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Wait a minute...

By Kerry Craig

It is interesting. We are starting to see more "Letters to the Editor" coming in to be published.

It makes it even better when some of those letters are in response to things we have discussed in this space. This, in itself, is rewarding.

It tells us that a particular item discussed here has prompted others to think about what we are talking about. Whether the letters agree with what I have said, or opposed to the comments, the folks that write the letters have become interested to the point of sharing their particular viewpoint.

One of the letters this week referred to "Freedom of the Press". Yes ma'am, you are right, and that freedom is extended to those who write letters to the editor or to "Wait a minute."

Apparently, last week, in this space we provided a bit of food for thought and have spurred a bit of interest. We appreciate hearing from you.

I would bet that by now, nearly everyone has figured out that the election season is upon us. It is coming a bit early this year.

I guess the politicians in Austin finally got tired of Iowa, or some other state, getting all the attention from those big-time news media superstars when they go through the formality of nominating their favorite candidate for the top offices in the land.

Those positions are of great importance to us all however, I have been wondering for a number of years about how those top elected officials respond to our particular needs.

For that matter, the same is true in our state government.

Now I am not picking on any individual official. I am just curious.

How about a "for instance" for instance, the oil industry. This business has played a major role in our local economy, and that of this state, for many years. The depressed state of the industry has resulted in hardships on many of our neighbors.

We read in the big city papers and see on television that the price of crude oil is wandering around somewhere below somebody's magic figure of \$20 a barrel.

I find that figure a little hard to rationalize. The Arabs, or some other body in the Middle East is selling the oil for a price somewhere in the \$20 neighborhood.

I just don't believe that you, or I, could call up some sheik over there and ask him to send us a barrel of oil and not expect somebody to charge us for getting it here. Not to mention having the Navy and Air Force and other armed forces on hand to guard the boat carrying our barrel of oil.

If all the hidden costs were figured into the price of a barrel of oil, I would bet the powers that be would find it more economical, and better for the economy, to produce the oil right here at home.

Not only that, but we could pay our own neighbors for the work and not some Middle East rich guy.

But, then again, I guess that I just don't understand big business and politics.

Something else I don't understand is how a gallon of gasoline can depreciate a dime in 30 miles—or increase in value coming from the other direction.

I need to say thanks to a bunch of folks. For the past few months I have been subjecting myself to schooling toward the paramedic level. One of the requirements is that I spend quite a few hours in a major hospital observing, and helping when I can, the activities in the big hospital.

For the past two week ends, I have spent the day-time hours, and then some, in the Emergen-

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Signing the Proclamation

Runnels County Judge Michael Murchison places his official signature on the document designating Farm Bureau Week. Witnessing the signing of the proclamation is LeRoy Pelzel.

Farm Bureau Week set for February 15-20

County Judge Murchison has signed a proclamation designating February 15-20, as "Farm Bureau Week" in Runnels County.

The week is part of a statewide observance during which county Farm Bureaus will make a special effort to enroll new members, according to Doyle Condra, president of the Runnels County Farm Bureau.

LeRoy Pelzel of Miles is chairman of the membership committee which is responsible for membership acquisition and maintenance. Other committee members are Gary Jacob of Winters and Dale Duggan of Ballinger.

"The Texas Farm Bureau, with more than 330,000 member families is the largest State Farm Bureau in the nation," the proclamation reads.

"Farm Bureau is a grass-roots organization and its foundation is the county unit. There are 216 organized county Farm Bureaus in the state including Runnels County Farm Bureau," the proclamation states.

LeRoy Pelzel said the local county Farm Bureau has 1,688 member families and is seeking to exceed that figure in 1988.

He said that the Farm Bureau

Meet the Candidates

Meet the Democratic Candidates for Runnels County, Thursday, February 11, 1988, at 7:30 p.m. The meeting will be held at Carnegie Library in Ballinger. Those present will be the democratic candidates running for Sheriff, Tax Assessor Collector, Commissioner for Precinct 1 and 3, and Constable.

Social Security sets February visit

Garland Gregg, representative for the San Angelo Social Security Office, has scheduled his February visit to Winters. He will be at the Housing Project Office on Monday, February 22, between 9:30 a.m. and 10:30

is a general farm organization that seeks to improve income and living conditions of farm and ranch families. It represents the

farmer and rancher at the local county courthouse, in Austin, and in the nation's capital, Washington, D.C.

W. H. Nord announces candidacy for Sheriff

W. H. Nord, of Ballinger, has announced that he will be a candidate for the office of Sheriff of Runnels County.

Nord is a native of Miles and a graduate of Miles High School and a member of The First United Methodist Church in Ballinger, and a member of the Chamber of Commerce.

He is married to the former Sue Moreland, whose father, Dub Moreland was a long time deputy sheriff of Runnels County. He has two children and five grandchildren all living in Ballinger.

Nord graduated from the Texas Department of Public Safety Academy in Austin and has attended several training schools in court procedures and law enforcement. He was a Highway Patrolman with the Department of Public Safety.

In announcing his candidacy

he says, "If elected he will strive to give the people of Runnels County, hard working, honest and fair law enforcement and will be working to cut the expense of operating the Sheriff's office to save the taxpayer money and still provide top law enforcement."



W. H. Nord

FHA Week to be celebrated

The Winters FHA chapter, Winters High School, an affiliated chapter of Future Homemakers of America, will join 12,500 other chapters in a nationwide celebration of FHA Week, February 7-13, 1988. Celebrated as part of Vocational Education Week, this annual event gives FHA members an opportunity to show how their background in home economics and participation in Future Homemakers of America help prepare them for the future.

During the week, the chapters' 80 members, including 41 young men and 39 young ladies, have planned numerous activities. On Monday, members gave spot announcements over the school intercom to inform students about the club's

history. Tuesday a bulletin board and banner display was set up in the high school. Posters were placed in downtown stores on Wednesday, and SADD contracts will be handed out to students on Thursday. Friday will be Teacher Appreciation Day.

Future Homemakers of America is a national vocational student organization with two kinds of chapters, FHA and HERO. FHA chapters emphasize consumer homemaking education. HERO chapters emphasize home economics related occupations. There are 12,500 FHA/HERO chapters and 400,000 members nationwide. 50,000 of those members are in Texas.

Winters Police recover stolen vehicle, arrest 2

Winters Police officers took two persons into custody Thursday afternoon when they recovered an automobile reported stolen from the Dallas-Ft. Worth Metroplex.

Charged with unauthorized use of a motor vehicle were Shelly Ann Long, 18, and Clyde Wayne Honeycutt, 21, both of Dallas.

Police officer Tim Dexter said that he was preparing to escort a funeral procession when he noticed a car stop at the Post Office. Dexter said that he was unfamiliar with the car or its occupants and ran a routine registration check.

The Texas Crime Information Computer (TCIC) in Austin recorded a "hit" which indicated that the vehicle had been entered into the computer as stolen.

The police officer then notified Chief Ted Galloway and

the two started looking for the suspect vehicle in the downtown area. A short time later the vehicle was spotted at the intersection of Main and Tinkle Streets.

The officers then followed the vehicle to a residence in the 500 block of Floyd Street where the suspects were taken into custody and the vehicle impounded by Winters Police.

Police officers said that the investigation was continuing in the case and that the filing of formal charges were pending the completion of the investigation.

Family Planning Clinic to be held

The regular Family Planning Clinic will be held Tuesday, February 16, 1988. Applications are taken from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. Dr. Thorpe is the physician in charge. Family Planning services available in this clinic will include: consultation, physical exam with a Pap test, laboratory examination, appropriate methods of birth control, birth control supplies and education regarding birth control and continuing supervision.

This program provides free exams for Medicaid clients and charges a small co-pay fee to those who are income eligible. Private patients are welcome to participate.

The clinics are held at 601 Pierce and Central Texas Opportunities, Inc. of Coleman, Texas is the provider for the Texas Department of Human Services.

For more information concerning this clinic please call 754-4443.

Rock Hotel to get new roof

The bid of the Barr's Roofing Company of Abilene has been accepted for roofing the Rock Hotel and work will begin in the next few days.

Other bids for rock repair, and windows are being considered and should be signed shortly.

Recent contributions to the Rock Hotel fund include, W. E. Perkins of Abilene.

Memorials include: Mrs. Sara Brown by Mr. and Mrs. Ray Alderman John Waits, Tulsa, Oklahoma by Mr. and Mrs. W. L. England



Sweetheart Dinner Winner

Winters Area Chamber of Commerce manager Bonnie Lee hands Janice Pruser, adult sponsor for The Total Teens, one of the two winning names for a special Valentine Sweetheart dinner for six, to be prepared and served by The Total Teens. The dinner winners were Marie Pritchard and

James Powers. The drawings were conducted by the adults after The Total Teens members were hampered by the snow last Friday.

Proceeds from the special project will help the girls of The Total Teens in their activities this year.

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Poe's corner

by **Charlsie Poe**

Fort Concho is Born

Often times when we read history it sounds as if improvements and changes come easily; almost over night. But this is never the case, especially in establishing forts on the frontier.

Lee's surrender threw the state of Texas into confusion, the people were tired of war and the army began to fly to pieces; Texas, too, sued for peace. The frontier was largely left to its own meager resources, which meant the resourcefulness of its lion-hearted men-Indian depredations became more frequent and violent, and again the line of settlement was broken.

In the spring of 1867 Captain E. J. Strang, Quartermaster General, was ordered to put the frontier of Texas "in proper order for the reception of troops."

Captain Strang had passed through Chadbourne on an inspection in July. He had recommended the removal of the post to "a more favorable locality" on account of the "insufficiency and unhealthy quality of the water—together with the distance of the post from the most frequented routes of travel."

When Fort Chadbourne was declared no longer suitable for a large group of men, Fort Chadbourne was set up at the juncture of the branches of the

Concho. Captain George G. Hunt, commanding officer at Fort Chadbourne, officially transferred his headquarters company on December 4, thereby making permanent occupation of the post, which was designated as Camp Hatch, in honor of the New Yorker who had helped select its site. Thereafter Chadbourne simply became a picket post, garrisoned from the Conchos, until it was discontinued about a year later.

The new post at first was only an open camp. Hunt was immediately in charge of construction. For two months a crew of men had been busy cutting and sawing pecan timber on the North Concho and taking out the rock in anticipation of the job. Even though the cost had mounted to more than \$28,000 by November 10, the work was lost. Strang dismissed the matter by saying the material was not available owing to the distance of transportation. The sawmills, however, were soon moved to the junction of the rivers, near the new location, where plenty of pecan wood was available.

In spite of the large crew of mechanics, building progress was extremely slow, due in part to the isolation of the post. Supplies were brought about 600 miles in ox carts from the coast,

work was also hindered by the stubborn nature of green pecan timber, or the admitted inability of the quartermaster's department to superintend construction of posts at three widely separated points across Texas and all at the same time. There was a lack of coordination and cooperation between the civilian help and the military authorities. This seems to have always been the case.

Even though there were 137 civilian employees on the payroll in December, the foundation of only one building had been laid by the end of January, 1868 at that time the officers and men were under Canvas "the horses simply corralled." The hospital consisted of three crowded tents, poorly warmed by open fireplaces. The only "permanent building" at the post was the sutler's store, of picket poles set in the ground, covered "with a green pecan board roof."

Yet from the beginning, Camp Hatch was a considerable post. In December, 1867, it had a total garrison of 16 commissioned officers and 372 enlisted men. The civilian employees consisted principally of artisans, a couple of lawyers, a saddler, a crew of teamsters, ox drivers and a wagon master. The masonry foreman got \$125, the lawyers \$100 and the cooks were still fussing over open fires at \$30 a month.

Major Hatch modestly objected the post's being named in his honor, and in deference to his wishes it was changed to Camp Kelly in memory of the officer who had fallen victim to malaria while in Permanent Camp along the stream that emptied there from the west.

It was not until February 6, 1868 that the name of the new post "was finally fixed as Fort Concho." Appropriately, it was given the name applied to the three rivers that formed their junction beside the fort."

During the month of February, 1868, there was a little progress toward stability. The first post surgeon arrived, the sawmills were relocated near uncut timber around the fort. Forty men were at work on the quartermaster's depot and a detail was out after rock lime and poles. This sounded like business, though a 600 mile haul from Indianola on the coast, a 306 mile trip to the nearest railroad at Denison, and 100 miles to the nearest post office at Fort Mason were obvious handicaps when transportation was made by mule and ox team.

As the officers and men preceded with some ambition in their plans to erect a really permanent post. General Strang emphasized economy in construction. In his annual report, issued in June, he simply

pointed that out.

