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**ECONOMICS STUDY**—Mrs. Eddie Bredemeyer, right, standing, business teacher in Winters High School, looks over the special tabloid section of *The Enterprise* published last week. The tab, entitled "The American Economic System, and Your Part In It," will be used as a teaching tool by the teacher in her classroom instructions. Members of the Economics class shown

seated, left to right, are Janet Jacob, Keith Burns, Melinda Hill, Billy Calcote, and Jace Isbell. Standing, left to right, Duane Geistmann, Linda Cooper, Jim Henson, Kenneth Baker and Mrs. Bredemeyer. About 500 copies of the tabloid section were left at the high school to be distributed to each of the high school and junior high students. The tabloid was made

possible through the cooperation and sponsorship of The Winters State Bank, Mansell Bros. Co., Winters Farm Equipment, Inc., Dry Division Wallace Murray Corp., John's International, Bob Loyd LP Gas Co., Smith Drug Co., Bahlman Jewelers, Alderman-Cave Milling & Grain Co., and *The Enterprise*.

## Power Plant Changeover Planned Jan. 16

If all goes according to present plan, Winters Mayor Homer Hodge said Friday, the sale of the city's municipally-owned light plant to West Texas Utilities Co. will be completed within a few weeks, and a target date of Jan. 16 has been set for the changeover.

During a meeting of the City Council last week, Mayor Hodge said all outstanding bonds against the light plant system had been located, and a bond broker had assured the City that these negotiable bonds could be called in within a few days.

The sales contract between the City of Winters and WTU had been submitted to the State Public Utilities Commission, and Mayor Hodge said the commission had indicated there would be no problems concerning the sale.

Mayor Hodge said plans are being made for city light plant employees to read all city meters on Jan. 16, and from that date, WTU would be responsible for providing electricity to customers now on the city lines. City customers will be billed for the electricity used to that date, he said. Of course, it was indicated, city customers who will become customers of WTU after Jan. 16 may receive two statements within the time period.

Mayor Hodge also said electricity customers should note a decrease in the cost of electricity after the changeover is made.

Mayor Hodge said the city will receive approximately \$250,000 in cash from WTU for the electric system. From this, the city will pay

for all bonds outstanding, plus a "small penalty" in some instances. Legal fees and bond broker expenses are expected to be in the neighborhood of \$10,000, the mayor said.

The mayor said that prior to Dec. 1, the bonded indebtedness totaled about \$210,000, but that a bond payment on that debt lowered the indebtedness to approximately \$200,000, plus interest.

City Councilmen last week discussed the position of the light plant system employees. Although WTU, in the sales contract, had agreed to offer city employees positions with the company, it was understood that the city may absorb some of them into other departments. Also, some may seek other employment, and some may retire, it was indicated.

### Three Members of Family Killed

## Three-Year-Old Survives After Two Nights In Plane Wreckage

Little three-year-old Shara Sneed was in the intensive care unit of Sid Peterson Hospital in Kerrville Tuesday, after she had spent two nights and a day in the wreckage of an airplane which had crashed a few miles southeast of Kerrville Sunday

### Livestock Show Plans Underway

Preparations are underway for the Winters Annual Junior Livestock Show to be held January 7-9. About 210 entries will be shown this year by local FFA youngsters. The show will be held in the new school bus barn.

Workdays will be held Jan. 4-5 to build pens, portable arenas, and move in bleachers. General superintendent of this year's show is R. Q. Marks, assisted by Raymond Schwartz. President of the Winters Livestock Association, the sponsoring agent, is Don Vinson.

night.

Shara's mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Sneed, and older brother, Shannon, were apparently killed when the single-engine Piper Comanche crashed about four miles from the Kerrville airport runway.

Searchers, who had looked for the downed airplane throughout the night Sunday, and all day Monday, and then Monday night, found the wreckage about 8:15 Tuesday morning. Shara had suffered a broken arm and leg, and other injuries, and was apparently suffering from exposure.

Mr. and Mrs. Sneed, with their two children, had taken off from the Winters airport Sunday night, going to San Antonio. Enroute, somewhere in the vicinity of Kerrville, a distress message was received from the plane, according to reports, and it disappeared from the San Antonio radar screen. A search was begun almost immediately,

but was hampered by a low overcast and fog in the area. Searchers also had difficulty because of fog throughout Monday, it was reported. About 150 to 200 searchers, on foot, in vehicles, and on horseback, combed the heavily wooded foothills in the Kerrville area. The heavy fog prevented aerial searching.

It was thought the plane crashed about 11 p.m. Sunday night. No further reports had been received from investigators late Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Sneed and children had been visiting in Winters Sunday, attending the 86th birthday of his grandmother, Mrs. J. A. Sneed.

Jerry Sneed, 33, was the son of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Sneed of Winters, and was a 1963 graduate of Winters High School.

No arrangements had been announced late Tuesday afternoon.

## St. John's Choir To Present Cantata

The choir of St. John's Lutheran Church will present the annual Christmas Cantata, "Prepare Him Room," by Rosemary Hadler, Sunday, Dec. 18, at 10:40 a.m. during the morning worship service.

The choir is under the direction of Erwin Henniger of Norton. Organist is

Miss Emma Henniger of Ballinger.

Choir members are Mr. and Mrs. Walter Onken, Fritz Priser, Marvin Onken, Mr. and Mrs. Erwin Ueckert, Estella Bredemeyer, Minnie Belitz, Mrs. Milton Gerhart, Toby Gerhart, Mrs. Leona Jacob, Karla Eubanks,

Mrs. Freddie Bredemeyer, Mrs. Francis Holle, Pamela Holle, Laurie Pruser, Kathy Bredemeyer, Mrs. Lester Geistmann, and Mrs. Delbert Kruse.

The public is invited to attend this special Christmas program.

### Schedule for School: Out 16th, In 3rd

Students of Winters Public Schools will be dismissed at 2:30 Friday afternoon, Dec. 16, to begin the Christmas holidays.

The school business office will also be closed for several days in compliance with the Texas Education Agency calendar regulations, Bill Graves, superintendent said. The business office will be open during regular hours December 28-29 and 30, for the convenience of those wishing to pay their school taxes before the end of the year.

Students will return to classes Tuesday, Jan. 3. School personnel will return to duty Monday, Jan. 2, for an

in-service meeting. An in-service meeting has also been scheduled for Monday, Jan. 9, which will be a holiday for students. The Winters Junior Livestock Show will be held Monday, Jan. 9, and many Winters school students will be participating in show activities.

### Library Board

#### To Host Yule Party

The board of Winters Public Library will host a Christmas party for all children of the community, Monday, Dec. 19, at 10 at the library.

All children are invited to attend.

### Christmas Issue Early, Dec. 20

The annual Christmas edition of *The Winters Enterprise* will be printed early and delivered Tuesday, Dec. 20. This early delivery will give merchants even more time to serve their Christmas shoppers.

Therefore, deadlines for news items and advertising to be included in this issue will be moved back. All news and advertising copy for the Christmas issue must be in no later than Friday noon, Dec. 16.



**GIRL CAGERS**—Members of the eighth grade basketball team won first place in the recent Merkel Middle School basketball tournament. They defeated Ballinger in the first round, 32-11; beat Hawley 15-5, and then Abilene Christian Middle School in the

championship game, 41-21. Members of the team are, front row, left to right, Rosalinda Vera, Anna Vera, Mary Santoya, Gloria Isaaks, Kayleen McGuffin. Center row, Kathy Grenweige, Teri Seates, Gina Guevara, Debra Lanter, Angela Black. Back

row, Sherry McKnight, Barbara Henderson, Monnie Brewer, Francine Miller, Tawnya Murray, Rose Marie Faubion. Leigh Ann Hall, also a member of the team, was not present for the picture.



**WINNERS**—The Winters Blizzard basketball team won the championship trophies in two tournaments within the past two weeks, walking away with the honors and the big trophy at

the Albany tournament two weeks ago, and then winning the title in the Bronte meet last weekend. Varsity team members are, front row, left to right, David Esquivel, Chuck Evans,

Jeff Russell, Larry Walker, Mike Davis and Reggie Boles. Back row, Leroy Jones, Phillip Colburn, Doug Goetz, John Hurt, Carey Jobe and Paul Hudson.



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**AMBULANCE CALLS**

The Winters unit of Runnels County Emergency Service reported the following ambulance calls for the period indicated:

- Nov. 11: Residence to North Runnels Hospital.
- Nov. 24: Residence to North Runnels Hospital.
- Nov. 26: Residence to Hendricks Medical Center, Abilene.
- Nov. 26: Wingate to Hendricks Medical Center.
- Nov. 28: Residence to North Runnels Hospital.
- Nov. 29: To accident scene on Hwy. 83 south of Winters.
- Dec. 6: Hendricks Medical Center to Merrill Nursing Home.
- Dec. 6: North Runnels Hospital to Merrill Nursing Home.
- Dec. 7: Residence to North

Runnels Hospital.  
Dec. 8: Wingate to North Runnels Hospital.

Dec. 8: North Runnels Hospital to Hendricks Medical Center.

Dec. 11: Residence to North Runnels Hospital.

**Be Busy Sewing Club Meeting**

The Be Busy Sewing Club met Monday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Louis Blackmon, and gifts were exchanged after the Christmas luncheon.

Those present were Nadeen Smith, Becky Poe, Mayola Cathey, Eura Loyd, Mrs. M. H. Hogan, Mrs. Bill Millorn, and two visitors, Mrs. James Torrence and Mrs. Oscar Lowrey. The next meeting will be held January 9 in the home of Mrs. Etta Bryant.



