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Six Blizzards earn top football honors

Although the 1995 season has ended, Blizzard football continues to be noticed as several players have received prestigious honors.

Quarterback John Paul Belew was named Offensive Player of the Year for Class 2-A by the Associated Press Sports Editors. The 6'4", 220 senior was also named as quarterback of the All-State team.

Belew completed 171 of 289 passes for 2,405 yards and 26 touchdowns this season, establishing a new Class 2-A passing record. He was intercepted only six times and led the Blizzards to the Class 2-A quarterfinals. He started all 48 games in high school and passed for 6,115 yards.

John Belew has also been named as Most Valuable Player of the *San Angelo Standard-Times* Class 2-A All-West Texas football team. He was chosen as quarterback of the *Standard-Times* Super Team which includes players from Class 1-A through 5-A.

Also named to the All-State first team is teammate linebacker Kevin Conner.

Conner, a 6'1", 215 lb. senior, was in on 131 tackles with 38 solos, had four fumble recoveries, caused one fumble, 12 sacks, two blocked punts, two interceptions and two touchdowns.

He was also named as linebacker on the *Standard-Times* Class 2-A All-West Texas Team and Super Team.

John Biddix, a 6'0", 180 lb. senior, was selected on the All-State second team as offensive end. As a wide receiver, he was named to the *S-T* All-West Texas Team and Super Team.

Biddix had 76 receptions for 1,040 yards and 11 touchdowns for the Blizzards.

Receiving All-State honorable mention as an offensive end was Blizzard Mark Deike.

Deike, a 6'1", 175 lb. senior, had 53 receptions for 794 yards, 7 touchdowns (1 touchdown on a 75 yard kickoff return), 91 attempts rushing for 388 yards and 10 touchdowns.

Deike was also named to the All-West Texas team for Class 2-A as a wide receiver.

Presiliano Sanchez, a 5'10", 220 lb. senior defensive lineman, and Jason Carrillo, a 5'8", 185 lb. senior linebacker, received honorable mention on the Class 2-A All-State team and were named to the *S-T* All-West Texas team.

Sanchez had 23 solo tackles, 74 assists, 3 fumble recoveries, caused two fumbles, 16 sacks and one blocked punt.

Carrillo had 28 solo tackles, 94 assists, 5 fumble recoveries, caused one fumble, 10 sacks, two interceptions and kicked 4 field goals.

The Blizzards ended their 1995 season with a 13-1 record, losing in quarterfinal competition against West Texas High School.



FROSTED MINI-WHEAT? No, it's just a round hay bale with a little coating of some New Year's Day snow. Temperatures for the first few days of 1996 hovered in the high 20's and low 30's with snow flurries throughout the day on Jan. 1, but no serious accumulation in the Winters area.

Multi-Purpose Centers to close indefinitely

Head Start, C.A.R.R. programs to continue; Volunteers needed for Food Pantry

Central Texas Opportunities, Inc. regrets to inform residents of Runnels County that due to the Federal Budget Crisis effective January 1, 1996, it must close the Winters and Ballinger Multi-Purpose Centers. If there is any change in the situation, residents will be informed by newspaper announcements.

Local Director Alice Hale states, "As of 3 p.m. today (Friday, December 29), this office is closed indefinitely." Ms. Hale had attended a meeting at the administrative offices in Coleman and met with Executive Director Emmett Payne, informant of the decision. Ms. Hale is effectively unemployed as of January 1, 1996, after working for the program the last nine years.

The first cut, due to lack of federal funding, was apparent by loss of commodities to the community in November, 1995. No

commodities have been issued since.

The Head Start and C.A.R.R. programs are still in full operation. And with the help of volunteers, the Food Pantry will continue. If you are interested in volunteering to help with the Food Pantry or would like to make a donation, please call 1-800-625-4167.

Payne states, "We are not sure how long the centers will be closed, but hope that we will be able to re-open at the end of February when we receive funding for the new year in the Community Services Block Grant Program."

Residents may write their State Congressmen to express concern and the need of continuance for the programs conducted in Runnels County by CTO through the Multi-Purpose Centers.

Jo Collins named 1995 Employee of the Year

Jo Collins, a nurse who works nights at North Runnels Hospital, was surprised Wednesday, December 20, with the announcement of her selection by co-workers as the Employee of the Year.

The award followed the annual employees' Christmas lunch and party. Ms. Collins was honored earlier in the year as the employee of the second quarter.

She received her degree in nursing in 1975 from the Stamford School of Vocational Nursing. Two years later, she began her employment at the local hospital where she is much respected for her nursing skills and compassion for patients and family members.

Ms. Collins and husband Mark reside in Winters with their daughter, Kyla, a 5th grader at Winters Elementary. Their son, Wesley, lives in Abilene.



JO COLLINS, center, has been named Employee of the Year at North Runnels Hospital. Making the presentation were Larry Suit, hospital administrator, and Billie Brown, director of nurses.

Only democratic candidates file for March primary

Deadline for filing for county offices to be filed in the March primary was 6:00 p.m. Tuesday, January 2.

As of press time (noon) on Tuesday, the following had filed for the Democratic primary:

- County Judge-Marilyn Egan and Tom Barkley;
- County Attorney-Karl Vancil;
- County Tax Assessor-Collector-Robin Burgess;
- County Commissioner, Precinct 1-no one filed;
- County Commissioner, Precinct 3-Thurman Self;
- Constable, Precinct 1-John Reyes and Charlie Moeller;
- Constable Precinct 2-Archie Jobe.

No one had filed for the Republican primary.

The office of county judge is currently held by Marilyn Egan. Ms. Egan was appointed to serve for Michael Murchison, who resigned in September. The county attorney is currently John McGregor, and Skipper Wheelless serves as Precinct 1 commissioner.

Robin Burgess is the incumbent tax assessor-collector; Thurman Self serves as Precinct 3 commissioner; John Reyes is Precinct 1 constable; and Archie Jobe is Precinct 2 constable.

Renewal notices for Enterprise now mailed only for gift subscriptions

With the beginning of a new year, most often comes changes. In our ongoing effort to keep rates as low as possible, *The Winters Enterprise* will no longer mail subscription renewal notices to direct subscribers effective immediately.

The date your subscription expires and is due to be paid will appear on the newspaper label, just above your name. Please check this date and pay the subscription prior to its expiration.

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NEW CHAMBER OF COMMERCE DIRECTORS include (back row from left) Jim West (vice-president), Phyllis Boles, and Sherry Kurtz. Returning directors are Brenda Briley, Lisa Nitsch and Larry Suit. Seated are Leslie Pruser (treasurer), Terry Wyatt, J'Lynn Cooper and Joe Pritchard (president). Not pictured are new directors Janet Cason and Larry Walker.

WHAT'S HAPPENING ?

- Jan. 4-9:30-12 Noon & 1:30-3 p.m., Immunization Clinic
- 7 p.m., Athletic Boosters, Blizzard Field
- 7:30 p.m., Winters Masonic Lodge
- Back-to-School After The Holidays
- Jan. 5-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
- Girl Scout Cookie Sales Begin
- Jan. 6-12 noon-4 p.m., Rehab Rockathon, Area Malls
- 6 p.m., Crews Community Supper
- Jan. 8-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
- 11:30 a.m., Retired Highway Employees Luncheon, Zentner's Daughter, San Angelo
- 3 p.m., Deadline for Citizens of Year Nominations
- 6 p.m., City Council
- 7 p.m., VFW & Auxiliary
- 7 p.m., Band Boosters, Band Hall
- 7:30 p.m., AEIS Report, School Board Meeting
- Jan. 9-10 a.m., Commissioners' Court, Courthouse, Ballinger
- Noon, Lions Club
- 7 p.m., Winters Squares, Community Center
- 7 p.m., WVFD
- 7:30 p.m., School Board
- 7:30 p.m., Elm Creek Water Control Board
- Woman's Club
- Jan. 10-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
- 5:30 p.m., Chamber Directors
- Texas A&M Ag Program Conference

OIL BUSINESS

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It took some of us a while to notice, but the recently passed bill legalizing the export of Alaskan crude had a very important rider.

The U.S. Congress passed the bill with a rider that provides a royalty holiday for deeper water projects in the Gulf of Mexico. The rider, introduced and carried by oil state representatives, allows for progressively larger federal royalty relief, depending upon the depth of water where a new project is planned. It even allows existing projects to apply for some relief if the operator of such can show economic hardship.

The rough categories for waiver of royalty are as follows (the bill as passed lists categories by meters—I have converted to feet for better perspective): approximately 500 to 1200 feet earns royalty holiday on 17.5 million barrels of oil; 1200 to 2400 feet frees 52.2 million barrels of oil from royalty; and, a project in water deeper than approximately 2400 feet allows 87.5 million barrels to be free from royalty.

It is widely believed that projects in about 1000 to 2000 feet of water will benefit the most from this provision of the bill. That is because there are numerous projects (based on discoveries already made) that have not been developed because they were just not quite there economically. A royalty holiday could be the deciding factor in the decisions regarding development.

The rig companies are really excited about the provision as they believe that this will add to the already booming activity level of the Gulf of Mexico.

Amazingly, in just four or five years, the combination of technology and cost efficiency have made the deeper water Gulf an attractive place to invest. This is true without royalty relief, but a savings of 5 to 15 percent in costs (royalty) will only add to the impetus to pursue projects in deeper water.

This will be good for oil companies, service companies, Texas, and for the oil industry as a whole. This will add strength to the service part of the business, as the onshore independents prepare to pursue oil in less glamorous confines. This strength is important because it will make sure some service companies still exist to service somebody.

Now, if we could only convince the President and Congress that these type of market-based incentives work for everybody, we might get them off everybody's

back and allow business people to get back to what they do best—pursue profit.

HIGHLIGHTS OF AREA DRILLING ACTIVITY COMPLETIONS

Coke County
Oryx Energy has completed two wells in the I.A.B. Unit in the I.A.B. Field (9 miles NW of Robert Lee) in the Pennsylvanian formation. The #113 potentialized at 52 BOPD & 1030 BWPD (perfs 5438-5583) and is loc. 1350 FSL & 1425 FWL of Sec. 473, Blk. 1-A, H&TC Sur., A-397. The #528 potentialized at 214 BOPD & 33 BWPD (perfs 5440-5694) and is loc. 50 FNL & 1200 FEL of Sec. 483, Blk. 1-A, H&TC Sur., A-1324.

Concho County
QuinTx Exploration has completed a plug back in the Whitehead #67 as a Wildcat, 7 miles SE of Eden at an initial rate of 45 BOPD & 55 BWPD in the Cook (perfs 1072-77). Loc. is 230 FSL & 1690 FWL of Sec. 2117, Blk. 72, T&N Sur., A-1891.

Nolan County
Oryx Energy has completed the Southwest Nena Lucia Unit #4818 in the Nena Lucia Field (12 miles SW of Maryneal) at an initial rate of 180 BOPD & 1368 BWPD in the Strawn Reef (perfs 6917-7000). Loc. is 500 FEL & 1400 FSL of Sec. 87, Blk. 1A, H&TC Sur., A-43.