"It is a common remark among troops, that as soon as they make their quarters comfortable and convenient, they have to leave them. I am inclined to believe that the same results attend Frontier Posts; by the time they are made comfortable, the necessity that caused their construction has passed away, a new line of defense is adopted, new posts are constructed at more remote points, and the old ones abandoned. Military Posts are matured villages planted in the wilderness to decline and decay as other villages of more permanent character steadily grow up around them. It would seem unwise then to attempt the construction of permanent buildings, whose stone walls and chimneys a few year's hence will serve as monuments to mark the waste of money, as those of Forts Phantom Hill and Belknap now do."

But human nature—being what it is in its thirst for easy money—decreed otherwise. His voice was indeed one crying in the wilderness. Those most directly concerned felt that a handsome and substantial post should be built. In the years required for its completion Strang's prophecy was forgotten, but it proved completely true.

Reference: Fort Concho and the Texas Frontier by J. Evetts Haley.

Nursing Home News

Valentine's Day is just around the corner and we're getting ready for the big day. We will have a party Friday the 12th to honor Lillie McKinney who will be 100 Valentine's Day, and also to celebrate the holiday.

Thanks go out to Mrs. Bartee who brought some quilt scraps by. We will really put them to good use. We would also like to thank Mrs. Jo Olive Hancock for the clothes, shoes, and magazines she brought to us. They are all needed and we appreciate them. A special thanks to John Lanning and Jo Miller for the wonderful music they provided Friday night. It is always a pleasure to have people come to entertain us.

The String Band from Ballinger will be here Friday night at 6:30. They are so much fun and the residents will really enjoy them.

If anyone would like to join us Friday at 3 p.m. we would like to have you. We are going to have alot of fun.

Letter to the Editor

I'm a taxpayer and a citizen of this town. But, what I'm most proud of is; I am a parent! I'm proud of my children. As a parent I have worked long and hard to give my children a home, food, the basics of living.

In this town not "Dallas" or "New York" there are children that do not have the bare necessities of life!

As parents we take care of our children. We do the best we can for them. Some parents can do more for their children than others can. But each child should have someone to care and to look after him. In some cases the parent can't because of some hardship. So it is the child that has to pay for the parents hardship, whatever that might be!

I have ask this question to lots of people. Maybe someone can explain to me why these young children are left in this situation?? Why do we as parents let these young children live like this?

We as parents know that all young children need examples to live by. This example instills in the young mind how to live; how to get along with his fellow man.

What about the health of these young children? Where is the Welfare? Where is that Board member or that Church member? What are they doing about this?

These young children will grow up to know just what they have lived in all their lives. Never knowing that there are other ways to live.

Teach a young child what is right, how to live with his fellow man. Then when that child is an adult he can choose how he is to live. He first has to have the knowledge and background to enable him to choose his way of life.

But give him that chance.
Mildred DeBerry EMT

Crews

By Hilda Kurtz

They taxed my car and my land at great length. Will they soon figure out to tax my strength?

The community supper was postponed Saturday night due to the weather and sick people. The Flu bug is real popular out here, some had it got it and are next to get it. The supper is planned for Saturday, March 5.

Our sympathy to the relatives of Raymond and Jewell Phillips. Jewell was buried last week at Buchanan and Raymond in Crews Friday.

Marion Wood came home Wednesday after a week in the Coleman hospital, doing fair, able to go to the table to eat. The Wood's and Frances Mincey's friend, Edd Sevier, of Big Spring, passed away last week. Mr. and Mrs. Earl Ambrose are spending a few days with Doris and Marion. Les and Kay Phillips of Weslaco came by to see Doris and Marion after Raymond's funeral.

Doyle and Mary Pullin, Ballinger, Marvin and Betty Gray, visited with Marie Kurtz during the week.

Harvey Mae Faubion came home Wednesday from a Dallas hospital after a weeks stay and hip surgery. She is mostly a bed patient for a while. Eligra Beechly of Winters comes out every day and helps out. Ruth and Bradley Pape came Sunday afternoon.

Becky Brown spent a week at a ski resort in Park City, Utah, while there had her first hot air balloon ride.

Kate Duggan's rabbit, Betty, had five baby rabbits; two black, two white; 1 black and white specks. Kate says she had plenty crockers (got it) "Betty Crocker's."

Dale, Linda, Will and Kate Duggan, Roderick and Jill Bredemeyer and their children, Lori and Lesh, enjoyed a Chinese dinner at Randall and Susan Conner's home Friday.

Paula and Ken Baker attended a Bar-B-Q in San Angelo with the Frances family, about 50 attended.

I attended the all-day quilting at the Lutheran Fellowship Hall Wednesday. Over a dozen quilts were tacked.

Mrs. Effie Dietz pastor, Travis Franklin, Winters, and Gladys Cotton, Ballinger came

out this week. Scott Gerhart, of Stephenville, was home over the weekend. Sherri and Brett Mikeska also were Sunday dinner guest with Melvina and Marvin.

W.M.U. met Monday at 9 a.m. in the Fellowship Room for Bible Study at Hopewell Church.

Tessie and J. R. Lacy came out last Sunday night for supper with Pat and Earl Cooper, and this Sunday Pat and Earl spent Sunday and had dinner with the Lacs. Pat received a phone call from son, Ronnie, from Florida, where he has his job for several months.

Sam Brown and girl friend, Windy, of Ballinger, spent Sunday afternoon with Dee and Sam Faubion.

Those attending Flora McWilliams 80th birthday party in Winters from out here were: Sally Mae, Melvina Gerhart, Sherri Mikeska, Dee and Sam Faubion, Ken, Paula and Dee Bnea Baker, Netha and Arthur Kirby, Selma Dietz, and Chester McBeth. Congratulations to Flora and many more!

Noble Faubion visited the Lawrence Chapmans near Winters.

Other visitors with Harvey Mae Faubion Sunday evening were: Gladys Cotton, Selma Dietz, Bro. Oscar and Janie Fanning, Linda and Kate Duggan and Becky Brown.

Katherine Thomas, Dallas, spent several days here with her mother, Adeline Grissom.

Pat Hambricht spent Sunday with her mother, Corra Petrie. Sorry to hear Corra had a good case of the Flu.

Becky Brown, Linda and Kate Duggan came by for a short visit with me on Sunday.

Walter Jacob visited Marion Wood while in the hospital on Monday.

Card of Thanks

Bud and I would like to thank our friends, relatives, hospital staff and Dr. Y. K. Lee for all the love, concern and any other act of kindness shown to me during my recent stay in the North Runnels Hospital.

Friendship is precious and we do appreciate each of you.
J. Davis

Valentine Sale

February 1 - 13

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Feb. 7-14 designated Child Passenger Safety Awareness Week

The week of February 7-14 has been designated National Child Safety Awareness Week by the National Passenger Safety Association. The theme of this year's promotion is "Be A Valentine For Life: Buckle Up Your Family." The purpose of this important observance is to promote the protection of children as they are transported in automobiles and to stop the needless loss of lives.

Automobile accidents are the number one killer of children. Each year thousands of children age 4 and under die or are seriously injured in automobile accidents. It is estimated that 80-90% of these deaths and injuries could be prevented if parents would only use child safety restraint, is the proper usage of it. Improper usage of a safety restraint can itself cause serious injuries to a child.

In Texas, a child passenger safety law became effective on October 31, 1984. The law requires that children under the age of two be safely secured in an approved car safety seat. Those over the age of two and under the age of four must be properly restrained when you drive. Please show your children how much you love them by securing them in a child safety seat or seat belt. "Be A Valentine For Life."

safe. If children are taught early to buckle up, they will continue this life-saving habit throughout their adulthood.

As a parent you provide your children with warm clothing in the winter time, get them immunized against illness, and keep poisons and medications out of their reach. A child safety restraint is another kind of prevention. It helps assure your child of a safe ride each and every time he or she travels in a car.

Though all 50 states now have child safety seat laws, the association estimates only 48% of the nation's children are being properly restrained in car safety seats. The association's goal is 70% correct child safety seat use by 1990.

We know that the correct use of safety seats can virtually eliminate deaths and serious injuries of younger children in traffic accidents. With Valentine's Day coming up, The Texas Department of Public Safety along with the National Passenger Safety Association, urges those of you with young children to make sure they are properly restrained when you drive. Please show your children how much you love them by securing them in a child safety seat or seat belt. "Be A Valentine For Life."

Bentsen receives 1987 National Security Leadership Award

The highest award given by the American Security Council Foundation was presented to Senator Lloyd Bentsen. The Senator received the 1987 National Security Leadership Award at a ceremony on Capitol Hill attended by over 500 citizens from across the nation, as well as many of his colleagues.

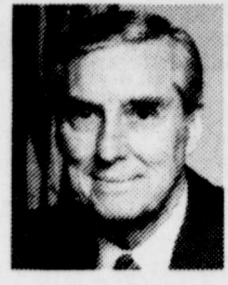
The award was presented in recognition of the leading role he has taken on a wide variety of defense and foreign policy issues. The award was presented by senior leaders of the American Security Council (ASC), the Veterans of Foreign Wars, the Reserve Officers

Association, and the General Federation of Women's Clubs.

In making the presentation, ASC President John M. Fisher said, "Senator Bentsen not only has an outstanding voting record, but he has been in the legislative forefront on a countless number of defense and policy issues. He clearly understands the real and present dangers facing our national security interests, and we are proud to have a lawmaker of his caliber and distinction as our award recipient."

This is your newspaper, make it a good one. Turn in your news by noon on Tuesday.

Senator Lloyd Bentsen Watching Washington



Senator Lloyd Bentsen warned that "a Catch-22" in shipping law threatens the jobs of more than 1,000 workers at six offshore drilling rig manufacturers along the Texas Coast.

Bentsen, a member of the Senate Commerce Subcommittee on Merchant Marine, urged approval of legislation he and Senator John Breaux (D-La.), the Subcommittee Chairman, are cosponsoring to resolve the problem.

"We need to act in order to keep Texas and Louisiana companies from losing jobs to foreigners. More than 1,000 jobs in Texas are immediately at stake and the industry says it will lose at least \$75 million a year in business unless the law is changed," Bentsen said in testimony submitted to a subcommittee hearing.

"Unless we change to law, Gulf Coast companies will be excluded even from bidding on future offshore oil platforms because they will be unable to guarantee legal delivery of the rigs they build."

Six Texas firms build offshore drilling rigs. Three of the companies are located in Houston,

the others in Ingleside, Rock Port and Channelview. All of them use foreign-built barges to haul the rigs they make to offshore drilling sites since no U.S. company manufactures barges that can carry the rigs.

The problem is created by a 1985 interpretation of the Jones Act by the U.S. Customs Service. The Jones Act requires that all ships used in U.S. coastal trade are built in the U.S. and carry the U.S. flag.

The Customs Service ruled in 1985 that barges used to carry offshore drilling rigs from their place of manufacture to the drilling site are engaged in coastal trade.

"It's a Catch-22 and it makes no sense. As Customs interprets the law, it's ok for a foreign firm to build a drilling rig and haul it to a drilling site from a foreign port, but a U.S. firm cannot build a rig and haul it to a drilling site on a foreign built rig from a U.S. port, even though no U.S. company makes the barges," Bentsen said.

"I hope this hearing will build a record that can persuade my colleagues of the urgent need to pass this legislation and end this ridiculous situation," Senator Bentsen said.

VA cautions veteran homeowners on equity skimmers

"When a home with a GI loan is sold, a veteran should be sure that the loan is paid in full or a Release of Liability from the Veterans Administration is obtained," Dr. Stephen L. Lemons, Director of the Waco VA Regional Office, said. "If this is not done, the veteran remains liable for repayment of the loan and may be victimized by a type of fraud called 'equity skimming.'"

Lemons warned that the typical equity skimming case, a veteran borrower who needs to

sell his home may be approached by an individual who promises to pay all delinquent loan installments and take over responsibility for repayment in exchange for executing a deed to the property.

Once the veteran homeowner moves out of the house, believing he or she is no longer responsible for the loan payments, the new owner proceeds to rent the property. However, the rental income is not used to pay the loan, but goes instead into the pockets of the equity skimmer, Lemons explained.

Visual Merchandising Can Boost Sales

Retail merchants can use improved visual merchandising techniques to boost sales.

Many talented, creative people make a career of convincing consumers to buy from certain merchants, and much of their success involves good visual merchandising, says Dr. Don Stebbins.

"Our consumer surveys indicate that many people want shopping to be fun. They are more willing to spend time and money in stores that make a deliberate effort to do a better job of being visually appealing," says Stebbins, a community development specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System.

Visual merchandising is part of sales promotion, notes the specialist. Its purpose is to increase sales by improving the store's image and demonstrating how products benefit customers.

"For instance, a store's interior and exterior both have important roles in a successful visual merchandising strategy," Stebbins points out.

