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NR Hospital raises taxes

Board members of the North Runnels Hospital set the 1999 tax rate at \$.28 for the 1999 tax year. This represents a \$.03 increase over last year's rate.

During the regular meeting Monday night, Hospital Administrator Scott Anderson stated that this increase is directly due to the budget cuts of Medicare.

Hospital board members include Phil Colburn, Randall Sneed, Carla Harris, Dale Montgomery, Danny Prado, Gary Don Pinkerton and Tobin Burns.

Halftime Friday night—Athletic Boosters sponsor field goal kicking contest

The Athletic Booster Club will sponsor a Field Goal Kicking Contest during halftime of the Ozona football game on Friday evening.

The club will be accepting \$1 donations from adults 18 years and older who are not currently enrolled in high school.

The donation will be good for a chance to kick a 30-yard field goal and win \$25. Donations will be taken before the game at the See CONTEST, page 6

Soon to appear in "Texas Monthly" magazine



THESE MEMBERS OF THE WINTERS HIGH SCHOOL MARCHING BAND recently gathered for a photo session with Wyatt McSpadden (seated at left) of McSpadden Photography of Austin. The October issue of the popular magazine, "Texas Monthly," will feature unique and different high school songs, mascots, and cheerleaders. Winters was selected because "Winter Wonderland" is the school fight song. Representing WHS are (back to front), Crencio Chavez, Bear Webb, Rebecca Moreno, Jeffrey Jordan, Luzero Vega, Justin Meyer, Samantha Montgomery, Holly Woffenden and Cari Trojcek. Seated with drums is Arthur Martinez. Band advisor for the project is Dottie Loudermilk.

Cotton Tour scheduled for Tuesday, Sept. 21

The Runnels/Tom Green Pest Management Steering Committee has scheduled the Runnels County Cotton Field Tour for Tuesday, September 21.

Cotton producers will view replicated cotton variety tests and a harvest-aid demonstration.

The tour will begin at 8:30 a.m. at the Runnels County Courthouse in Ballinger and end around noon at The Shed in Wingate for a catered lunch.

Speakers include Dr. Billy Warrick, Dr. Chris Sansone, Randal Schwartz from the Boll Weevil Eradication Program, Mark Bills from the Texas Department of Agriculture on Laws and Regulations, and Seed Company and Harvest-Aide Company representatives.

Producers attending the tour will be eligible to receive three CEUs. Producers wishing to receive CEUs must attend the entire tour. CEU forms will be given out at the first stop only.

Rick Minzenmayer, Runnels County Extension agent, would like to encourage all producers in the Concho Valley to attend and participate in this tour. Please RSVP by September 17 by calling 915-365-5212 so a count can be made for the caterer.

Enjoy great BBQ Sunday and support the WT Rehab Center

Some local men will be helping prepare Sunday lunch to support the Cattlemen's Roundup and West Texas Rehabilitation Center.

B. J. Colburn, Ricky Dean and Archie Jobe will be among several volunteers cooking and serving the delicious meal of barbecue, beans, potato salad, hot peach cobbler and drinks.

Cost of the meal will be \$6 for adults and \$4 for children under 12. Serving will be from 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Winters school cafeteria. Take-outs are available.

All proceeds go to benefit the West Texas Rehabilitation Center.

County approves buying software and 911 contract with City of Ballinger

Runnels County will save some money on interest payments, by paying \$33,900 for new application software to go with the new hardware system at the tax assessor-collector's office.

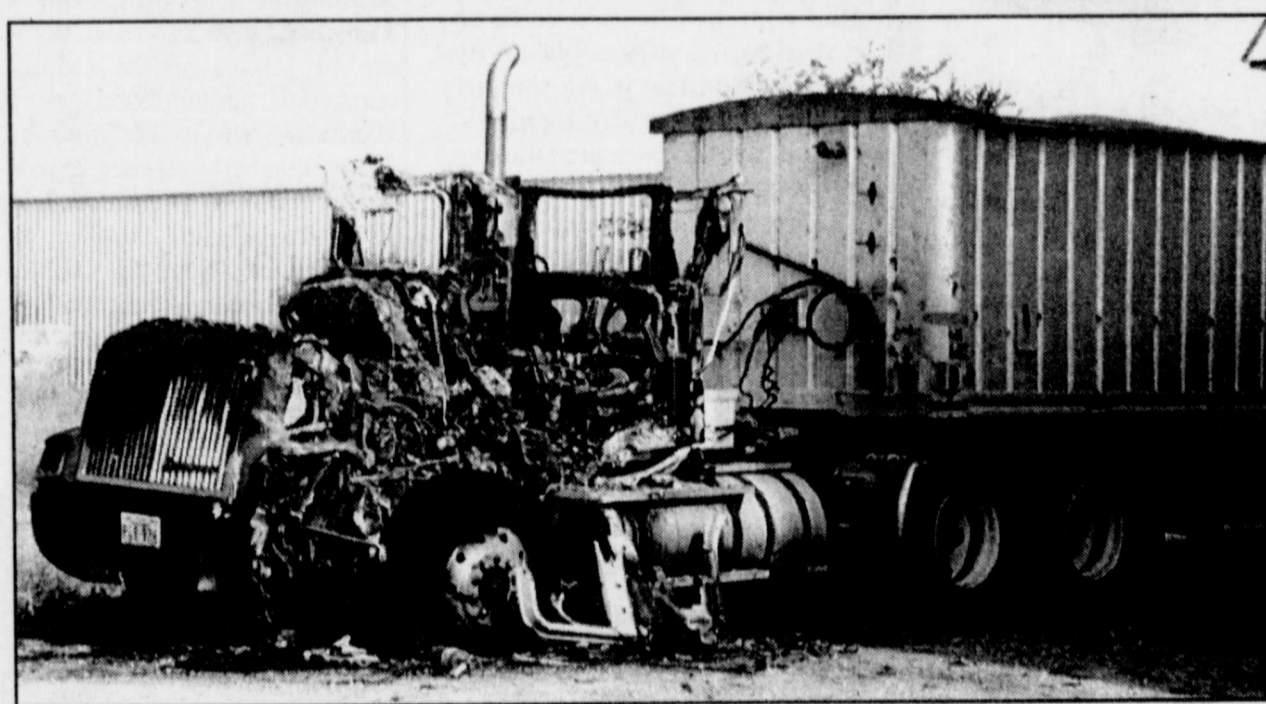
At their regular meeting on Tuesday morning, Runnels County Commissioners voted unanimously to pay the \$33,900 out of the contingency line item of the current fiscal year budget. "We have the money in the fund," County Judge Marilyn Egan told the Court.

Other business handled at the short, 35-minute meeting included approval of a contract between the county and Tom Green County for detention of juvenile offenders in their facility. The con-

tract calls for a charge of \$75 per day, but County Auditor Darlene Smith pointed out Runnels County has not been out any money in this fiscal year for detention of juvenile offenders in the Tom Green facility. "We only have to pay when their grant funds run out," she said.

The Commissioners also approved entering into the 911/communications contract with the City of Ballinger for the next year at a cost to the county of \$60,000.

Approval was given for an increase in fees charged for services by the sheriff and constables to become effective January 1, 2000. At that time it will cost \$60 to file a civil case, increased from the \$40 charge currently assessed.



JUST CHARRED REMAINS are left after this Alderman Cave truck burned Thursday night. Driver Gerald McIntyre said he had just backed the rig into the grain elevator and was watching the trailer fill when he heard the air hose pop and saw flames near the truck. Members of the Winters Volunteer Fire Department quickly responded to the fire which occurred about 10:45 p.m. McIntyre said he had just filled up with 300 gallons of diesel right before the fire broke out. There were no injuries.

Firemen working overtime

Members of the Winters Volunteer Fire Department have been extremely busy with various fires over the past few days.

One of the latest fires occurred Friday evening, Sept. 10, about 7 p.m. when firemen answered a call to a house fire about ten miles east of Winters off of County Road 166 at the home of Wanda Grissom King.

When firemen arrived, the east half of the house was engulfed in flames and the west half was severely damaged by smoke.

Ms. King was home at the time the fire broke out and did not know what caused the blaze that

See FIREMEN, pg. 9



AIRPORT CONSTRUCTION continues as six inches of flexbase is being covered by workers from Prater Equipment Company of Comanche. According to City Manger Aref Hassan, work is still on schedule for completion at the end of September.

Cheerleaders to host hamburger supper before Ozona game

The Winters High School cheerleaders will host their annual Hamburger Supper before the first home football game tomorrow night. In keeping with tradition, cheerleader dads will cook hamburgers, while moms and family members help the girls serve.