Pecos Valley Management has completed the L. Monroe #2 in the South Lake Trammel Field (10 miles E of Roscoe) at an initial rate of 56 BOPD & 5 BWPD in the Canyon formation (perfs 5241-5323). Loc. is 467 FEL & 467 FSL of Sec. 32, Blk. X, T&PRR Sur., A-1442.

Robertson Resources has completed two plug backs in the Group Field (4 miles SE of Maryneal). The J. Cochran #1 potentialized at 38 BOPD & 165 BWPD in the Massive formation (perfs 4100-04) and is loc. 1980 FNL & 660 FEL of Sec. 72, Blk. 1-A, H&TC Sur., A-1342. The J. Cochran #8A potentialized at 2 BOPD & 150 BWPD in the Massive (perfs 4118-25) and is loc. 760 FNL & 1980 FEL of same Sur.

Taylor County
D-Bar Leasing has completed the Sayles #3 in the County Regular Field (5 miles SW of Buffalo Gap) at an initial rate of 9 BOPD & 3 BWPD in the Flippen Sand (perfs 2557-60). Loc. is 898 FNL & 1093 FNL of J. Trussell Sur., No. 341.

Principal Oil has completed the Shaffer #2 in the Herber Field (5 miles NW of Bradshaw) at an initial rate of 76 BOPD in the Gray Sand (perfs 4741-58). Loc. is 330 FEL & 1476 FSL of Sec. 506, R. Triplett Sur., A-329.

Schlake Brothers Operating has completed the Hughes #1 in the Catclaw Field (in the City of Abilene) at an initial rate of 11 BOPD & 35 BWPD in the Tannehill (perfs 1845-49). Loc. is 1260 FSL & 26 FEL of Lot 5, J. Shipman Sur., No. 85, A-231.

Tom Green County
Lavanco Energy has completed the O. Sparks #3 in the Halfman Field (12 miles SE of San Angelo) at an initial rate of 73 BOPD & 66 BWPD in the Strawn

(perfs 4652-4705). Loc. is 467 FNL & 2640 FWL of Sec. 166, Blk. 11, SPRR Sur., A-7229.

STAKINGS

Callahan County
HOFCO, Inc. has staked the Harris #1 in the County Regular Field, 10 miles NW of Cross Plains (Depth 1999). Loc. is 5850 FNL & 1500 FSL of Sec. 221, J.H. Pickens Sur., A-282.

Coke County
DDC Energy Corporation has staked the McGlothlin #1-A in the Nipple Peak Field, 3 miles S of Blackwell (Depth 6600). Loc. is 596 FSL & 776 FWL of Sec. 282, Blk. 1-A, H&TC Sur.
Heart Land Petroleum has staked the CMT #3 in the Suggs Field, 6 miles SW of Blackwell (Depth 6500). Loc. is 1980 FNL & 1980 FEL of Sec. 278, Blk. 1-A, H&TC Sur.

Coleman County
All Points Energy has staked two wells in the Rockwood Field, 2 miles NE of Rockwood (Depth 1450). The J. McCreary #2 is loc. 10700 FEL & 650 FNL of B. Alderata Sur. No. 275, A-1. The R. Schulze #2 is loc. 1889 FSL & 2775 FEL of J.S. Martin Sur. No. 217, A-490.

Caddo Operating has staked the Taylor Motor Company #17-D in the County Regular Field, 3 miles W of Trickham (Depth 1900). Loc. is 1000 FNL & 1850 FEL of E. Votaw Sur. No. 224, A-674.

Concho County
Cabana Oil has staked the R. Jacoby #2 as a Wildcat, 11 miles E of Eden (Depth 1800). Loc. is 1100 FNL & 330 FEL of Sec. 1763, Blk. 70, H&TC Sur., A-596.

QuinTx Exploration has applied to plug back the Whitehead #67 as a Wildcat, 7 miles SW of Eden (Depth 1190). Loc. is 230 FSL & 1690 FWL of J. Callan Sur. No. 2117, A-1891.

H.R. Sullivan has staked the Beck-F-#4901 as a Wildcat, 8 miles SE of Vick (Depth 4999). Loc. is 20 FSL & 330 FEL of Sec. 49, Blk. 9, H&TC Sur., A-444.

Nolan County
Clear Fork has staked the Patterson #1 as a Wildcat, 8 miles SE of Maryneal (Depth 7100). Loc. is 2581 FNL & 2570 FNL of Sec. 21, Blk. 1-A, H&TC Sur.

Lavanco Energy, Inc. has staked two wells in the South Lake Trammel Field, 4 miles N of Maryneal (Depth 5500). The South Lake Trammel Unit #58 is loc. 1796 FNL & 600 FNL of Sec. 76, Blk. X, T&PRR Sur. The #59 is loc. 1796 FNL & 600 FNL of Sec. 31, Blk. X, T&PRR Sur.

Oryx Energy has staked ten wells in the Southwest Nena Lucia Unit in the Nena Lucia Field, 10 miles SW of Maryneal (Depth 7500). The #1703 is loc. 100 FSL & 2150 FWL of Sec. 125, Blk. 1-A, H&TC Sur. The #2106 is loc. 1100 FSL & 300 FWL of Sec. 91, Blk. 1-A, same Sur. The #2206 is loc. 2450 FEL & 200 FSL of same Sec. The #2317 is loc. 155 FSL & 246 FWL of Sec. 92, same Sur. The #2318 is loc. 1170 FSL & 990 FWL of same Sec. The #3123 is loc. 2351 FEL & 2529 FSL of Sec. 86, same Sur. The #3126 is loc. 50 FNL & 100 FNL of same Sec. The #3827 (WIV) is loc. 1400 FEL & 1000 FSL of Sec. 88, same Sur. The #4005 is loc. 500 FEL & 2500 FSL of Sec. 87, same Sur. The #4820 is loc. 700 FEL & 2550 FSL of same Sec.

Tucker Drilling has staked the B. Harris-T-#6 in the South Lake Trammel Field, 3 miles NE of Marneal (Depth 5700). Loc. is 1550 FNL & 467 FWL of Sec. 75, Blk. X, T&PRR Sur., A-488.

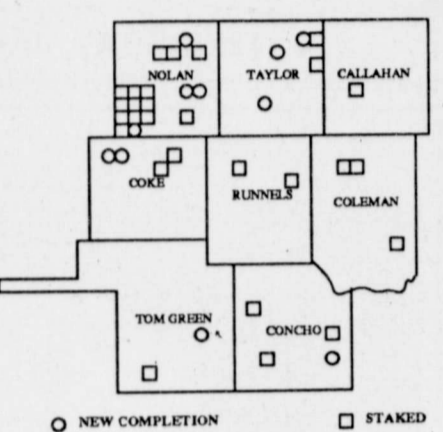
Runnels County
EDCO Petroleum has staked the Brown #1 in the West Dorman Field, 2 miles SE of Wilmeth (Depth 4800). Loc. is 330 FNL & 1100 FSWL of R. Maltsby Sur. Rule 36.

Pioneer Energy has staked the D. Gotschalk #1 as a horizontal well in the Heritage Field, 11 miles SE of Winters (Depth 4800). Surf. loc. is 3270 FNL & 100 FNL of A & W Sur. No. 262, A-2.

Taylor County
Centaur Petroleum Corp. has applied to re-enter the Lewis #1 as a Wildcat, 4 miles E of Abilene (Depth 4000). Loc. is 1320 FSL & 1320 FWL of Sec. 19, BAL Sur., A-979.

J.F. Hood has staked the Downing #1 in the County Regular Field, 2 miles SE of Potosi (Depth 2000). Loc. is 1223 FNL & 2490 FNL of Lot 50, TE&L Sur., A-1078.

Tom Green County
B.A. Wilbanks Co. has staked the I. Mae #1 in the South Mount Susan Field, 3 miles SE of Christoval (Depth 5400). Loc. is 1263 FNL & 1910 FEL of Sec. 67, S. Fitzgerald Sur., A-186.



Immunization Clinic Jan. 4

The Texas Department of Health will hold an Immunization Clinic on Thursday, January 4, 1996, from 9:30 a.m.-12:00 noon and 1:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m. Location is in the Professional Building, Suite 108, on Grant Street Entry. For more information, call 754-4945 between the hours of 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Monday-Friday.

Senior Citizens Activity Center Menu

Jan. 8 thru Jan. 12

Subject to change

Monday, Jan. 8: Goulash, whole carrots, beets, cornbread, and chocolate pudding.

Wednesday, Jan. 10: Roast & gravy, mashed potatoes, Italian green beans, rolls, and Mexican wedding cake.

Friday, Jan. 12: Meatloaf, mixed greens, black-eyed peas, cornbread, and cobbler.

Sales increase for Runnels County

As reported in December, 1995, by the office of State Comptroller John Sharp, gross sales for Runnels County increased 7.6 percent for the second quarter of 1995. Sales for the second quarter of this year totaled \$64,852,753 as compared to \$60,271,963 for the same period in 1994. Use tax purchases include \$150,602 while \$13,487,395 is subject to state sales and use tax. For the second quarter, there were 289 reporting outlets in Runnels County in 1995 and 277 in 1994.

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Obituaries

Reverend John E. Hoorman, C.P.P.S.



WINTERS—Reverend John E. Hoorman, C.P.P.S., 79, passed from this life on December 30, 1995, after a lengthy illness. He was a retired pastor of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church in Winters.

John Edward Hoorman was born on January 31, 1910, in Glynwood, Ohio. He was the twelfth of thirteen children born to Ferdinand and Thersia Hoorman. Six of the Hoorman children entered the ministry of the Catholic Church, either as

priests or religious sisters.

He entered the Society of the Precious Blood, a Catholic religious congregation of priests and brothers, in 1930, and received his undergraduate studies and graduate theological education at the following seminaries: St. Mary's, Burkertsville, Ohio; Brunnerdale Seminary, Canton, Ohio; St. Joseph's Collegeville, Ohio; and St. Charles Major Seminary, Carthage, Ohio. He was ordained to the Catholic Priesthood on March 8, 1942, at Carthage.

From 1942 to 1947, Father Hoorman served as assistant pastor at St. Martin's Parish in Detroit.

In 1948, he was sent as a missionary to Chile, where he served until 1959. His missionary assignments included being a hospital chaplain in Santiago and a pastor in both Santiago and Rio Negro.

In 1959, Father Hoorman became a member of the Precious Blood Mission Band, a group of priests who travel around the country preaching and giving parish missions. He remained in this work until 1963.

From 1963 to 1971, he was pastor of Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Hosmer, South Dakota.

He came to Texas in 1971, as pastor of St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Rotan, and was appointed pastor of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church in Winters in 1981. He retired from the active ministry in 1995 because of his failing health.

Father Hoorman is a well-known figure in the Winters, Texas, community, respected for his community involvement, and especially for his frequent visits to all the sick of the community, regardless of their religious affiliation.