Since the potential new customer gets his first visual impression from a store's exterior, signs and window displays have to generate interest and invite people to enter.

"Windows require special attention," says Stebbins. "Whoever coined the term 'window-shopping' recognized the importance of window displays in attracting customers. Windows should show attractively some of the store's best merchandise in an uncluttered way. Benefits of owning the products should be emphasized

whenever possible.

Interior visual merchandising is directed at getting customers to buy. Attention-getting displays, professional signs, technical information on the uses and advantages of a product, and a controlled traffic flow are all part of a merchandising plan, says the specialist.

Products that can be used together should be shown together. This allows the customer to see the advantage of buying more than one item.

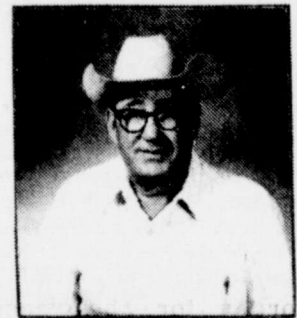
"Use of movable fixtures to direct traffic flow is an effective way to ensure that customers have a good view of merchandise," notes Stebbins. "Such fixtures also can be used to alter traffic flow occasionally to give the impression of being up-to-date. This helps reduce the danger of having stale ineffective displays."

Stebbins advises merchants who are worried about losing business to take a hard look at their merchandising techniques. Many may find low cost ways to improve business by making their stores more attractive to consumers.

"It's easy for merchants to become preoccupied with other things in operating a business and to forget to look at the business through the customers' eyes. When that happens, they may lose business and not know why," says Stebbins.

Go ask Alex: A gray parrot named Alex has been taught to name objects, identify shapes and perceive quantities up to six. According to *National Wildlife* magazine, tests show that Alex doesn't just mimic. More than 80 percent of the time the parrot correctly describes an object and color, even if he has never seen that object before.

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Open 6 a.m. - 7 p.m. Mon. - Sat. 7 - 7 Sun.

Prices Good: **Wed. Feb. 10 thru Mon. Feb. 15**

Bananas **3 lb. \$1**

Russet Potatoes 10-lb. Bag **89¢**

Eckrich Cooked Ham **\$3.49 lb.**

Armour Bologna **\$1.59 lb.**

Parade Biscuits **5/\$1.00**

Eckrich Pickle & Pimiento **\$2.39**

Olive, Jalapeno Loaf **2 lb. \$3.59**

Eckrich Pepper & B-B-Q Loaf **3 lb. \$3.59**

Gandy's Dairy Gold or Gandy's Low Fat Milk **\$1.99 Gallon**

Pepsi Cola 6-Pack Cans **\$1.49**

Hot Ham & Cheese Sandwich **99¢** Plus Tax

Cooked Fresh Daily Pinto Beans **99¢** Pint. Plus Tax

Mrs. Baird's Fried Pies, Donuts, Honey Buns, Cinnamon Roll **3/\$1**

MEAT

Boston Butt Pork Steak **1.39 lb.**

Eckrich Smoked Sausage 3-lb. Bag **\$5.99**

Extra Lean Beef Cutlets **\$2.29 lb.**

Boneless Sirloin Steaks **\$2.89 lb.**

Market Made Pork Sausage **\$1.69 lb.**

Market Trim Brisket **\$1.99 lb.**

Extra Lean Boneless Stew Meat **\$1.89 lb.**

Sliced Slab Bacon **\$1.49 lb.**

Country Style Pork Ribs **\$1.79 lb.**

Center Cut Pork Chops **\$1.99 lb.**

Ground Beef **\$1.19 lb.**

Boneless Chuck Roast **\$1.89 lb.**

Food Stamps Welcome FREEZER PACK Food Stamps Welcome

\$30
10-lb. Fryers
8-lb. Pork Steak
8-lb. Ground Meat

\$80
10-lb. Ground Meat
10-lb. Fryers
8-lb. Pork Chops
8-lb. Cutlets
8-lb. Round Steak
6-lb. Roast

\$30
5-lb. Pork Chops
6-lb. Fryers
5-lb. Ground Meat
4-lb. Cutlets

\$80
15-lb. Ground Meat
10-lb. Pork Steak
10-lb. Fryers
10-lb. Roast
9-lb. Cutlets

\$30
6-lb. Pork Steak
6-lb. Fryers
5-lb. Ground Meat
5-lb. Cutlets

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BUY, SELL, TRADE OR RENT THROUGH THE CLASSIFIED ADS

CLASSIFIED RATES

CASH
Minimum—\$3.00, 1 time 20 words; 10 cents per word for over 20 words.
CHARGED
Minimum—\$3.50, first insertion, \$3.00 per insertion thereafter, 10 cents per word over 20 words.
DEADLINE FOR ALL ADS
12:00 noon Tuesday week of publication.

FLOWERS

FLOWERS for all occasions. Orders wired anywhere, any time. Bonded FID. Floratex florist, Mayme Little, Winters Flower Shop, 754-4568.

FOR SALE

LARGE TOP QUALITY Fresh dug pecan trees we grow our own, best around. Also fruit, oak and shade trees. PBS Nursery Hwy 67 South, Ballinger. Phone nights 365-2372; days 365-3269.

NEW & USED PICKUP TOOL BOXES & HEADACHE RACKS CHROME & PAINTED 2 miles north of Winters on Highway 83. Call 767-2022—If no answer Call 754-4466 For Appointments.

LARGE PECAN TREES grown at Ballinger and guaranteed best prices. Also fruit and shade trees. Call 915-365-5043.

FOR SALE: 2 BR Trailer House, Central H.A. A Bargain!! Call 754-4928.

FOR SALE: Laying hens for sale. Call 754-5358 after 6 p.m.

AUTOMOBILES FOR SALE

FOR SALE: 1974 Subaru 4x4 new engine, transfer case, tires, upholstery, running boards, battery A/C, and lock out hub. \$2995.00 or will trade for clean pickup call 365-5663 or 754-5511.

FOR SALE: '76 Camaro. Call 754-4829 or see at 511 Albert after 5 p.m.

REAL ESTATE

NICE 3 BEDROOM HOUSE: S. Penny Lane, brick, central H/A, curbed & paved. Dead end street. Call K.W. Cook, 754-4719.

HOME FOR SALE: Custom built, on 8 and 1/2 acres. East of Winters near the lake, with breath-taking view. Shown by appointment. Please call Preston or Naida Barker, 754-4650.

FOR SALE: 3 BR, 1 1/2 Bath, central H/A, 1.19 acres, large storage sheds, fenced back. Just out of city limits. Phone 754-4016 after 5 p.m.

TERRIFIC OPPORTUNITY: Spacious 4 bedroom, central H/A. PRICE REDUCED. Call agent for details, Patsy Lynch 767-2052 or call collect 698-3083 Willowood Properties, Inc.

162 ACRES: Spring fed stock tank, some minerals, near Winters. Call 754-4771.

LOT FOR SALE: Last available off Circle Drive, Winters, Tx. Excellent neighborhood, underground water available. Price reduced to \$4850. Make an offer. Bailey McNulty 754-4081 after 4 p.m.

FOR SALE: 4-5 BR, 2 1/2 B, central H/A, large trees, large storage shed, water well. Just outside city limits. Call 754-4016 after 5 p.m.

REAL ESTATE

FOR SALE: 4 BR, 2 B house and 6 lots. Will sell all or part. Call 817/549-1937 after 6 p.m.

FOR RENT

FOR RENT: 1, 2 and 3 BR apartments. FHA Rental Assistance possible. Winters Housing Authority, 300 N. Grant, Winters, equal opportunity housing. Call 754-4232.

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HELP WANTED

TAKING APPLICATIONS: For LVNs and nursing assistants. Excellent insurance and profit sharing. See Liz Stewart, Director of Nurses, Canterbury Villa Nursing Home, Bronte Hwy. Ballinger.

ADDRESS envelope\$ for firm\$ nationwide! \$en\$ational earnings! No experience. We show you. Begin immediately! Stamped envelope: Publications-1, 804 Old Thorsby Road, Clanton, Alabama 35045.

WORK WANTED

WOULD LIKE TO DO: Custom plowing and grass seeding. Weldon Mills 767-3152.

WANTED: Welding or Carpentry work by the house or by the job. Will bid on any job, professional work. Call 754-5095.

LET ME RUN YOUR ERRANDS: Pay bills, grocery shop, pickup prescriptions, bank deposits, etc. Call 754-4860 for information.

PROFESSIONAL CLEANING SERVICE: Home or office, no job too small or too large. Call 754-4860 for information and estimate.

WANTED

SCRAP IRON copper — brass — Auto — Tractors — Machinery — Engines — Motors — Radiators. BALLINGER SALVAGE, PINE ST. SALVAGE, Abilene.

LOST & FOUND

LOST: From 300 Laurel Drive: large Irish Setter. Call 754-5234.

FOUND: Key ring with several keys including tool box key and spark plug key. They are at Sneed's Agri-Supply.

FARM & RANCH

FARM FOR SALE: 4 miles northeast of town, 270 acres, 20 acres of good coastal, 1 large implement shed. Call 754-5176.

153 ACRES: Excellent cultivated farm. 0 to 1 percent slope, Rowena-Tobosa Soil. Paralled terraces for 9-row equipment. High cotton & grain allotments and yields. In mid-stall & gas production. Will consider giving possession this year. North of Wilmeth 915/786-2161.

AGRICULTURE

CUSTOM GRASS SEEDING & PLOWING: for CRP. CRP approved press wheel double disc opener drill. Mickell Lindemann, 365-3260 or mobile 365-5279 dial 51.

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES

EARN MONEY AT HOME: Selling reports by mail. Rush stamped self-addressed #10 envelope to: L & L Mailers, Box 91 W Dept. R. P. Winters, Texas 79567.

OWN YOUR OWN \$14.99 ONE PRICE LADIES APPAREL, Children (120-\$40 Value) or shoe store. Regular stores choose from jeans/sportswear, ladies, men's large sizes, petite, dance-wear/aerobic, bridal, lingerie or accessories store. Brands: Liz Claiborne, Healthtex, Camp Beverly Hills, St. Michele, Forezza, Bugle Boy, Levi, Organically Grown, Lucia, Over 2000 others. Or \$13.99 one price or multi-tier pricing discount or family shoe store. Retail prices unbelievable for top quality shoes normally priced from \$19 to \$60. Over 250 unbelievable brands 2600 styles. \$17,900 to \$29,900: Inventory, training, fixtures, grand opening, airfare, etc. Can open 15 days. Call Mr. Morphis (305) 366-8606.

VEND National sales leading candies, nuts, gums, mints, novelties in routes using advanced machines, superior locator-trainers and company backup. Requires car, \$5,000.00, reliability. Call bus. hrs. 1-800-346-6747.

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Blizzard Basketball Roundup

February 8, the 8th grade girls "B" team were host to the Jim Ned girls. The game was a close game with final score of Winters 14-Jim Ned 12. Michelle Bryan scored 8 points; Stacie Wheeler, 4; and Loy Blackshear, 2 points. Two of 5 free throws were made for an average of 40%.

The 8th grade boys also played Jim on the 8th. The boys came home with a big win of 31-20.

Jamie Perez scored 13 points; Jody Guy, 6; Leo Campos, 4; Brandon Boles and Greg Tamez, both with 3 points; and Monte Baker, 2 points.

Eight of 18 free throws were made for an average of 45%.

The Winters 8th grade boys finished the year with a 31-20 victory over Jim Ned. "We played a very good defensive game" stated Winters Coach Chuck Cathey. Winters improved their season record to 11-5, and finished with a district record of 4-2. "The kids have come along way since the first of the season," said Cathey. "We tried to emphasize defense and desire wins games, the kids realized that and that's the reason we won 11 games. They made me proud of them, and I think they made Winters proud. Jamie Perez led Winters in scoring with 13 points. Winters took a 11-3 lead at the end of the first quarter and never looked back. The kids worked hard and deserve the success that they had."

The 8th grade girls played Jim Ned on February 8. The final score was Winters 36-Jim Ned 10.

Michelle Carter was high scoring girl with 20 points. Kimberley Deike scored 6 points; Ann Vasquez, 4; Juanita Aguiro, Carrie Smith, Joanna Cortez, all had 2 points each.

Two of 10 free throws were made for an average of 20%.

These girls did a super job this year. This was the final game of the season. The win against Jim Ned improved their record to 9-5 and the district record to 6-1. Congratulations to all of them.

Winters total points-384; Average per game-27; Opponents total points-282; Average per game-20.

Coach Whittenburg

The Winters 7th grade girls also hosted Jim Ned with the final score Jim Ned 25-Winters 12.

Ashley Allcorn, Holly Hargraves, Tanya Brockington, Stacie Deike, Natasha Smith and Sara Jackson each scored 2 points.

