those of you who were so kind and thoughtful during my stay in the hospital. Your cards, letters, flowers, visits and most of all your prayers were a lovely expression of your Christian love. These wonderful gestures to me and to my family helped to sustain us through my convalescence. May God bless each one of you. —Mrs. J. S. Brown and family. 49-1tp.

SCHOOL MENU

Monday February 14
Barbecue on toasted bun, pinto beans, creamy cole slaw, dill pickles, doughnuts, milk or chocolate milk.

Tuesday February 15
Hamburger or combination sandwiches, French fries, catsup in cups, sliced peaches, roasted peanuts, pork and beans, chocolate cake, milk.

Wednesday February 16
Chicken fried steak, cream gravy (By choice), whipped potatoes, green beans, tossed salad with French dressing, cookies, hot rolls with butter, milk or chocolate milk.

Thursday February 17
Pizza, pinto beans, cabbage slaw, orange juice, celery sticks filled with cheese, brownies, corn muffins, milk or chocolate milk.

Friday February 18
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6:00 The Three Musketeers
8:00 The Smothers Brothers HBO Special
9:30 Sky Riders

J. O. Y. SS Class Meeting Recently

The J.O.Y. Sunday School Class of the First Baptist Church met Monday evening in the home of Mrs. Cliff Poe. Mrs. Kenneth Sneed led the opening prayer, and Mrs. Poe presided.

Roll call was answered with "Among My Souv-

nirs." Mrs. Kobert Paschal gave the devotional, "God Is Able." Mrs. R. Q. Marks was co-hostess.

Present were Mesdames Bill Russell, Emily Pendergrass, Lillian Roberson, Kenneth Sneed, Ronald Cooper, Pyburn Brown, Carson Easterly, Robert Paschal, Ray Laughon, L. D. Herrington, Poe and Marks.

Bridesmaids were Nancy Gully, Kelly McMillan, Kim Hudson, Lynette Gesch, Janel Vaughn. Groomsman were Wesley Musick, Paul Airhart, Kerwin Denton, Gary Hoelscher and James Vaughn.

Ushers were John Hoelscher, Kevin Marks, Rick Hoelscher and Galen Hoelscher.

A dinner and dance followed the wedding ceremony.

U-MW Meeting Tuesday Morning

Vada Babston Circle of the United Methodist Women met Tuesday morning and continued a study on the Gospel of Mark.

Those present were Mesdames Martin Middlebrook, Gattis Neely, Elmo Mayhew, W. Lee Colburn, Melvin Mapes, Robert Lindsey, Frank Mitchell, E. L. Marks, Sid McGinnis and Elois Davis.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Smith of Wingate. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Thompson of Blackwell. Maternal great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Notgrass of Midland and Mrs. Grace Smith of Wingate. Paternal great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Richards of Blackwell, and Eula Cribbs of Olney. The baby has one sister, Shaye.

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5:00 The Private Life of Don Juan
7:00 NHL Hockey
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Miss Susie Spence and Mr. Davis Will Marry

Mrs. R. R. Spence announces the engagement and approaching marriage of her daughter, Susie, to Mr. Terry Davis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Davis of Coleman.

The wedding will be held Saturday, March 12, at 7:30 p.m., in Emmanuel Baptist Church of Coleman. A reception will follow in the REA Building in Coleman.

All friends and relatives of the couple are invited.

WINGATE NEWS

Mrs. Lula Allen is not doing very well lately. The Denson boys and their families were dinner guests in the home of their mother, Mrs. B. H. Denson.

Mrs. I. G. Hensley had as guests Mrs. Doe Rogers. Mrs. Edith Bryan and Mrs. Lawrence Bryan have been visiting their sister, Mrs. Lula Allen.

Mrs. Ovella Childers Morris passed away early Monday in North Runnels Hospital. Funeral pending at this time.

CARD OF THANKS
My mother and I would like to express our thanks and appreciation to all our good friends who were so kind and thoughtful while I was in North Runnels Hospital. For the many prayers, the pretty flowers and all the get well cards. We especially thank Dr. Lee and Dr. McCreight and all the employees who were so nice. I want to thank all the ladies who cared for my mother while I was in the hospital. I thank everyone for being so nice to us since we returned home. May God bless all of you. -Velma Simpson and mother. 49-1tp.