MR. AND MRS. ALLMAND

**Mr., Mrs. Allmand Note 50th Wedding**

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Allmand of Ovalo will be honored with a reception Dec. 19 on the occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary.

The reception will be hosted by their children and grandchildren, and friends and relatives are invited to call between 2 and 5 o'clock in the afternoon.

The Allmands were married in the home of her parents in Abilene, Dec. 23, 1927. He was born at Hye, Oct. 12, 1900. Margie John-

son Allmand was born in Abilene June 16, 1906.

Mr. and Mrs. Allmand have five sons, Cecil of Tuscola, Gill of Abilene, Floyd of Eastland, Gene of Henrietta, and J. W. of Ovalo. They have 18 grandchildren and 23 great-grandchildren.

They have lived at Ovalo for the past 29 years. Previously they had lived in the Pumphrey and Grass-burr communities. They operate a store-station at Ovalo. He was previously a farmer.

**Mrs. Halfmann Died Dec. 6 In Ballinger**

Mrs. Paul Halfmann, 75, of Rowena, died at 3:15 p.m. December 6 in the Ballinger Memorial Hospital.

She was born Oct. 7, 1902 at Burlington, and married Paul Halfmann November 20, 1923 in Olfen. He preceded her in death November 7, 1975.

Survivors included four daughters, Mrs. Helen Lange of Rowena, Mrs. Lucille Beuerlein of Snyder, Mrs. Stanley (LeaAnna) Kvapil of Winters, and Mrs. Norma Rodriguez of San Antonio; two sons, Eugene Halfmann of Burlington and the Reverend Father Curtis Halfmann of Lubbock; one sister, Mrs. Anna Dankworth of Ballinger; two brothers, Leo Fuchs and Arnold Fuchs of Rowena; 12 grandchildren. Two sons preceded her in death, Leroy Halfmann and the Rev. Hubert Halfmann.

Rosary for Mrs. Paul Halfmann was held at 6:30 p.m. December 8 in the St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Rowena. Mass was held at 11 a.m. Friday with Father Curtis T. Halfmann as celebrant, and the Most Reverend Lawrence DeFalco and Most Reverend Steven Leven as co-celebrants. Homilist was Father Tim Schwertner. Burial was in the St. Boniface Catholic Cemetery in Olfen.

Pallbearers were Kenneth Halfmann, James Halfmann, John Lange, Louie Joe Beuerlein, Bobby Fuchs, and Glen Halfmann.

**Diversity Club Christmas Party**

The Diversity Club's Christmas party was held Sunday night in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Kendrick. Husbands and friends of members were guests.

Members and their husbands present were Messrs. and Mesdames Ralph Arnold, George Garrett, M. L. Dobbins, Wayne Roberts, Roy Young, Fred Young, Earl Roach, W. B. Middleton, Marvin Dozier, Clarence Ledbetter, and Mesdames Louise Jernagen, Ava Crawford, W. L. England, Addie Beth Stanley, Z. I. Hale, Buck Smith, Frank Brown.

Visitors present were Messrs. and Mesdames John Gardner, Charles Hudson, Mrs. Ethel Mae Sawyer and Mrs. Alton O'Neill.

Hostesses were Mesdames C. R. Kendrick, Marvin Dozier, W. B. Middleton, Ralph Arnold and W. L. England.

**Runnels County Shares Texas Travel Dollars**

Runnels County received \$1,056,700 of the State's \$6,075,952,000 travel receipts in 1976, a national study commissioned by the Texas Tourist Development Agency has disclosed.

The 1976 figures reflect an increase of 10 percent in travel receipts over 1975 when Runnels County's travel business accounted for \$957,000.

In addition to gross receipts, the study found that Runnels County in 1976 had 36 of the state's 227,258 travel-related jobs, with an annual payroll of \$196,500.

It also estimated \$42,000 in state and \$9,400 in local taxes were paid by county visitors in 1976.

The study was done by the U.S. Travel Data Center in Washington, D.C., an independent travel research organization funded jointly by public and private sectors.

It was based on the Center's Travel Economic Impact Model which breaks out a state's share of the national travel market on a county-by-county basis.

The model measures the economic impact of all travel involving overnight trips away from home, and day trips at least 100 miles or more from home. Thus it includes travel by Texans as

well as out-of-state visitors, for all purposes.

It includes estimates of the traveler's spending at home in preparation for the trip, his spending en route, and that at his destination.

Basic data for the model comes from the National Travel Survey, conducted every five years by the U.S. Census Bureau, and from the Center's own National Travel Expenditure Model.

It was the latter which estimated that in 1975 Texas had dislodged New York for third place in the nation's travel industry. The 1976 figures, however, show Texas back in fourth place behind California, Florida, and New York.

"We're pleased that travel research techniques have finally developed to the point that states can determine where, within their boundaries, travel dollars are spent and travel-related jobs exist," said Frank Hildebrand, executive director of the Texas Tourist Development Agency.

"Now we can trace travel's considerable economic impact on a county-by-county basis, observe changing patterns annually, and help direct the rapid growth of this burgeoning industry."

**Cablevision Adds Another Channel For Local Viewers**

Texas Cablevision will add another dimension to its television programming Dec. 20, with live events from Madison Square Garden. The new program will be televised on Channel 10.

The addition of this program and channel will be the third satellite signal offered to cablevision viewers in the Winters, San Angelo and Ballinger area. Home Box Office and WCTG, Channel 17 of Atlanta, Ga., are currently offered, and Channel 4 is offered as an optional service.

General manager Frank Settle of Texas Cablevision said this third network program will be provided to

all cablevision subscribers at no additional charge. "It is just another instance of our continuing effort to provide a variety of entertainment options to our customers," he said.

The opening event Dec. 20 will be a live telecast of the Phoenix Suns vs. the New York Knicks, at 6:30 p.m. CST. The year-around sports schedule from the Madison Square Garden sports network will include the NHL, National Basketball League, professional boxing, wrestling, championship tennis meets, invitational basketball tournaments, including the National Invitational Tournament in March.

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Dankworth Bacon Ends & Pieces

**39¢**

1-LB PKG

Pickles Claussen Kosher Whole or Icicle 32-OZ JAR **\$1.19**

Bottom Round or Rump Roast Boneless USDA Choice "PS" LB **\$1.49**

Smoked Turkeys Sunday House 4-12-Lb Avg LB **\$1.29**

Turkey Gizzards LB **29¢**

Canned Hams Agar 3-LB CAN **\$5.99**

Danish Ham Good Value Sliced 4-OZ PKG **99¢**

Boneless Ham Thomas E. Wilson Masterpiece LB **\$3.19**

Pickle Slices Claussen Kosher 24-OZ JAR **\$1.09**

Beef Franks Oscar Mayer Regular or Dinner Size 1-LB PKG **\$1.19**

Sausage Links Oscar Mayer Pork 1-LB PKG **\$1.69**

Braunschweiger Oscar Mayer 8-OZ PKG **69¢**

Sandwich Spread Oscar Mayer 8-OZ PKG **69¢**

Wieners Oscar Mayer Reg or Dinner Size 1-LB PKG **\$1.19**

Top Round Boneless Steak USDA Choice "PS" LB **\$1.49**

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Duncan Hines Cake Mixes ASSORTED FLAVORS 18½-OZ BOX **59¢**

Del Monte Sweet Peas 3 17-OZ CANS **\$1**

Libby's Vienna Sausage 3 5-OZ CANS **\$1**

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Rainbow Paper Towels ASSORTED JUMBO ROLL **39¢**

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Milk Eagle Brand 14 oz. CAN **65¢**

Ellis Pecans Halves, Pieces 6-OZ PKG **\$1.47**

Chicken Broth Swanson 13-OZ CAN **27¢**

Grapefruit Juice Texusun 46 oz. CAN **59¢**

Folger's Coffee LB CAN **\$2.98**

Sugar Powdered or Brown LB. **35¢**

Sugar Good Value 5 LB. BAG **99¢**

Stuffing Mix Stove Top Pork, Chicken, Cornbread 6-OZ BOX **69¢**

Libby's Pumpkin 3 16-OZ CANS **\$1**

Oranges Del Monte Mandarin 11 oz. CAN **49¢**

Reg. or Sugarfree

Dr Pepper 32 oz. BOTTLE **5 \$1**

Cookie Sheet Ecko 13"x9" EACH **99¢**

BANQUET FROZEN PUMPKIN OR MINCE PIES **49¢**

20-OZ PKG

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Tooth Paste Creme Rinse Assorted 12-OZ BTL **\$1.29**

Gandy's Ice Cream Whipping or Sour CREAM 8-OZ CTN. **3 \$1**

Orange Juice 12-OZ CAN **63¢**

Potatoes Frozen Crinkle Cut 5-LB BAG **\$1.19**

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Whipped Topping 9-OZ CTN **49¢**

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Fish Sticks Good Value 9-OZ PKG **49¢**

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Aluminum Foil First Pick 3 12"x25" ROLLS **\$1**

Brown-N-Bag Turkey Size 2-CT BOX **67¢**

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Coconut Baker's Angel Flake 14-OZ BAG **98¢**

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**FOR SALE—'72 JAVALIN.** Air conditioned, power steering. Priced reasonably. See at Mac Oil Field. 41-1tc.

**FIREWORKS FOR SALE—**Corner of North Main and Novice Road. From Dec. 15-Jan. 1. Kenneth Tankersley. 41-3tc.

**FOR SALE—Fireworks.** From Dec. 15 to Jan. 1. West on Wingate Highway, Old 53. Thelma Hoppe. 41-2tc.

### For Sale

**FOR SALE—1974 LUV** pickup, \$1850.00. 1973 Pinto, \$1495.00. 754-5009 after 5:00 p.m. 39-tfc.

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### Lost & Found

**LOST—1 black heifer,** 500-600 lbs., branded Double T on right hip, yellow tag, No. 15, in right ear. 1 black mottle-faced steer, 350-450 lbs., tag in right ear, No. 3. 1 black mottle-faced heifer, black tag in right ear, No. 24 Dunn, 500-600 lbs., recently dehorned. 1 black heifer, tag Dunn in right ear, 600 lbs. Lost from west of Wingate. Call 754-5129 or 754-5015. 41-2tc.