Survivors include his sister, Mrs. Marvin Oen of St. Mary's, Ohio, and numerous nieces and nephews.

A rosary vigil service was held on Tuesday, January 2, 1996, at 7:00 p.m. at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church in Winters, led by Father Mike Goode, C.P.P.S., pastor of St. Mary's Catholic Church in San Angelo.

Funeral mass for Father Hoorman was held Wednesday, January 3, at 2:00 p.m. at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church in Winters. The Most Reverend Michael D. Pfeifer, OMI, Bishop of the Catholic Diocese of San Angelo, was the Principal Celebrant. Father Mark Miller, C.P.P.S., Provincial Superior of the Precious Blood Fathers, delivered the Homily. Burial will be in the Precious Blood Community Cemetery in Carthage, Ohio, on Tuesday, January 9. Arrangements were directed by Winters Funeral Home.

Johnny Weems

WINTERS—Johnny Weems, 65, died Monday morning, January 1, 1996, at his residence.

He was born on August 17, 1930, in Winnsboro, Texas, and came to Winters in the early 1950s. He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean Conflict. He married Joyce Thomas on July 1, 1957, in Carsbad, New Mexico.

Mr. Weems owned and operated Johnny's Shell Station from 1968 until his retirement in 1990.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Marla Daniels.

Survivors include his wife, Joyce Weems of Winters; one son and daughter-in-law, Buddy and Patricia Weems of Burleson; one daughter and son-in-law, Shanna and Rene Garcia of Winters; two brothers, Floyd Weems and Elwood Weems, both of Winnsboro; six grandchildren, Johanna Young of Stephenville, Andy Daniels of Ennis, Kelsea and Kolton Garcia of Winters, and Chase and John Weems of Burleson.

Services were held at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, January 3, at the First Baptist Church in Winters with Reverend Glenn Shoemaker officiating. Burial was in Lakeview Cemetery, directed by Winters Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were Calvin Laird, Jim Prine, Donald Prine, Don King, Wayne Turner, John Magee, Johnnie Wilson, and Chilton Brown.

Memorials may be made to the First Baptist Church or Hospice of Abilene.

Josie Faye Boswell

BALLINGER—Josie Faye Boswell, 89, passed away on Monday, December 25, 1995, at Ballinger Memorial Hospital.

She was born on September 27, 1906, in Merkel and married Oscar Boswell on March 17, 1935, in Fort Worth.

Mrs. Boswell was a homemaker and had attended the First Christian Church in Ballinger.

She was preceded in death by her husband on May 31, 1965.

Survivors include one son, Jack Keel of Plano; one sister, Billie Wilkey of Ballinger; and five grandchildren.

Family visitation was held from 7 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, December 26, at Rains-Seale Funeral Home. Services were held at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, December 27, at the Rains-Seale Funeral Chapel with Reverend Winford Gore officiating.

Alton (Pat) Patterson

BALLINGER—Alton (Pat) Patterson, 65, passed away early Tuesday morning, December 19, 1995, at his residence.

He was born on February 18, 1930, in Ballinger. He graduated from Ballinger High School in 1948 and attended McMurry College where he was a member of the Indian football team for 4 years. He graduated from McMurry in 1952. He married Ann Agnew on November 20, 1951, in Hamlin.

Mr. Patterson retired from teaching in 1984 after 32 years and started farming and ranching.

Survivors include his wife, Ann Patterson of Ballinger; a son, Dr. John Patterson and his wife T.J. of Lufkin and their children, Trent and Jill Patterson; his parents, Marvin and Ada Patterson of Ballinger; and a sister, Wanda Harding and her husband T.H. of Ballinger.

Services were held at 2 p.m. on Thursday, December 21, at the First Baptist Church in Ballinger with Reverend Jerry Howe and Reverend Ferris Akins officiating. Burial was in the Garden of Memories, directed by Rains-Seale Funeral Home.

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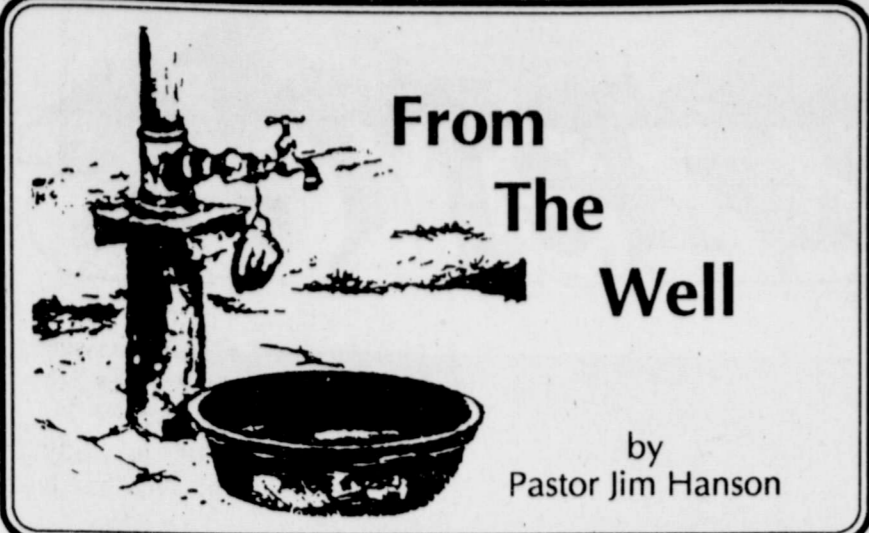
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From The Well

by Pastor Jim Hanson

The Christmas tree is trimmed and lighted. The cards have been sent. Some of the packages are under the tree. It's dark outside. And still. Peace has descended on country and town. It must be a little like Bethlehem, this little town of ours. Just like most little towns in rural America this time of the year. It's the quiet and the peace.

Our age is a nervous and noisy one. Quite a few years ago the Saturday Evening Post published a poem. My dad used it often. I saw it again the other day.

"This is the age of the half read page;
And the quick hash, and the mad dash;
The bright night, with the nerves tight;
The plane hop, with the brief stop;
The lamp tan, in a short span;
The big shot, in a good spot;
And the brain strain, and the heart pain;
And the cat naps, 'til the spring snaps;
And the fun's done."

The mad dash. Sound like your life? The pace isn't getting any slower out there. And, like the wag who wrote, "The hurrier I go, the behinder I get," things pile up. In our house it's paper. Articles, stories, letters, magazines, reports, paper on every flat surface. I can't blame Ramona. It's not her stuff! It's mine. I told her several times that when I die and they lower the casket into the grave, "don't let them pour the dirt on. Just have them shovel in the paper I've been buried under much of my life!"

Oh how I need Christmas! How grateful I am for the reminders that come, especially the "peace carols" — like

"Silent Night, holy night, all is calm, all is bright,
'Round yon virgin, mother and child,
Holy infant so tender and mild,
Sleep in heavenly peace. Sleep in heavenly peace."

If we could just get people everywhere in the world, on Christmas Eve, to light a candle, and, at a given moment, to sing that carol, all three stanzas, I truly believe it would be the Second Coming of Christ. Not as a bomb. But in silence. And, in peace.

Another special one is "O little town of Bethlehem." Especially verse three.

"How silently, how silently the wondrous gift is given!
So God imparts to human hearts the blessings of his heaven.
No ear may hear his coming; but, in this world of sin,
Where meek souls will receive him, still the dear Christ enters in."
The silence. The stillness. It is in the silence and the stillness that the Prince comes in. And the peace is the sign of his presence.

So, in this crazy, mad, noisy, rushing world, it doesn't help to complain. In fact, the first step toward peace and serenity is simple. "Stop complaining." Simple. But not so easy. But it can be done.

And, after stopping. And having sat yourself down, take a deep breath. Sigh. Do it several times. Still yourself. Stop twitching and wiggling. Speak peace to your body and your soul. Say "hush, be still" to yourself. Listen for the whirr of angels' wings. Hear the silence, and let it penetrate your soul like the Spirit penetrated Mary. And, in that moment, let love be born inside of you. It comes with the peace. Receive the gift of the indwelling presence of God. Invite Him in. You will be blessed. And you will be a blessing. And Christmas will be for you what God has always intended it to be, an experience of His Presence in your life. His Presence is the present. "Where meek folks will receive Him still the dear Christ enters in."

Senior Citizens Nursing Home Employee of the Quarter



Arlene McKinney, LVN

Mrs. Arlene McKinney, LVN, has been named Employee of the Quarter at the Senior Citizens Nursing Home by the Family Group.

She has been employed in Winters at the Senior Citizens Nurs-

ing Home since July, 1995, and has worked there previously.

Ms. McKinney received her certification in 1985 from Cisco Jr. College at the Ballinger-Coleman extension. She has been employed in the past at Cantabury Villa in Ballinger and the Bronte nursing homes.

She said, "I love nursing and like to do things for the patients that makes differences or that makes them feel good about themselves and happy. I really do not like to give shots."

She is married to Phil McKinney. They make their home in Bronte, and have three children: a son, Mac, who is in the Coast Guard and is stationed in Corpus Christi; a daughter, Betsy, who resides in Illinois; and the youngest daughter, Christy, who is a pre-med student at Texas Tech. Arlene has three grandchildren.

The Family Group wishes to express their appreciation for Arlene's "tender loving care" of the patients at the Senior Citizens Nursing Home.

Runnels County Crimestoppers

On December 23, 1995, a 1979 white Chrysler 2-door car was burglarized and vandalized. The car was located approximately 4 miles east of Winters on FM 1770.

Person or persons involved in the incident shot at the vehicle with a shotgun and .22 caliber pistol or rifle, causing extensive damage to the vehicle.

Crimestoppers will pay up to \$1,000 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons involved in the crime.

Anyone with information, please call the Runnels County Sheriff's Department at 915/365-2121. Your identity will remain anonymous.

Card of Thanks

We would like to say a sincere THANK YOU to everyone in the Winters area who helped make our daughter Brigid's wedding to Brandon Boles the beautiful event that it was.

Having a wedding 2,000 miles from home could be very difficult, but thanks to the hospitality, work, and support of so many we felt right at home as did our family and friends from all over the states and abroad.

Thank you to Mary Ellen at Flowers Etc. for the beautiful flowers and the lovely reception she set up for us. To members of the house party: Brenda Briley, Kei Antilley, Jennifer Matthews, Brenna Mikeska, Brenda Burton, Susan Ripple, Cheryl Bryan, and Susan Hamilton for all their work.

To Susan Conner, your music was beautiful!

To Bahlman Jewelers for the jewelry provided for the bridal party.

To the Tea Room in Ballinger for the delicious bridesmaid luncheon.

To The Shed for the wonderful post wedding BBQ, which all we out-of-towners enjoyed so much.

Most of all Thank You to the members of Brandon's family who took us all into their homes and hearts. All of you made this a time we will treasure forever.

Thanks again to everyone we met in Winters for making us so welcome.