Wingate Sew and Sew Club Meeting

The Wingate Sew and Sew Club met February 1 at the United Methodist Church. Quilting was done for Mrs. Nolan Cave, the hostess.

Others present were Mesdames Nellie Adcock, Pete Polk, Raymond Lindsey, Suvern O'Dell, F. M. Robinson, Minnie Williams, Madlin King, Jack Woodfin, Ed Kinard, Eura Lloyd, Dock Rogers, Duncan Hensley, and Miss Mildred Patton and Miss Leila Harter.

The next meeting will be Feb. 15 in the Annex of the Baptist Church, with Mrs. Lydia Bradford as hostess. Club gifts will be exchanged.

CARD OF THANKS
My husband and I are overwhelmed by the response from our many friends during my stay in Hendrick Hospital and since I have returned home. It is impossible to personally thank each of you so will you please accept a sincere "Thank You" by this means. Your prayers, calls, cards, flowers, gifts, visits and food brought to our home will always be sweet memories to us. God bless each of you and call on us if we can be of service to you. -Mrs. Chester McBeth. 49-1tc.

Student Council Sponsors Dance

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Young Homemakers Meeting Next Monday Night

Mrs. Bill Graves will present a program on floral arrangements at a meeting of the Winters Young Homemakers next Monday, Feb. 14, at 7:30. The meeting will be in the school Homemaking Cottage. Members are urged to be present.

CARD OF THANKS

Many thanks to all my good friends and relatives for all the kindness shown me since I broke my ankle. Thanks for all the food, cards, telephone calls, prayers and visits. Special thanks to pastor Mel Swoyer for his visits and prayers. May God bless you all. -Mrs. L. R. Hoppe. 49-1tp.

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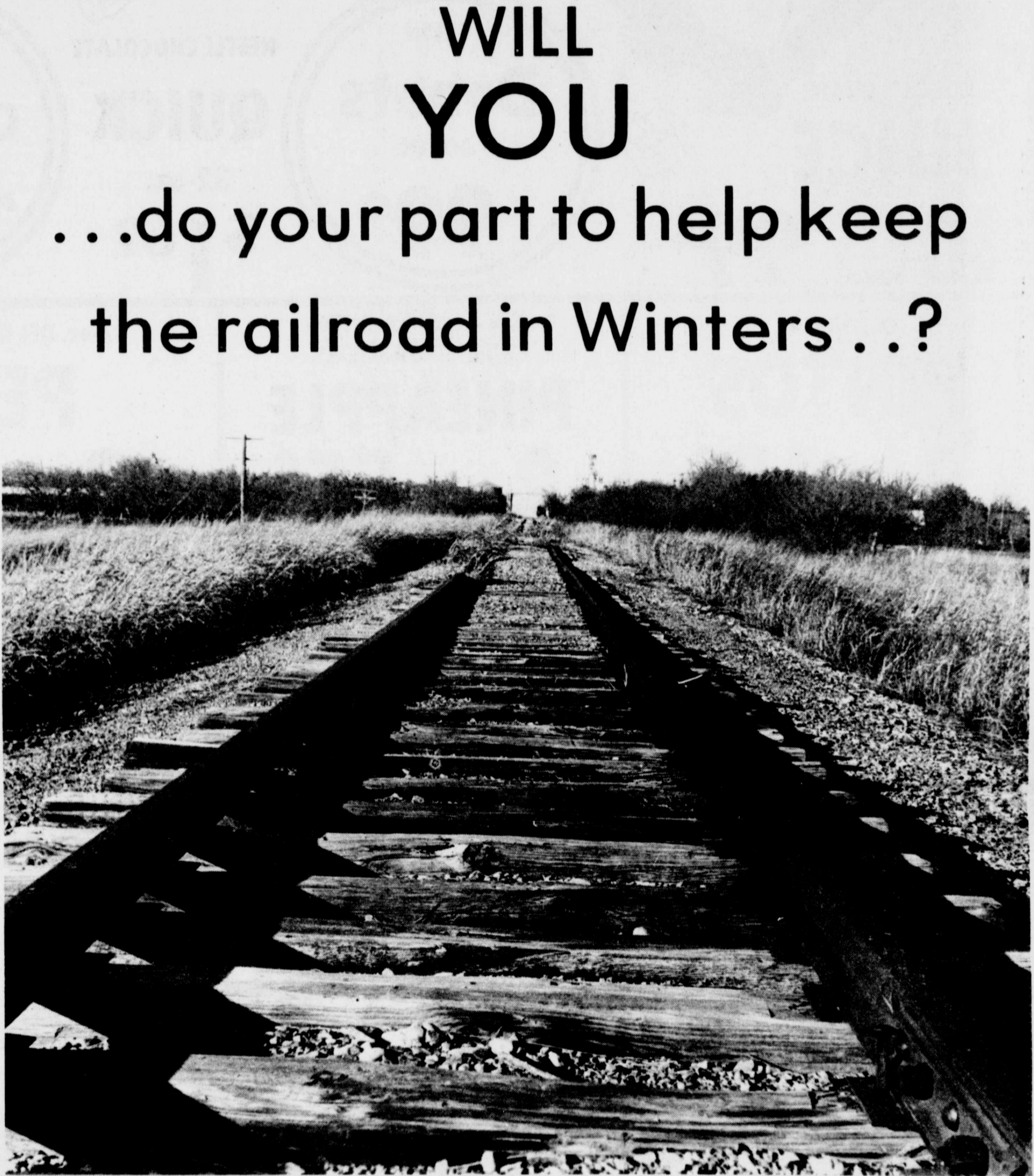
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Miss Valles and Mr. Herrington Married