The meal will be held from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Friday, September 17 in the school cafeteria. Cost of the meal is \$4 per person and includes a mesquite grilled hamburger with all the trimmings, french fries, dessert, and tea.

All proceeds from the dinner will go towards reimbursing expenses the girls and their families paid out last spring for uniforms, equipment, and camp.

The cheerleaders would appreciate your support before the Ozona vs. Blizzard football game.

WHAT'S HAPPENING ?

- Sept. 16-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
- 5 p.m., WJH 7th grade vs. Merkel at Blizzard Stadium
- 6:30 p.m., JV Football vs. Ozona at Ozona Elementary School Picture Day
- Sept. 17-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
- 3 p.m., Pep Rally at Football Field
- 5:30-7:30 p.m., Cheerleaders Hamburger Supper, Cafeteria
- 6:30 p.m., Athletic Booster Club Pictures, Varsity Players & Cheerleaders, Blizzard Fieldhouse
- 7:30 p.m., Cowboys for Christ, Drasco Baptist Church
- 8 p.m., Varsity Football vs. Ozona at Blizzard Stadium
- Sept. 18-8 a.m., Ballinger's City Wide Garage Sale
- 9:45 a.m., Cross Country Meet at Jim Ned
- 2:30 p.m., Merkel Lions Club Magic Show, Merkel
- Sept. 19-11 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Cattlemen's Roundup for Rehab Lunch, Cafeteria
- Open Bass Tournament, Ivie Reservoir
- Sept. 20-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
- 6 p.m., Weight Watchers, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- Elementary Book Fair Begins
- Sept. 21-10 a.m., Triple L Members Leave FBC for Abilene
- 11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
- Noon, Lions Club
- 6:30 p.m., Women's Service League, Rock Hotel
- 7 p.m., Athletic Booster Club, Blizzard Stadium
- 7 p.m., Band Booster Club, Band Hall
- 7 p.m., WVFD, Fire Station
- 7:30 p.m., Eastern Star
- Sept. 22-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
- Sept. 23-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal

Oil Bidness

By Reg Boles ©1999



I hesitate in bringing this up again.

I have read, heard, and spoken about this very topic on several occasions, always with a hopeful and optimistic tone. Unfortunately, the much-discussed happy ending has yet to come to fruition.

Well, here goes anyway... Natural gas is poised to become the hot commodity of the new millennium. It is clean, it is cheap, and it is plentiful. Well, maybe not as plentiful as we thought. But, that means that it will become valuable and still clean and desired by many for its many uses and stability of the supplier (the U.S.).

As we consider the possibilities, an interesting group of phenomena has emerged.

The entrenchment of natural gas as a fuel of choice has made strong inroads over the last decade. Many end-users have made the switch to natural gas from dirtier coal and fuel oil. The transportation network is no longer shackled by onerous regulation and has been expanded and made more stable by free-enterprise business people.

Natural gas is no longer just a fuel everyone would like to use but is now one that just about anybody, anywhere can choose to use.

At the same time, a bigger piece of the exploration and development pie has been given over to natural gas. Gas drilling and gas facility installations have grown in share over the last ten years.

It turns out that this has aided the stemming of a decline in natural gas productivity that will likely worsen in the future. And, this is where the idea of a more limited supply comes into play.

Technically, I may not have it right. The size of the natural gas supply system may still be very large, but the productivity on a daily basis may soon begin to suffer.

Recent studies of the natural

gas wells completed since 1990 show that initial productivity per well, average producing rates of developed wells, and the amount of drilling needed to supply a certain rate all indicate wells drilled now have much poorer initial rates.

This will have important implications for the natural gas supply market in the future.

Come back next time to find out why.

HIGHLIGHTS OF AREA DRILLING ACTIVITY COMPLETIONS

Coleman County

Rayco Operating has completed the R.L.P. Investments #1 in the Whitley Field (2 miles W of Novice) at an initial rate of 40 BOPD & 20 BWPD in the Gray Sand (perms 3842-56). Loc. is 330 FEL & 1263 FSL of Sec. 30, Blk. 2, T&NO Sur., A-915.

STAKINGS

Coleman County

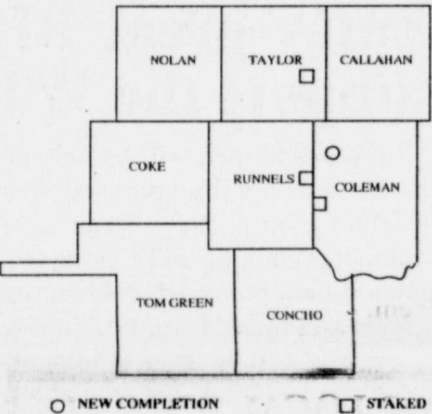
Delray Oil has staked the E. Herring #10R in the County Regular Field, 4 miles NE of Talpa (Depth 3650). Loc. is 330 FNL & 142 FWL of H.M. Childress Sur. No. 73, A-1032.

Runnels County

Pioneer Energy has amended the loc. of the Snelson #5 in the Leonora Field, 5 mile NW of Winters (Depth 4450). Loc. is 2049 FSL & 1600 FEL of Sec. 120, ETRR Sur., A-864.

Taylor County

Nosivad Oil has staked the D. Atkins #4 as a Wildcat, 5 miles NE of Tuscola (Depth 3000). Loc. is 1100 FWL & 1450 FNL of W. Hefferman Sur. No. 1.



PROUD BLIZZARD BACKERS are city employees (left to right) Assistant City Secretary Shelia Paschal, Municipal Judge Virginia Parr, Administrative Secretary Vicki Blackerby, City Manager Aref Hassan, Accounts Clerk Saffron Gibbs, and Utility Billing Clerk Rachel Esquivel.

Wear Blizzard Blue, support your team and your community

by Dr. Aref Hassan, City Manager

There is a joke about community. The joker breaks this word in two: come and unity.

I have been in this community for almost eight years. The first year I had doubts about the unity of this community. When you come from a big city it takes a while to calm down, forget about noise and heavy traffic of big towns, and notice the beauties of the small community.

The longer I stayed in this town the more I noticed the sense of friendship, harmony, cohesiveness and unity among the people — more than any of the other communities I have worked in in Texas.

To my knowledge — other than the lack of traffic noise, pollution and crowd of big cities — the land, farms, ranches, trees, animals, and other natural resources also make a difference in our area.

Therefore, I made up my mind and declare that this town does not need the unity to come. The unity is already here. All we need is to add to it, enhance it, enjoy it and be proud about it.

There are different ways to enhance the sense of community. Some of those are so easy and simple but very effective.

Last Friday, I walked into City Hall with my Blizzard outfit on, rushed to my office, put on my whistle and blew it. All the girls jumped up and one of them said, "Oh, it is you. You scared the day-lights out of me."

I ignored her and shouted like a real coach. "Are you awake?" They said yes. "Are you alert?" Some of them said yes. "Do you feel great?" I did not hear any response. I shouted, "Let's go team! I am your coach. I coach 21 people today, and our football coaches coach 21 people this evening. Let's go, and try to be as excited as Blizzards."

They all laughed. Later that day, our Municipal Judge, Virginia Parr, liked everyone in blue outfits, and said, "Let's take a picture." And we did. I liked the picture and said, "Let's send it to the papers."

Then I got a little more excited and wrote this. Isn't this so simple? Isn't this very easy?

Just dressing in support of our Blizzards can push the button of positive attitude, make everybody laugh, and work its way to bring us closer and feel proud.

Now I know why most people dress in Blizzard blue clothes on Fridays during football season. This action motivates us toward more unity, harmony, cohesiveness and ultimately, love.

If you practice this ritual, congratulations! You are enhancing your community's sense of pride.

If you have not done this, please start this Friday and see how you will feel.

Believe me, you will feel great!

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Sept. 20 thru Sept. 24
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Monday, Sept. 20: Chicken & rice, mixed vegetables, tomato salad, bread, and butterscotch pudding.

Tuesday, Sept. 21: Stew, vegetable sticks, Jello salad, cornbread, and cobbler.

Wednesday, Sept. 22: Steak & gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, roll, and gingerbread.

Thursday, Sept. 23: Sloppy Joe, French fries, pea salad, pickles & onions, and cobbler.

Friday, Sept. 24: Spaghetti w/ meat sauce, tossed salad, green beans, garlic bread, and Jello.

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Obituaries

Stella Maude Burton

FORT WORTH—Stella Maude Burton, 75, died Friday, September 10, 1999, at Fort Worth.