Season record 4-12 "A" Group; 1-5 "B" group.

The Winters Varsity boys played Wall on February 2. Final score was Winters 52-Wall 49.

Chris Rives scored 12 points; Wayne Poehls, 11; Chuck Patterson and James Self, 10; Tommy Selby, 6; Chris Bahlman, 2; and Houston Guy, scored one point.

Thirteen of 28% free throws were made for an average of 47%. Wayne Poehls made 3 of 6 for an average for 50%; Chuck Patterson, 2 of 4 for 50%; Houston Guy 1 of 2 for 50%; Chris Bahlman, 2 of 2 for 100%; and Tommy Selby 4 of 9 for 44%.

Overall this was a team effort as we had four players score in double figures to go along with some outstanding defense. Again a lot of credit has to go to our hometown fans as they sparked us on with their great support. Free throws are still plaguing us and we are going to have to improve in this area. We had a huge breakdown in the third quarter and only scored 4 points, but thanks to Wall, also not playing well in the quarter, only scoring 6 points, we were not hurt badly. Our scoring consistency is causing us a great deal of problems and until we can remedy this, we are going to have to fight for everything we get. We travel to Coleman Friday night and face the district leading Bluecats.

Coach Selby

February 5 the Varsity boys traveled to Coleman to play the Bluecats. Final score was Coleman 81-Winters 51.

James Self scored 17 points; Wayne Poehls, 10; Chris Rives, 8; Chris Bahlman and Houston Guy, 5 points each; Tommy Selby, 3; Chuck Patterson, 2; and Bryan Green, with 1 point.

Six out of 15 free throws were made for an average of 40%. Chris Rives made 2 of 2 for 100%.

We played a fairly good ballgame but Coleman just had too many horses for us. We got a little frustrated in the 2nd quarter and allowed them to build a 20 half time lead whereas we were only 4 points down beginning the quarter. Coleman played well and hit 29 of 38 free throws for 76% and we only hit 6 of 5 for 40%. Again, overall we played fairly well but had a few breakdowns which kind of set the tone for what was to come. We play our arch rival, Jim Ned, here Tuesday night and we are going to need all the support we can garner. Jim Ned is playing extremely well and still in the hunt for a play off spot so we are going to have to be at the top of our game in order to stay with them.

Coach Selby

Wingate Pirate Awards are presented

Each six-week period a boy and a girl are chosen for the Pirate Award and receive a certificate and a maroon and white Wingate Pirate jacket.

For the second six-weeks the girl's Pirate Award was presented to Debbie Sanchez. Juan Tamez and Lance Donica tied for the boy's Pirate Award.

These students were chosen by the teachers as the ones who best demonstrate the attributes of a good student based on performance in leadership, scholarship, attitude, character and participation.

Mr. Farmer, the superintendent recognized these students and presented the awards at a program in the auditorium.



Lance Donica

Tied for the Wingate boy's Pirate Award for second six-weeks



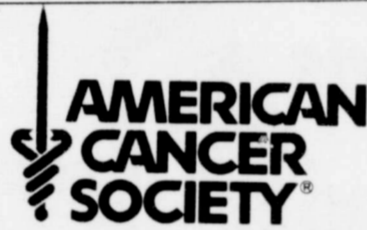
Debbie Sanchez

Received girl's Pirate Award for second six-weeks



Juan Tamez

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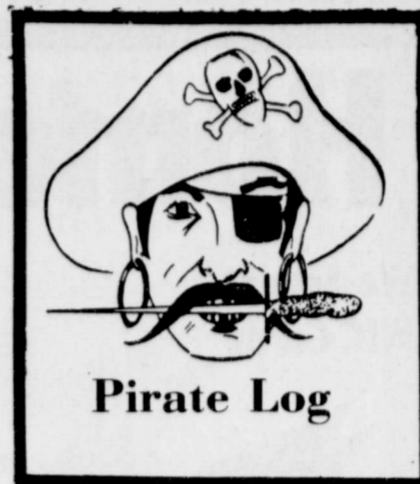


Winters Public Schools BREAKFAST MENU

- MONDAY**
Biscuits, hash browns, gravy, mixed fruit, milk
- TUESDAY**
Buttered toast, Frosted Flakes, apple juice milk
- WEDNESDAY**
Sopapillas, peanut butter, honey, oatmeal, applesauce, milk
- THURSDAY**
Blueberry muffins, rice, orange juice, milk
- FRIDAY**
Biscuits, scrambled eggs, sausage, sliced peaches, milk

LUNCHROOM MENU

- February 15-February 19
- MONDAY**
WEST SIDE
Hamburgers, mustard, mayonnaise, French fries, catsup, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, applesauce cake, milk
- EAST SIDE
Frito pie, tossed salad, pinto beans, jalapeno cornbread, applesauce, milk
- TUESDAY**
WEST SIDE
Sliced turkey-cheese sandwich, French Fries with catsup, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, mustard, mayonnaise, pear half, milk
- EAST SIDE
Country fried pork steak, gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, pear half, hot rolls, butter, milk
- WEDNESDAY**
WEST SIDE
Burritos, w/chili-cheese, French fries, catsup, tossed salad, doughnuts, milk
- EAST SIDE
Same
- THURSDAY**
WEST SIDE
Sloppy Joes, French fries, catsup, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, mustard, mayonnaise, fruit jello, milk
- EAST SIDE
German sausage, potatoes in cheese sauce, mixed vegetables, fruit jello, hot rolls, milk
- FRIDAY**
WEST SIDE
Hamburgers, mustard, mayonnaise, French fries, catsup, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, chocolate chip cookie, milk
- EAST SIDE
Fish crispies w/tarter sauce, country fried potatoes, buttered corn, chocolate chip cookie, milk



Pirate Log



Airman Merida Garza

Merida Garza Air Force graduate

Airman Merida Z. Perez-Garza, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rogello Perez of Rural Route 2, Talpa, Texas, has graduated from Air Force basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas.

During the six weeks of training the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization and customs and received special training in human relationships.

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the community college of the Air Force.

Her sister, Edna B. Perez, resides at 1901 Pulliam, San Angelo, Texas.

She is a 1980 graduate of Ballinger High School.



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Cancer greatest among blacks

While differences do exist in the death rates for specific cancers among blacks, whites and Hispanics in Texas, it is the similarities that are made strikingly clear in the new fourth edition of *Impact of Cancer on Texas*.

"By far, the majority of Texans who die from cancer—regardless of race—die from cancers of the lung, breast, prostate, colon and pancreas," says Dr. Vincent P. Guinee, chairman of the Department of Patient Studies at The University of Texas M. D. Anderson Hospital and Tumor Institute, which prepared the report with the Texas Department of Health.

Among these major cancers, mortality rates during the period covered by the report, 1980-84, generally were greatest among the black Texas population and lowest among the Hispanic, with rates for the white population falling between.

Some of the variation in rates might be explained by reduced reporting of cancer cases among various groups, as well as less access to early diagnosis and treatment among certain populations, said Dr. Guinee. Members of his department compiled and analyzed the data used to produce the report.

Cancers of the esophagus, stomach, gallbladder and cervix are more likely to occur in black and Spanish-surnamed populations than in the white population. However, Dr. Guinee points out that these cancers occur relatively infrequently.

While the 1984 edition of *Impact of Cancer on Texas* predicted 84,000 new cases of cancer in the year 2000, that estimate has been reduced to 75,000, largely because of a slowed growth rate for the state's population.

The highest cancer mortality rates continue to be found in the urban industrialized areas of Houston and Dallas and along the upper Gulf coast. The causes have not been identified, with the environmental factors in these areas only one possible factor.

Lung cancer remains the major cause of Texas cancer deaths averaging 6,166 annually 1980-84—and continues to rise despite the drop in the percentage of smokers.

With a development time for lung cancer of some 20-30 years, it will take years for results of decreased smoking to show up in cancer mortality figures, says Dr. Joseph T. Painter, vice president for Physician Referral Development and Entramural Programs at UT M.D. Anderson Hospital. Dr. Painter coordinated production of *Impact of Cancer on Texas*.

This year's report, says Dr. Painter, focuses on what can be done now to reduce deaths from the common cancers, although the approach may be different for each. Prevention of smoking, which causes 80 percent of all lung cancer, can be most effective against lung cancer, since current treatments are relatively ineffective.

Early detection through annual Pap smear examinations has been the key to greatly reducing deaths from cervical cancer among Texas women. In Hodgkin's disease, a cancer of the lymph system, 90 percent of all cases can be cured today, a tribute to the development of excellent chemotherapy treatments, says the report.

The expanded data compiled for the current issue of the report are particularly useful in the development of targeted programs, says Dr. Painter. For example, health education programs for schools are being developed to reach the 50 percent of the Hispanic population residing in South Texas under the age of 18, while programs emphasizing symptoms and early detection are being directed toward East Texas' older black males, who have a high rate of prostate cancer.

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Flour
5-lb. Bag 79¢

Lay's Ruffles Potato \$1.39 Size
Chips 99¢

Betty Crocker
Cake Mixes
Box 79¢

Gandy's
Low Fat 1 1/2% Milk
Gal. \$1.79

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lb.

Fresh Green

Broccoli

Bunch
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California

Nectarines

79¢
lb.

Gooch Smoked

Picnics

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Texas

Grapefruit

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Peppers

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lb.

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Pork Chops

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lb.

Boston Butt

Pork Roast

\$1.29
lb.

California

Lemons

12/\$1.00

Fresh

Cauliflower

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Head

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Frank's

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Pkg.

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Potatoes

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lb.

Gooch Sliced Slab

Bacon

\$1.29
lb.

Customer relations key to retail business

"Word of mouth" often can "make" or "break" a retail business. "Research indicates that a dissatisfied customer typically tells about 10 other people, and most retailers, especially in smaller towns, can not afford to lose that much business.

"The key to a successful retail business is customer satisfaction," says Dr. Dan Stebbins.

"Recent surveys show that it's not unusual for consumers in small towns to spend more than half of their income in larger cities," notes Stebbins, a community development specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System. "To a large extent, higher prices are not the problem. If necessary, most consumers are willing to pay slightly higher prices and support local merchants if they are satisfied in other ways."

That means excellent customer relations—a low cost, effective way for merchants to keep present customers and gain new ones.

"Good 'word of mouth' advertising is the cheapest and best advertising that a merchant can get," emphasizes the specialist. "More merchants need to do a better job and make sure that satisfied customers are spreading the word."

Good customer relations include asking questions to understand customer needs. "Many times customers need assistance in selecting the correct model, size or quality of some product," points out Stebbins. "It's important to know enough about the product to help the customer make the best choice."

A sincere smile on the face of a courteous, well groomed salesperson who is giving a customer full attention can make a favorable impression. On the other hand, an indifferent attitude by the sales person can easily send a customer to a competitor.

Even the best managed store will occasionally have a dissatisfied customer, notes the specialist.

"Experts in customer relations tell us that there are effective ways to deal with the irate person," says Stebbins. "The important thing is to allow the unhappy customer to express his feelings and then find an agreeable solution."

Stebbins advises community business leaders to take the initiative in encouraging and assisting merchants to adopt improved customer relations procedures.

"Everyone in the community benefits if the retail trade and service sector is pleasing customers," says the specialist. "Businesses are more likely to be profitable, customers happier and jobs in retailing more secure. And more dollars stay in town to possibly create more job opportunities."

Community development specialists with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service offer training in customer relations. Interested merchants can contact their local county Extension agent to arrange a training program.

Dear Betty Crocker

Q. What's the method for cooking ham in the microwave oven?

G. M.

Granite, Ok.

Q. Place a fully-cooked ham, fat side up, in a glass baking dish. Shield top edge with foil and loosely cover ham with plastic wrap. Microwave on medium for 12 to 14 minutes per pound. After 2/3 of the cooking time, invert ham, placing foil again on top edge, re-covering with plastic wrap for the last third of cooking time.

Use a meat thermometer designed for the microwave oven or an oven probe and cook ham to 160 degrees. Let meat stand for 5 to 10 minutes before carving.

Q. What can I substitute when a recipe calls for liquor?

Mrs. C. J.

Old Washington, OH

A. Use an equal substitution of fruit juice, soda pop or water. Add an extract, such as rum, to gain the flavor of a liquor you choose not to use.

Plant that pecan tree properly

One of the keys to growing pecans, whether in the backyard or in a commercial orchard, is to plant the trees properly so that they get off to a good start, points out Allen Turner, county agent with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System.

Tree planting time is at hand—January and early February are the best times—and he offers a few guidelines.

To begin, select a tree 4 to 8 feet tall as soon as nurseries get supplies. Plant as soon as possible, using care not to let roots dry out or freeze.