Paula Valles and Randy Herrington were married Saturday, Jan. 29, in the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Herrington.

The Rev. James Gehrels officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Sherwood of Big Spring. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Herrington of Winters.

Mrs. Wayne Herrington of Abilene was matron of

honor, and Wayne Herrington, brother of the bridegroom, was best man.

A reception was held in the Herrington home with Mrs. J. D. Aldridge of Lawn, aunt of the bridegroom, and Sammie King, niece of the bridegroom, presiding.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Herrington are employed at Dry Manufacturing Division, Wallace Murray Corp.

The couple is at home on Route 2, Winters.

Grandson Of Local Residents To West Point

Mark Nelson Hogan of Clyde, who was nominated by Congressman Omar Burleson to the United States Military Academy at West Point, has been found fully qualified to attend the Academy. Hogan is being offered

an appointment to the Academy, to enter in July, 1977.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Winford H. Hogan of Clyde, and the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Scott of Winters.

Hogan will graduate from Clyde High School in 1977. In high school, he has been active in sports and organizational activities.

Crews News

Never miss an opportunity to make others happy, even if you have to let them alone to do it.

A delicious pot luck supper was enjoyed by all who turned out at our gym Saturday night. Brief business meeting and games of 84 was held afterwards. Mrs. Wilmer Gerhart and Mrs. Jerry Kraatz were hostesses.

Deepest sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Kirby, a niece of Miss Ollie Stovall, who was buried in the Crews Cemetery this week.

You'll be glad to know Mrs. Fannie Freeman is much improved in Hendrick Hospital. Gene Stovall is in St. John's Hospital, San Angelo. Last report he is feeling better.

Mrs. Lillie Dietz has been dismissed from Ballinger Hospital and returned to her home in the Manor.

On Mr. Marvin Hambrights 75th birthday Friday night, Mrs. George Lange brought his cake, etc. Those enjoying the occasion were Mr. and Mrs. George Lange and Scott and Shirley, Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Faubion, Dean Taylor, Mrs. Michael Dyes of Lubbock.

Mrs. Lemma Fuller was a dinner guest in the Clyde Brevard home on Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Theron Osborne came on Monday night.

Mrs. Arthur Alcorn saw her doctor in Abilene this week and has a good report. Mr. and Mrs. Flay Brevard and Miss Willie Hale were our Friday night from Ballinger.

During the week with the Marvin Hambrights were Shirley Dyes of Lubbock, Cecil Hambricht, Mr. and

Mrs. Aubrey Faubion, Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Hambricht and sons of Bronte, Mrs. Quincy Traylor, Mrs. Thad Traylor, Mrs. Ralph McWilliams, Theron Osborne, Burley Campbell.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Cooper received a call from their son Ray in Brazil stating he was getting things ready to come home to Winters. Mr. and Mrs. Earl Lewis of Levelland spent several nights in the Cooper home.