She was born on May 16, 1924, in Winters, Texas, to Herman A. and Susie Ella Nelson Baker Sr.

Mrs. Burton worked at General Dynamics for 43 years. She had lived in the Fort Worth area for fifty-six years and was a member of the Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 51 years, Victor Lee Burton, and two babies.

Survivors include two brothers, Herman Baker Jr. of Winters and Skeeter Baker of Austin; two sisters, Susie Baker McDaniel of Fort Worth and Clara Baker Thornton of Hinesville, Georgia; five nephews, Howard McDaniel Jr. of DeSoto, Pat McDaniel of Haskell, Harold Eugene Thornton, Kent Thornton, and Richard Thornton; three nieces, Jeri Baker of Colorado Springs, Colorado, Ann Thornton, and Brenda Thornton.

Graveside services were held at 3:00 p.m. Sunday, September 12, 1999, at Colfax Cemetery in Van Zandt County with Reverend Bill Lane officiating. Burial was directed by Eubank Funeral Home Inc. of Canton.

R.D. Kline

BALLINGER—R.D. Kline, 86, formerly of Brownfield, died Thursday, September 9, 1999, in a San Angelo hospital.

He was born on January 26, 1913, in Rockwood to John Kline and Myrtle Burton. He married Laverne Hollon.

Mr. Kline was a farm equipment mechanic for many years and a Methodist.

Survivors include three sons, Johnny Kline of Ballinger, Billy Kline of Ballinger, and Tommy Kline of Carlsbad, New Mexico; one daughter, Nelda Halfmann of Ballinger; one step-daughter, Judy Bingham of Andrews; one brother, J.D. Kline of Powderly; two sisters, Anne Hodges of Wichita Falls and Judy Shelton of Brownfield; and nine grandchildren.

Services were held at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, September 11, at the Rains-Seale Chapel in Ballinger with Father Hubert Wade officiating. Burial followed in the Coleman City Cemetery, directed by Rains-Seale Funeral Home.

Wanda Smith Foster

ABILENE—Wanda Smith Foster, 69, died Wednesday, September 8, 1999, at Abilene Regional Medical Center.

She was born January 13, 1930, in Crews and lived in Runnels County until her marriage to Leonard Eudean Foster on July 4, 1948, in Ballinger. They moved to Abilene in 1955 and have lived there since.

Mrs. Foster was a homemaker and a member of the Wylie Methodist Church.

Survivors include her husband, Leonard Eudean Foster of Abilene; four sons, Rickey and wife Sally Foster of Rogers, Arkansas, Tommy and wife Sharon Foster of Abilene, Terry and wife Brenda Foster of Abilene, and Rex and wife Darla Foster of Alpine; three sisters, D'Nita Lane of Alpine, Jerry Williams of Sweetwater, and Joy Wheat of San Angelo; nine grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Services were held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, September 11, at the Wylie Methodist Church with Reverends David Ray and L. Weldon Tucker officiating. Burial followed in the Lakeview Cemetery in Winters, directed by the Winters Funeral Home.

Clara Bell Hill Kurtz

ARLINGTON—Clara Bell Hill Kurtz, 65, died Sunday, September 12, 1999, in the Mariner Health Nursing Home in Arlington.

She was born November 1, 1933 in Ballinger, to Roy L. and Frances Siebel Hill, and attended school there. She married Herbert Kurtz on November 24, 1954, in Ballinger. She was a bookkeeper at the First National Bank in Ballinger for several years, before working in the same position in San Angelo and at Texas A & M in College Station.

Her and her husband moved to Arlington in 1979. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Arlington.

Mrs. Kurtz was preceded in death by her parents and one sister, Mildred Howard.

Survivors include her husband, Herbert Kurtz of Arlington; one daughter, Melissa Lanier and her husband Glenn of Linden; one grandson, Bradley Lanier of Linden; a sister, Gladys Nickell and her husband Robert of Midland; a brother, Walter Hill and his wife Jacqueline of Ft. Worth; three nieces and one nephew.

Services were held Wednesday, September 15, 1999, at 10 a.m. in the Winters Funeral Home Chapel with Reverend James Hanson officiating. Graveside service followed in Evergreen Cemetery in Ballinger under the direction of the Winters Funeral Home.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society or the American Heart Association.

Senior Citizens Nursing Home News

By Billie Ruth Bishop

Birthdays to be celebrated

This Thursday, Sept. 16, we will celebrate our monthly birthday party with Hopewell Baptist Church serving as host. Our honorees are Edna Sudduth, Katharine Spill, Velma Simpson, Louise Cecil, and Eva Reese.

Thanks to Winters Bakery for the big box of doughnuts donated to the residents of the nursing home.

Ruby Walker is a patient in Shannon Hospital at this time. We hope she has a good day today.

Winters Sidewalk Project

I would like to pledge _____ for the Winters Sidewalk Improvement Project.

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Checks for the Sidewalk Project should be made to: Winters Area Business and Industrial Corporation, P.O. Box 211, Winters, Texas 79567.

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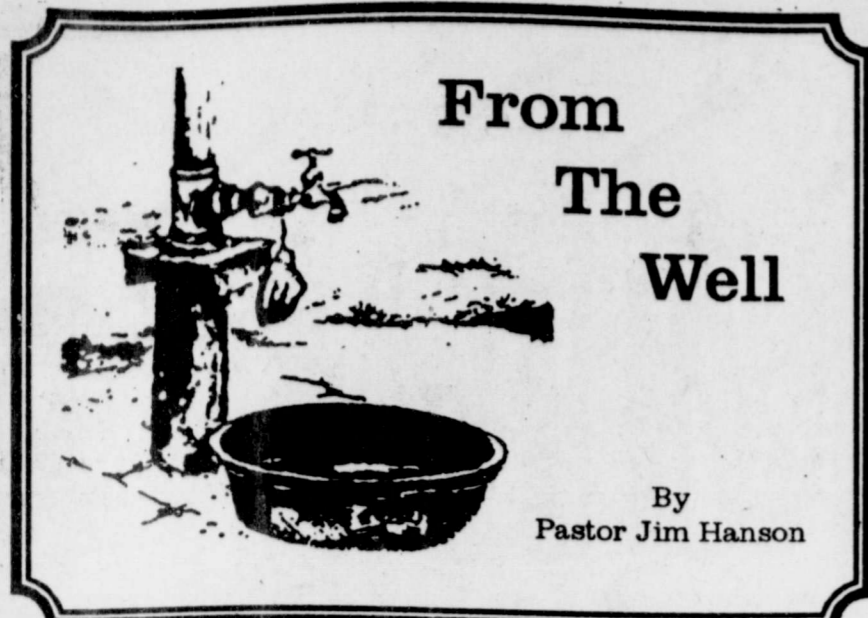
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From The Well

By Pastor Jim Hanson



Pastor Jim Hanson

Our son John is a preacher. And a good one, too! But, when he was a P.K., (preacher's kid), I had my doubts if he was ever going to behave, to say nothing about being called to the ministry. He serves a rural parish near

Badwin, Wisconsin. When he was five, he went over with a friend to his friend's house. While there, they discovered a pile of Playboy magazines. And, flipping through the pages they found the centerfolds — with the hardly covered pretty women with their beautiful bodies. John thought they were so pretty that he ripped them out and took them home. Not to hide under his bed, but to display for all the world to see. The little bugger attached them to the inside walls of our front porch — with scotch tape — for all the world to see! When Ramona and I ascended the steps to that open-air area, our eyes were greeted by Playboy-centerfolds! Hardly an appropriate welcome to the Lutheran parsonage!

Well, after an attitude adjustment and a lecture from Dad, John disposed of the "folds" into the garbage can. We laugh about it now — but then — it was no laughing matter.

I don't know how old he was, maybe six or seven, when one day, seated in church with his mother, shortly after the service began, after hearing his father pray, he shouted, "Why does he have to pray so long?" And, some time later, entertained the folks in the pew by asking in a loud voice, "Why is daddy the only one who gets to talk? Can't anybody else talk?"

He was not a big child. Until his sophomore year in high school — when he grew seven inches. He finally stopped at six feet four inches tall. And has not one ounce of fat on him. He is a great father. Several years ago, when we had our family reunion in American Falls, Idaho, there was a problem. His wife, Julie, was pregnant and could not make the trip. So, John took the three children, one of whom was still in diapers, on the plane and was "dad and mom" for five days. We were all amazed.