Dig the hole only as large as the tree's root system. If the hole is too deep, the tree will settle and this can cause poor growth or death.

The taproot should sit in the bottom of the hole. If the hole cannot be as deep as the length of the roots, cut back the taproot to fit the hole.

Pack original soil around the roots. Packing the soil in 2 to 3-inch layers is better than watering to pack the soil. Use adjacent soil to complete filling the hole, not light soil, sand or potting soil. The tree can drown in rainy weather if light fill soil, sand or potting soil. Use adjacent soil to complete filling the hole, not light soil, sand or potting soil. The tree can drown in rainy weather if light soil is used on clay land.

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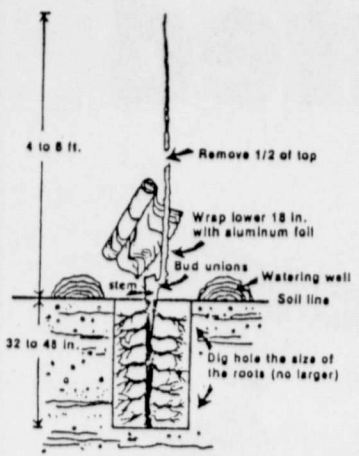
Mauro announces plan to convert state fleet vehicles to compressed gas

Texas Land Commissioner Garry Mauro has announced a demonstration project by three state agencies to convert 11 fleet vehicles from gasoline to compressed natural gas (CNG), a cleaner, cheaper, more efficient fuel source.

"Automobiles and trucks are obviously a big part of the urban air pollution problems. The primary benefits of using compressed natural gas as a motor fuel are the improved air quality from reduced carbon monoxide and hydrocarbon emissions, fuel cost savings of up to 40 percent and on-road maintenance at half the cost of gasoline-powered vehicles.

"If we convert only 10 percent of the 5700 state vehicles based in Austin to CNG, we can save about a half-million dollars in operating expenses every year," Mauro said. "One MCF of compressed gas is equivalent to 9 gallons of gasoline. And compressed gas is about 40 percent cheaper than gasoline.

"Both state government and the energy industry are facing times so tough that business as usual won't cut it. We need new approaches to reducing the cost



How to properly plant a pecan tree.

depth it grew in the nursery row. Look at the colors to determine the soil line: the bark is gray and the root is dark brown.

Cut off the top half of the tree at planting to balance the stem and roots and to force growth close to the soil line.

Wrap the lower 18 inches of the trunk with aluminum foil to prevent side shoots, sun scald and rabbit damage. On large plantings, use a mixture of white latex paint and water (one part paint to three parts water).

Build a basin around the tree to hold water and give each tree five gallons of water immediately after planting. Make sure trees do not go longer than 14 days without water.

These are some basic steps in planting pecan trees that can lead the way in getting them into production in a few years, says Mr. Turner.

of providing government services—and if that can also lead to creating new markets for a major Texas product like natural gas, that's wonderful."

Mauro said the U.S. Congress is scheduled to consider renewal of the Clean Air Act this year.

"If Congress were to rewrite the Clean Air Act in a way that encouraged or mandated fleet vehicle conversion to CNG, air quality problems in many of our cities could be significantly reduced and the natural gas market could be increased significantly. The American Gas Association estimates that conversion of 20 percent of the 16 million fleet vehicles in this country to CNG would increase the gas market by 2 percent. That's \$1 billion a year.

"We envision over the next few years a large-scale state fleet conversion in Texas that not only saves fuel and maintenance costs but makes money for the Permanent School Fund. Through our in-kind gas program, the school fund can supply all the compressed gas the state needs for the fleet conversion at a competitive price, and the money generated in sales goes to support public education in Texas," Mauro said.

The most recent Environmental Protection Agency analysis of emissions from CNG powered vehicles indicate a 50 percent

reduction in carbon monoxide, a 40 percent reduction in reactive hydrocarbons and a 100 percent reduction in evaporative hydrocarbons over conventional gasoline-powered vehicles. Air pollution in certain areas of the state (including Dallas and Houston) currently violates EPA standards and Congress is requiring Texas to provide revised plans for compliance.

"The conversion of fleet vehicles to CNG could substantially contribute to compliance efforts in some areas," Mauro said. "We want to run a small-scale experiment with state fleet vehicles to prove that you can save real money by using compressed natural gas as a primary fuel and help create new markets for natural gas. Texas has 26 percent of the proven reserves of natural gas in the U.S. — it's time we developed some new markets for it, for environmental and economic reasons."

The General Land Office, in cooperation with Southern Union, Lone Star and Entex gas companies, organized the demonstration project. Also participating in the project will be the Railroad Commission and the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation. The vehicles will be converted to use compressed natural gas with contributions of \$10,000 each by the three gas companies through the Texas Conservation Foundation. The contribution also includes the expansion of the Southern Union refueling station in Austin to increase fill capacity. The vehicles converted will be able to run off of either CNG or gasoline, with a switch installed on the dashboard.

"Conversion of fleet vehicles is the only viable option now because they are usually centrally located and serviced," Mauro said.

"While it is not practical for every fleet in the state to convert immediately, as more CNG refueling stations are built, conversion becomes more practical.

"The Land Office is contributing two vehicles to the project out of a fleet of 15. The rest are either too old to spend the money on now, or they operate in the field, too far from any existing refueling depot. But the Land Office is not typical of fleets in Texas or the U.S. More typical are the municipal, county or school district fleets. We are aiming our demonstration at those groups and at businesses that can make conversion work. As older fleet vehicles are replaced, the CNG option makes greater sense."

The results of the project will be presented to the Governor, Lt. Governor and Speaker of the House as part of an application to fund a large-scale conversion of state vehicles using federal oil overcharge funds.

Abilene to offer services for disabled

Coach Gene Stallings, Head Coach, St. Louis Football Cardinals is the featured speaker for an information dinner set for Tuesday, February 16 to benefit Disability Resources, Inc. The dinner is at 7 p.m. Briarstone Manor, Abilene.

Disability Resources, Inc. is a non-profit agency established this past year in Abilene for the purpose of providing residential care for developmentally disabled adults, 18 years and over. Plans are well underway to purchase 126 acres within the city limits in Northwest Abilene. The residential center is projected to open in 1989.

Disability Resources, Inc. plans to offer its residents a full range of services to include 24 hours residential care, on campus job opportunities, social services, and recreation. The first facility will provide residential care and work opportunities for 14 individuals. Day activities will also be available for an additional 10 individuals.

Coach Gene Stallings, founding member of the Board, Disability Resources, serves as co-chairman of Multiple Sclerosis in St. Louis and is a special Olympics and Red Cross

Veterans to receive 4.2 percent increase in disability checks

The Veterans Administration has announced a 4.2 percent cost-of-living increase in VA disability compensation payments.

Administrator of Veterans Affairs Thomas K. Turnage said, "This increase will benefit some 2.2 million veterans and their dependents."

The rate adjustment means an increase from \$1,355 to \$1,411 per month for a single veteran with a service-connected disability rated at 100 percent.

The new amounts for other disability ratings are: 90 percent, \$849; 80 percent, \$754; 70 percent, \$652; 60 percent, \$516;

Nutrition knowledge lacking

American women are missing key "how to" information when it comes to their diets, says a Texas A&M University Agricultural Extension Service nutritionist. "The good news is that a majority of American women have identified the relationship between health and nutrition," says Mary Kinney Sweeten. She reports that in a 1985 nationwide survey of women sponsored by the Hearst Corporation and conducted by Research and Forecasts, Inc., 84% of the respondents knew that a high-fiber foods may lower the risk of colon cancer and 60% knew about osteoporosis. "But it's possible to be aware of the diet-health connection, and still not know how to eat better," cautions the specialist. "For example, U.S. Department of Agriculture surveys which show what people actually eat indicate that women's main intake of several nutrients, including iron, calcium, vitamin B-6 and zinc are below recommended levels and their fat intakes are above the 30 to 35 percent recommended by health authorities.

Try Spinach

If you cringe at having to pay a dollar or more for a small head of poor quality iceberg lettuce, march right on down the aisle of the produce section and pick up some fresh spinach for your salad. "Consumers can find top quality spinach in the markets now," says food marketing expert Marilyn Haggard. "Spinach often has a quality advantage over lettuce in late winter, but it's especially true this year due to an unusually small lettuce crop from California," she adds. "Spinach is coming fresh from the fields in the Winter Garden area of Texas and will be at its peak in flavor and supply through April." According to the Texas A&M University Agricultural Extension Service specialist, spinach also has a nutritional advantage over lettuce. "Spinach has about five times more iron, seven times more vitamin C and 20 times more vitamin A than iceberg lettuce," she explains. "Lettuce has about .53 grams of fiber and 13 calories per serving, while spinach has .89 grams of fiber and for only 22 calories."

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If what you receive is substantially different from what you order, you may cancel your contract. Write the company as soon as possible stating your wish to cancel. If you are unable to get a refund, the Consumer Protection Division of the AG's Office may be able to help through mediation.

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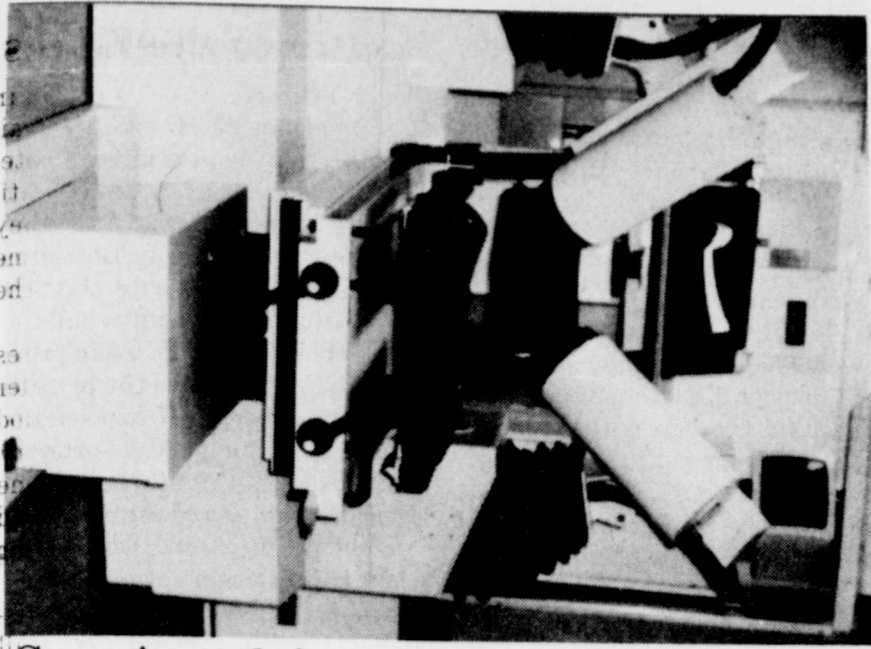
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San Angelo's new Lithotripter Angelo Urologists announce arrival of new Lithotripter

San Angelo urologists and St. John's Hospital and Health Center are pleased to announce the arrival of a Dornier HM4 Kindey Lithotripter* for the San Angelo area. The mobile lithotripter made its first appearance at St. John's Hospital on January 28.

A lithotripter is used as an alternative to surgery for the treatment of kidney stones. It pulverizes the kidney stones without surgery at the same or lower cost and with less discomfort.

All six San Angelo urologists, John Ballard, M.D., John Coughlin, M.D., Gail Flood, M.D., Jack Rice, M.D., Dwayne Sargent, M.D. and Robert Stell, M.C., will perform the lithotripsy procedure. The \$1.4 million German-made lithotripter puts San Angelo and the Concho Valley at the forefront of medical technology. Kidney stone sufferers can now benefit from this progressive non-surgical treatment through

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Housed in a driveable coach, the mobile lithotripter will travel on a scheduled basis to St. John's Hospital and Health Center and the four other hospitals who will share the equipment. The lithotripter is operated by specially trained technicians and the attending urologist.

*Lithotripter is of Greek origin and means stone crusher.

Southwest/Film Video Tour comes to San Angelo

A presentation of the 1987-88 Southwest Film/Video Tour has been set for Thursday, February 18 at 7 p.m. at the Village Cinema, 2229 W. Beauregard in San Angelo. The San Angelo Museum of Fine Arts and the Concho Contemporary Fine Arts Association are hosting the program which is funded in part by the Texas Commission of the Arts. Admission is \$3 for the public.

The tour, now in its seventh season, brings curated programs of media art to museums, universities, and art centers throughout Texas. Each presentation features screenings of films and videotapes which showcase the achievements of artists who use the medium in personal, non-commercial forms.