God bless and keep Ya'll

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Obituaries

Ralph H. Schwartz

DALLAS—Ralph H. Schwartz, 61, died Thursday, December 21, 1995, in Dallas.

He was born January 12, 1934, and grew up in the Crews area, graduating from Talpa High School in 1952. He attended the University of Texas at Austin and had been employed by Texas Instruments in Dallas for 36 years. He was a member of Lockwood Baptist Church in Dallas.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Lanny Schwartz, and a sister, Joyce Potete.

Survivors include his wife, Estelle Schwartz of Dallas; two stepdaughters and sons-in-law, Patricia and Don Merliss and Ellen and Bobby Kennon, all of Center; eight sisters, Jennie M. Lee of Abilene, Doretta W. Gerhart of Lometa, Alta Mae Belfiore of Port Arthur, Arlene F. Boles of Winters, Waldene W. Walpole of Monroe, La., Martha Lee Standlee of Smithville, Phyllis E. Fulton of Odessa, and Nancy D. Allison of El Paso; four brothers, Walter H. Schwartz Jr. and Donald Ray Schwartz, both of Odessa, Hartwell W. Schwartz of Comanche, and Jimmy E. Schwartz of Coleman; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Saturday, December 23, at Sparkman/ Crane Funeral Home Chapel in Dallas with Ralph Noack of Dallas officiating. Graveside services were held Tuesday, December 26, at Oak Lawn Memorial Park in Center, Texas.

Grady R. Poe

BALMORHEA—Grady R. Poe, 79, formerly of Winters, passed away on Wednesday, December 27, 1995, in Baker-Brame Skilled Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in San Angelo.

He was born on December 15, 1916, in Winters. He spent most of his young life in Winters, graduating from Winters High School, then attended McMurry College in Abilene.

Mr. Poe was an Army Air Force veteran of World War II, serving from 1940 through 1945. While stationed at Pecos, he met and later married Christene Moore of Balmorhea. He farmed in Balmorhea from 1946 to the early 1980s. After retiring from farming, he worked as a bookkeeper for several years at the Balmorhea feeders. He was a Methodist and had worked for years to bring men of other faiths together for a fellowship breakfast twice a month at his church in Balmorhea.

He was preceded in death by his wife; his parents, Willie J. Poe and Edna Nannie Maddox Poe; and an older brother, Richard W. Poe. Mr. Poe took his brother's young son, Vance (age 10), and raised him as a son.

Survivors include one son, Grady R. "Butch" Poe Jr. and wife Debbie of Sanderson; two daughters, Cora Edna McDonald and husband Herschell of Victoria, and Alberta Scull of Victoria; a nephew, Vance A. Poe and wife Charlotte of Beaumont; and one sister, Eva Lou O'Rear and husband Odes of San Angelo, with whom Mr. Poe had spent a lot of time since 1991. He had 10 grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

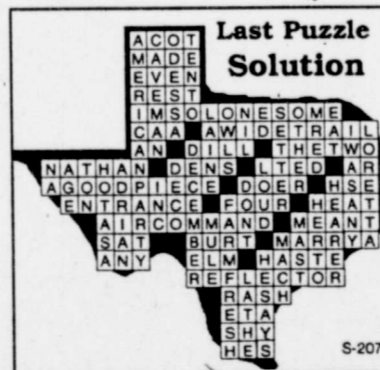
Services were held at 2 p.m. on Saturday, December 30, at the Baptist Church in Balmorhea with Pastor Daryl Evans officiating. Burial was in the Balmorhea Cemetery, directed by Pecos Funeral Home.

Victor Castillo receives marine assignment to Dallas, Texas

Marine Staff Sgt. Victor G. Castillo, son of Benito D. and Chemincia G. Castillo, both of Winters, recently reported for duty at Marine Corps Recruiting Station, Dallas.

Castillo's new assignment is an example of how Navy and Marine Corps men and women are assigned to ships, squadrons, and shore commands around the world. Whether serving in the Persian Gulf near Iraq or in the Adriatic Sea near Bosnia, people like Castillo are making a difference as they work to improve their knowledge and skill as part of the most highly technical naval force in history.

The 1981 graduate of Winters High School joined the Marine Corps in June, 1981.



Card of Thanks

We want to say a great big "Thank You" to everyone who came to help when our pasture caught fire on Christmas Day. A special thanks to Winters, Wingate, and Elm Creek Volunteer Fire Departments for their special care. We really appreciate all of you! Thanks again.

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ACROSS

- Bowie crossed the line on this (2 wds.)
- Texoma is largest man- TX lake
- TXism: "a few bricks of a load" (slow)
- TXism: "beats ___ thing I ever saw"
- Dallas street where JFK was shot in '63
- TXism: "makes waste"
- McDonald Observatory has a ___ telescope
- TXism: "he blazes ___" (large)
- TXism: "costs ___ arm and a leg"
- Tex-Mex program: ___ Nation Vacation
- TX London's role on "I'll Fly Away" rattlesnake hibernating caves
- TX Freeman "One Life to Live" character: ___ Hall
- TX "Cowpoke" artist Reid (init.)
- TXism: "down the road ___" (quite a distance)
- TXism: "a real go getter"
- sports network of TX-made "Terms of Endearment"
- doorway ___ for TX"
- video: "Nolan Ryan: Feel the ___"
- Carswell AFB once had a unit of the Strategic ___
- intended
- bath night (abbr.)
- pitcher from TX, Hooton
- "Deep in the Heart of TX" was performed in "How to ___ Millionaire"
- TXism: "beats ___ thing I ever saw"
- Dallas street where JFK was shot in '63
- TXism: "makes waste"
- McDonald Observatory has a ___ telescope
- skin blotch
- Love Field arrival guess
- TXism: "a few bricks of a load" (slow)
- TXism: "___ lying through his teeth"
- TXism: "six of one, half dozen of the ___"
- TV's talking horse
- TX rancher slogan: ___ More Beef"
- TXism: "I ___ better I couldn't stand it"
- TX Sissy played this Lynn in "Coal Miner's Daughter"
- month TX was admitted into U.S.
- Sha Na ___
- TXism: "a coon's ___"
- San Jacinto Monument has 220-___ star on top
- Waco religious pub.: Word, ___
- Tex Ritter's "Life Gets Teejus ___ It"
- user of ears
- describing recently laid eggs (2 wds.)
- TX Tierney's "Leave Heaven"
- ___ shoe, TX
- Oliver ___
- Matson won silver in '52 Olympics
- art ___
- TXism: "___ enough to wake the dead"
- TX carpenter's tool
- 41 sail support
- 44 jet speed
- 47 TXism: "if ___ giddyup, you better go!" (mean hombre)
- 49 TX carpenter's tool

Solutions for this puzzle appear in this issue.

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Pre-K, K students tour North Runnels Hospital, display Christmas artwork

North Runnels Hospital hosted Open House for Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten students on Friday, December 15. Children sang Christmas carols and then toured the facility.

Artwork in the forms of reindeer, Santa Claus, and bells which were handmade by the youngsters was displayed. A list of the top three places for each class follows:

Mrs. Tekell (reindeer)

1. Cody Johnson
2. Christine Guerrero
3. Adriana Rodriguez

Mrs. Davis (Santa Claus)

1. Daniel Lopez
2. Lillian Garcia
3. Jason Sherman

Mrs. Butler (reindeer)

1. Catty Kitchen
2. Matthew Lujano
3. Sarah Rodriguez

Mrs. Bryan (morning bells)

1. Daniel Jacquez
2. Celisha Jackson
3. Teddy Sanchez

Mrs. Bryan (afternoon bells)

1. Elena Valdez
2. Krystal Perry
3. Marie Perez.



WINTERS ELEMENTARY SELECT CHOIR, comprised of 85 talented students, performed for various clubs, organizations and functions during the holiday season. The choir is directed by Fran Kidwell, assisted by Joanie Prado.



On any given day, 71 percent of Americans read a newspaper.



WHAT A HONKER! Terry Wyatt, elementary principal (complete with big red nose, noise honker and antlers), took his job seriously as "Rudolph" during a Christmas presentation by the Select Choir.

Winters ISD public meeting to discuss 1994-'95 AEIS Report

The public is invited to a meeting for the discussion and dissemination of the Winters ISD Academic Excellence Indicator System (AEIS) Report for the 1994-1995 school year.

The AEIS Report from the Texas Education Agency includes a district summary and campus performances on the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS) for grades 3-8 and 10, as well as a descriptive section for the district on students, staff, finances, and programs.

The meeting will be held at the Administration Building/Tax Office on Monday, January 8, 1996, at 7:30 p.m. at the monthly School Board meeting.

CAFETERIA MENU

- Jan. 8 - Jan. 12
Subject to change
- Breakfast**
Monday-Jan. 8
Doughnut
Toast
Cereal
Orange Jucie
Tuesday-Jan. 9
Muffins
Oatmeal
Cereal
Applesauce
Wednesday-Jan. 10
Breakfast Pizza
Cereal
Toast
Apple Juice
Thursday-Jan. 11
Toast & Jelly
Cream of Wheat
Cereal
Orange Juice
Friday-Jan. 12
School Holiday
- Lunch**
Monday-Jan. 8
Pizza
Corn
Carrot & Celery Sticks w/Dip
Pear Halves
Tuesday-Jan. 9
Chicken Nuggets
Creamed Potatoes
English Peas
Hot Roll
Chocolate Cake
Wednesday-Jan. 10
Chalupa
Tossed Salad
Combread
Peaches
Thursday-Jan. 11
Lasagna
California Vegetables
Hot Roll
Pineapple Jello
Friday-Jan. 12
School Holiday
- All meals served with milk



BLIZZARD BAND HONOREES named at the recent Christmas concert are Erika Vega, Band Sweetheart, and George Villarreal, Band Beau. Erika plays a clarinet and George plays the trumpet. Both students are WHS seniors.

Ever Wonder How . . .

the dollar sign (\$) became the symbol for United States money?

The dollar sign (\$) is said to have begun as a combination of the letters "U.S." People would write the letter "U" over the letter "S" in front of a number to let others know that they were talking about United States money. Eventually, this practice was modified, and the letter "U" was shortened to two straight vertical lines placed over the letter "S."

Source: The Goodman Financial Corporation
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Girl Scouts begin cookie sales Friday

Kick-off day for the annual Girl Scout cookie sale is Friday, January 5. The girls will be taking orders until January 22. This is the only time this year you will have a chance to get your order in for America's most rewarding cookies — the cookies that make dreams come true.

Remember that in buying Girl Scout cookies, you'll receive a great snack while helping the Girl Scouts to pay their own way.