### Miscellaneous

**NEW YEAR'S EVE Dance** for members and guests at Winters VFW. Make reservations now. 754-9921. 40-2tp.

**THE SCHOOL of Vocational** Nursing is now accepting applications for classes starting in February, 1978. Financial assistance may be available for those who qualify. For further information contact Mrs. Culp at Ballinger Memorial Hospital Monday thru Friday, 7 a.m. - 3 p.m. 39-7tc.

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### Mrs. J. A. Sneed Honored On 86th Birthday

The children of Mrs. J. A. Sneed, of the Methodist Retirement Center of Abilene, hosted a birthday dinner in the reception room of the Winters Housing Authority, Sunday, December 11 in honor of her 86th birthday.

Among those present were her six children and their families, including Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Sneed, Mr. and Mrs. James Sneed, Angela and Tonya of Copperas Cove, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Farr and Wesley, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Crew and Roy, Mrs. Cheryl Sullivan and Tenna Yarbrough of Belton, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Sneed, Richard and Sharon of Wingate, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Gill of Abilene, Mrs. Bruce Harris, Wendi and Tommy of Ovalo, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Sneed, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Sneed and Terry of Winters, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Sneed, Shannon and Shara of San Antonio.

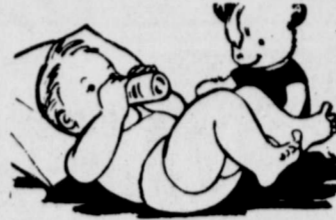
Also, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Harms and Jamie, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Casady, Christi and Hope of Anson, Miss Judy Harms of San Angelo. Other relatives and friends attending were Mrs. Gladys Walker, Mrs. Carey Foster, Mrs. Horace Fry, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Sneed, Mrs. Freddie Grohman and Tabatha of Winters, Mrs. Carlos Walker and Ketta, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Cornett of Wingate, Mrs. Ella Sparks and Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Oliver of Granbury and Mr. and Mrs. Hallie Crew of Belton.

### Sunflower Club Meeting Recently

The Sunflower Club met December 6 for their annual Christmas party with Jewell Mitchell as hostess.

Members attending were Mary Lewis, Carrie Lee, Zora Hill, Ila Conner, and the hostess. Three guests were also present, Mrs. Thelma Bell, Susan and Kevin Conner.

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### NEWCOMERS

Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Reel of Paint Creek are the parents of a daughter, Leigh Ann, born December 6, 1977, at 10:37 a.m. in the Stamford Memorial Hospital. The baby weighed 9 pounds 7 ounces, and was 21 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Griffith of Paint Creek. Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Dunn of Abilene.

Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Reel of Winters. Great-grandparents are Mrs. Harold Wilson of Ovalo and Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Russell of Winters.

Mr. and Mrs. Sealy Bryan announce the birth of a daughter, Janabeth, born Dec. 2, 1977, at 12:30 p.m. The baby has a sister, Michelle, 10, and two brothers, Grady, 9, and Richard, 6. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Glen Bryan of Winters and Mrs. Juanita Kennedy, Ballinger.

### CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our appreciation and thanks to all who extended comforting sympathy and help in our recent sorrow. To Rev. Fred Thomas for the beautiful Christian service, floral offerings, memorials, food brought in, cards, visits and prayers and all the nurses at the hospital. A special thanks to Dr. Rives, Ted Meyer, the beautiful songs and music furnished by Mrs. Randall Sneed and Mrs. Randall Conner. May God's richest blessings be upon each of you who were so kind during the loss of our beloved mother. —The Family of Gladys King. 41-1tp

### DIABETES CLINIC

A diabetes and blood pressure clinic will be held at the Winters Multi-Purpose Center, 142 W. Dale, Dec. 21, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

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### J. L. Johnson Died Saturday In NR Hospital

James Lee Johnson, 62, died at 9:05 p.m. Saturday in the North Runnels Hospital following a lengthy illness. Services were held at 2:30 p.m. Monday at the First United Methodist Church, with Dr. Thomas Tribble officiating. Burial was in Lakeview Cemetery under the direction of the Winters Funeral Home.

He was born November 22, 1915 near Winters to the late Lee and Jennie Johnson, and had lived in the Winters area all his life, where he was a rancher and farmer.

For the past 14 years he was owner and operator of the Fireside Restaurant. He was an Army veteran of World War II. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church. He married the former Pauline Baldwin December 22, 1935 in Ballinger.

Survivors include his wife; a son, Jimmy of Lubbock; two daughters, Mrs. Robert Robinson of San Angelo and Mrs. Randall Baker of Harlingen; a sister, Dorothy Nell Johnson of Carlsbad, N.M.; and nine grandchildren.

Palbearers were W. T. Coley, R. P. Penny, Richard Bauer, Pete Davidson, M. L. Dobbins, Bud Eoff, LaDell Davis and T. B. Poe.

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## Lancaster Elected C-C President

Tommy Lancaster has been named president of the Winters Chamber of Commerce for 1978 elected by the board of directors in their regular meeting December 6. He succeeds Mike Tuggle and will begin his duties January 1, along with Randy Springer, vice-president, and Mrs. Ray Alderman, treasurer.

Five new directors for 1978-79 were elected by postcard ballot by all chamber members. They are Mrs. Marvin (Prissy) Dozier, employed by

the Fashion Shop; Bobby Airhart, president of the Wingate Security State Bank; Dr. Tom Tribble, pastor of the First United Methodist Church; Rev. Fred Thomas, pastor of the First Baptist Church and Rick Dry, of Dry Mfg. Co.

Hold-over directors are Charles Hudson, Randy Springer, Tommy Lancaster, Jim Hatler, Joyce Bahlman, and Arnold Thormeyer. The three out-going directors are Mike Tuggle, Margaret Bell, and Juanita

Bredemeyer.

In other business, plans were made for a committee headed by Ray Alderman to sell shares in the annual Winters Junior Livestock Show, to be held January 7-9.

Woody's Stop and Go Grocery, located at 243 South Main, was chosen as the December business of the month. Woody Nix and his wife Jo Rita are the managers of the store which opened in October.

## Band Planning Trip To El Paso

Plans are being completed for the Blizzard Band's trip to the Sun Bowl Parade in El Paso beginning Friday, December 30. The itinerary calls for the band to leave at 6 a.m. Friday and return home about midnight Monday, January 2.

The group will stay at the Howard Johnson Motor Inn in El Paso, and phone numbers for various stops will be made available at a later date. The band booster organization will provide funds to pay for five meals.

A New Year's Eve party will be held at the University of Texas at El Paso for all the bands in the parade. Tentative plans also call for a chartered bus trip on Sunday into Juarez, touring the older parts of the city such as the old market and the bull ring. The group will spend the afternoon on a shopping trip across the border in Pronaf, and spend the night at the Time Tunnel Amusement complex. Those parents who do not want their child to make the trip into Mexico are asked to notify Mike Ford,

and alternate arrangements will be made for another group to spend Sunday in El Paso at a movie or other entertainment.

The parade will begin at 10 a.m. Monday, January 2. It is not known whether or not the parade will be televised.

Sponsors for the trip will be Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Lancaster, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Pruser, Dr. and Mrs. Tommy Russell, Mr. and Mrs. James Bomar, and Mr. and Mrs. Mike Ford.

## Blizzard Cagers Win Tournament

The Winters Blizzard varsity basketball team won their second tournament of the season Dec. 8-9-10, by taking the honors in the Bronte tournament.

Thursday night, the Blizzards beat Robert Lee 39-38. Carey Jobe and Phil Colburn each scored 10 points.

Friday night, the Blizzards met Christoval and walked off with a 75-64 win. Jeff Russell was high pointer, with 19 points.

Saturday night, the Winters team played Bronte for the tourney championship, winning handily 48-37. Larry Walker scored 14 points for

high. Winters' varsity girls won fourth place in the Bronte tournament.

The Blizzards were to begin District 6-AA play Tuesday night of this week, going to Ballinger to meet the Bearcats. They will travel to Stamford for the second district game Friday night.

## Facts & Fancies Aliens Must Register In January

At one time, many people believed corn should only be planted at a certain time—by the light of the moon.

District Director, Joe F. Staley, San Antonio, of the Immigration and Naturalization Service estimated that 120,000 aliens will report their addresses in the San Antonio area during January under the Federal Alien Address Report Program.

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He added that any alien who willfully violates the address report requirement may be subject to serious penalties.

In addition, aliens who are not in the United States during January must report their addresses to the Service within 10 days after their return to this country.

The District Director said that address report cards will be available at United States post offices and at the Immigration and Naturalization Service office at San Antonio beginning January 1, 1978.



The first Christmas stocking is believed to have belonged to a fourth century child in Turkey. It's said a poor boy hung his stocking up to dry by the fireplace when St. Nicholas, a charitable Bishop, dropped into it a bag of gold.

## Changing Home Lifestyles



In the 1800s one job many American women found to be all wet was drying the clothes. Summer and winter, each cold, heavy, sodden piece of clothing and linen had to be taken outside and hung up on the line with wooden pins. If a sudden shower occurred all the work was wasted. If the sun was too strong colors could fade. Unless the clothes were firmly fixed to the line, a

strong wind could blow the whole job. Drying today involves far fewer hangups. Modern work-savers include an automatic dryer that can be set to get all kinds of clothes dry. Adjustable to the right time and temperature for delicate lingerie, permanent press or heavy towels, it's made by Whirlpool and can save you time, allowing you to get out of the house—to do more than hang up the laundry.