In San Angelo the Tour will feature three films that were directed by Jan Krawitz who is currently Associate Professor, Department of Radio-Television-Film at the University of Texas at Austin. Ms. Krawitz' most recent film, *Drive-In-Blues*, which has aired nationally on public television stations will be shown along with two other of her

films, *Cotton Candy and Elephant Stuff* and *STYX. Ms. Krawitz will be present to introduce each film and comment on its production.*

Jan Krawitz holds a B.A. in film and photography from Cornell University and a Master of Fine Arts degree in film from Temple University in Philadelphia. She was a visiting filmmaker on the faculty of the Evergreen State College in Olympia, Washington in 1979-80. She has taught at the University of Texas at Austin since 1980. In 1986-87 she was the recipient of a Bunting Fellowship and was in residence at Radcliffe/Harvard for the academic year, pursuing independent work in film making.

The Southwest Film/Video Tour is the first program of the San Angelo Museum of Fine Arts' 1988 "21 Club" Film Society Series. For more information about the Southwest Film/Video Tour program or the Film Society Series call the Fine Arts Museum at 658-4084.

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Texas Silver Haired Legislature to file petitions for candidacy

Prospective members of the second Texas Silver Haired Legislature may begin filing petitions for candidacy Friday, January 1, 1988. The filing process will continue through February 29. The election will take place on Tuesday, May 24. Candidacy forms and petitions can be obtained from the West Central Texas Council of Governments Area Agency on

Aging (1025 E.N. 10th Street in Abilene) or in Senior Citizens around the region.

There are three basic requirements for those seeking election to the Silver Haired Legislature: the individual must be at least 60 years old by January 1, 1988; a registered voter; and reside in the region for which he or she is seeking

State organ/tissue donor law takes effect

Under a law passed by the 70th Texas Legislature, hospitals are required to identify potential organ/tissue donors at or near death, inform the family of the option to donate, and document the approach and its disposition. The state law became effective Jan. 1, while a similar federal law took effect Nov. 20, 1987.

A written protocol for conforming with the state law is required of each hospital in the state, and hospitals in the Medicare and Medicaid program must comply with the federal law, according to Matthew T. Wall, staff attorney with the Texas Hospital Association.

"The protocol must provide for trained individuals to perform the approach to the family of a dying patient and inform them of the option to donate," Wall said.

"Neither the federal or state laws require asking the family for the organs or tissues of their loved one. This is not the intent of these new laws. Rather, they envision the approaching of the family to determine/identify whether the deceased or dying patient was an organ or tissue donor, as evidenced for example by a signed donor card. If not, then the hospital must simply inform the family or their option to donate or decline donation, and document the approach and its disposition," the attorney explained.

Under the new state law, no inquiry is required: if the decedent is medically unsuitable for donation, there is actual notice of objections to donation by the decedent or persons authorized to make a donation, or if the hospital has not been notified by a procurement organization as to current medical needs for organs/tissues and the organization's availability for retrieval.

"In considering organ or tissue donation, families should keep in mind that no costs are incurred by the donor family, and that the identity of both the donor and recipient are kept confidential. No visible alteration to the body and no interference with funeral arrangements is anticipated," Wall noted.

"The best time to think about organ or tissue donation is while you are well, and decisions to donate should be shared with family members," noted THA President Terry Townsend. "These laws were drafted in response to a critical shortage of organs and tissues. In complying with these laws which the health care industry supported, hospitals will be sensitive to dying patients and families. Organ and tissue donations from dying patients literally will provide life for others. For donors and their families, it can be a final act of love, a way to make death meaningful. For recipients, it's a chance to live a productive life once again."

election.

The Silver Haired Legislature was authorized by the 69th Texas Legislature. It is a non-partisan body of senior citizens who will meet in Austin in September 1988 to draft and propose suggested legislation to be considered by the 71st Texas Legislature which convenes in Austin in September 1988 to draft and propose suggested legislation to be considered by the 71st Texas Legislature which convenes in Austin January 1989.

The Silver Haired Legislature provides the opportunities for the senior citizens of Texas to become actively involved in the issues which concern them. The first Silver Haired Legislature met in September 1987 and addressed many issues, some of which were homestead taxes, catastrophic health insurance, and Medicaid.

One does not need to be an experienced politician to serve in the Silver Haired Legislature. A concerned citizen with the willingness to learn about the legislative process and the desire to use that process for the betterment of others will find this to be a challenging and rewarding experience.

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Obituaries

Bob and Johnnie Gilliam

Services for Robert W. "Bob" Gilliam, 68, and Johnnie Ruth Waggoner Gilliam, 64, of Abilene, were held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, February 9, at the Elliott-Funeral Home Chapel of Memories with Steve Joiner and Ewing Nelson officiating. Burial was in the Elmwood Memorial Park.

He died Saturday, February 6, 1988, at a Abilene nursing home.

She died Monday, February 8, 1988 at a Abilene nursing home. Mr. Gilliam was born in Hobart, Oklahoma, lived in Comanche, Oklahoma, and later moved to Abilene. He attended school in Comanche, Oklahoma, and barber school in Odessa.

A barber, he was a Baptist and a U.S. Army veteran of World War II.

Born in Hilton, she was a longtime Abilene resident.

She graduated from Blackwell High School, worked for Timex Corporation and retired after 22 years of service. She was a Baptist.

They are survived by two sons, Bobby Gilliam of Wylie and Ricky Gilliam of Alvin; and five grandchildren.

He is survived by two brothers, Ralph Gilliam of Belmont, California and James Gilliam of Mesa, Arizona; five sisters, Jane Pace of Coleman, Lora Bludworth of Henderson, Leat Vinson of Kingwood and Mildred Gray and Irene Stanford, both of Odessa.

She is survived by three brothers, D. W. Bawcom of Littlefield, Harley Waggoner of Garland and Floyd Waggoner of Hilton; and six sisters, Dovie Connally of San Angelo, Ruby Bridges of Eden, Jean Montgomery of Abilene, Inez Cave of Sweetwater and Gertie Mustow and Avo Friend, both of Phoenix, Arizona.

Flay Brevard

Weldon Flay Brevard, 80, a lifelong resident of Ballinger, died Saturday, January 31, 1988 at 1:32 a.m. in Ballinger Memorial Hospital.

Born in Ballinger January 24, 1908, Mr. Brevard was a Trustee in the Blanton School District, he also farmed and ranched in the Blanton Community. He was a member of the Doss Bible Class, on the Board of Stewards of the First United Methodist Church and a past member of the Ballinger Noon Lions Club.

He was an electrician and in the oil industry.

He married Bernice Merle Hale August 29, 1933 in Ballinger.

Survivors include a daughter, Janie Jones of Ballinger; two sons, Weldon of Ballinger and David of Houston; a sister, Mrs. Mildred Pittman of Belton; and four grandchildren.

Services for Weldon Flay Brevard were held at 4 p.m. Monday, February 1, in the First United Methodist Church with Revs. Bobby Baggett and Winford Gore officiating. Burial was in Evergreen Cemetery, directed by Rains-Seale Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were: Everett Grindstaff, Sam McLarty, Arnold Alleorn, Ira D. Hale, Ross Murchison, Jr., Norval Merideth, Ramon Berryhill and John Green, M.D.

Honorary pallbearers were E. B. Underwood, C. A. Bissett, W. N. Gaddy and A. W. Brunson.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society are a favorite charity.

Jack Mullin

Funeral services for Jack Mullin were held Friday, December 11, 1987 at the Church of Christ in Wray with Bobby Crowell officiating. Interment was made in Grandview Cemetery.

Jack Mullin was born to William and Minnie Mullin August 11, 1894 in Winters, Texas. He was the third of five children. He departed this life December 8, 1987 having lived 93 years, three months and 27 days.

His mother passed away in 1907 and his father in 1950. Jack's great grandfather was a Major in the war of 1812. Jack served in the U.S. Navy in World War I from June 25, 1917 to January 14, 1919.

He was a charter member of the American Legion Post in Winters.

Jack married Ina Humphreys of Winters on October 4, 1923 where they continued to live and ranch until 1927, when they moved to Dalhart, Texas. In 1952 Jack bought the old Wineglass Ranch on the Arikaree River at Idalia. They continued living in Dalhart until moving to Wray in June 1957.

Survivors include his wife, Ina of Wray; one daughter, Billie Nell Poenisch and her husband Clayton of Wray; one grandson, Carl Poenisch of Idalia; one granddaughter, Sydonie Poenisch of Denver; two sisters, Trixie Root of Dallas and Ruth Cook of Irving; and five nieces.

Nellie Hunt

Nellie Catherine Hunt, 98, of Lubbock, died at 8:30 a.m. Sunday, February 7, 1988, at the West Lutheran Nursing Home in Lubbock.

Born Nellie Irvin, October 26, 1889 in Walburg, Texas, she graduated from Rising Star High School and San Marcos College. She taught school in Bradshaw, Coyote and Fluvannah.

She married Ocie Hunt in Bradshaw, April 21, 1917. She worked for the Bradshaw Bank for several years. In 1945 they moved to Sweetwater where she owned and operated The Little China Hut until her husband's death in 1975. She has lived with her daughter in Lubbock since.

She was a member of the Methodist Church. Survivors include one daughter, Olivia Horn of Lubbock; one brother, Lester Irvin of San Antonio; two granddaughters, Catherine Ann Horn of Dallas and Melinda Sue Brent of Lubbock.

Graveside services were held Wednesday, February 10, at the Bradshaw Cemetery with the Rev. Gene Sorley of Lubbock officiating. Burial followed directed by Winters Funeral Home.

Memorials can be made to McMurry College in Abilene or to a favorite charity.

Raymond Phillips

Raymond G. Phillips, 82, of Winters, died Wednesday, February 3, 1988, at 7:18 p.m. at Hendrick Medical Center after a brief illness.

Born November 20, 1905 in Brady, he came to Runnels County as a child and lived here since.

He married Sylvia Lucas in 1932 in Crews. She preceded in death in 1936.

He moved to Winters in 1951, he was a farmer and a member of the First Baptist Church in Winters.

Survivors include two sons, Elmer Phillips of Winters and Dixon Phillips of Snyder; one brother, Les Phillips of Weslaco, Texas; three grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Services for Raymond Phillips were held at 2 p.m. Friday, February 5, in the Winters Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Glenn Shoemaker officiating. Burial was in Crews Cemetery under the direction of Winters Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were: Cecil Scott, Noble Faubion, Sam Faubion, Connie Gibbs, Connie Mac Gibbs, B. D. Jobe, Shorty Foster, and Marvin Gerhart.

Maggie Holley

Maggie May Holley, 79, of Ballinger died Tuesday, February 2, 1988 at 6:12 a.m. in Ballinger Memorial Hospital.

Born April 25, 1908 in Runnels County, she had lived in Ballinger most of her life.

She married Virgil Holley in 1923 in Ballinger. He preceded her in death August 18, 1971. She was also preceded in death by three sons, Eldon, Randy and George; also two daughters, Geneva and Dixie.

She was a homemaker and a member of the Baptist Church.

Services for Maggie May Holley were held at 1 p.m. Thursday, February 4, in Rains-Seale Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Joe Boney officiating. Burial was in Old Runnels Cemetery under the direction of Rains-Seale Funeral Home.

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"Hub" Dean

E. H. "Hub" Dean, 84, of Ballinger, died Friday, February 5, 1988 at 7:33 a.m. in St. John's Hospital in San Angelo.

Born March 22, 1903 in Mexico, Texas, he had lived in Ballinger for 80 years. He was a farmer and a service station operator, and a member of First Presbyterian Church.

He married Jewell Gardner December 9, 1923 in Paint Rock.

Survivors include his wife, Jewell Dean of Ballinger; one daughter, Martha Palmer of Ballinger; two sons, Bill Dean and Herbert H. Dean, both of Ballinger; four grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Services for E. H. "Hub" Dean were held at 2 p.m. Sunday, February 7, in the First Presbyterian Church with the Rev. Don Shepherd officiating. Burial was in Old Runnels Cemetery, directed by Rains-Seale Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were: Willard Piel, David Batts, Neuman Smith, Milton Redman, Weldon Ashton, Thurman Anderson, and Eldon Etier.

Ione McKnight

Ione McKnight, 79, of Ballinger, died Tuesday, February 2, 1988 at 3:35 p.m. in Angelo Community Hospital in San Angelo.

Born November 8, 1908 in DeWitt County, Texas, she was in the nursing service, and a member of the 7th Street Baptist Church.

She married Derwood McKnight August 27, 1932 in Fouke, Arkansas.