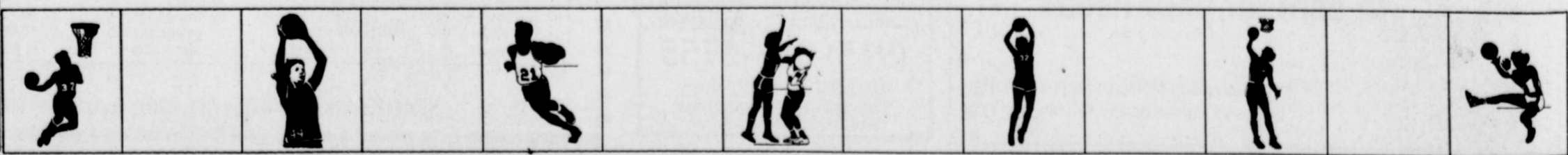
Proceeds from the sale help to provide year-round troop activities, maintain Girl Scout properties, help girls attend summer camp, acquire handbooks and uniforms, and provide on-going support services to troops.

Remember, you have just a short time — from January 5 to January 22 — to order Girl Scout cookies. There are eight varieties of cookies at \$2.50 per box, the same price as last year. Orders will be delivered between February 15 and March 4, and payment for cookies should not be made until you receive your cookies.

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1995-96 Junior Varsity Lady Blizzards



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 Middle: Brooke Tounget, Tammy Thorpe, Debbie Baize, Amanda Cross, and Misty Pritchard
 Back: Coach Deb Whittenburg, Kourtney Cathey, Alison Wells, Desiree Mathis, Karen Oats, and Monica Parramore

Athletic Boosters to meet Jan. 4

The Athletic Booster Club will meet Thursday, January 4, 1996, in the Blizzard field house at 7:00 p.m. All members are urged to attend.

Basketball '95

Catch the Action

Jan. 4-6—Miles J.V. Tourn., TBA, There, JVG, FB
 Jan. 4-6—Blackwell Tourn., TBA, There, 7G, 7B
 Jan. 5—Miles, 4 p.m., Here, VG, VB, JVG, JVB
 Jan. 8—Wylie, 7 p.m., Here, FB
 Jan. 9—Stanton*, 5 p.m., There, VG, VB, JVG, JVB

VG Varsity Girls VB Varsity Boys
 JVG Junior Varsity Girls JVB Junior Varsity Boys
 FB Freshmen Boys
 8B 8th Boys 8G 8th Girls
 7B 7th Boys 7G 7th Girls
 *Denotes District Games

In the event of inclement weather, Winters Independent School District will announce late starts or closings in association with the following stations:

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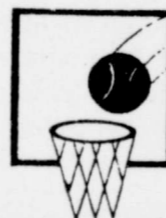
Jana Lee Welch recognized at UT commencement

Jana Lee Welch of Winters was among 393 degree candidates recognized in The University of Texas at Tyler summer commencement ceremonies Dec. 15. Welch was a candidate for a B.S. in interdisciplinary studies. President George F. Hamm gave the commencement address and conferred degrees. Presentation of degree candidates was by Dr. W.A. Baker, vice president for academic affairs, by representatives of each of the university's four schools: Dr. Jim Tarter, dean, School of Business Administration; Dr. Milford Clark, dean, School of Education and Psychology; Dr. Stephen R. Lefevre, dean, School of Liberal Arts; Dr. L. Lynn Sherrod, dean, School of Sciences and Mathematics; and by Dr. Marian Rowe, associate professor, Division of Nursing.

Florette Reven named to 1996 Who's Who

Florette Reven of Winters was among 85 East State University students to be named to Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges. To be selected, students must be involved in campus and community activities. Undergraduate students must have at least a 2.75 grade point average and graduate students are required to have a 3.0 GPA. Ms. Reven will be included in the 1996 Who's Who directory which will feature students from more than 1,800 colleges and universities in the United States and several foreign countries. She is a graduate secondary and higher education major and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James J. Jones of Winters.

Basketball Hoopla



Team: Varsity Boys Coach: Ed Henley
 Opponent: Bowie Date: December 28, 1995
 Place: Archer City

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER

	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN.
WINTERS	11	10	10	22		53
OPPONENT	29	13	19	18		79

Free throws made:

Players Name	Points	Rebounds	Steals	Assists
John Paul Belew	11	5	6	2
John Biddix	12	5	5	6
Kevin Conner*	15	6	4	3
Adam Cruz	9	1	1	0
Mark Deike	2	7	1	6
Josh Grohman	2	1	0	0
Michael Mostad	0	1	0	0
Bear Nitsch		Injured		
Chris Soto	0	0	1	1
Jose Vega	2	0	0	0
Kenny Whittenburg	0	1	0	0

*Denotes high point individual for Winters
 Coach's comments: Bowie shot 13 for 15 in the first quarter. Kids showed a lot of grit and played pretty even the rest of the way.

Team: Varsity Boys Coach: Ed Henley
 Opponent: Crowell Date: December 30, 1995
 Place: Archer City

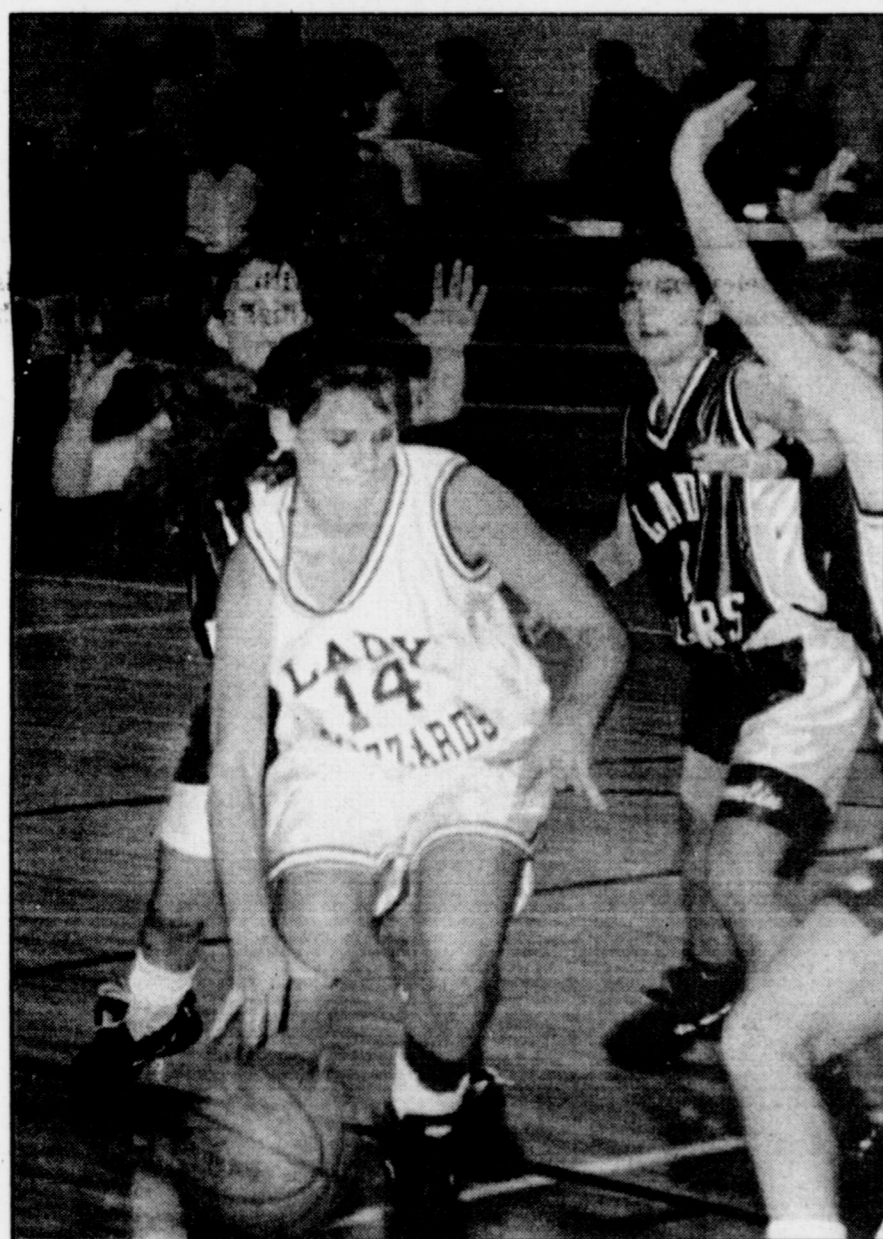
POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER

	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN.
WINTERS	14	22	17	15		68
OPPONENT	11	14	6	20		51

Free throws made:

Players Name	Points	Rebounds	Steals	Assists
John Paul Belew*	16	15	8	3
John Biddix	15	4	5	15
Kevin Conner	12	6	13	4
Adam Cruz	2	2	7	3
Mark Deike	6	2	3	3
Josh Grohman	7	4	1	1
Michael Mostad	3	3	1	3
Bear Nitsch		Injured		
Chris Soto	2	1	3	1
Jose Vega	1	0	0	0
Kenny Whittenburg	4	2	1	0

*Denotes high point individual for Winters
 Coach's comments: Good closing effort to win the consolation trophy.



RACHEL EDWARDS #14 dribbles through the traffic during varsity action for the Lady Blizzards.

Team: Varsity Boys Coach: Ed Henley
 Opponent: Holliday Date: December 29, 1995
 Place: Archer City

POINTS SCORED EACH QUARTER

	1	2	3	4	OT	FIN.
WINTERS	17	12	17	14		60
OPPONENT	8	13	14	11		46

Free throws made:

Players Name	Points	Rebounds	Steals	Assists
John Paul Belew	12	17	2	1
John Biddix	13	4	5	5
Kevin Conner*	15	5	4	2
Adam Cruz	8	4	2	2
Mark Deike	5	4	4	1
Josh Grohman	0	1	0	0
Michael Mostad	0	1	1	1
Chris Soto	7	5	0	4
Jose Vega	0	0	0	0
Kenny Whittenburg	0	2	1	0

*Denotes high point individual for Winters
 Coach's comments: Rebounded and played well.



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Karl Vancil to seek election to office of County Attorney

Karl Vancil has announced that he will seek election in the Democratic Primary to the office of Runnels County Attorney. He officially filed for the office on December 5.

Vancil is a native of Ballinger and is a 1973 graduate of Ballinger High School. He graduated from Texas Tech University in 1978 with a degree in Animal Science and Agricultural Education. He taught vocational agriculture at Ozona High School and Bronte High School from 1978 until 1985. Receiving a law degree from Texas Tech University School of Law in 1987, Vancil has been engaged in the private practice of law since that time. He opened his law office in Ballinger in January of 1992, after spending the previous four years as an associate with the law firm of Logan, Lewis, Symes, and Keeling in San Angelo.

"I opened my own law practice from the ground up on moving back to Ballinger and understand first hand the needs and problems faced by a small business. Through my law practice, I have represented larger businesses as well as small businesses and understand the differences and needs of both.

The office of county attorney

can directly affect the welfare of the businesses and residents of Runnels County and should be filled by a person with a broad background of legal experience and understanding.

Spending seven years teaching in high school before returning to law school has allowed me to better understand the perceptions people have when dealing with the judicial system for the first time.