We really shouldn't have been. This "big guy" who hunts with a bow and arrow — deer and turkey, who bakes bread, who is handy with his hands in the shop — makes picture frames and benches — you name it, who plays guitar and banjo, and when the organist doesn't show up, leads the worship with his voice and stringed instruments. He who "choked up" when he took his ordination vows, his marriage vows, and at each baptism of his children (he has a heart, for sure). Why couldn't he be "dad and mom" for five days?

He came into the ministry through the door of "camping" — like Boy Scout camp...and Church camp. He loved the out of doors — still does. His family spent some time "in tent," every summer. It all started when he was a Boy Scout, and it came to head when one summer, I think he was a Junior in college, he took off a week from work (\$200 worth) to pay his own way and be Scoutmaster for 16 fifth and sixth grade boys in the mosquito infested rain forests of Northern Minnesota. The regular scoutmaster couldn't go, and the rules were that each troop needed its own leader. So, John stepped in and did it without much encouragement from me. And when he came back, I asked him, "John, did you really think it was worth it?" His reply, "Of course."

It was after that summer, while in college, he told us that he really felt "called" to church camping. So, the next summer he took off for a thousand acre church camp 40 miles out from New York City. After college, it became his home and work for two full years. And then — "Dad, I'm going to Seminary."

He went, graduated, and was ordained on a call to Flathead Lake Bible Camp and assistant pastor to a church in Kalispell, Montana. While there, he met and courted his wife, Julie. They now have four children, one boy and three girls. They spent most of their vacation time at church camps. At age ten, Peter is playing the guitar like his dad and the piano like his mother and has won awards for "turkey calling." The girls sing. Mom plays the piano. Such fun!

Just a few days ago John sent this story. For all the world it could have done him and me...when he was seven.

One Sunday morning the pastor noticed little Alex was staring up at the large plaque that hung in the foyer of the church. The plaque was covered with names and small American flags were mounted on either side. The seven-year-old had been standing there, looking at the plaque for some time, so the pastor walked up, stood beside the boy, and said quietly, "Good morning, Alex." "Good morning pastor," replied the young man, still focused on the plaque. "Pastor McGhee, what is this?" Alex asked. "Well, son, it's a memorial to all the young men and women who died in the service." Soberly, they stood there, looking at the large plaque. Little Alex's voice was barely audible when he asked, "Which service? The 9:00 or 11:00?"

Altar boy, John! And thank you, Lord, for children who remember and parents who don't forget how blessed we are. And how great Thou art!

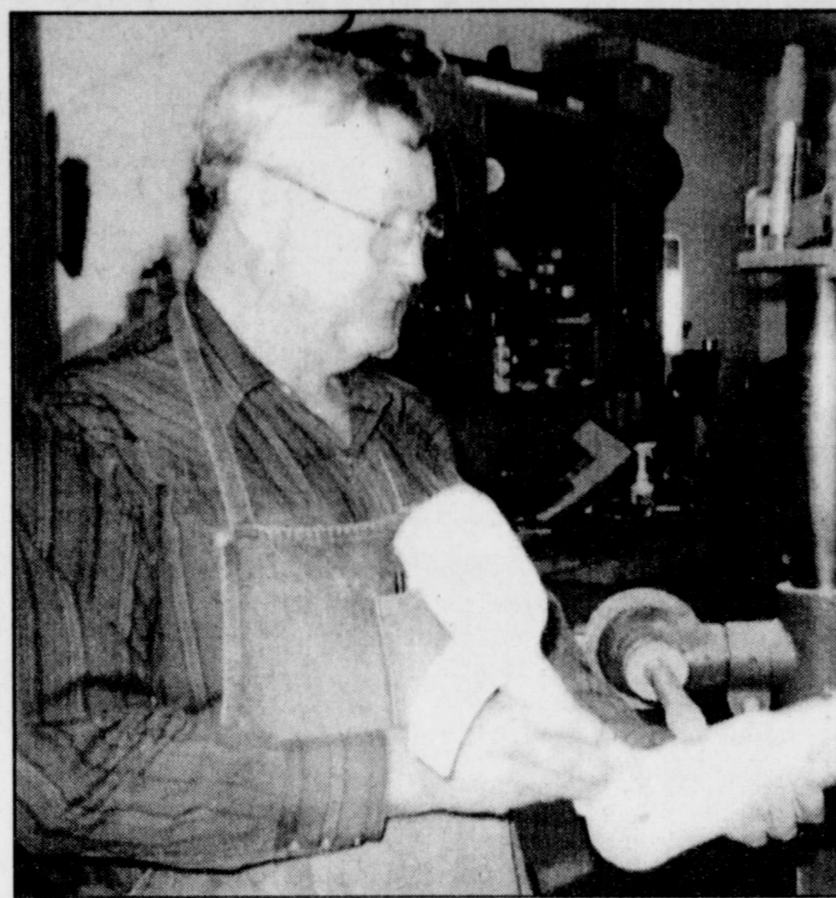
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Archie Jobe makes certain the shoe fits



ARCHIE JOBE works on an ankle-foot orthotic at the West Texas Rehabilitation Center. Jobe, of Winters, learned his skill in the boot and shoe repair business and previously owned and operated The Country Cobbler in Winters.

by Jean Boles

When Archie Jobe began working at a boot and shoe repair store in Lubbock in 1978, he had no idea that 20 years later his craft would help the physically impaired be able to walk with more comfort and ease.

Jobe, a 1970 graduate of Winters High School, works for the West Texas Rehabilitation Center in Abilene as an orthotic technician.

After graduating from Hardin Simmons University in Abilene in 1974, Jobe moved to Lubbock where he worked at City Boot and Shoe, learning his craft of repairing and rebuilding footwear. In 1979, he bought the Lubbock store and operated it until 1983, when he and his family moved to Winters.

Jobe said that moving "back home" had been a longtime goal — he and wife Doyleene wanted to raise their children, Lori and Austin, in Winters and be close to family.

He opened the Country Cob-

bler store in 1983, but was finally forced to close in January, 1999, due to repercussions from the dwindling oilfield and farming businesses in the area.

So with years of experience and knowledge, Archie took his skills to the West Texas Rehabilitation Center where he makes shoe buildups, modifications, arch supports, and ankle-foot orthotics. He worked two days a week at the WTRC for about three years before going to full-time the past two years.

Jobe says he really enjoys his work, that it's "very rewarding". He is amazed at the progress and change in materials used in today's orthotics—from heavy metal and leather shoes and braces of the past to durable, lightweight plastic.

Jobe will be one of several local men working with volunteers at the WTRC lunch on Sunday, Sept. 19 from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the school cafeteria. Proceeds go to benefit the West Texas Rehab.

School board sets tax rate

During their regular meeting on Sept. 13, Winters Independent School District Trustees set the 1999 tax rate at \$1.395 for the 1999 tax year. This is the same rate as last year.

Even though \$271,383 is the amount of the 3% raise given to teachers by the state legislature, this money is being funded from the state.

Elementary Principal Tammy Bright said enrollment for the 1999 school year is 450, down eleven students from 1998. Bright also reported that enrollment in the TIPS program is down by 15 students, and she thinks this is because the school is charging a fee for the before-and-after school program which has been free to all students in the past.

Secondary school Principal Charles Kidwell reported that "things were a lot smoother and quieter this school year." He attributes this to the new junior high school building taking out approximately 120 students from the high school building. "Everything is going well in the junior high building also," said Kidwell.

Trustees approved a change in the Extracurricular Absence Policy by adding five days to make a total of fifteen days allowed per student. This is a state-mandated policy that allows students in extracurricular activities to be out of school. The school board is allowed to set the number of days for students maintaining a 70 grade average and above. Trustees said they think the fif-

teen-day permissible absenteeism is sufficient.

The Board also approved a 24-month lease of a 1999 Chevrolet Suburban to be used by the school. The cost of the lease is being furnished by federal monies supporting the special education program.

Charles Bahlman Chevrolet of Winters was awarded the lease.

Attending Monday night's meeting were Trustees Allen Andrae, Jerry Sims, Gary Moore, Jack Davis, Jr., Ronald Presley, and Bob Prewit; Superintendent Mike Harris; Principals Bright and Kidwell; Curriculum Director Terry Wyatt; and Business Manager Jimmy Butler.

Trustee Larry Walker was absent.

Woman's Club—

Spaghetti Supper slated for Friday, September 24

The Winters Woman's Club will host their annual Chicken Spaghetti Supper on Friday, September 24, before the Goldthwaite football game.

They will serve from 5:30 to 7 p.m. in the Winters School Cafeteria. Take-outs will be available.

Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3 for children under the age of 12. Tickets are available from any club member or may be purchased at the door.

The meal will include chicken spaghetti, green beans, salad, Texas toast, homemade dessert, and tea.

For more information, contact Cheryl Bryan at 754-4057, Gail Williams at 754-4242, or Marlene Smith at 754-4961.

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Sept. 20-24
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Breakfast
Monday-Sept. 20
Biscuits
Sausage
Juice

Tuesday-Sept. 21
Toast
Cereal
Juice

Wednesday-Sept. 22
Blueberry Muffins
Cereal
Juice

Thursday-Sept. 23
Pancakes/Syrup
Cereal
Juice

Friday-Sept. 24
Cheese Toast
Cereal
Juice

Lunch
Monday-Sept. 20
Pizza
Corn
June Peas
Chocolate Pudding

Tuesday-Sept. 21
Chicken Nuggets/Gravy
Mashed Potatoes
Green Beans
Pears
Hot Roll

Wednesday-Sept. 22
Taco/Meat/Cheese
Tossed Salad
Red Beans
Fruit
Brownie

Thursday-Sept. 23
Turkey Roast/Gravy
Mashed Potatoes
June Peas
Pineapple Chunks
Hot Roll

Friday-Sept. 24
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WES CALCOTE turns the corner before heading up the field with good blocking from Chris Hoppe (middle) and Aaron Pritchard #10. Calcote rushed for 173 yards on 23 carries with three touchdowns — two on 30-yard runs and one score from the 2-yard line to contribute to Winters' 48-21 romp over the Merkel Badgers.

Blizzards blast Badgers 48-21

Take on Ozona at home this week

The Winters Blizzards ran and passed their way past the Merkel Badgers Friday night while looking for some defense in the first half of the ballgame.

The football game almost seemed like a track meet as Winters had 388 yards on offense and Merkel had 288 yards.

The Blizzard offense seemed to run and pass at will during the first half, scoring 41 points. Quarterback Josh Minzenmayer started the scoring with a 6-yard pass to Oscar Luz. Minzenmayer kicked the extra point and the score was Winters 7, Merkel 0.

Then the second quarter barrage started.

Merkel scored on a 22-yard pass play to tie the score. Blizzard Wes Calcote then scored on a 29-yard run and the extra point try was no good. The Badgers came right back and with 10:19

on the clock, ran 75 yards for a touchdown to jump ahead at 14-13.

The Blizzards broke loose to put the game out of reach, scoring about every two and a half minutes with ten minutes to go in the half.

Calcote scored two touchdowns, running 30 yards and 2 yards, respectively. Then Minzenmayer hooked up with Jeremy Hope for a 27-yard touchdown pass, followed with a 17-yard pass to Aaron Pritchard for another touchdown to make the score 41-14.

Just about the time the Blizzard fans could take a breather for the half, Merkel ran 47 yards for the touchdown with just four seconds left on the clock. The half ended with the Blizzards leading 41-21.

Of course, all the running and

passing were not possible without the great blocking of the offensive line. Making appearances in the line were Chris Hoppe, Aaron Taylor, John Bahlman, Craig Conner, Samson Jackson, Louis Esquivel, and Chris Lujano.

The Blizzards found the defense at halftime and held the Badgers scoreless in the second half. Winters scored once more on a Minzenmayer to Pritchard pass for a 19-yard touchdown. Minzenmayer kicked all the extra points for the evening.

The final score was Winters 48, Merkel 21.

The Blizzard record moves to 2-0 on the year going into the last non-district game. The Ozona Lions come to town this Friday with a 2-0 record after beating Sterling City last week 7-0. Kickoff is at 8:00 p.m. in Blizzard stadium.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY

	Winters	Merkel
First downs	24	8
Rushing yards	44-262	37-226
Passing yards	126	62
Total yards	388	288
Comp-Att-Int	9-11-0	5-15-2
Punts	2-31	5-27
Fumbles-lost	1-1	2-1
Penalties-yards	5-45	5-40

SCORING SUMMARY
By Quarters Winters 7, 34, 7, 0
Merkel 0, 21, 0, 0

FIRST QUARTER
Winters
Josh Minzenmayer 6 yd. pass to Oscar Luz (Minzenmayer kick)

SECOND QUARTER
Merkel
Chad Gohlke 22 yd. pass from D.J. Barnes (Luke Prieto kick)

Winters
Wes Calcote 29 yd. run (kick blocked)

Merkel
Josh Harris 75 yd. run (Prieto kick)

Winters
Calcote 30 yd. run (Minzenmayer kick)
Calcote 2 yd. run (Minzenmayer kick)
Jeremy Hope 27 yd. pass from Minzenmayer (Minzenmayer kick)

THIRD QUARTER
Winters
Aaron Pritchard 17 yd. pass from Minzenmayer (Minzenmayer kick)

FOURTH QUARTER
Merkel
Colt James 46 yd. run (Prieto kick)

Winters
Pritchard 19 yd. pass from Minzenmayer (Minzenmayer kick)

Ozona pregame tickets on sale at administration & school offices

Pregame tickets are on sale at the WISD Business Office for the Ozona vs. Winters game until 3 p.m. on Friday. They may be purchased at the elementary and high school offices until noon on Friday.

For your convenience to avoid waiting in line, adult tickets are \$4 in advance and student tickets are \$2. Prices will remain the same at the gate on Friday evening.

Directions to Ozona Field

Football fans traveling to Ozona in support of the Winters teams may find the following information useful.

At San Angelo, continue on Highway 67 West to Mertzon and Barnhart. At Barnhart, take Highway 163 South to Ozona.

In Ozona, turn right off 163 at Crockett County Bank onto First Street.

Lion Stadium and parking is in the second block on the left side of First Street.

As a final reminder, of course, if all else fails: Look for the high stadium lights.

Blizzard Booster Club meets every Tues. evening

The Winters Booster Club will meet every Tuesday during football season at 7 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Blizzard Fieldhouse.

Discussion of fundraisers and the concession stand will be followed by a viewing of the previous week's game film.

1999 Fearless Football Forecasters

LAST WEEK
OVERALL

Dale Montgomery	Larry Walker	Kevin Floyd	Rhonda Goetz	Monte Angel
7-3	5-5	4-6	6-4	5-5
12-8	11-9	8-12	11-9	13-7

Ozona at Winters	Winters Bangs	Winters Clyde	Winters Coleman	Winters Hamlin	Winters Jim Ned	Winters Stamford	Winters Anson	Winters Wall	Winters Roby	Winters Early
Clyde at Ballinger	Coleman at Ballinger	Rotan at Hamlin	Merkel at Jim Ned	Stamford at Haskell	Anson at Cisco	Grape Creek at Wall	Bronte at Roby	Water Valley at Early		

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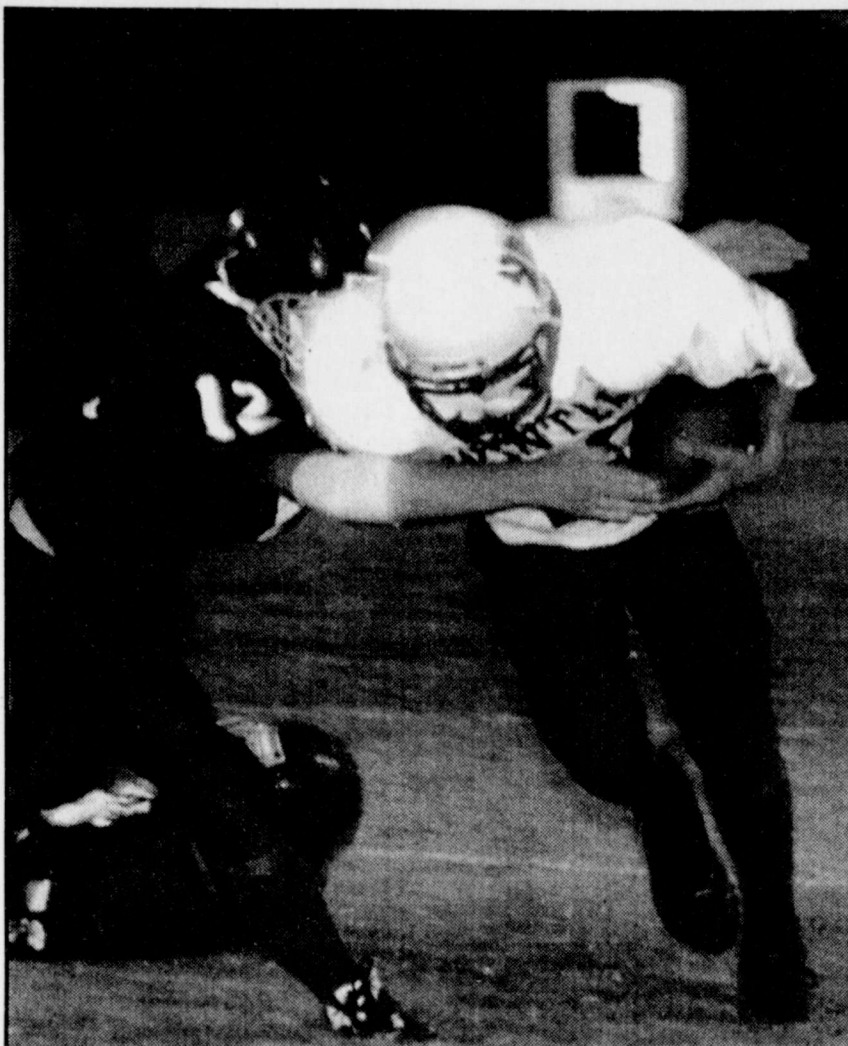
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AARON PRITCHARD hangs on to the ball for good yardage in the varsity Blizzards' 48-21 victory over the Merkel Badgers. Pritchard also scored two touchdowns on 17-yard and 19-yard catches from Josh Minzenmayer.