## Dry Weather Throughout State

A drought of various degrees presently exist on a statewide basis and livestock producers need to take action now to avoid rising feed cost and low market values.

The drought has been intense with little forage production occurring since May. October rains may have aided in some forage production as well as helped small grain, however this could be a false hope. Without additional moisture small grain will not produce significant forage for wintering over of livestock.

During the drought of the 1950s, two groups were distinguishable: those who kept their livestock, compiled large feed bills and sold at drought deflated prices, and those who balanced their livestock with the available forage. The producers who balanced the livestock and forage did not make much money but they did not owe high feed bills either.

The ranchers who kept their livestock tended to overgraze their rangeland and as a result it was extremely slow to respond even when the rains came.

some of it never did.

To avoid a repeat of similar conditions livestock producers can take several steps.

1. Reduce herd numbers and balance livestock to forage available.

2. Find additional grazing if possible.

3. Revise operation to a stocker type operation and graze forage only when available.

Those ranchers using rotation and deferral should continue to utilize their systems and only use approximately 50 percent of the annual growth of the key forage species.

These are a few measures which can be taken to reduce the effects of the drought.

## Mr. and Mrs. Colburn To Note 50th Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. V. E. Colburn will be honored on their 50th wedding anniversary with a reception in the reception room of the Winters Housing Authority, 300 North Grant, Dec. 18, from two until 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

Hosting the reception will be the children of the couple, Mr. and Mrs. Pyburn Brown and Mr. and Mrs. Billy Joe Colburn, all of Winters; Mr. and Mrs. Benny Ray Colburn of Seminole; Mr. and Mrs. John Craig of Midland; and

their eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Mr. Colburn was born Aug. 27, 1902, in Milam County. Mrs. Colburn was born Jan. 16, 1905, in Hunt County. They were married in Winters, Dec. 17, 1927.

Mr. Colburn is a retired stock farmer, and a 51-year member of the Winters Masonic Lodge.

Mr. and Mrs. Colburn are members of the First Baptist Church, where he has served as a deacon for 35 years.

Friends and relatives are invited to attend.



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**Poe's Corner**

BY CHARLES POE

G. E. Bond of Amarillo grew up in Runnels County and he has recorded many events of those early years for his grandchildren. His mother was a Kennedy and he is a cousin to LaMoine Moore, Enid Witcher and Ola Dorris Lee.

In January of 1900, when he was five years old, Mr. Bond moved with his parents from Talpa to Runnels County. His father bought a 160 acre lease two miles south of Crews for \$250.00 a year. On this lease was a two room house with a porch across the front. One large room about 12x18 feet was the living room and bedroom

for five children. An eight foot wide kitchen held a wood cook stove, an old safe and some wooden grocery boxes on the walls for kitchen supplies and food. A long table with a bench was on one side and chairs on the other. The chair seats were of rope, rawhide, or board bottoms. The front room had two beds, a trundle bed, two or three chairs, a wood heating stove and dresser.

The Bonds arrived at the new home on a cold, cloudy evening in January. All their belongings, which came in two wagons, were quickly unloaded.

Some of Mr. Bond's happiest

memories are of Christmas and he describes one when he was small and took his first trip to Ballinger.

"I've never forgotten that night ride to Ballinger on a bale of cotton at Christmas time at seven years of age. All four boys, the oldest of eight children in the family, made this trip. We left home just before sundown and it took about five hours to cover that 18 mile distance by wagon. The wagon had high sideboards and was loaded to the top with clean picked cotton. We traveled until a little past midnight. About two miles out of Ballinger, Papa awakened us from deep sleep to see the electric lights. I had never seen electric lights before. I couldn't get enough of looking up at those little white hot wires in those glass bulbs.

"Arriving in Ballinger, we bedded down on the floor of a bunkhouse in a wagon yard where both men and animals were taken care of. We were up early the next morning, had a hot cake and bacon breakfast in a dingy little cafe, went with papa to the gin (a new experience), and saw him sell his bale of cotton. All they gave him was a piece of paper with some writing on it for that big bale of cotton! But later at the bank they gave him some money for that piece of paper.

"Papa gave Willie and Vernon \$1.25 each, for they were the oldest, and Albert and me \$1.00 each for our Christmas shopping. With all that money we set out to test the Christmas market. Four little boys in a big city of 1,200 population, and some of those buildings on Main Street were actually two stories high, too!

"We had to buy carefully to get some of all the things we wanted for Christmas—apples, oranges, walnuts, almonds, Brazil nuts and three or four different kinds of candy and fire crackers. There was not money for toys.

"Oh, yes! There was that monkey that came down out of a tree in front of Jim Hubbard's saloon and ripped the bottom of the sack, spilling all of Albert's ginger snaps on the sidewalk. He tasted one and threw it down and back into the tree he went. It took real will power to keep our cotton picking hands out of those sacks until the coming weekend which was Christmas. Some of the items were terribly reduced in quantity, but most stayed intact until that

happy day—Christmas!"

Another Christmas experience took place in 1905, after Mr. Bond had bought 240 acres of prairie land at \$12.00 an acre out of the Turner ranch that lay between Valley Creek and Oak Creek, about 20 miles west of Winters. A two room house had been built on the place and rented to Jim Smith who broke out 40 acres of new ground. This was to be the new home of the Bonds.

"On Dec. 1, 1905, Papa, Uncle Dennis Fields, and Mr. Bedoe, a neighbor of Uncle John Kennedy's, who was handy with the saw, square and hammer, went up to the new place to enlarge and complete the house that was to be our home for the years to come. Here most of the children grew up and left home.

"Three weeks had passed, only two days until Christmas and not one word from Papa. I grew nervous and anxious. Was something wrong or would he work past Christmas and there be no Santa Claus? I was terribly worried. I went to bed with it on my mind. On the night of Dec. 23, I was awakened out of a deep sleep by the rocking of the wagon wheels as it rolled into the yard and Papa called 'Whoa' to the team. I sank back into a deep, peaceful sleep. Papa was at home!

"Pete and I were up early in our shirt tails (and there was no fire in that heater either) looking over what papa had brought that never smelled so good. A crate of apples, a big sack of oranges, another of bananas, sacks of candies, nuts and Christmas goodies, yes, and even firecrackers and Roman candles! And it was just possible that there were some Santa Claus packages hidden away, too. Back into bed we went and waited anxiously for that fire to be built.

"Yes, Papa had remembered that it was Christmas!"

**Wingate Sew and Sew Club Meeting**

The Wingate Sew and Sew Club met December 6 in the Wingate Baptist Church annex, and quilting was done for the hostess, Leila Harter.

Members present included Nellie Adcock, Mayola Cahey, Dorothy Cave, Marie Bradford, Mable Hancock, Leila Harter, Lorene Kinard, Madlin King, Flossie Kirkland, Eura Lloyd, Jo Lindsey, Mildred Patton, Ethel Polk, Edna Rogers, Grace Smith, Melba Vick, Vida Talley, Minnie Williams, and Johnnie Woodfin. Two visitors also were present, Fay Green and Hattie Hensley.

A Christmas party will be held at the home of Mrs. Raymon Lindsey on December 13. The group will not meet again after the thirteenth until the second Tuesday in January when hostesses will be Lorene Kinard.

**Krueger's Kolumn**

By Cong. Bob Krueger  
1st Texas District

I hope that those of you who join me in my concern over proposed regulations that would undermine the health care of rural Texas residents have taken advantage of the time expansion granted by the Dept. of HEW to comment on the proposed regulations.

What I have done is appeal directly to the Secretary of HEW to immediately remove the 45-minute travel time restriction and the birth quota requirement. I believe the determination of where federal monies go should be decided on an individual, case by case basis and one across-the-board set of minimum figures is not the way to make those decisions.

This week was the last during which citizens could publicly comment before the National Council on Health Planning begins to consider whether these regulations—which I adamantly oppose—should go into effect.

Basically, these proposed regulations would have the effect of threatening to cut off federal funding to hospitals not located in large cities.

That threat, no doubt formulated by Washington bureaucrats out of touch with the realities of life in small town America, is unconscionable, and I have made my feelings known both to HEW Sec. Joseph Califano and to the writers of the regulations, as I know many of you have.

The defense put forth by people in HEW in response to my position is also less than satisfactory. HEW officials have responded that the guidelines printed in the Federal Register are just that and have no force of law.

Although that is true, we all know that federal guidelines have a way of assuming the force of law in the competition for federal dollars so direly needed in many areas, and most visibly in the area of health care.

We did, however, receive assurances that even if the guidelines were put into effect that no hospitals would be closed and that no obstetrics wards would be shut down.

That pledge, although I welcome it and am glad HEW officials have gone on record with that statement, is not good enough. The fear of federal funds being withheld is always a very real one in modern America, like it or not, and it is fear with which small communities should not have to live.

The proposed guidelines by HEW—which would threaten funding to hospitals in cities less than 100,000 population where fewer than 500 annual births take place—were intended to contain the soaring cost of hospital

care. But what the writers of the proposed guidelines failed to understand is that health care in rural America is already less expensive than that available in metropolitan areas.

Perhaps proponents of the guidelines believe that centralized obstetrics services in the cities would eventually result in lower costs and, if one considers hospital costs alone, this might be true.

But what the guideline writers did not understand is that extraneous expenses involved in transporting expectant mothers to and from centralized obstetrics units are expenses that would have to be borne by families even if they did not show up to the bureaucrats as pure hospital costs.