The Walter Jacobs enjoyed having Cookie and Brenda Jacob and Jodi Bussensehner out over the weekend from San Angelo.

Hattie Minzenmeyer, Lillian Await, Mrs. May Lacy spent Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. Walter Jacob.

The W.M.U. ladies of Hopewell Church met Monday at 9:30 a.m. in the home of Mrs. Rodney Faubion to have their Royal Services meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. Leyon Bryan and Vicki of Hatchel were over to see the Doug Bryans on Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Grisson spent the day Sunday in Abilene with the Von Byrd family.

With Mrs. Effie Dietz during the week were Mr. and Mrs. Coleman Foreman, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Hart and children, Mrs. Hazel Mae Bragg, Mrs. Cora Petrie, Mrs. Lillie Osborne and Selma, Clara McKissack and Johnnie Lopez.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Calcutte and son Jim of Snyder spent the weekend with the Marion Woods.

Mrs. Alta Hale and Mrs. Hoaree Stokes visited with their sister, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Whitley at Kingston Lake, on the L.B.J. Lakes on Friday and Saturday.

Mr. Jerry Kraatz and son Wayne left for San Antonio Stock Show this Monday with his calf.

Mr. and Mrs. Burley Campbell spent Saturday with the J. M. Martins in San Angelo. They also went to see Gene Stovall in St. John's Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Ziller of Liberty Hill spent the weekend with her folks, the Calvin Hoppe family. Mrs. Edna Lisso and Mrs. Leona Voss spent the day on Saturday.

Other than most of the Crews residents visiting in the Chester McBeth home have been Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Rosson, Julie and Jena of Wingate; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ervin; Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Duncan; Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Davis; Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Woodfin of Pumphrey; Mr. and Mrs. L. T. McBeth of Sweetwater; Mr. and Mrs. Lyndon McBeth and son Robert of Monahans; Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Tounget of Lubbock; Mrs. Gladys King; Mrs. Alma Hughes; Mrs. Thad Traylor; Mrs. Ralph McWilliams; Mrs. Quincy Traylor; Mrs. J. S. Tierce; Bill Graves; Capt. and Mrs. Frank Probst of Glen Cove; Rev. and Mrs. Chester Wilkerson; Dr. James Shields of Brownwood; Dennis McBeth of Rocksprings; W. F. Clark of San Angelo; Mrs. Mable White of Tuscola and Mrs. H. K. O'Neal and Jewel of Ballinger.

CARD OF THANKS

Mama Merck, Jere, Jan, Stan and their children join me in expressing our sincere gratitude for all the kind and thoughtful things that were done for us when we lost our loved one. May God bless all of you. -Christine. 49-1tp.

CARD OF THANKS

My girls join me in thanking everyone during my stay in the hospital. Thanks go to the South Side Baptist for flowers. Especially to Jimmy Gehrels and to the Lutheran pastor for his visits. For each gift I received and for everyone who was so nice. Thanks to Dr. Lee for his attention and Dr. McCreights visits and the nurses. May God bless each of you in your hour of sorrow everyone of you. -Norma Hogan. 49-1tp.

Mrs. C. L. Morris Died Monday In NR Hospital

Mrs. Clarence Lee Morris, 65, of Wingate died at 4:05 a.m. Monday at North Runnels Hospital following a brief illness. Services were at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at Spill Memorial Chapel.

Truitt Black of Lawn officiated. Burial was in Wingate Cemetery.

Born Odella Childers Feb. 5, 1912, in Hope, N.M., she came with her parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Childers to south Taylor County where she lived for a number of years. She married Clarence Lee Morris Jan. 22, 1927, in Ballinger. She lived in the Shep area and later near Albany. Since 1969, she had lived in Wingate. She was a member of the Wingate Church of Christ.

Survivors include her husband; a son, Lesley of Buffalo Gap; a daughter, Mrs. Don Sheffer of St. Louis, Mo.; three brothers, Arvin Childers of Wingate, Marvin of Healdton, Okla. and Thurman of Odessa; a sister, Mrs. Wes Adams of Hobbs, N.M.; seven grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

A son, Wesley, died in 1973.



Fire Auxiliary Yearbook Dedicated To Nina Bedford

The Firemen's Auxiliary Yearbook was dedicated to Mrs. Nina Bedford. Books were distributed during a meeting of the organization recently.