Survivors include her husband, Derwood E. McKnight of Ballinger; five sons, Roy Gene McKnight, Glenn W. McKnight, Harold W. McKnight, Bobby V. McKnight and Billy L. McKnight, all of San Angelo; one sister, Euda Rene McKnight of Marble Falls; 14 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Services for Ione McKnight were held at 2 p.m. Friday, February 5, in 7th Street Baptist Church with Revs. H. G. Barnard and Max Pratt officiating. Burial was in Old Runnels Cemetery, directed by Rains-Seale Funeral Home.

Grandsons served as pallbearers.

Ira Holcomb

Ira L. Holcomb, 58, of Buffalo Gap, died Sunday, February 7, 1988 at an Abilene hospital.

Born in Galax, Virginia, he moved to Buffalo Gap in 1980.

He worked for Frank Wood Roofing Company in Charlotte, North Carolina, NuCorp in Buffalo Gap and later was self-employed contractor.

Survivors include his wife, Dorothy Snowdy Holcomb of Buffalo Gap; two daughters, Brenda Boggs and Shirley Ler-

ma, both of Merkel; three sons, Wayne Holcomb of Abilene and Robert Holcomb and Timothy Holcomb, both of Buffalo Gap; a brother, Clarence Holcomb of Reidsville, North Carolina; a sister, Ruth Allen of Reidsville, North Carolina; and five grandchildren.

Services for Ira L. Holcomb were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, February 9, at the Buffalo Gap Baptist Church with the Rev. Wayne Heinze officiating. Burial was in the Buffalo Gap Cemetery, directed by Fry Funeral Home of Tuscola.

Abra Lyles

Abra B. Lyles, 82, of Mabank, formerly of the Rogers Community, died Monday, February 8, 1988, at a Kaufman hospital.

Born in Ovalo, he moved to Plainview in 1949.

He worked for the Department of Agriculture until 1950 when he began his own business. He retired in 1972.

He was a member of the Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Ethel Burleson Lyles of Mabank; two daughters, Rita Gotcher of Irving and Beth Teal of Snyder; a sister, Annie Mae Preslor of Abilene; seven grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

Graveside services for Abra B. Lyles were held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, February 10, at McBee Cemetery with the Rev. Wayne Burkey officiating, directed by Fry Funeral Home of Tuscola.

Leg cramps could be symptoms of arterial disease

Each year, more than 150,000 Americans suffer from severe leg cramps and the disease that causes them, peripheral arterial disease (PAD), according to the Texas Medical Association.

PAD is a type of atherosclerosis, or hardening of the arteries. The painful leg cramps are caused by a buildup of cholesterol in the leg's arteries that restricts blood flow to the muscle. People most at risk are men over age 65.

Patients who suffer from PAD find the simplest movement, even walking, painful. For example, a PAD sufferer may walk just a short distance before the crippling leg cramps begin. After resting briefly, walking can be continued but usually is interrupted by pain after walking the same distance.

Early diagnosis of PAD can signal a risk of heart attack or stroke. As the disease progresses, pain is more frequent, during both exercise and rest.

Some patients who suffer from severe cases of PAD can be helped by an operation in which blood flow is redirected around

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

Something really bothered me about your "wait a minute" column last week.

Really there were several comments that riled me. But after two attempts to write this letter, I finally realized what the real thorn was. It wasn't because you didn't like the price of gas. It was because you used the paper to publicly single out two businesses out of all the rest in the community and attack them.

You must know that now that competition is one of the main factors in determining a price. I don't think if you had competition and your product cost less, you would lower the price even more just because someone thought it was to high.

But I guess you can say what you want. Isn't the privilege of Freedom of Speech wonderful. But wouldn't it be better to emphasize the positive in our community instead of dwelling on the negative. After all where else can you get a cheese burger for \$1.39 or get out of the cold when your car breaks down in the middle of the night. Or medicine for your child at 3 a.m. Even just a little company when your down. "A convenience store open 24 hours".

Thank you
Donna Barnett

blocked arteries or through an artificial blood vessel. However, most patients do not need surgery because extra blood vessels form naturally in the leg. Several drugs have been tested to try to improve blood flow to the legs, but none have proven effective.

Smoking is the single worst factor in aggravating the symptoms of PAD. TMA advises PAD patients to stop smoking, keep their blood pressure under control, and maintain their ideal weight. Patients also should begin an exercise program prescribed by their physician to improve blood flow and muscle efficiency. Suffers from PAD should have their cholesterol levels tested and eliminate cholesterol and animal fats from their diet.

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Visitors

L. Violet Archer, part-time Winters, Crews resident is home from 6 weeks in the hospital.

During this time she had visitors, Joy Glasser, daughter of Tucson; Larry Phipps, son from San Francisco; Alvin and Charlotte Whaley of Denton, Texas and Alice Morales of Union Town, Pa.

Lola Violet Archer is the daughter of the late Larry and Cordelia Alexander. A 1935 graduate of Winters High School and still maintains a home in Winters.

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works for agriculture

Underground Water. Grant Jones fought against legislation that would have limited the farmer's current underground water rights.

Fair Property Taxes. When others were proposing taxation of agriculture land based on its market value, Grant Jones said no! Now agriculture land is taxed more fairly on its productive use rather than its value. If Grant Jones had not been in a leadership position, many farmers and ranchers might have been taxed out of business.

New Markets. Grant Jones is a leader in the state's efforts to create a stronger marketing program for Texas grown and produced goods.

Agriculture Funding. Grant Jones, a Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, has a leadership role in developing the state budget. He has succeeded in keeping state funding for vital agriculture programs such as research at Texas A&M and Texas Tech, the Predator/Rodent Control program, and the Natural Fiber and Protein program. We cannot afford to lose this important rural voice at a time when others are proposing to cut agriculture to the bone.

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Lucius, Evelyn Evans Celebrated 50th Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Lucius S. Evans celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary at their home in Norton February 6, 1988.

Lucius Evans and Evelyn Branham were married on February 6, 1938 at the First Baptist parsonage in Ballinger.

The Evans who have lived on a farm near Norton since their marriage are members of the First Methodist Church in Norton.

Their children are Nancy Good of Hobbs, New Mexico and Allan Evans of Fort Worth. They also have five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Methodist ladies met
The Methodist ladies met Tuesday, February 2, 1988. Lois Jones presided for the devotional reading of an article "Faces of Love", and led the group in prayer.

Dorece Colburn gave the treasurers report, Billie gave each member a New Year Program Book.

We are happy to have two new members.

Odessa Dobbins gave the program "Hope a Shinning Ray". All present took part on the program, reading different scriptures on Hope. It was a very interesting program.

Our WMU prayer was repeated by the group for the closing prayer.

Members present were: Billie Middlebrook, Pauline Mayhew, Ozzie Stanley, Lois Jones, Odessa Dobbins, Jonah Vinson, Dorece Colburn, Nina Hale, Pauline Johnson, and Ethel Bridwell.

Ladies Aid met

The Ladies Aid Circle of St. John's Lutheran Church met in regular session Thursday, February 4, at 2 p.m. with Jewell Kraatz, president, calling the meeting to order, and Alvina Gerhart, program chairman for February, opening the program with a song. Gertie Witte read the devotions and led in prayer.

Pastor Steve conducted Bible Study and Jewell Kraatz read a poem for those having birthdays in February. Lilly Presley read the offering, meditation and prayer.

Mrs. Ethel Hantsche gave a nice money gift to the aid treasury.

Fifteen ladies were in attendance. Mrs. Serena Ueckert resigned her office of sending cards to the ill in the congregation and Leona Voss was appointed to be her replacement.

A quilting day was held Wednesday and Gertie Witte reported there were 61 quilts boxed, ready for shipment to Lutheran World Relief and five layettes were also completed to ship.

Hostesses for February were Cristy Byrne, Lilly Presley and Truman Deike.

During 18 months as a bison hunter for the Kansas Pacific Railroad, "Buffalo" Bill Cody single-handedly killed 4,280 of the beasts, according to *International Wildlife* magazine.

WM's held meeting
Members of the Women's Missionary Council of the Assembly of God Church held their monthly meeting at the Peachtree Plaza on Tuesday, February 2 at 7 p.m.

Dorothy Ivey was the honored member of the dinner and was presented with a gift certificate as she will be undergoing surgery this month.

Kathy Pringle presided for the short business meeting and led the women in prayer.

Members present were: Dorothy Ivey, Ruby Norman, Dona Weaver, Mincey Briley, Mary Griffin, Kathy Pringle, Betty Brooker, Eligra Beechley, Barbara Plumley, Sylvia Aguilar, Cynthia Hicks and Maude Gore.

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Still going at 90

Dama Eubank, 90 years old, February 5, 1988. Born in 1898, she came to Texas in 1972 from Ottawa, Kansas. She married Charlie Eubank in 1976.

Card of Thanks

We wish to express our heartfelt appreciation to all who called, visited, brought food, sent flowers, cards and in any way expressed their condolences to us.

We specially thank Bro. Shoemaker, Lillian Cooper, Mike Meyer, Linda Dry and Gary Pinkerton for their help.

Thank you one and all.
Elmer Phillips and the family of Raymond Phillips

Gramm moves to speed sale of homes

The U.S. Senate has approved legislation to eliminate a new impediment facing Texas home buyers, agents and veterans, U.S. Senator Phil Gramm has reported.

"A new policy, instituted at the Veterans' Administration, requires a five percent down payment on a VA home with a defaulted mortgage unless this bill is passed and signed into law," Gramm said.

The senator, who is co-sponsoring the legislation, noted that the VA currently holds more than 8,000 properties with defaulted mortgages and that the new policy was intended to prevent further defaults.

"It is also clear, however, that demanding five percent down payments on these properties often will only guarantee to force home buyers and agents to look elsewhere, leaving the VA—and the taxpayers—holding the bag," Gramm said.

"And if the VA must spend more of its funds to maintain the properties it can't sell, it means that other veterans programs ultimately will suffer," he noted.

The new bill gives the VA administrator the authority to waive the five-percent rule in areas of the country where depressed economic conditions have left the VA with large numbers of homes to market.

"Changing the rule will have a clear, beneficial impact in many areas of Texas," Gramm said. "It will help us get these homes off the default books and back into the hands of Texas families who want and need them" the senator said.

Food Service met

Runnels County Food Service Organization meeting was held Monday, February 8, 1988, in the Ballinger High School Cafeteria. A program on food safety was brought by Marilyn Haggard, Foods and Nutrition Specialist with Texas Agriculture Extension Service at Texas A&M University. John Duffy, Food Service Supervisor for San Angelo Schools, brought a message about the importance of belonging to a food service organization.

Members of the Runnels County Food Service Organization attending were: Edna Gillespie, Judy Lowe, Barbara Rollwitz, Pat Hale, Gladys Hilliard, Lorina Owens, Glenda Rose, Janie Garza, Frances Spieker, Betty Hadden, Annaline Hoelscher, LaVerna Redman, Nell Ballard, Sylvia Rodriguez, Louise Walker and Margie Jones. Guest included Bobbie Bowman and Geraldine Traylor, North Runnels Hospital, Gay Howard, Ballinger Nursing Center, Becky Garcia, Dean Fenwick, Nadine DeLaCruz, and Elizabeth Babb.

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NEWCOMERS

David and Lenez Sellers of Big Spring, Texas are the proud parents of a daughter, Tara Marie, born Sunday, January 24, 1988 at 7:19 p.m. at the Scenic Mountain Hospital in Big Spring.

She weighed six pounds and 11 ounces and was 20 inches in length.

Maternal grandparents are Tom and Inez Graham of Tuscola.

Paternal grandparents are Lillie Sellers and the late John Sellers of Ballinger.

Tara Marie was welcomed home by her brother, Nathan age 2.

The Sellers reside at 2208 Lynn Drive in Big Spring, Texas.

Sew and Sew met

The Wingate Sew and Sew Club met February 3, in the Wingate Lions Club Building with nine present.

A quilt was quilted for Flossie Kirkland and a pay quilt was finished.

The next meeting will be February 17, with Eura Lloyd as hostess.

VA burial flag benefit explained

In 1987 the Veterans Administration issued more than 350,000 American flags for burial or memorial purposes. The flags are used to drape the caskets of deceased veterans and are presented to the next of kin or close friend or associate of the deceased. Flags are issued at VA regional offices and most local post offices.

In recent years, many cemeteries and other VA facilities have adopted an innovative way to honor the memory of those who served through the creation of an "Avenue of Flags" program.

Last year alone, over 4,000 flags which had been presented to families or friends of deceased veterans, were donated to the VA. When a flag is donated, a Certificate of Appreciation is presented to the donor and the flag becomes the property of the VA.

On roadways or along walkways at VA facilities throughout the country, standard burial flags are flown from uniformly spaced staffs. VA facilities which participate in the "Avenue of Flags" program erect the display on Veterans Day and Memorial Day. They may also do so on other days of patriotic observance such as Flag Day and Independence Day. If more flags are received than needed for display, a rotation system is used to insure they all are eventually flown.