There is another factor that apparently has not been considered, the problem of attracting physicians to small communities where financial remuneration is not as great as in the cities, and the fact that curtailing of obstetrical services would cut into their earning potential even more.

But the key reservation about these proposed guidelines has to be that they are counter-productive, that they would place hardships, financial and otherwise, on the people of America who choose not to live in metropolitan areas.

All one has to do is to

examine the growing economic health of many small communities which have become most attractive to industry as of late, to know that overlooking the needs of small town America is hardly a reasonable way to hold down the increasing cost of health care in this nation.

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**Naomi Circle Meeting Recently**

The Naomi Circle of the United Methodist Women met recently and organized for the new year. Mrs. Melvin Mapes is chairman, Mrs. M. G. Middlebrook and Mrs. Gladys Wilson, co-vice chairmen, Mrs. W. T. Nichols, treasurer, Mrs. T. C. Stanley, secretary-reporter. Other members of the Naomi Circle for 1978 are Mmes. E. W. Bridwell, L. E. Marks, Paul Gerhardt. Elmo

Mayhew, W. T. Stanley, Nick Rogers, Gattis Neely, Carey Foster, Carl Baldwin, Forest Davis, Eloise Davis, Marvin Dozier, A. L. Rose, T. V. Jennings, Arch Hood, V. E. Colburn, A. L. Crockett, and A. L. Mayo.

**VISITORS**

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Egger of Goldthwaite, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Spain of Brownwood, and Mr. and Mrs. Alvie Egger of Nolan visited this week in the home of Mrs. W. J. Yates.

**Nursing Home**

Several nice parties are on the calendar for this week and more are booked for next week. Our monthly birthday party will be on Monday, Dec. 19, at three o'clock. Those being honored will be Ruby Carter, Dec. 8; Nola Cooke, Dec. 9; Mattie Cooke, Dec. 24; Rachael Seldon, Dec. 26 and Cordie Kirby, will be 98 years young on Dec. 31. Theme for the party will be "Deck The Halls With Holly", and friends and relatives are invited to help make this a more joyous occasion.

On Wednesday evening, Dec. 21, at 6:45, the residents in our home will have their annual Christmas party. Santa will be here and we hope many of our residents will be able to enjoy this party.

We have two new residents in our home. They are Lee Little and Mrs. Wilhelmina Wolber. Mrs. Wolber is the mother of the Rev. A. R. Wolber, pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church. We hope their stay with us can be a pleasant one.

**Pecos Area Featured In Texas Almanac**

One of America's most spectacularly scenic and remote regions—Texas West of the Pecos—is featured in the new 1978-'79 Texas Almanac, published by A. H. Belo Corp. which also publishes The Dallas Morning News. In a special article in this edition, Frank X. Tolbert, author and veteran Dallas News columnist who has been wandering around the Trans-Pecos since childhood, calls it "an absolutely unique region" of Texas approximately the physical size of Florida but with less than half a million persons, most of them crowded in El Paso.

Other articles in this featured section include "The Big Bend of Texas," by Mrs. Lee G. Bennett, Marfa teacher; "The Guadalupe Mountains" and "The Davis Mountains, a Land of Contrast," by Dr. Barton H. Warnock, chairman of the Biology Department of Sul Ross State University at Alpine.

The articles are generously illustrated with full color photographs. El Capitan, the dramatic peak in Guadalupe Mountains National Park, is featured on the cover of the Texas Almanac.

Persons interested in traveling to other sections of Texas may be guided by reports on places to visit in Texas West, Texas Heartlands, Texas Woodlands, Texas Gulf Coast and Metropolitan Texas.

Another section of the state is described in a report on "The Texas Blackland Prairies," written by S. H. Whitehurst, superintendent of the Texas A&M Research and Extension Center at

Dallas. This area reaches more than 300 miles from the Texas-Oklahoma border to the vicinity of San Antonio.

The history of the Texas Election Bureau, which has been assembling, tabulating and distributing unofficial results of Texas' statewide elections immediately after voting for more than half a century, is told by Robert L. Johnson, manager of the bureau for 40 years.

Other features of the 1978-'79 edition of the Texas Almanac include The Constitution of Texas, a section which has been a valuable document for use in schoolrooms and courtrooms for many years; and "Gardening in Texas," a guide for home gardeners throughout the state.

In addition, there is the usual enormous assemblage of data pertaining to nearly all aspects of living and working in Texas.

**Texas Producers Disfavor Food Policies**

The foreign and domestic food policy of the United States is generally held in disfavor by Texas farmers and ranchers, a recent survey shows.

The survey, conducted by Doctor Ronald Knutson, economist in marketing and policy with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, shows that the majority of Texas producers favor a reduction in the food stamp program and a tightening foreign food aid program.

"Regarding the food stamp program, producers voiced strong feelings that people

should work for a living and that only those families in extreme poverty or receiving a minimum level of nutrition should receive aid," noted Knutson. "They felt strongly that the food stamp program has gotten out of hand in terms of size and scope. Although beef and milk producers are the greatest beneficiaries of the program, their attitudes varied little from other producers."

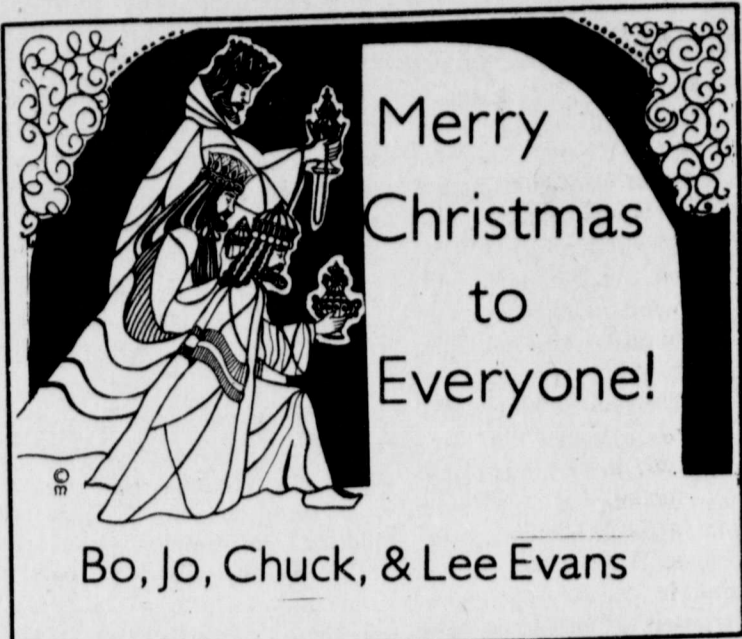
Knutson pointed out that the domestic food aid program has been expanded to attract the support of urban congressmen for the new farm bill just passed. This program is administered by the U.S. Department of Agriculture and last year took 60 per cent of the department's budget. In addition to food stamps, the program includes school lunches and child nutrition.

"As far as foreign food aid is concerned, most Texas agricultural producers felt that this should be limited

primarily to emergency situations," said Knutson. "They favor efforts by the recipient country to control population as well as to increase food production as a condition for foreign food aid. In actuality, however, such food aid programs tend to increase dependence on aid, foster further population growth, depress prices in the recipient countries, and thus reduce incentives to produce."

"On the 'right to food' issue, Texas agricultural producers again showed their displeasure of any give-away

program without a willingness on the part of the recipient to care for himself and work for a living. They feel that a 'right to food' exists only for those who have the financial resources to buy on the open market and who are willing to work," noted the economist.



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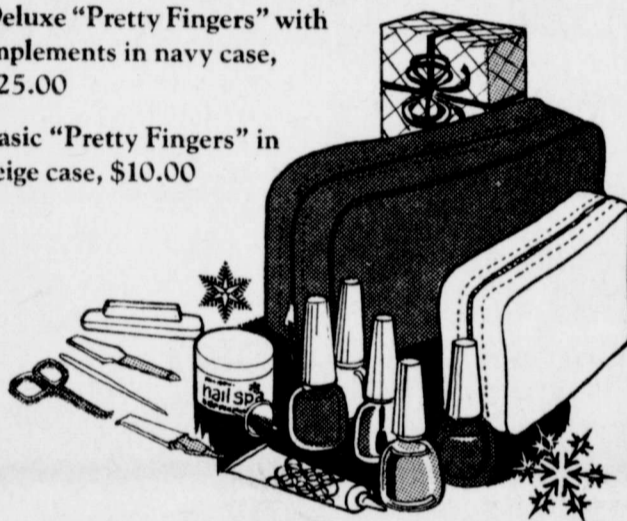
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—Wedding information, along with pictures, must be received no later than Friday of the week prior to the week of publication. In most instances, this information and pictures are available prior to the wedding date. It is our desire to publish the story and pictures in the issue immediately following the event.