Late rally not enough for JV Blizzards Winters 14, Merkel 20

The junior varsity Blizzards waited too late to step up their play Thursday night as they fell 20-14 to the Merkel Badgers.

On the first play of the game, Merkel threw a slant pass for a 63-yard touchdown. The extra point kick was good and the Badgers jumped to a quick 7-0 lead with only seconds off the clock.

Then at the end of the first quarter, Merkel fumbled the ball and their offensive tackle picked it up and ran it in for the touchdown. Again the extra kick was good and at the end of the first quarter, the Blizzards trailed 14-0.

The Badgers hit paydirt again when they scored on a 15-yard run at the end of the second quarter, giving them a commanding 20-0 lead at halftime.

But Blizzards with a different attitude came out for the second

half of play.

Coach Shane Mobley said, "After we gave Merkel all the advantages in the first half, we came out to play the second half. Our defense did an excellent job."

Leading defensive players were Rusty Jackson at defensive end, Joseph Cuevas at middle linebacker, Steven Cuevas at defensive tackle, Shane Colburn at free safety, and Robert Gibbs at rebel.

The Blizzard offense also got rolling and scored on a 37-yard pass from Shane Colburn to Robert Gibbs. Colburn ran in the two point conversion, narrowing the score 20-8.

On Winters' next possession, Colburn threw a touchdown pass to Brian Pritchard on the wheel route. The two point conversion failed and the score stood at 20-14.

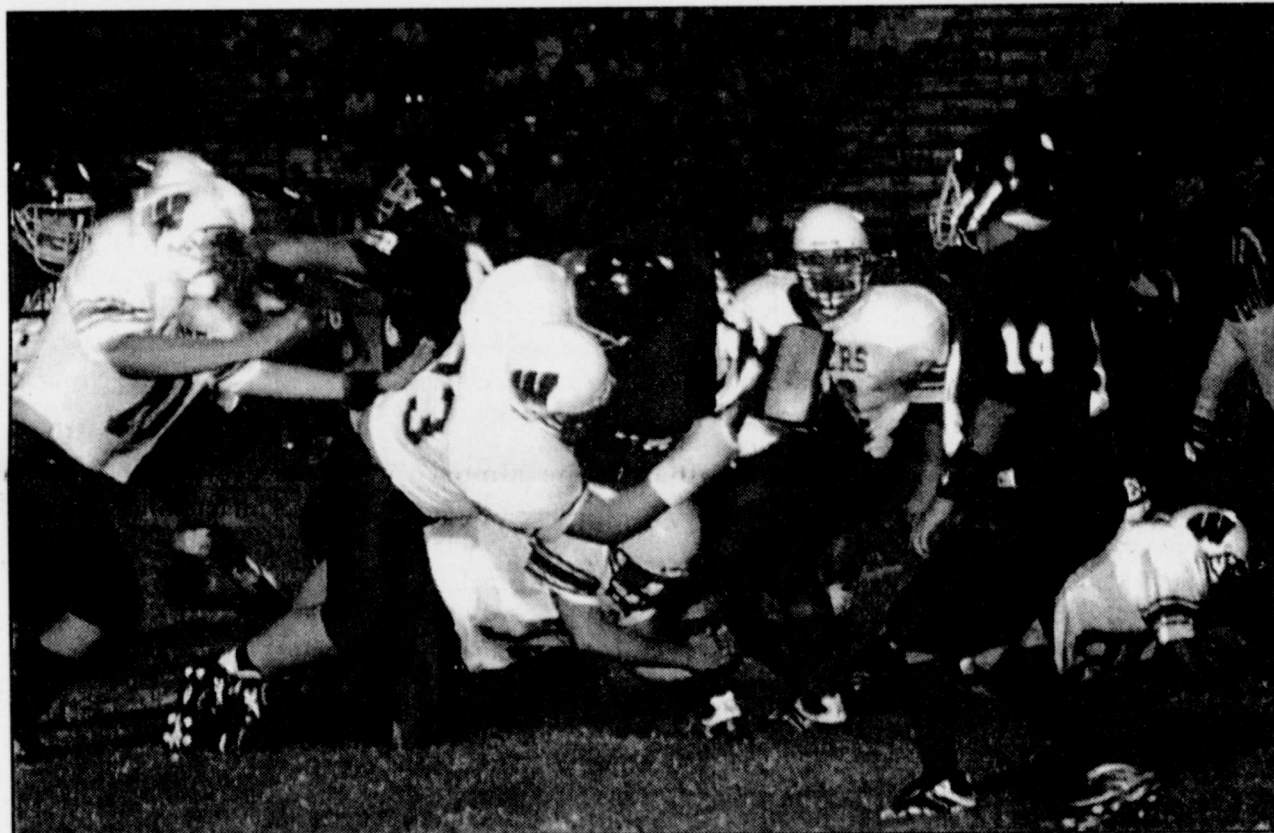
The Blizzards again had an outstanding drive with a chance to tie the game, but the Merkel defense stepped up and stopped Winters on fourth down.

Merkel took possession and ran out the clock, taking the 20-14 win.

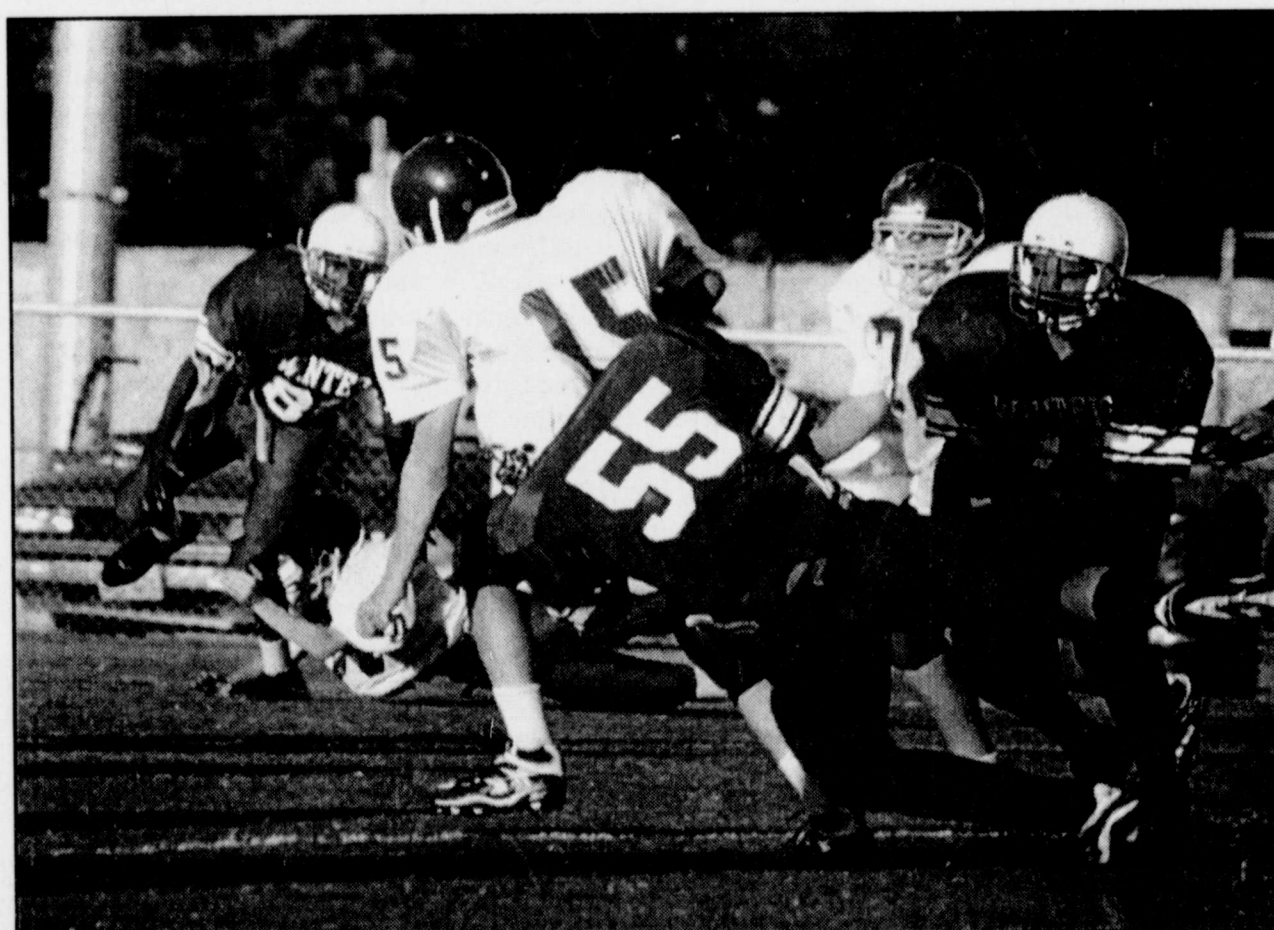
Coach Mobley said, "I feel that we played a lot better game than last week. We have come a long way, but we still have a long way to go. It's tough on the players, playing a JV schedule as mostly freshmen. But if they keep working hard and build up their confidence, we'll be alright."