Mrs. Bedford is an active member of the Auxiliary, and was president in 1951, 1952, 1965, and 1975. She served as senior sponsor of the fire department in 1945, and is now serving as chaplain of the Hill Country Firemen's Association.

Present to see Mrs. Bedford receive the yearbook recently were past presidents Gaylene Harrison, Billie Whitlow, Laura Moore, Nettie Easterly and members of the Auxiliary.

Pallbearers were O. I. Phillips, Charles Brewer, Carl Green, Cloy Allen, Jack Patton and Jim Patton.

Bethany SS Class Meeting Recently

Bethany Sunday School Class of the First Baptist Church met recently in the home of Mrs. Inez Miller. Mrs. Lacy presided, and Mrs. Bedford led the opening prayer. Roll call was answered with Bible verses. Mrs. Dorsett gave the devotional, "A Glimpse From God's Bible."

Present were Mesdames Jack Harrison, Bud Davis, Earl Murphy, Bill Milliron,

D. L. Moreland, J. F. Priddy, J. N. Clark, J. S. Tierce, Ralph McWilliams, Zula Mae Lacy, J. T. Sneed, Marvin Bedford, Hortell McCaughon, Joe Irvin, J. B. Whitlow, and hostesses, Mrs. Inez Miller and Mrs. Earl Dorsett, and Miss Pauline Cogburn, a visitor.

SUNDAY VISITORS

Sunday visitors in the home of Mrs. O. D. Bradford were Mrs. C. D. Burrows and Mrs. Juanita Beasley, both of Anson, and Mr. and Mrs. Troy Queen of Ballinger.

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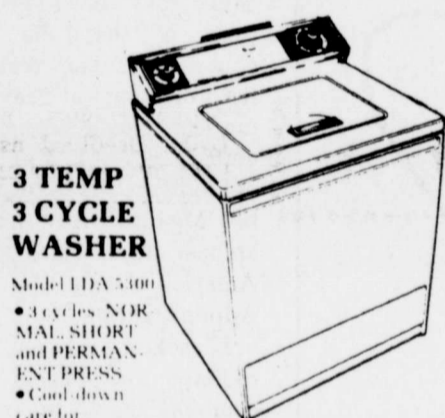
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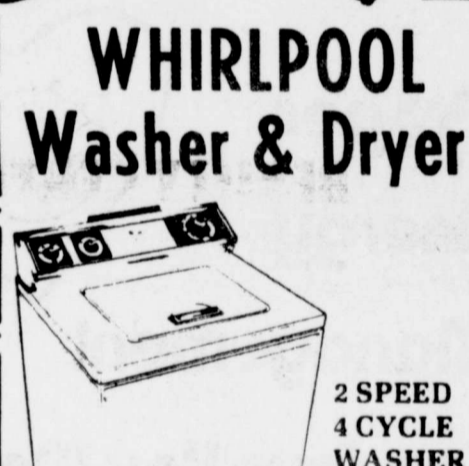
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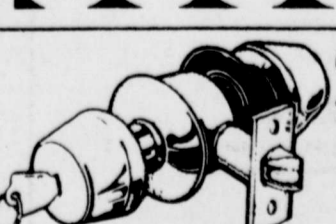
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Dennis Rodgers Postmaster At Corsicana

Dennis Rodgers, formerly of Winters and a former employee of the Winters Post Office, has been appointed postmaster at Corsicana. A career postal employee with more than 17 years service, he is a former supervisor in the Abilene Post Office. James V. Lusby, Dallas postmaster and manager of the Dallas Sectional Center which includes Corsicana as well as 145 other associate post offices, announced Postmaster Rodgers' appointment, effective January 29.

Rodgers' appointment fills a postmaster vacancy which has existed at Corsicana since Postmaster Wayne Norris retired last August. Meanwhile, the Corsicana Post Office was under the temporary management of Ms. Christine Gilbert whose fulltime assignment is postmaster at Kemp.

Postmaster Rodgers, 39, entered the Postal Service in July 1960 as a substitute letter carrier at Winters. He served as window clerk, assistant to the postmaster, assistant postmaster and foreman of mails at Winters. In 1973, he was transferred to the Abilene Post Office and was promoted

to superintendent of delivery and collections at the Abilene Post Office/Sectional Center, a job he held at the time of his postmaster appointment.