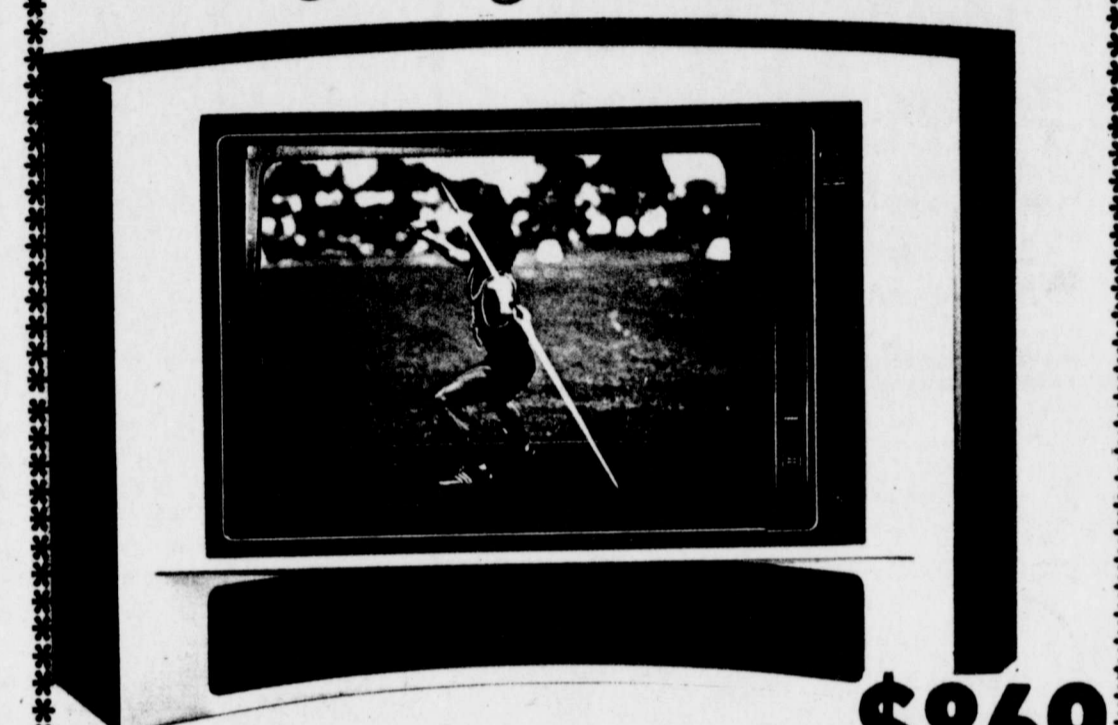
—Simple details only, and no pictures, will be published in the second issue following the event. No wedding or anniversary story will be published in the third issue following the event.

—Only the main facts of the events will be published, and no pictures will be printed, for weddings or anniversary celebrations which take place out of town, except for immediate former residents, such as students, whose parents still reside in the area. Pictures of nieces, nephews, grandchildren, and other relatives, who have never lived in the area will not be published. Only short notices of the events will be published, and then no later than the second issue following the event.

—We solicit pictures of local weddings and anniversary celebrations, and will hold the original pictures for only one week following date of publication. We cannot return pictures by mail unless a stamped, self-addressed envelope accompanies the picture.

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### Mrs. W. W. King Died In North Runnels Hospital

Mrs. William W. King, 77, died at 1:40 p.m. Dec. 7 in the North Runnels Hospital after a brief illness. Services were held at 2:30 p.m. Friday at the First Baptist Church with Rev. Fred Thomas, officiating. Burial was in the Crews Cemetery under the direction of the Winters Funeral Home.

Lampasas; two sisters, Opal Mathis of San Saba and Mildred Young of Lampasas; 13 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Louis Wade, Vivian Colburn, Wilma Davis, Bernice Gardner, J. A. Traylor and G. W. Scott.

### Sub Deb Holiday Party

Members of the Sub Deb Club held a Christmas party Monday evening in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bud Lisso, with their daughter, Susan, as hostess. A holiday buffet was served.

Present were Susan Bentley, Jeree Isbell, Debbie Austin, Tammy Terrell, Becky McAnally, Betty Lisso, Cherie Krause, and the sponsors, Meira Slaughter and Cindy Hatler.

Mr. King preceded her in death June 15, 1970.

Survivors include two sons, Weldon of Port Mansfield, and Royce of Amarillo; two daughters, Doris Crim of Waco, and LaVoy McNeill of Wingate; two brothers, Ellis of San Antonio, and Elwin of

Survivors include his wife; one son, R. C. "Junior" of Winters; one daughter, Mrs. Bill (Hildegard) Villers of San Angelo; one brother, Monroe Kurtz of Winters; one sister, Mrs. Boyd Grisom of Winters; and four grandchildren.

Pallbearers were N. L. Faubion, Walter Lange, Ernest Haupt, Hazel Dietz, Joe Slaton, and Lloyd Wilkerson.

### Children Should Be SEEN and NOT HURT

Children should be seen and NOT HURT this Christmas by new toys says the Texas Department of Health.

A few months, or a year or two in a child's development can make quite a difference in his ability to cope with toys. "That's the reason manufacturers are required to place precautionary labeling on toys," says Harold Ray, director of the Department's Product Safety Division.

"Consumers should look for the warning label on a toy which states that the toy isn't recommended for a child under a certain age," he said. "If such a label warns that the toy is too advanced for your child, look for something else that fits the child."

Ray said a testing process is being used which can help parents determine the right toys for their children. The United States Consumer Product Safety Commission has regulations for the use and abuse testing of toys. These regulations provide tests for impact, bite, flexure, torque, tension and compression—all simulating the normal and reasonably foreseeable use, damage and abuse of toys, games and other playthings.

The testing is done using different age levels of children for whom the toys are intended. These age levels are 18 months and less, more than 18 months but not more than 36 months, and 36 months to not more than eight years of age.

What can you as an individual do to prevent a mis-match of a toy and a child this holiday season?

First, be aware of how the toy is built, says Ray. "Parents should avoid toys with the obvious hazards such as sharp points; rough or unfinished surfaces; small, detachable parts that may be swallowed; and brittle plastic or glass that breaks easily and leaves sharp edges that cut," he said.

"Other things to watch out for include poorly constructed toys with sharp spikes or pins that are exposed when pulled apart by a curious child; and toys with triggers, gears, or other parts activated by a spring or motor that may pinch fingers or catch hair."

Ray said there is a safety regulation for electrically operated toys. The regulation specifies maximum temperatures for these toys and requires reliable electrical construction. Electrical toys must bear warning labels stating they are not recommended for children under a certain age. For toys containing heating elements, the manufacturer may not indicate that the toy is recommended for children under eight.

Some 5,000 new toys enter the marketplace each year. The holiday season will find more than 150,000 different kinds of toys for sale in an estimated one million retail outlets. Despite the efforts of toy manufacturers, retailers, state and federal inspectors and different governmental agencies, it is impos-

sible to inspect every toy.

But it is possible for parents, relatives, and older sisters and brothers to check every new toy bought and every old toy around the house for hazards.

There are some specific things you can do while thinking toy safety. These suggestions include:

—Buy toys that suit the skills and abilities of children. Avoid toys that are too complex for young children. No small child should play with electrical toys or those which can produce burning temperatures.

—For toys likely to end up in little mouths, look for labels that give age recommendations or safety information such as "Not Recommended for Children Under Three" or "Non-Toxic."

—Watch out for toys that have sharp edges, small parts or sharp points.

—Avoid toys that make very loud noises which can damage hearing, as well as propelled objects that can injure eyes.

—Explain to the child how to use toys properly and safely.

—Always try to supervise young children while they play.

—Insist that children put their toys away so they don't get broken, and so that no one trips or falls on them.

—Examine toys periodically. Repair broken toys and discard toys that can't be fixed.

Ray says tripping over toys causes the most accidents, but many serious injuries result from exploding gas-powered toys, from flammable products, from those with sharp edges, and from children swallowing small parts or placing tiny toys in their noses and ears.

### M. T. Bridwell Died Sunday In NR Hospital

Milton T. Bridwell, 87, died at 2:05 p.m. Sunday at the North Runnels Hospital following a brief illness. Services were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday at the First United Methodist Church. Dr. Thomas Tribble officiated, and burial was in Lakeview Cemetery, directed by the Winters Funeral Home.

Born October 13, 1890, in Collins County, Mr. Bridwell came to the Winters area when he was 17. He farmed there until 1945 when he

moved to Winters. He was custodian for the post office for 15 years and also for the Humble Office and the Boy Scout Hut. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church. He married the former Clara Lee Raymer Jan. 3, 1915 in Voss.

Survivors include his wife; a son, Royce E. of Seal Beach, Calif.; a daughter, Mrs. D. H. Soles of Midland; a sister, Sallie Bridwell of Austin; four grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Nephews served as pallbearers.

### Mr. R. Kurtz Died Tuesday In Nursing Home

Raymond Carl Kurtz, 75, died at 1:30 a.m. Tuesday morning in the Senior Citizens Nursing Home following an illness of several months.

Services were held Wednesday morning at 10:30 a.m. at St. John's Lutheran Church with Rev. A. R.

Wolber officiating, assisted by Rev. Mel Swoyer, pastor of the Grace Lutheran

Church of Abilene. Burial was in the Lutheran Cemetery under the direction of the Winters Funeral Home.

He was the son of the late Julius and Louise Linderman Kurtz, and was born in Bell

County August 18, 1902. He came with his parents to Runnels County at an early age. He had lived in the Eagle Branch Community 11 miles east of Winters most of his life where he was a farmer and stockfarmer. He married the former Hilda Deike August 25, 1926 in Winters, and was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church.

Survivors include his wife; one son, R. C. "Junior" of Winters; one daughter, Mrs. Bill (Hildegard) Villers of San Angelo; one brother, Monroe Kurtz of Winters; one sister, Mrs. Boyd Grisom of Winters; and four grandchildren.

Pallbearers were N. L. Faubion, Walter Lange, Ernest Haupt, Hazel Dietz, Joe Slaton, and Lloyd Wilkerson.

### H. L. Crowe Died Dec. 7 In Abilene

Hudie Lee Crowe, 67, died at 1:40 p.m. December 7 in Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene following a lengthy illness. Services were held at 10:30 a.m. Friday in the Winters Funeral Home Memorial Chapel with Rev. Charles Steinburg, pastor of the Assembly of God Church officiating. Burial was in the Lakeview Cemetery.