VA's Department of Memorial Affairs administers the National Cemetery System comprising 111 national cemeteries in 38 states and Puerto Rico. Burial in a national cemetery with available grave space is open to all veterans discharged under conditions other than dishonorable, as well as eligible dependents of veterans.

Information on burial flags and other benefits is available by contacting the nearest VA office listed in the phone directory under U.S. Government.

Read the Classifieds

Harry Herman celebrated 77th birthday

Neighbors and friends of Harry Herman surprised him on his 77th birthday with a birthday party Sunday, February 7, 1988. This was also a surprise to Ethel Herman.

Cake and coffee were served to 18 people attending.

Those attending were: Lanny Bahlman, Charles Ludwick, Joyce Bahlman, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Mayfield, Hazel Badgett, Clay Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kraatz, the Hanson family, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Brown, Mrs. Wesley Wood and Mr. and Mrs. Speck Robinson.

Naida Barker named to Dean's List

Naida Fern Barker of Winters has been named to the Dean's List for the fall semester at McMurry College, according to Dr. Paul Jungmeyer, dean of the college.

To be named to the Dean's List, a student must be enrolled for at least 12 semester hours

and must have a grade point average of 3.5 or better for the semester.

Naida is a 1963 graduate of Winters High School. Her grade point average for the semester is 4.0.

Naida is the wife of Mr. Beny Preston Barker of Winters.

February's Heart Month features activities statewide

February is a month filled with thoughts of love and hearts. It is also National Heart Month, with special activities planned around the state for every age group. AHA volunteers work hard to inform the public about AHA educational, research and fundraising efforts.

Heart Balls, radio and television programs with a variety of tips on how to have a healthy heart, cooking demonstrations, heart trivia contests, Walk the Mall events, Jump Rope for Heart demonstrations, Save A Sweet Heart events, heart research family tours and presentations by heart researchers, blood pressure screenings, a billboard contest, and Chefs' Challenge and Celbrity Waiter events are just some of the ways Texans will celebrate Heart Month statewide.

James Michener, author of the best-selling *Texas* and of articles on heart health, will be honored on January 30 at San Antonio's Second Annual Heart

of Gold Gala. Michener will be introduced by Walter Cronkit. This will be a black tie affair at the La Mancha Athletic Club with attendees encouraged to wear athletic gear.

Television news series will be featured across Texas during Heart Month. Among the cities featuring television specials on topics such as risk factors and cholesterol are Midland, San Antonio, Dallas, Houston and Corpus Christi.

The Texas Association of Student Councils and the American Association will help teenagers learn how smoking can affect their hearts through an anti-smoking program built around Valentine's Day. This Save A Sweet Heart (SASH) program is sponsored by 200 Texas junior and senior high schools during Heart Month.

For more information on activities, call your local American Heart Association, listed in the White Pages of your telephone directory.

Financial Aid Awareness Week slated

February 22-28, 1988 has been declared Financial Aid Awareness Week by the Texas Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators. On February 27 and 28 a Financial Aid Hotline manned by volunteers from the Financial Aid Community, will be in service to answer calls from concerned parents and students. The Hotline toll-free number is 1-800-537-8745. The number will be active from 10 a.m. through 6 p.m., on Saturday February 27

and Sunday, February 28. Concho Career Institute will be glad to answer any further questions.

There's nothing an Egyptian vulture would rather eat than an ostrich egg. But cracking open the hard shell requires a bit of work. According to *Ranger Rick* magazine, the vulture first picks up a stone with its beak. Then it hurls the stone at the egg. It make take two dozen direct hits, but the shell usually cracks, and the vulture gets its meal!

Pick A Heart
Friday Saturday 8 to 5:30
At Heidenheimers
For Additional 5 to 30% Off A Sale Item
One Per Family

Valentine's Dance
featuring Silver Dollar Band
sponsored by Woodmen of the World Lodge 1111
VFW Post Winters, Texas
Sat. Feb. 13, 1988 8:30 to 12:30
\$4.00 per person Public Welcome

Happy Birthday Sis
Not everyone is 60 on this day!
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Political Column

The following candidates have requested that their candidacy for the offices indicated be announced:

U. S. CONGRESS, 17th DISTRICT

Charles W. Stenholm,
for re-election,
Stamford, Texas

24th SENATORIAL DISTRICT OF TEXAS

Temple Dickson,
Sweetwater, Texas

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER PRECINCT NO. 3

Gilbert Smith, Wingate, for
re-election
Jeffery O'Dell, Wingate
Thurman Self, Wingate
Scotty Belew, Winters

FOR SHERIFF OF RUNNELS COUNTY

Odell Denton, Ballinger
D. J. Goetz, Winters
Bill Baird, Ballinger, for
re-election
W. H. Nord, Ballinger

FOR TAX ASSESSOR/COLLECTOR RUNNELS COUNTY

Sarah J. Craig, Winters
VaRue McWilliams, Ballinger

FOR CONSTABLE, PRECINCT 2, RUNNELS COUNTY

Mark S. Goetz, Winters
Barry Hilliard, Bronte
Jimmie Whittenburg, Winters
*Pol. adv. pd. by the candidates listed
above.*

Wait —

Department at Humana Hospital-Abilene. The folks that work in that department have really been great. Their understanding of our need for advanced training in the rural area and their desire to help us to be able to provide a higher level of care is really appreciated.

The doctors, Greg (Dr. J.) Johnson, Dr. Priestner, Dr. Gates, Dr. Guyao, and the other doctors have helped as have the nurses in that department.

Mary Ann, Katie, Karen, Ron, Les, and many more, have provided much more than an opportunity to just watch. They have helped teach.

For that, I would like to say thanks.

There are three of us, from Winters, who are now much better prepared to serve our community. Much of this is due to these wonderful folks at Humana.

Memo from the Chamber of Commerce

You no doubt have seen articles recently about the consolidation of Regional Chamber of Commercies'. The East, South, and West Texas Chambers consolidated to form the Texas Chamber of Commerce. Why? Strength in Texas. The new statewide organization is a broad-based, full service general business organization. It will address issues ranging from taxation to business regulations from its headquarters in Austin.

The Chamber will actively pursue the creation of new jobs in the state. In this activity, it will work closely with the Texas Department of Commerce. In particular, the Texas Chamber will work toward new tax laws that promote growth and business regulations that allow the free enterprise system to function.

Winters Area Chamber of Commerce is proud to be a part of this State organization. Now everyone will have a voice in Austin.

Fifty-two days until our big Easter celebration downtown Winters. Seventy-four days until we do a real-clean up-job Beautification in Winters, eighty-seven days till Mayfest—"our biggy celebration", 114 days until Bass Classic—Wow! That puts us up to Rodeo Time—aren't we luck to live one day at a time. But ins't it exciting to start looking forward to all the great activities that happen in Winters. We are not a dull sleeping town. If you want to be a part of all this activity in Winters, give me a call at 754-5210, we have a spot for you.

Winters Area Chamber of Commerce wants to welcome Larry and Lisa Nitsch as new members. Larry works for Watco Energy.

The Chamber is sponsoring a program at the Lions Club Luncheon next week. This will be a presentation by the West Texas Council of Governments. How to increase sales through Government procurement. Its a "How To" Workshop in Winters. If you would like to attend this very important meeting, please call 754-5210 and make your reservations.

Sunday is Valentine Day. Have a Happy Day and "Give someone a hug."

VA Questions and Answers

Q. I receive education benefits from the VA. Can I set up a direct deposit of those checks?

A. No. Only compensation and pension benefits can be directly deposited to your account.

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Elementary students greet new buffalo

Students from Sabinal Elementary School greet the new buffalo at the University of Texas Institute of Texan Cultures at San Antonio.

Acquisition of the new buffalo, which is located in the exhibit area focusing on the Indian cultures of Texas, was made possible by Institute advisory Board members Jean Brown of Houston, James and Dorothy Doyle of Fredericksburg, and Stewart Johnson of San

Antonio.

Throughout January and February school groups who tour the Institute are eligible to participate in a contest to name the new buffalo. The winning name will be announced in late March. The Institute of Texan Cultures is located on HemisFair Plaza in downtown San Antonio and exhibit floor hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday. For more information call (512) 226-7651.

Looking for members of the 1978 graduating class of Winters High School

The graduating class of 1978 are hoping to get together for a reunion planned for possibly in June 1988.

Names and addresses of class members are wanted. Some are known but others are not. Please would all 1978 class members contact any of these four persons whose names and

addresses are given.

Dianne (Hutton) Puttman, 1205 S.E. 21st Street, Mineral Wells, Texas 76067, 817/325-4564; Melinda Hoppe, Route 1 Box 59D, Winters, Texas 79567; Karen or Phil Colburn, Route 1 Box 91; Winters, Texas 79567; or Larry Walker, Route 1, Wingate, Texas 79566.

Winters Farmers Market Association to hold meeting

The Winters Farmers Market Association will meet Monday, February 15 at 7 p.m. in the Educational Building at St. John's Lutheran Church in Winters.

Everyone interested in the Farmers Market is encouraged to attend.

Pot Luck Supper to be held to help defray expenses for Monte Pillion

A Pot Luck Supper will be held to help defray medical costs for Monte Pillion Saturday, February 13, at 6:30 p.m. in the Wingate Community Center. Garland Crouch and his group will play for the supper.

Monte is now awaiting a bone marrow transplant. He is a

teacher in the Abilene Independent School District where many activities are planned to help with these expenses, also a fund has been set up at the Wingate Security State Bank.

Monte is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Troy Pillion, natives of the Wingate-Shep area

Child Care: Fast becoming everyone's problem

Dear Readers: Your local Texas Employment Commission office is the site of the newly created Child Care Resource Clearinghouse—a resource and referral service for individuals needing child care.

The Clearinghouse was established by the 70th Texas Legislature as a result of efforts by the Texas Working Group on Child care. The decision was made to house the service in TEC local offices because that is where the information would be immediately available to those looking for work.

Every local TEC office now has one placement interviewer designated to provide a list of agencies that made direct referrals to day care providers. The TEC itself cannot make direct referrals.

Employers should know that there will soon be a publication for them on child care options which will include technical assistance in setting up model programs for employees. Employers are beginning to realize that child care problems relate directly to absenteeism and productivity loss in their own business.

The Clearinghouse is only a beginning, but it is a much needed beginning in an area which

has been neglected for too long.

Ms. Nabers represents 336,000 employers throughout Texas. If you have any questions you want answered, please write Commissioner Nabers at: *Texas Business Today*, 614 Texas Employment Commission Building, 15th and Congress, Austin, Texas 78778.

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OFFICIAL PROCLAMATION

By
Michael Murchison, County Judge
Runnels County, Texas

Greetings,

The Texas Farm Bureau, with more than 330,000 member families is the largest state Farm Bureau in the nation. As such, the organization is influential in both state and national affairs on behalf of agriculture.

Farm Bureau is a grass-roots organization and its foundation is the county unit. There are 216 organized county Farm Bureaus in the state, including the Runnels County Farm Bureau, which has 1,688 member families.

Because agriculture is important to our country, state and nation, and because the Farm Bureau is an important voice for agriculture, I Michael B. Murchison, County Judge of Runnels County, do hereby designate February 15-20, 1988 as FARM BUREAU WEEK in Runnels County, and urge our citizens to give due recognition to its worthy efforts.

In official recognition thereof, I hereby affix my signature this 9th day of February, 1988.

Signed Michael B. Murchison
Runnels County Judge

Tax collections increase in December

State Comptroller Bob Bullock said final figures on strong 1987 Christmas sales are a good sign that the Texas economy is recovering.

"A surge in consumer spending in December brought in more than \$619 million in state sales taxes," Bullock said.

He said tax collections were about 56 percent more than tax collections in December 1986.

The increase is well above any factor that can be attributed to the Legislature's hike in the sales tax rate last fall from 4.125 percent to a six percent.

Bullock said a survey of major retailers shows that Christmas season sales were up an average of 5.5 percent this year compared to the previous year.

"That's a healthy gain that will translate into a better financial position for Texas merchants and an overall improvement in the economy for all Texans," Bullock said.

He said strong retail sales provide a benchmark that consumers are gaining more confidence in the Texas economy. This is one more indicator that Texas is coming back from the economic doldrums brought on by the collapse of oil prices a couple of years back, he said.

Taxable retail sales in the fourth quarter of 1987 are estimated to total more than \$17.5 billion. This compares with retail sales in the fourth quarter of 1986 of \$16.7 billion.

VA Questions and Answers

Q. Are dividends paid on policies issued by the Veterans Administration?

A. Dividends are payable on the anniversary date of all participating policies, except holders of "H" or "RH" policies. No application is necessary.

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