Rodgers was graduated from Winters High School in 1956 and attended Odessa College and Sul Ross State College in Alpine.

During his postal career he has attended many specialized training courses, seminars and management conferences at Bethesda, Md. and Norman, Ok. that, according to Postmaster Lusby, "equip him well for his new responsibility in management as postmaster at Corsicana."

He has served an active role in community and civic activities, including membership on several committees in the Baptist Church as well as a Sunday School teacher. He has taken a leadership role in the Boy Scouts, Little League and farm youth groups. He is married to the former Barbara Jo Ann Harter.

He is a member of the National Association of Postal Supervisors.

TSTA Banquet

The annual banquet of Runnels County unit of the Texas State Teachers Association will be held in the Ballinger High School, Feb. 22, at 7:30 p.m.

Chestley McDonald of Sterling City will be the speaker.

City Will Buy Addressing Machine

Winters City Council Monday night approved a proposal to purchase a new addressing machine for use in the administration office, for addressing monthly utility statements and other mailings.

Following opening of bids for such a machine, the council approved a bid from Pitney-Bowes Co. for an addressing machine. Cost will be about \$2,700.

Few Pioneer Books Left

About a dozen copies of the book, North Runnels County Pioneers, published by the English Class of Winters High School, are left, Mrs. Edward Bredemeyer, class sponsor, has announced.

Copies may be obtained by contacting Mrs. Bredemeyer, 754-4083. Cost is \$10 per copy. There will be no more copies available after these are gone, she said.

Mary Gault is president of the county unit. An executive meeting will be held before the banquet, at 6:30 p.m. in the high school library.

Wallace Murray Reports Record Net From Continuing Operations Up Over 50 Percent

Wallace Murray Corporation reported that net income amounted to a record \$19,374,000 in 1976 as compared with income from continuing operations of \$12,885,000 in 1975. This is over a 50 percent improvement from 1975 which was also a record year. Last year's net income was \$8,397,000 reflecting an after tax loss from discontinued businesses of \$4,488,000. Sales were \$337,327,000, up approximately 19 percent from 1975 revenues from continuing operations of \$283,563,000.

Earnings per share on a primary basis amounted to \$5.76 in 1976 compared with \$3.65 from continuing operations the prior year. Earnings per share on a fully diluted basis amounted to \$3.94 versus \$2.62 from continuing operations last year.

Net income in the fourth quarter was \$6,304,000, up 42.4 percent from the \$4,426,000 earned from continuing operations in the fourth quarter of 1975. Sales were \$93,730,000, up nearly 23 percent from the like prior period of \$76,237,000.

Earnings per share on a primary basis in the fourth quarter amounted to \$1.91 in 1976 as compared with \$1.31 from continuing operations the prior fourth quarter.

Earnings per share on a fully diluted basis for the fourth quarter amounted to \$1.28 versus 90 cents from continuing operations last year.

Commenting on the year's

record results, Charles V. Myers, president and chief executive officer of Wallace Murray, attributed them to increased volume resulting from improved economic conditions and an aggressive management approach to markets, planning and profit improvement. As the year progressed, the Company's building products and cutting tools operations became

the major contributors to increased revenues and profitability. Power components, which had played such a significant role in last year's success, showed a slight decline in profitability. Mr. Myers said that while the Corporation's programs anticipate earnings improvement in power components in 1977 along with continued improvement in both building products and cutting tools, the full impact of current energy shortages cannot yet be fully assessed.

Krueger's Kolumn

(SUMMARY: In this week's report Congressman Krueger discusses his meetings with President Carter and Secretary of State Vance in an effort to have a Mexican-American appointed as ambassador to Mexico.) "Tapping the Richness of the American People"

Since my visit to Mexico late in November to learn more about the country and

attend the inauguration of Mexican President Lopez Portillo, I have met with and advised people within the Carter Administration that it is my judgement that a Mexican-American should be seriously considered for appointment to a Latin American ambassadorship, particularly to Mexico.

I have, on separate occasions, met with President

Carter and Secretary of State Vance to discuss this question, and the reception I have received has been encouraging.