Runnels County desperately needs strong, consistent, and fair prosecution of the misdemeanor offenses filed in the County Court and Justice of the Peace Courts. This is one of the primary functions of the County Attorney. I have been an active criminal defense attorney in both misdemeanor and felony offenses, since 1992, and would like to have the opportunity to represent Runnels County."

Vancil is a member of the State Bar of Texas and American Bar Association. He is a member of the Agricultural Law Committee of the State Bar of Texas and is a member and director of the Texas Association of Bank Counsel.

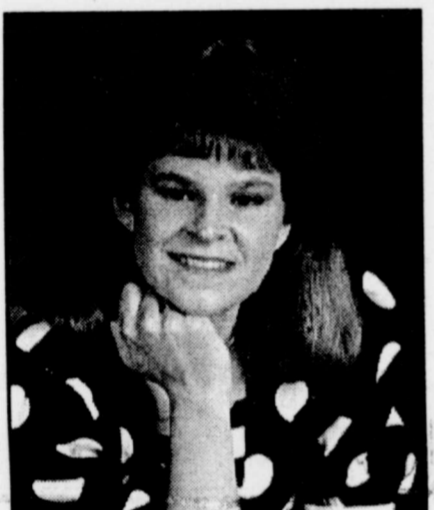
Karl Vancil has one daughter, Leigh, and they have resided in Ballinger since 1992 when he opened his law office in Ballinger.

Locals' granddaughter takes position with National Cotton Council in Memphis

Shay Lynn Simpson, daughter of Charles and Lynann Simpson of Stephenville, and granddaughter of Mrs. Charles Kruse, Jr., and Mrs. R. C. Simpson of Winters, has accepted a position with the National Cotton Council in Memphis, Tennessee.

Miss Simpson will be manager of Marketing/Processing Technologies and will travel the southern states from Florida to California to various gins, warehouses, textile mills, and oil mills to gather data and check bale packaging programs.

She received her bachelor of science degree in agricultural engineering from Texas A&M University in December, 1993, and



Shay Lynn Simpson

recently completed a master's thesis, also in agricultural engineering, at Texas A&M.

Poe's Corner

by *Charlsie Poe*



THE MASTERS HERD consists of (left to right) Nancy, Squealer (cat), Spot Dog, Chow Dog, Bill, and Thermal (cat). And of course, don't forget the cows!

Christmas letters

On reading the newspapers, I get the idea from some people's letters to Dear Abby or Ann Landers that they do not like to receive Christmas letters.

Why not? These letters are history, as they tell what happened through the year. What if some of the events sound like bragging — that is better than reciting ailments and bad luck.

Rejoice! I say "rejoice" with those who have good luck and sympathize with those who mourn.

Some of my relatives and friends write only once a year. I'm so glad to receive news from them that I keep their letters in reference.

I have a friend who writes delightful letters with her Christmas card, and she has given me permission to use it. She is Nancy (Robinson) Masters of Abilene. She is program director of the Writer's Guild and writes a column each Saturday for the *Abilene Reporter News*. Her letter follows: Ho, Ho, Ho! So, you don't want to read another boring Christmas letter?

O.K. Instead of gloating about Nancy's new children's book, (The Fabulous Flying Flag Farm), and Bill's new pickup (he won this year's Progressive Farmer/Chevy Sweepstakes!) here are some of the not-so-wonderful things that have happened to us in '95:

We bashed the Buick stationwagon into a fencepost

during an ice storm on our way to Houston, and then got our new Chevy pickup (225 total miles) bashed on our way to prayer meeting. The roadgrader blew up, we had to use drilling mud to stop the basement from turning into a swimming pool, and the Cessna 210 has just been diagnosed in terminal need of an engine transplant.

Chow Dog is going blind, the Dalmation is stone deaf, Squealer and Thermal (as in "warm fat round tubes covered with fur") have totally destroyed the dining room carpet, and our hay-guzzling heifers produced nothing but baby bulls this year.

Bill lost his tummy button through surgery, and Nancy lost a suitcase full of book sales money through stupidity. This makes her second road-trip robbery in as many years. Will she ever learn?

Some people aren't speaking to us anymore, we're expecting to be sued any day, we just got word we may be in for yet another IRS audit, and we both had to have new glasses.

We could go on, but what we really want to say is that we have never been happier or more blessed than at this very moment. Why? Because we have Jesus, the King of King and Lord of Lords, as our Savior, AND because we have you for our friend!

Happy Tails from the Masters Herd,

The Cows, Nancy, Squealer, Spot Dog, Chow Dog, Bill... AND THERMAL!

Deadline changed for solid waste grant funding projects

Due to the hectic holidays, the WCTCOG Solid Waste Task Force has changed the deadline date for grant funding for solid waste projects from January 3, 1996, to 5:00 p.m. on February 5, 1996, to give all eligible applicants ample time to complete the forms.

West Central Texas Council of Governments, in cooperation with the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission, announces availability of \$200,290 for Municipal Solid Waste Grant Funding for Fiscal Year 1996 in a 19-county region. The purpose of the program is to provide grant funding for projects to eligible entities which will provide a direct and measurable effect in four grant categories: Waste Reduction and Recycling, Local Enforcement, Household Hazardous Waste, and Other Waste Management Projects to include Citizen Collection Stations. These priorities were identified by interested citizens at a public hearing held on October 12, 1995, in the WCTCOG offices.

Requests for Proposal (RFP) packets for each of these grant categories can be obtained by responding by telephone to Aveia Morris, Waste Management Coordinator, at 915/672-8544 or by mail at P.O. Box 3195, Abilene,

TX 79604-3195. WCTCOG will make staff available to assist local entities to complete applications for funding. If there is sufficient interest, WCTCOG may consider conducting a workshop for eligible applicants, to explain in detail the procedures for submitting an application.

RFPs are due back in the WCTCOG offices by 5:00 p.m. on February 5, 1996. Copies of all project applications will be made available for public inspection during regular WCTCOG business hours for 10 working days after the deadline for application submittal and before the meeting of the solid waste advisory committee to review and rank those proposals on February 20, 1996. Project selection criteria is included in the RFP, and procedures have been established to preclude any conflict of interest by advisory committee members. The recommendations of the advisory committee will then be provided to the Executive Committee of WCTCOG on February 28, 1996, for final action. The time frame for the grant is flexible, dependent on the complexity of the project, but is not limited to be completed by August 31, 1996.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to call Alison Benton or Aveia at 915/672-8544.

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ORDER OF ELECTION

An election is hereby ordered to be held on January 20, 1996 for the purpose of:

Electing 4 Directors for Valley Creek Water Control District

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at

Home of Tommie O'Dell, Wingate, Texas

between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. beginning on January 2, 1996

and ending on January 16, 1996

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:

Tommie O'Dell
(Name of Early Voting Clerk)
Co. Road 395 #310
(Address)
Wingate, Texas 79566
(City) (Zip Code)

Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on January 8, 1996

Issued this the 18th day of DECEMBER, 19 95

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Signature of Presiding Officer

ORDEN DE ELECCION

Por la presente se ordena que se llevará a cabo una elección el January 20, 1996 con el propósito de:

Electing 4 Directors for Valley Creek Water Control District

La votación en adelantada en persona se llevará a cabo de lunes a viernes en

Home of Tommie O'Dell, Wingate, Texas

entre las 8 de la mañana y las 5 de la tarde empezando el January 2, 1996

y terminando el January 16, 1996

Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán en ausencia por correo deberán enviarse a:

Tommie O'Dell
(Nombre del Secretario de la Votación En Adelantada)
Co. Road 395 #310
(Dirección)
Wingate, Texas 79566
(Ciudad) (Zona Postal)

Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán en adelantada por correo deberán recibirse para el fin de las horas de negocio el January 8, 1996

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United States troop deployment to Bosnia

Opinion Editorial by CONGRESSMAN CHARLES STENHOLM

Like most Americans, I have opposed the deployment of U.S. troops to participate in an uncertain peace-keeping mission in Bosnia, where U.S. interests do not seem immediately apparent. In response to calls, letters, news reports, and recent votes in the House and Senate, let me state my views regarding U.S. foreign policy in Bosnia.

During the past four years, Bosnia has been the setting for the worst slaughter Europe has seen since World War II. The civil war has resulted in almost 250,000 deaths and millions of homeless refugees in the countries that made up the former Yugoslavia.

Tragically, the United Nations-sponsored arms embargo prevented the Bosnians from protecting themselves. I voted for legislation to lift the arms embargo, but I continue to believe the U.S. military should not become involved in this European civil war. Frankly, this entire situation should have been addressed by our European allies, but they could not or would not without our help.

During the Dayton peace negotiations, I supported a resolution expressing the sense of the House that a successful outcome for the Bosnia peace talks should not assume U.S. troop deployment.

Despite the grave misgivings of Democrats and Republicans alike in Congress, the president chose to exercise his Constitutional authority as Commander-in-Chief to commit U.S. forces to Bosnia in a peace-keeping mission. On December 13, both the House and Senate considered legislation regarding U.S. military involvement in Bosnia. The House passed, and I supported, a resolution expressing serious reservations

about the deployment policy, but expressing support for our troops.

I opposed an earlier resolution which would have cut off all funding to U.S. troops in the field. Having served in Congress during four different administrations, I have always tried to support, by my words and deeds, the men and women who are put in harm's way by the orders of their Commander-in-Chief. Regardless of the reservations or opposition I might have had about some of these missions, I will not have anything to do with legislation that fails to support our men and women in uniform. It is un-American, unpatriotic, and I won't be a part of it.

As for Bosnia, the United States is faced with two bad foreign policy options; 1) participating in an uncertain and un-popular mission in Bosnia, or 2) becoming increasingly isolationist in a world in which our economic well-being depends on world trade and stability. Given the fragile nature of the young East European democracies, and the increased power of Russia's communist party, our allies are concerned about stability in Central Europe. Bosnia could have an impact on the United States' future international role, particularly in the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO).

The decision has been made regarding our role, as leader of the free world, in the peace-keeping mission. It seems clear to me the Congress and the American people should now do everything necessary to ensure that our troops have the protection and support they need to fulfill their mission, and that they are returned safely to their families. We owe them no less.

Crews News

by Hilda Kurtz



Women can't make men do anything, BUT they can make them wish they had.

Happy New Year!

Hopewell Church had Mrs. Carolyn Webb and her mother, Edith Everett, as visitors on Sunday.

Dee and Sam Faubion spent Christmas with Brenda and Fred Tyree in Ballinger. On Sunday, they met the Rudy New family in Winters to enjoy dinner together.

Congratulations and best wishes to Selma and Vyron Wilkerson who made the 26th couple to be married in Hopewell Church. A reception followed in the fellowship hall.

John and Stefanie McGallian spent Sunday night with Nila and Therin Osborne. Louise came Sunday afternoon.

Visiting Carolyn Webb and Edith Everett Christmas week were sons, Gene Webb of Austin, and Jody Webb of California, and four granddaughters.

It's good to see it raining outside as I write.

The Crews Community Supper is Saturday, Jan. 6, at 6 p.m. Bring chicken or stew.