Born Oct. 3, 1910, in Gainsville, he moved to Winters in 1937. He was the retired owner and operator of Crowe's Garage and Hobby Shop. He was an Army veteran of World War II, and a member of the Assembly of God Church.

Survivors include a sister-in-law, Lois of Abilene, and several uncles, aunts, nieces, and nephews.

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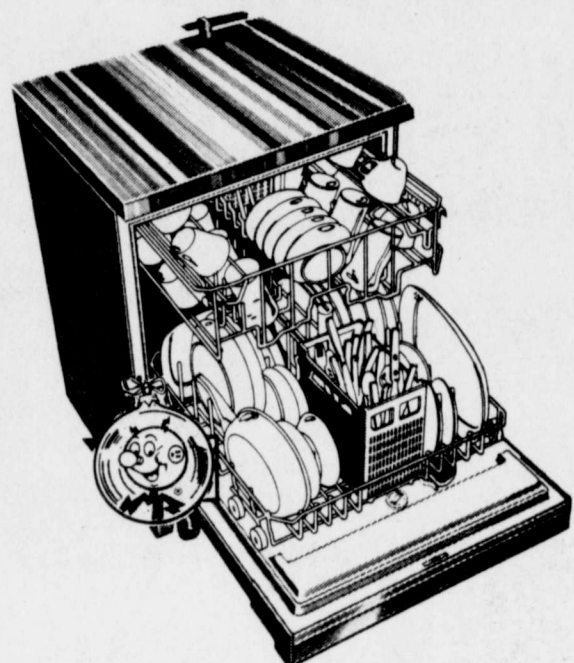
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### Hospital Aux Worked 788 Hours In Oct.

Members of the North Runnels Hospital Auxiliary did a total of 788 hours of voluntary work during the month of October, it was reported during a meeting of the organization at the Chamber of Commerce office Monday. The Auxiliary provided and decorated a Christmas tree for the lobby of North Runnels Hospital. Members also discussed purchase of additional equipment, but no decision made.

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## RURAL HEALTH CARE

Two decades ago the growth of the cities of Texas left many rural towns and small cities without some of the facilities that city dwellers take for granted.

An institution first affected in many small and middle-sized towns was the community hospital and related medical services.

Because practices in the cities are more financially lucrative, many doctors gave up their small family practice to move to the city; because large hospitals pay well, many nurses left the towns they grew up in and went to the cities; probably there are even numerous instances when the head of a household, in deciding where to live, chose the city, one reason being that his family would have better access to good medical facilities.

But in the past few years, the residents of Texas' smaller cities have worked hard to reverse the dangerous trend of small towns and cities not having sufficient medical facilities.

We in Congress have tried to help. We have just passed in the House, for instance, the Rural Health Care Bill which provides medical reimbursement to people who are cared for by paramedics and nurse practitioners. These skilled professionals, though not certified physicians, go a long way toward taking heavy workloads off doctors and toward giving small-town residents the immediate attention they need, particularly in the absence of doctors.

I am proud of the people of Texas for confronting this problem and doing something about it, in many cases without outside help from government.

This is one reason why I have been stunned to learn of new guidelines proposed by the Health, Education and Welfare Department that would discourage local communities from continuing to improve their medical facilities.

In short, these proposed guidelines would cut off federal funding of some hospital services, the most important being obstetrics services in cities with populations of less than 100,000 when hospitals have less than 500 births annually.

The impact of these guidelines is that many expectant mothers in small towns and cities would have to drive 30 miles in order to have their child. That is unacceptable.

Already I have written Joe Califano, secretary of HEW, and Cong. Paul Rogers, chairman of the House Subcommittee on Health and Environment, and called upon them to re-examine these dangerous guidelines for funding, guidelines written without even having consulted the very people who are affected by them, the administrators and board members of the nation's small hospitals.

The bureaucrats who drew up these regulations seemed to not know that travel in rural areas—particularly during the winter season—is not always as easy as it might appear to HEW officials who can hail a cab or catch a subway. There are also many poor whose autos are not even capable of making a 30-mile trip and certainly not under the emotional circumstance of having as a passenger a mother about to give birth.

But my reservations are not restricted to the physical well-being of expectant mothers and their newly-born. It is the counter-productive attitudes of the people who drew up these guidelines that bother me even more.

The guidelines were obviously written by people of limited perspective, people who really do not understand the problems of America, people who are not attuned to the strength and vigor of the nation's small cities, who do not understand the pride that Texans take in their home communities.

I urge you to let your representatives in Washington know how you feel about this move to cut back on medical services in small towns, and at the same time, I urge Secretary Califano to seriously take a look at the underlying problems within his department that have resulted in this gross display of a lack of sensitivity.

### Safety Practices Reduce Hazards

Many injuries result from use of defective, poorly designed, unsafe products. However, a new product design philosophy spurred on by the Consumer Product Safety Act is beginning to reduce product related injuries, notes a safety engineer with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

"Basically, this new design philosophy states that not only must consumer products be free of hazards encountered during the normal intended use of a product, but they must also be free of hazards encountered during reasonable foreseeable misuses, "points out Dr. Gary Nelson. "This means two things. First of all, a product must be free of sharp edges, electrical shorts, pinch points and other hazards encountered during normal use. Secondly, manufacturers must anticipate common abuses of their product and either design it to safeguard the product abuser, or, where this is not possible, warn the user of misuse hazards."

Nelson notes that product manufacturers are recognizing their responsibility more and more to produce hazard-free products, but users of consumer products must recognize their responsibilities, too.

"Many injuries involve not acquiring the right product for the intended use," says the engineer. "That is, we buy a product and then use it in ways for which it was not designed—like using a wrench as a hammer, a space heater to warm food, or believe it or not, a lawnmower handled by two men to trim hedges. Yes, Virginia," says Nelson, "people can be that foolish." The engineer also argues

that people have the responsibility to buy safe products, remembering that "you can always make a product cheaper by cutting quality, which will often mean a increasing the risk of injury to the product user."

To reduce product related injuries, Nelson advises informing yourself about products before buying. Read available information brochures, catalogs and the better-known consumer product rating publications. Ask other users about the product. Inspect the product for quality of materials, construction and proper shielding of hazardous components. Read the warranty, and look for labels on equipment

stating they meet applicable standards. And remember, buy the right product for your needs.

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# Bradshaw Business Celebrates 72nd Anniversary



EARLY DAYS—Shown is Audra Mercantile Co. at the interior of the store of Bradshaw in the early days. At the time, Bradshaw was a thriving community.

The Audra Mercantile Store in Bradshaw celebrates its 72nd year in business Thursday, December 15. Though it's located off Hwy. 83 in a little town that boasts a population of only about a dozen, the store has a surprising amount of daily business from area folks, some of whom make it a regular stop for visiting on a "soda pop" break.

The Audra Mercantile Store was first opened Dec. 15, 1905 in the town of Audra, located about 1 1/2 miles west of Bradshaw. C. M. Hunt, W. B. Brewer, Fred Robinson, and Frank Shepherd were the original owners when the store opened and was incorporated. A few months later Hunt bought out Shepherd's share, and about a month later he bought Robinson's share. In 1914 Hunt bought out Brewer's part, and the store has

been in the Hunt family ever since, belonging now to C. M. Hunt's son and daughters, Wayne and Opal Hunt and Cozette Jones of Abilene. A fourth share was held by Ocie Hunt until his death in April 1975, and was then passed to his family, who reside in Lubbock.

Originally the building was a 25x50 plank building, and stocked groceries, hardware, and dry goods. Wayne Hunt, 83, who now runs the store with his sister Opal, says he was "just one of the brats who were raised in the store." In 1909 the building was moved to its present location in Bradshaw where the Abilene and Southern Railway had established a depot. A front part was added on in 1916, and the back part extended in 1927.

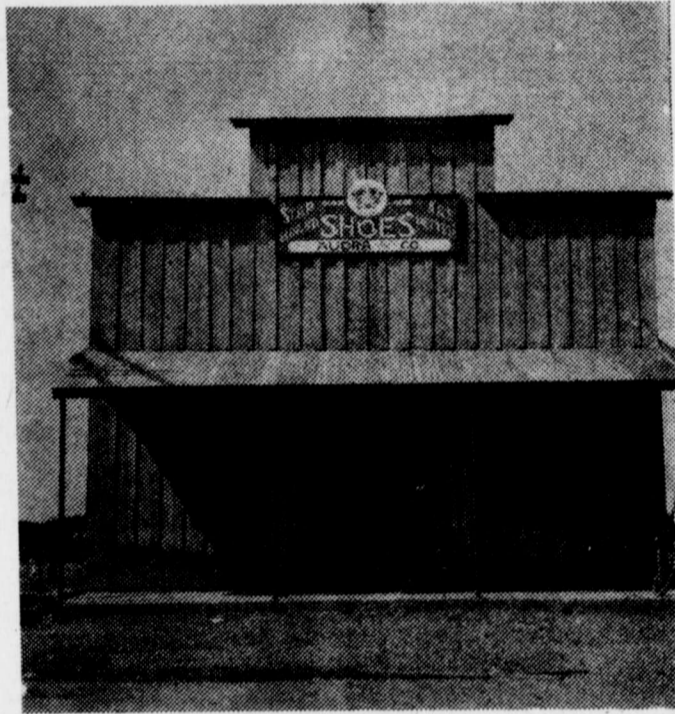
The store ceased to carry dry goods many years ago, but still boasts an adequate stock of groceries and some hardware. The counters and walls are lined with antiques of every sort, from old ice boxes to coffee grinders and

dishes. None of them are for sale, but make for an enjoyable afternoon of browsing and reminiscing. Hunt likes to tell folks that he and Opal are themselves antiques.