The Secretary of State asked that I compile a list of names of Mexican-Americans for him to consider for ambassadorial roles in Latin America, and I did so by soliciting names and advice from people around Texas. Again, the response was encouraging, as I received well over a hundred letters in my Washington office containing suggestions.

Although the Secretary of State did not specifically promise that he would choose someone from that list, or that a Mexican-American would be named as ambassador to Mexico, he did indicate that there would be Mexicans-Americans in ambassadorial roles in Latin America during the Carter Administration.

I asked former State Senator Joe Bernal to accompany me to my meeting with Secretary of State Vance, and Mr. Bernal has been of great assistance in working on this issue with me. Most recently, he was a member of the Carter-Mondale Hispanic Transition Team.

It is obvious why Mexican-Americans are particularly well-suited for positions as ambassadors: their cultural inheritance, their linguistic background, and their religious heritage make them uniquely qualified for service of this type. As Americans, we are afforded a wonderful opportunity for tapping the richness of our people, and Mexican-Americans can bring to our relations with Latin America a special opportunity for understanding the life, needs, and culture of the people in those countries.

As our nation enters a new era, with new leaders and a new administration, it is my hope that we will continue to be willing to take a fresh approach to issues, to dare to be innovative, and to work with renewed strength to maintain those qualities which have made our nation endure.

Screwworm Program Posts Best January Since 1971

Only one sample submitted to the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Screwworm Eradication Program laboratory during January proved to be screwworms—and that one had been collected last year.

Dr. James E. Novy, director of field operations for the Program, says this is the best January record since 1971. He credits January's improvement over the same month the past several years to colder than usual winter weather.

Novy reports the Program has contracted with a private aviation firm to distribute sterile flies over south Texas this winter. This will free Program aircraft to distribute sterile flies produced in Mexico over that country.

The contract aircraft are small, single engine, airplanes. They will be operating 10 to 12 aircraft out of as many as four temporary distribution centers in the south Texas screwworm overwintering area.

On narrow, two-mile swath widths, these planes will be dropping flies in small boxes. "This is to get a more even distribution of sterile flies wherever wild flies might appear. This is part of the all-out effort to eradicate screwworms from Texas this year," says Novy.

The veterinarian urges ranchers to perform all necessary surgery—such as castrating, branding and dehorning—on their animals before warm weather comes with additional danger of

screwworm infestation.

"If we all work together, there is a good chance of making this the last year screwworms bother Texas livestock," says Novy. He points to steady distribution of Mission produced sterile flies this year, and to distribution of sterile flies produced in Mexico, as reasons for this cautious optimism.

The Screwworm Eradication Program is operated for USDA by the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS). It utilizes sterile flies to curb populations of this parasite.

Female screwworm flies mate only once in their lifetimes. Sterile flies from the APHIS insectary are released among wild populations to mate with wild flies. When enough sterile to fertile matings occur eradication is achieved.

Winters Lions Club Sponsors Camp For Handicapped

Applications for a summer vacation full of fun for handicapped children in the Winters area are now being accepted by members of the Winters Lions Club.

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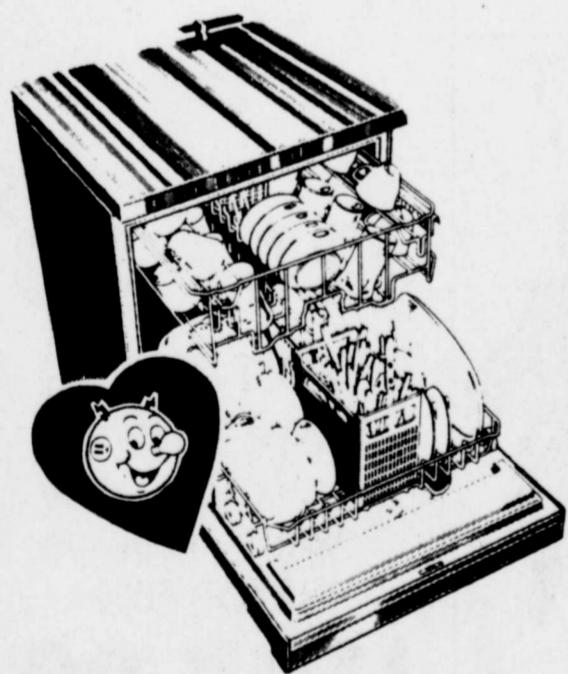
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