Happy belated birthday, Kenny! Tiffany Prater prepared Kenny's birthday supper Wednesday night. Kenny and Eileen Cartwright, Jeremy and Tiffany Prater spent Christmas week in Victoria with his folks and relatives.

I had my families home during the Christmas week. Hildegard, Homer, Mary and R.C., and Janice and Randall had dinner with us on Christmas day.

Marqué, Desiree, and Will Mathis spent Sunday in Abilene shopping.

Abe and Pat Giles came during the week with Leona and Charles Matthes. Leona and Charles had an early Christmas with all the family.

Attending the ladies party during Christmas week in the home of Juanita Shields were Donella Shanon, Mildred Morrison, Dee Faubion, Margie Jacob, Doris Wood, and Helen Alexander. Guests enjoyed refreshments and exchanged gifts.

Helen Alexander spent Christmas in San Antonio with relatives. On the way home, she dropped in on another sister, Lavonda, and her husband Weldon at Kerrville.

Sunday before Christmas, Mildred Morrison headed for the home of the Scott family. She enjoyed Christmas there. On Tuesday, grandson Bradley spent the day with her. On Wednesday, Mildred shared another birthday with a few friends who came by. "Many more happy birthdays, kido!"

Claudia and Jake Schwartz of San Antonio also came by to see Mildred Morrison, Maurine, Bob, and Sara Scott, along with Helen

Alexander, came Sunday to have lunch with Mildred.

Dee and Sam Faubion returned after a joyful sight seeing trip in Arkansas.

In the home of Harvey Mae and Noble Faubion on Christmas were Carolyn Kraatz, who prepared most of the dinner; Melinda and Chad Kraatz; Mary Louise Dunivan; Rodney, Brian, and Gene Faubion; Walter Pape of Santa Anna; Gladys Cotton of Ballinger; and Brad Pape.

Gene Faubion spent a week here then left for Palms, California, where he is stationed. On Saturday morning, it was learned that he was grounded at the Dallas airport due to heavy fog.

Netha and Arthur Kerby were honored on their 60th anniversary Monday in the home of daughter Linda Gottschalk near Ballinger. Helen and Jan Stovell and Mildred Morrison attended. "We congratulate you and may you have many more!" Netha and Arthur had all their family home on Christmas day.

Coleman Foreman enjoyed his Christmas day in San Angelo with sister Ila Dean Tate and her family. After church on Sunday, Coleman dined in Winters and spent the evening with Lawan in the Senior Citizens Nursing Home.

During the holidays with Dennis, Audine, and Roy McBeth were Lyndon, Varnell, and Bobby McBeth of Monahans; and Ted and Gloria McBeth of Houston.

Georgia and Connie Gibbs had all their families home during the holidays. On Sunday, Linda and Travis Ford of Rising Star spent the day with Georgia and Connie.

Spending several days with Pat and Earl Cooper were Ray and J.T. Cooper of Denver City. Granddaughter Amanda Cooper came later. Sherry Cooper came only for awhile.

Thanks to all who sent Christmas cards thanking me for the "Crews News" in *The Winters Enterprise*.

Somebody Cares Ministries children's goal of 100 reached

by BETTY TABOR, Children's Pastor

Somebody Cares Ministries set their goal for the number of boys and girls in attendance in one service at one time to 100 at the end of September. This goal was set after a goal of 60 was reached on September 20, 1995. The new goal of 100 was reached on Wednesday, December 6, 1995, with 100 children, toddler age thru grade nine. WAY TO GO BOYS AND GIRLS!!! On Wednesday, December 13, all were treated to nachos-yum! yum! (The kids even shared with the adults.) There were 114 in attendance on this night and all partook of this special treat!

During the months of October and November, we had a visitor contest in each of the four age groups. The following Wednesday night students brought the most visitors for each class and were awarded a special prize:

- Toddler Class,** Raphael Gallaway;
- Middler Class,** Ashley Santoya;
- Junior Class,** Tacarra Belk; and
- Senior Class,** Eileen Alvarado.

Somebody Cares Ministries recently purchased another bus which was desperately needed for the Wednesday night bus routes. Also an additional building has recently been added to help accommodate the rapid growth in the children's departments. SCM hopes to start on a permanent sanctuary this spring after one more addition has been added to the current facilities.

Most of the labor has been sacrificially donated by members and adherents from SCM and many of the older children have helped in numerous ways such as laying the sidewalks and helping roof and paint the buildings. Many of the teens sacrifice their Saturdays to come and help clean the buildings and also keep the yards

mowed. They seem to have realized that they are a part of this church and it is their church too! Without each and every person, regardless of age, SCM would not be here today.

All boys and girls are currently participating in earning a SCM t-shirt. All they have to do is come to 12 Wednesday night or 12 Sunday morning services from November thru February. So, come on guys and gals...EARN A T-SHIRT!!! (The adults are also able to participate.)

We would also like to take this opportunity to invite the parents and other adults who want to make a difference in the lives of the children and truly be a part of the solution to the problems in our community to come and help. We need you as we continue to reach out and more and more children continue to come.

Please feel free to come and be part of any of our services, and as always, remember that, "Somebody Cares!"

Schedule of Services	
Sunday Morning	11 a.m. Adult Services
	11 a.m. Children's Church (ages 2-6th grade)
	6 p.m. Worship
Wed. Night	7-8:30 p.m. Special Classes
Toddler Class	Age 1-4 Lysa Shipman
Middler Class	Gr. K-3 Brandy Gallaway
Junior Class	Gr. 4-6 Wynette Halford
Senior Class	Gr. 7-9 Betty Tabor
Adult Bible Study	Louis Halford

These dedicated teachers each have numerous helpers assisting them each week as some of the classes have up to 40 children.

In addition to the above regular services, there are also many other special services and activities. The bus ministry has many individuals involved in order to continue to reach out and pick up over 100 children and adults each week. Valerie Summerline has started working with the teens and has formed a choir and she ministers in special music at each service in solos as well as with the choir.

Chuck Tabor is head over the Drama Department and will be working with the teens and adults in special puppet plays and other activities. Yvonne Blackshear heads the Special Effects, choreography, and instruments and will be working with numerous youth and adults interested in learning to use their talents for the furtherance of the gospel.


Town Criers

Brett Allen Boles

Keith and Lori Boles of Lubbock are proud to announce the arrival of a son, Brett Allen, born on Wednesday, November 22, 1995, at 6:07 p.m. He weighed 6 pounds 13 ounces and was 20 1/2 inches long. Maternal grandparents are Don and Beverly Crozier of Tyler. Paternal grandparents are Roeneal and Phyllis Boles of Winters. Maternal great-grandmother is Daisy Lerdahl of Tyler. Paternal great-grandparents are Monroe and Arlene Boles of Winters.

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NOTICE OF DIRECTOR ELECTION
(AVISO DE ELECCION DIRECTOR)

To the Registered Voters of Runnels & Taylor Counties, Texas: Elm Creek Water Control District
(A los votantes registrados del Runnels & Taylor Counties Texas:) Elm Creek Water Control District

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on January 20, 1996, for voting in a general election, to elect 4 Directors.

(Notifiquese, por las presente, que las casillas electorales citadas abajo se abrirán desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 20 de January de 1996 para votar en la Elección para elect 4 Directors.)

LOCATION(S) OF POLLING PLACES
(DIRECCION(ES) DE LAS CASILLAS ELECTORALES)

Precinct 1 at Ballinger City Hall, Ballinger, Texas
Precinct 2, First Baptist Church, Bradshaw, Texas
Precinct 3, Chamber of Commerce, Winters, Texas
Precinct 4, Elm Creek Reservoir Headquarters Bldg., Winters, Texas.

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at
(La votación en adelantada en persona se llevará a cabo de lunes a viernes en)

Winters Area Chamber of Commerce, Winters, Texas
(location) (sitio)

between the hours of 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon and 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. beginning on January 2, 1996 and
(date) (fecha)

(entre las 9:00 de la mañana y las 1:00 de la tarde empezando el January 2, 1996)
Noon (fecha)

and ending on January 16, 1996
(date) (fecha)

(y terminando el January 16, 1996.)
(fecha)

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:
(Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán en ausencia por correo deberán enviarse a:)

Dawn Green
(Name of Early Voting Clerk)
(Nombre del Secretario de la Votación En Adelantada)
118 W. Dale
Chamber of Commerce Building
(Address) (Dirección)
Winters, Texas 79567
(City) (Ciudad) (Zip Code) (Zona Postal)

Recommended but not required

Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on
(Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán en ausencia por correo deberán recibirse para el fin de las horas de negocio el)

January 8, 1996
(date) (fecha)

Issued this the 12th day of December, 1995.
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Stephen and Tonya Grenwelge renew vows on their 11th wedding anniversary



Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Grenwelge and children Aaron and Crystal

In the presence of family and friends, Tonya G. Wheeler Grenwelge and Stephen Allan Grenwelge pledged their love by renewal of their wedding vows on the occasion of their 11th anniversary on Saturday, December 16, 1995, at the O.D.H.S. Hall in Rowena. The couple was originally married on December 14, 1984, at Ballinger.

Tonya is the daughter of Lois and Bob Roberts of Ballinger and Andy Wheeler of Ballinger. Stephen is the son of Charles and Ruth Grenwelge of Winters.

Served at 6:30 p.m., a barbecue meal of brisket, sausage, and all the trimmings was enjoyed by those in attendance. Ladies serving were Lucille Austin of Ballinger, Dorothy Dahmann of Ballinger, Emaline Watson of Rowena, and Vona Peck of Paint Rock.

The double ring ceremony was performed at 8:00 p.m. by Shelby Weatherford of Abilene. To signify their never ending circle of love, an anniversary band containing sapphires was given to the bride by the groom. A goldennugget style ring was given by the bride to the groom.

A country and western theme was chosen. The focal point of the hall was decorated with an archway covered by greenery with red and dark blue bandannas as

accents. A saddle was placed in the middle of the arch with bales of hay stacked on each side. Bull skulls were used as accent pieces. Spotted tea pots with yellow daisies sat on the far side hay bales. The saddle and skulls were provided by Jim Shepard and Susie Lancaster of Winters. A wooden cactus, adorned in white lights and bandannas, was at the entrance to the large room of the hall. Strings of lighted cowboy boots, cowboy hats, cacti, horses, and bull skulls were placed near the top of the two side walls. Strings of white lights brightened the center of the hall in a criss-cross fashion.

The attendants and, bride and groom together, entered to "Look At Us" by Vince Gill.

Blessings were given to the couple, along with their children, by Mr. and Mrs. Bob Roberts and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Grenwelge.

The anniversary bride wore a red flared skirt with a plaid-yoked red western shirt, completed by pearl western boots.

Her bouquet was of yellow and pink roses, small blue flowers, white daisies, and baby's breath trimmed with a dark blue bandanna gathered to a point with a gold concho.

Flower girls were Crystal Grenwelge, daughter of the

couple, and niece Amanda Ripple, both of Winters.