Opal still continues to cook lunch for Wayne and herself in the back of the store on an old kerosene cookstove. A small pot-bellied type heater flanked by wooden rocking chairs has been the setting for many conversations on a winter afternoon.

There are no definite store hours. As Wayne explains it, "We just follow the sun. At the present time we're opening about 8 o'clock and closing about 5:30. During the summer we're open a lot longer." He also takes pride in a rainfall record that he records on a calendar. At one time there was a government man who kept official records there, but Hunt has done it on his own for the past six years.

One of his favorite displays to show visitors is his collection of ashtrays.



EARLY DAYS—Audra Mercantile Co. was originally located in the community of Audra, about a mile and a



PRESENT DAY—Above is a picture of Audra Mercantile Co. as it is in 1977. The company is celebrating its 72nd birthday this week.

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The message for the one-minute spot was submitted to Hesston last April by E. T. Evans, a Boise, Idaho cattle rancher. Hesston had asked members of the American National Cattle-

man's Association (now National Cattlemen's Association) for a message supporting agriculture. NCA members would like to tell the N.F.R. television audience.

"In 1896, William Jennings Bryan said it best," Evans wrote to Hesston. "Burn down your cities and leave our farms, and your cities will spring up again as if by magic, but destroy our farms and the grass will grow in the streets of every city in the country."

"As long as the North American farmer can supply our food at a price that allows us to spend the greatest part of our income for our cars and TVs and recreational items, our high standard of living can continue. But, when our farmers can no longer produce our low-cost food, or when they have no economic incentive or ability to produce this food, truly, again, 'the grass will grow in the streets of every city in the country.'" A photograph depicting a deserted, cracked city street, overgrown with weeds, impacts the message graphically.

Hesston reproduced the Evans' message for their dealers to distribute to farmers and ranchers. The reproduction is suitable for framing.

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2. Test your machine and become familiar with it before you attempt to use it.
3. Adjust the height to clear gravel or crushed rock surface.
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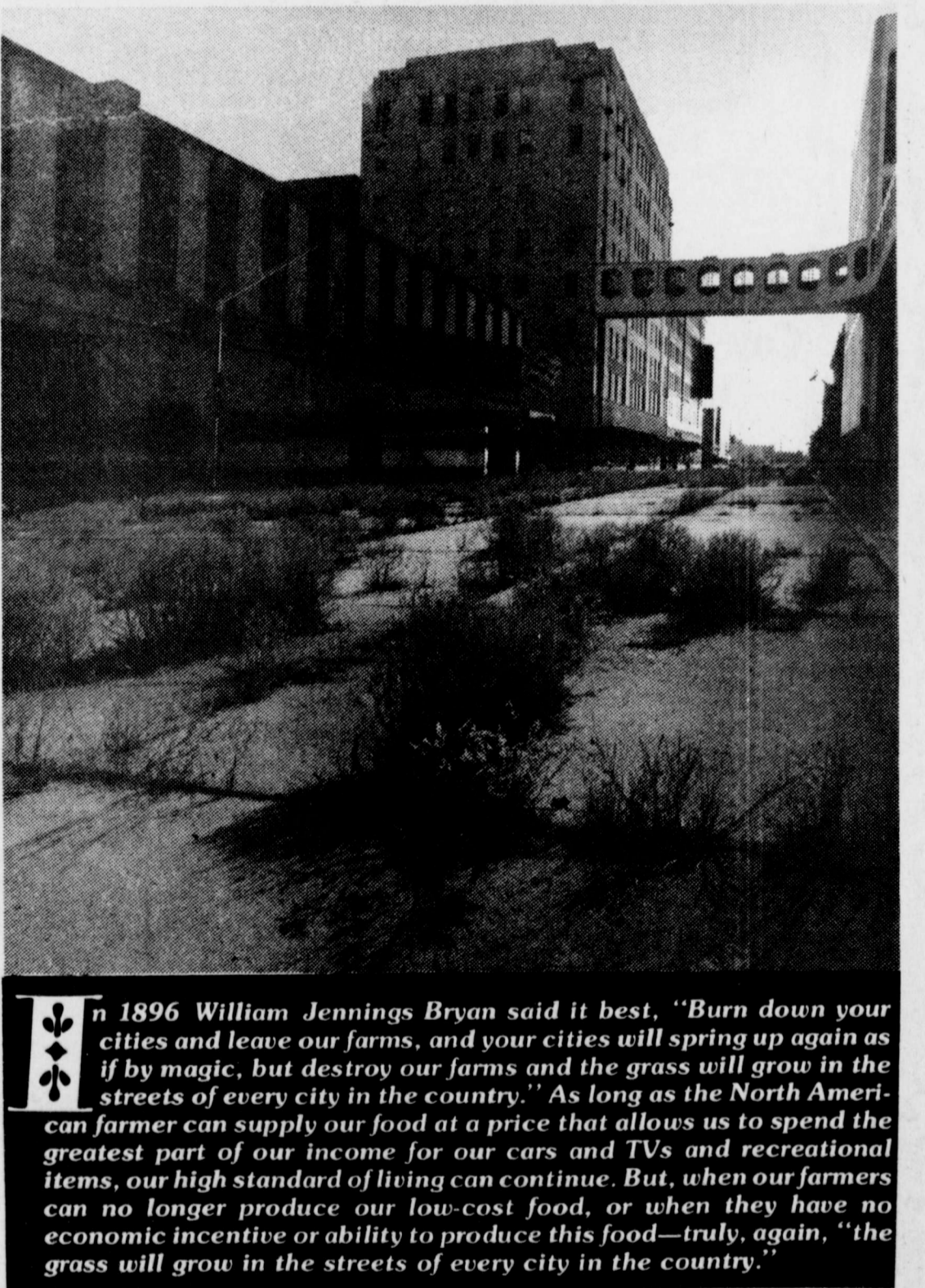
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Submitted by Mr. E.T. Evans, Boise, Idaho, in response to a request from Hesston Corporation to the membership of the American National Cattlemen's Association (now the National Cattlemen's Association).  
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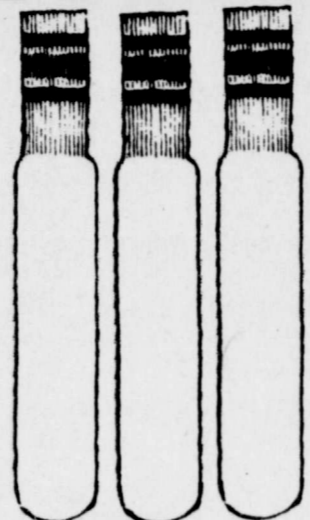
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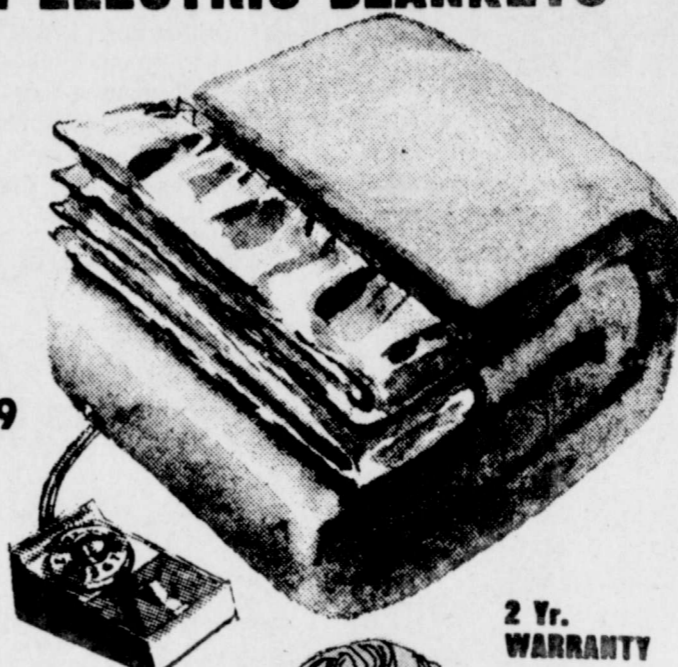
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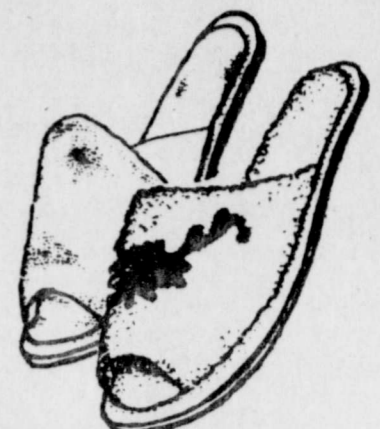
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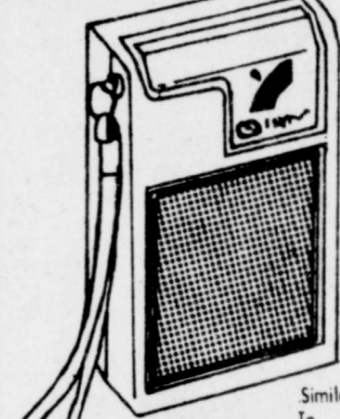
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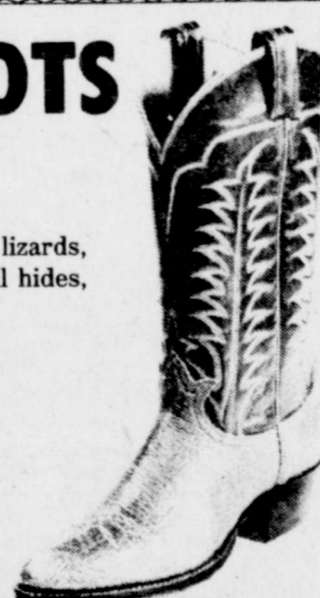
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