"Thanks to all the parents and fans for their support," continued Mobley.

Back the JV Blizzards as they travel to Ozona on Thursday, Sept. 16, to meet the Lions at 6:30 p.m.



SAMSON JACKSON (at bottom of pile) leads the tackle with teammate Chris Hoppe #73 as Aaron Taylor #70 rushes to help stop the Badger runner during Friday night's game at Merkel. At right are Craig Conner #54 and Chris Lujano #65 (on ground).



RUSTY JACKSON #55 brings down the Merkel runner during junior varsity action. At left is Blizzard Yul Gibbs #80, and at right is Jose Santos #70. The JV Blizzards fell short 20-14 in Thursday evening's contest.

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME	SCORE
Aug. 20	Wall*	H	7:30	
Aug. 26	Anson*	T	7:30	
Sept. 3	Jim Ned	T	8:00	27-14
Sept. 10	Merkel	T	8:00	48-21
Sept. 17	Ozona	H	8:00	
Sept. 24	Goldthwaite▲	H	7:30	
Oct. 1	Bangs▲	T	7:30	
Oct. 8★	San Saba▲	H	7:30	
Oct. 15	Early▲	T	7:30	
Oct. 22	Hamilton▲	H	7:30	
Oct. 29	Mason▲	H	7:30	
Nov. 5	Coleman▲	T	7:30	

* Scrimmages ★ Homecoming ▲ District Games

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME	SCORE
Aug. 20	Wall*	H	6:00	
Aug. 26	Anson*	T	6:00	
Sept. 2	Jim Ned	H	6:30	12-40
Sept. 9	Merkel	H	6:30	14-20
Sept. 16	Ozona	T	6:30	
Sept. 23	Goldthwaite▲	T	6:00	
Sept. 30	Bangs▲	H	6:00	
Oct. 7	San Saba▲	T	6:00	
Oct. 14	Early▲	H	6:00	
Oct. 21	Hamilton▲	T	6:00	
Oct. 28	Mason▲	T	6:00	
Nov. 4	Coleman▲	H	6:00	

* Scrimmage Games ▲ District Games

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME	SCORE
Sept. 9	Merkel	T	5 & 6:30	0-6/0-36
Sept. 16	Merkel (7th)	H		5
Sept. 23	Goldthwaite▲	H	5 & 6:30	
Sept. 30	Bangs▲	T	5 & 6:30	
Oct. 7	San Saba▲	H	5 & 6:30	
Oct. 14	Early▲	T	5 & 6:30	
Oct. 21	Hamilton▲	H	5 & 6:30	
Oct. 28	Mason▲	H	5 & 6:30	
Nov. 4	Coleman▲	T	5 & 6:30	

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School Days, School Days

Susie Taylor Computer Lab Aide



Susie Taylor was employed by Winters Independent School District in August 1999. She is

currently an aide in the computer lab.

Mrs. Taylor attended Tarleton State University in Stephenville where she studied music.

Before coming to Winters, she was employed by Aspermont ISD in a similar position.

Husband Barry is pastor of First Baptist Church. They have three children: Allison, 23; Adam, 19; and Aaron, 17. All are Baptists.

Susie's hobbies are volunteering for church work, playing tennis, fishing, and jogging.

She is "excited about being in the school district."

8th grade Breezes drop season opener to Badgers

by Coach Richard Buchanan

The Winters 8th grade football team opened the 1999 football season with a disheartening loss to the Merkel Badgers.

The first half was hard fought as the Breezes and Badgers traded punt after punt. Leading the way for the Breezes defense were Josh Cavanaugh, Rey Torres, and John Heathcott.

The only scoring in the first half came when the Badgers ran the ball into the end zone from short yardage, having been set up for the opportunity by an impressive 45-yard run by their big tailback. The halftime score was 8-0.

During the second half, things seemed to get worse for the Breezes. With only 19 players on this year's team, the Breezes seemed to run out of steam, as the Badgers, with about twice the number of players, went on a 28-0 run.

The Breezes never gave up, though, as they played hard until the final second. Final score: Winters 0, Merkel 36.

The 8th grade squad have an open date this Thursday, but will meet the Goldthwaite Eagles at Blizzard stadium on Sept. 23 at 6:30.

Meeting set for Tuesday, September 21—

Band Booster Club seeking new members

by Easter Walden

We need you to participate in the Winters Band Booster Club! How do you know if this is the right move for you? Well, have you ever:

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- hollered "Shut the door!! We can't hear the TV," during home practice sessions
- observed your child making odd noises and strange fingering motions caused from IDS (instrument deprivation syndrome—the

need to play but no instrument is available)

- felt a little queasy each time the spit valve is blown out (ugh)
- made a trip back to the house after getting that familiar phone call "Mom, I left my horn at home, can you . . ."
- If you have experienced two or more of these symptoms, you are just the person we need. We're not asking a lot; just for you to participate.

Each and every band student has an important role to play, and so do you as a parent or guardian. Parental input and participation is vital if we want to keep the "Pride of West Texas" alive.

Show your band kids that you care—make that move to attend the next Band Booster Club meeting on Tuesday, September 21. The meeting will begin at 7 p.m. in the band hall.



JESSICA PRITCHARD enjoys the topsy-turvy world of cheerleading during the junior high football games last week. Cheering for her fellow cheerleader is Katy Wilkerson.

Jimmy Rodriguez 55 seconds ahead of pack—Blizzards second: Lady Blizzards fifth at Water Valley CC Classic

Blizzard Jimmy Rodriguez easily won the Water Valley Classic cross country meet last Saturday with a time of 17:15. He was 55 seconds faster than the second place runner and improved his time from the same meet a year ago.

The Blizzard cross country team placed second at the meet behind Stanton, while the Lady Blizzards finished fifth. Seventeen teams competed with over 160 runners.

According to Coach Deb Whittenburg, both teams improved their marks from last week. In junior high competition, Tim Fenwick placed seventh overall.

The teams will compete at Jim Ned High School on Saturday. JV girls are slated to run at 9:45 a.m., varsity girls at 10 a.m., and varsity boys at 10:15 a.m.