Ringbearer was Aaron Grenwelge, son of the couple, of Winters.

Matron of Honor was Saffron Gibbs of Winters. Maids of Honor were Mildred Doty, Vera Jackson, and Susan Ripple, sister of the groom, all of Winters.

The flower girls and bride's attendants wore denim dresses with western boots.

Flower girls carried two single stem yellow roses accented with red and blue ribbons. One each was given to the mother and grandmother of the groom and to the mother of the bride and Lucille Austin, good friend of the couple, at the end of the ceremony.

The bride's attendants carried bouquets of open white roses with a center rosebud of either dark blue or red. Yellow daisies outlined the roses. To match the center rosebud, either a dark blue or red bandanna, gathered to a point with a gold concho, streamed the bouquet. Bouquets were made by Janie Rocha, friend of the couple, of Winters.

Best Man was Rusty Fry of Abilene.

Groomsmen were Kenny Gibbs, Curtis Jackson, and Allen Ripple, brother-in-law of the couple, all of Winters.

The anniversary groom, ringbearer, and groomsmen wore jeans with a western shirt. Boots and black western hats completed the groom's party's attire. The groom wore a gray western hat.

Boutonnieres were a single yellow rose, accented with small blue flowers and greenery.

Bobby Austin of Ballinger captured these moments on film through video. Photography throughout the night was by Lucille Roberts, Debbie Ventress, Louise Green, and Susan Ripple.

A reception and dance followed the ceremony.

A sheet cake was made by Rhonda Joeris of Winters, and was iced in white, trimmed in blue, and topped with a cowboy and cowgirl as bride and groom. The cake served as the table's centerpiece. White candles encircled by white and red roses adorned each side of the table.

A champagne toast was made to the couple by the Best Man.

DJ Rudy Garza of Ballinger provided a variety of music for enjoyment.

Stephen, Tonya, Crystal, and Aaron wish to say thanks to all who came and made the occasion most memorable. A special thanks to Bobby and Lucille Austin for providing the hall and additional refreshments.

If you know the perfect Citizen of the Year for 1995

Nomination forms are available at the Chamber of Commerce office, 118 W. Dale, & The Winters Enterprise, 104 N. Main

Deadline is 3 p.m. Monday, January 8

Man, Woman, and Rural Couple of the Year to be announced at the Chamber Banquet on January 20

Citizens of 1995 to be named at Chamber Banquet January 20

Nominations are being accepted for Man, Woman, and Rural Couple of the Year for 1995.

Forms are available at the Chamber of Commerce, 118 West Dale, and The Winters Enterprise, 104 N. Main. A brief explanation (100-300 words) is required, and the form must be signed by the person completing the form. Only one form may be submitted per person for each category.

Deadline to file is 3 p.m. on

Monday, January 8.

Citizens of 1995 will be named at the annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet to be held on Saturday, January 20, at 7 p.m. at the school cafeteria.

The theme for this year's banquet is "Fiesta Winters." Tickets are \$10 each and may be purchased at the Chamber of Commerce office.

For more information, call (915) 754-5210.

Letter to the Editor

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Notice is hereby given that the Original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of MARY NADEEN SMITH, Deceased, were issued on December 4, 1995, in Docket No. 6008, Pending in the County Court of Runtless County, Texas, to:

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The residence of the Independent Executor is in Midland County, Texas, the address is: 2611 Shandon, Midland, Texas 79705.

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Vernon Vay Brown vs. April Leigh Brown, 12-11-95, Divorce.
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The group met after school on a Tuesday afternoon to visit Our House Retirement Center where children sang songs and handed out gifts. Gifts given were made possible by the proceeds from the turkey raffle.

The turkey raffle proceeds also allowed the group to make 10 Christmas food baskets to be delivered to elderly shut-ins.

Three Christmas poinsettias were also given to 3 special ladies.

After caroling at Our House, the 4-H'ers traveled to the Winters Senior Citizens Nursing Home where they spread cheer throughout the hallways.

Upon completion of their Christmas missions, kids were treated to various snacks at the Mt. Carmel Catholic Church.

The Winters 4-H'ers would like to thank everyone who contributed to the turkey raffle and offered various donations.

Runnels County eligible for disaster assistance due to beet armyworms

County Judge Marilyn Egan received written notice on December 27, 1995, from Governor George W. Bush that Runnels County has been designated eligible to apply for emergency disaster loans due to losses caused by the beet armyworm infestation.

Tom Green and Schleicher Counties were designated as primary disaster areas and the following additional counties were named as contiguous disaster counties: Coke, Concho, Crockett, Irion, Kimble, Menard, Reagan, Runnels, Sterling, and Sutton.

This designation makes family-sized operators in both primary and contiguous counties eligible to be considered for low-interest emergency loans from the Farm Service Agency (FSA). The local FSA office will have the details on this program.

In addition, the Small Business Administration, in an agreement with the U.S. Department of Agriculture, provides economic injury disaster loans to eligible small businesses dependent on farmers and ranchers in counties that have received a disaster declaration from the Secretary of Agriculture.

Texas Agricultural Extension Service
by Chad Coburn
Runnels County ACEA-AG

Runnels County gets new Extension agent

Chad A. Coburn, 24, has accepted the position of Runnels County Agricultural Agent - Assistant effective January 2, 1996, according to a joint announcement made by Runnels County Judge Marilyn Egan and District 7 Extension Director Ken Cook. Coburn holds Master of Science and Bachelor of Science degrees in Animal Science from Angelo State University. He coached the University's wool judging team to a national championship in 1995 while completing work on his M.S.

Coburn himself joined the ASU Livestock Judging Team in 1990. While on the team he was among

the top ten individuals at the National Collegiate Contest, Louisville, Kentucky; the Arizona National, Phoenix, Arizona; the Southwestern Livestock Exposition, Fort Worth; and the Dixie National, Jackson, Mississippi.

He was an ASU Wool Judging Team member in 1991 and was named among the top five individuals in competition at Houston.

The new agent was also very active in ASU's Block and Bridle Club.

Coburn fills the position vacated by Lance Rasch who is now Concho County's Extension Agent.

Muzzleloader deer season on tap for 26 counties, including Runnels

For the second straight year, Texas deer hunters can extend their prospects by taking advantage of the special muzzleloader-only season in 26 Hill Country counties. The nine-day antlerless-only season is scheduled for January 13-21.

The season was introduced last year following public sentiment seeking a special deer season for primitive blackpowder enthusiasts which would not interfere with the traditional October archery-only season. In addition, the "special late season" opportunity for muzzleloaders also helps utilize surplus does in Hill Country counties.

"The way things are looking, we could use some help harvesting does in some of these counties," explained Texas Parks and Wildlife Department technical guidance biologist Mike Krueger of Lampasas. "If we don't take some of these does now, we may lose them over the winter."

Hunting will be allowed in Bandera, Brown, Coke, Coleman, Concho, Edwards, Gillespie, Irion, Kendall, Kerr, Kimble, Kinney (north of U.S. Highway 90), Llano, Mason, Medina (north of U.S. Highway 90), Menard, McCulloch, Mills, Real, Runnels, San Saba, Schleicher, Sterling, Sutton, Tom Green, and Uvalde (north of U.S. Highway 90) counties.

Licensed hunters need a special \$10 stamp to use a muzzleloader for the January season. The bag limit during the muzzleloader season will be four antlerless deer, and deer tags from the 1995-96 hunting season will be required for deer killed during the special season. The muzzleloader bag is not in addition to the regular season bag limit, so those intending to hunt should save tags for the muzzleloader hunt. Muzzleloaders must be at least .45 caliber and can use black powder or Pyrodex-type substitute. Scoped muzzleloaders are permitted.

According to TPWD white-tailed deer program leader Butch Young, "Interest in the special season will increase when hunters learn of the extra nine days of hunting. Muzzleloaders do not have the range of smokeless powder rifles and hunters may have to be a little more skillful to get within range."

Young said there were few hunters during the inaugural season in 1995. A TPWD survey showed about 2,100 people hunted. A third of the hunters were successful and a total of 870 antlerless deer were taken. Most of those surveyed did not use a muzzleloader in the regular season and over half of those hunting in Texas' first season were first-time users of muzzleloading firearms.

Texas A&M Agriculture Program Conference Jan. 10

Three prominent speakers are expected to lay out challenges for the future to more than 400 agricultural scientists and educators attending the annual Texas A&M Agriculture Program Conference Jan. 10 on the university's campus.

Keynoting the day's sessions in Rudder Tower will be Richard M. Foster, who will speak at 8:30 a.m. on the topic: "Where is the Land Grant Concept Going?" Foster is vice president for programs for food systems and rural development at the W.K. Kellogg Foundation of Michigan.

Later that morning, at 10:30, Richard Bell will discuss "Meeting the Needs of the Food and Fiber Industry." Bell is chief executive officer of Arkansas-based Riceland Foods, the country's largest processor of rice and one of the biggest grain handling and storage companies.

Then at a 6:30 dinner that evening, Francisco Labastida Ochoa, the secretary of agriculture, livestock, and rural development for Mexico, will discuss the future of Texas-Mexico relations as part of the International Agriculture Forum.

More than a half-dozen other presentations will be given during the day-long meeting.

Dr. Barry Thompson, chancellor of the Texas A&M University System, will respond to Foster's keynote speech by talking about future directions of the A&M system, the land-grant institution in Texas. He will be followed by Dr. Ed Hiler, vice chancellor and dean, who talk about future directions of the A&M agriculture program.

At 1:30 p.m., a series of speakers will discuss partnerships that are working along the Texas-Mexico border, in community

economic development, between agriculture and medicine, and in an array of research collaborations in South Texas.

At 3:30 p.m., Dr. Paul Thompson, director of Texas A&M's Center for Biotechnology Policy and Ethics, will discuss "The Ethics of the New Biology."

The annual conference, whose theme this year is "Partnerships in Progress: Listening, Learning, and Responding," is designed primarily for the faculty who are part of the statewide A&M agriculture program. The program's largest units are the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station and the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

A range of meetings and training sessions for faculty are planned during the days before and after the conference.

Annual livestock show set for January 12 & 13

The annual Winters Junior Livestock Show will be held Friday, January 12, and Saturday, January 13.

All animals must be in the barns by 9:00 a.m. on Friday.

A beans-and-cornbread lunch will be served by the Livestock Association members.

At 2:00 p.m. judging begins with the rabbit show, market goat show and market lamb show.

Saturday's activities begin at 8 a.m. with swine, Little Britches pig show, steers, and heifers.

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For further information, contact Jim West, general superintendent of the show, or Jack Burton, assistant superintendent.

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Ballinger Rotary Club to host yearly Pancake Super

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Commerce Square, Brownwood

Mon. - Sat. 9a.m.-6p.m.
Sun. 1-5p.m.

• Up to Six Months Free Lay-A-Way on Most Items
• Up to 36 Months Financing Terms W.A.C.
• All items subject to prior sale.

PERSONAL CHECK