Last week's results are:
Blizzards
Jimmy Rodriguez, 17:15, 1st
Tony Aguero, 19:24, 13th

Ezequiel Martinez, 20:02, 20th
Jason Esquivel, 20:13, 23rd
Brian Pritchard, 20:45, 35th
Juan Santos, 20:58, 40th
Artemio Lopez, 21:36, 49th
Ivan Montano, 23:08, 84th
Ruben Garcia, 24:03, 104th
Gabriel Hernandez, 24:19, 108th
Lady Blizzards
Cassandra Johnson, 15:58, 24th
Kelli Slimp, 16:11, 33rd
Marie Llanas, 16:18, 40th
Mandy Pritchard, 16:31, 47th
Michelle Paschal, 16:49, 60th
Stacey Sneed, 17:19, 80th
Savanna Reyna, 17:34, 88th
Juanita Armendariz, 17:36, 91st
Priscilla Oliveros, 17:45, 97th
Kemari Hale, 18:28, 117th
Kirby Hatler, 18:49, 124th
Lacey Meyer, 18:56, 129th
Michelle Dexter, 18:59, 131st
Connie Reyes, 20:02, 146th
Junior High
Tim Fenwick, 7th

WHS class of '64 searching for addresses of classmates

Class of '64, where are you? Do you know the whereabouts of these members of the WHS graduating class of 1964?

They are:
J.W. Aley
Kathleen Bullard Bardin
Charles Carter
Charlotte Dooley
Carmen Esquivel Cavazos
Charles Nitsch
Jacque Nelson
Macello Torres
Florence Rogers Hill
Connie Wilborn Downing
Billy Witte
If you know how to contact any of these people, please call Scotty Belew at 915-754-8972.

Booster Club sponsors—Varsity photos scheduled for Friday night

The Winters Booster Club announces that player/parent pictures will be taken before tomorrow night's game with Ozona.

Varsity football players, cheerleaders, and their parents are asked to meet in the Blizzard Fieldhouse at 6:30 p.m., Friday, September 17. Pictures are for varsity members and their parents only, please.

The Booster Club will give each family, one 4X6 photo. They are welcomed to make copies or enlargements at their own expense.

CONTEST, continued

gate. During the second quarter, one name will be drawn to be the lucky kicker. That person will need to meet Booster Club officials at an assigned area before halftime activities begin. All eligible fans are encouraged to participate.

Merkel sneaks by 7th grade 6-0

by Coach Biff White

I don't know who, but Thursday evening someone said, "We didn't lose the game, time just ran out."

Being our first game, I thought the young Breezes did a good job both offensively and defensively.

Some of our players had to play new positions with only a couple of practices so when we had only three mistakes (penalties), it was a kind of victory.

I get tickled listening to the eager boys on how we are going to "whup up" on the Badgers but when our boys would come off to the sidelines, it was, "Wow, they hit too!"

With the first game jitters, the troopers played hard and that darn-ole tailback from Merkel broke one long play and scored the only touchdown.

The good news is that we get to play Merkel* again this Thursday (Sept. 16, Winters) here at 5 p.m., and we can see how much more improved we get.

I'm counting on a different outcome this time.

And a big thanks to all the fans. (*Normally we are open against Ozona but Merkel has fifty 7th graders and Jim Ned has only one team. So Merkel will send half their team to play Jim Ned and the other half to play at Winters this Thursday.)

1999 Book Fair begins Monday

Winters Elementary School is hosting their annual Book Fair, September 20 through September 24, in the library from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. daily with the exception of Friday when the Book Fair will close at 2 p.m.

There will be no "Family Night" this year; however, parents and the public are strongly encouraged to visit at available times Monday through Friday. The fair is open to all members of the community.

Admission is free. Should you visit during school hours, please check in at the office.

All Book Fair purchases will benefit the Winters Elementary School.

WHS Class of '74 to host reunion at Homecoming

The Class of 1974 will host their 25th year class reunion Friday and Saturday, October 8 and 9, Homecoming weekend.

WHS graduates in the classes of 1970-1980 are invited to join the fun.

Classmates will mingle after the game Friday in the old gym. On Saturday, a reunion dinner will be held at The Shed in Wingate from 5:00-7:00 p.m. Those planning to attend the dinner must RSVP! Then from 8 p.m. to midnight, a dance and mixer will be at the Winters VFW.

For more information, call Paula Faubion New, 695-5459; Kelly King, 365-2236; Tonja McAden Gohn, 949-2769; or Marie Smith Thompson, 993-4420.

WJHS cheerleaders collect good tips at Shed fund-raiser

The Winters Junior High cheerleaders made \$337 in tips on Sunday, September 5, from waiting tables at The Shed, "down on the farm in Wingate." The girls sponsored the fund-raiser to help pay the cost of their uniforms, equipment, and camp.

Teresa Sawyer, assistant manager at The Shed, said, "These girls were fantastic. When they turn sixteen, they can come see me for a job!" Sawyer donated her time and tips to the cheerleaders, as well.

Those girls participating included: Amanda Poe, assisted by

Malinda Poe; Macy Hopson, assisted by Shannon Hamilton; Katy Wilkerson, assisted by Mary Wilkerson; Tina Perrie, assisted by Fallen Perrie; Rachel Davis, assisted by Nancy Davis; Cheryl Kruse, junior high cheerleading sponsor; and Beth Wortham, high school cheerleading sponsor.

The girls would like to thank Hollis and Betty Dean, Byron Stephenson, and Teresa Sawyer for their support in this fund-raising effort. They would also like to thank all of those who chose to eat at The Shed that day.

Thanks Winters for your support! Go Blue!
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\$3 Children (under 12)
Chicken Spaghetti
Green Beans, Salad, Texas Toast
Homemade Dessert, Tea

Blizzard Wall Clocks
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with white face
FMI call Sherry Byrd 754-5771 or Brenda Bahlman 754-4843

WHS Cheerleader
Hamburger Supper
September 17
5:30-7:30 PM
School Cafeteria
\$4 plate
Hamburger, French Fries
Dessert, Iced Tea

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Crews News

By Hilda Kurtz



Hilda Kurtz

With two eyes and one tongue, you should see twice as much as you say.

The Saturday night community supper was well attended. Joe and Betty Pierce were hosts and furnished the barbecue brisket with all the trimmings. They were glad to welcome Becky and Elwood Brown, Odie Mathews, Coleman Foreman, Bernie and Jeff McCoy.

Visitors at Hopewell Baptist Church morning services were Robert Brian of Abilene and Bernie and Jeff McCoy of Portugal. They will be in Abilene for a week with her mother, Betty Whitmore.

Beverly VanZandt took her mother, Margie Jacob, to Coleman on Friday night for supper in celebration of Grandparents Day.

Sharon and Jerry Engler and Margie Jacob attended a surprise birthday supper at Lake Nasworthy Boat Club in San Angelo on Saturday night to honor John McGuire Clayton and Diane Weishuhn on their 40th birthdays.

Carol and Mike Kozelsky and Margie Jacob attended the festival and dinner at St. Mary's Catholic Church on Sunday in Ballinger.

Wanda and Wendell King lost most of their home by fire on Friday evening around 7 p.m.

They were not at home. Her daughter and little girl were there, but weren't burned.

The Fire Departments of Winters and Wingate put out the fire. Therin Osborne called in the fire, as the King's phone and electricity were out. At this time, I don't have all the details about the fire—more later.

Melvina and Marvin Gerhart had Ferris and Ramona Akins, Selma Wilkerson, and David and Jean Talbott of Ballinger over after church services on Sunday.

Marvin and Melvena attended the West Texas Fair in Abilene on Saturday and watched grandsons Bryant and Braden Mikeska show their lambs. Grandsons Brendon and Bryce Mikeska spent Friday night with the Gerharts.

Bernie and Jeff McCoy and her mother Betty of Abilene came by the Gerharts on Saturday night, for awhile.

After Coleman Foreman spent Sunday with Lawan, he went by to see the King family. Coleman has doctors appointments in San Angelo on Monday.

I had a nice long phone visit with my 92-year-old Aunt Rosa Laux of California. She asked me to tell all her friends hello for her and that she is doing o.k. So "hello" to all her church and Winters old friends.

Fairy and Wilbert Alcorn had the Akins over for dinner after church services last week. Later in the afternoon, Fairy and Wilbert drove to Abilene to see her brother Jarrell Giles, in the hospital . . . time you read this he is home and

recuperating nicely. The Alcorns went to see him again Wednesday and Thursday.

Juanita Shields' weekend friends were Mr. and Mrs. Gary Boren Flowers of Mount on Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Shields spent the day and had dinner also.

Carolyn Webb and Joe Webb and some friends of Austin traveled to El Paso and White Sands, New Mexico, and Ruidosa, New Mexico in their motor home.

As usual, Doris Woods had friends and family over for the three Labor Days, hunting, fishing, and just having a good time.

Bernie and Jeff McCoy visited with Harvey Mae and Noble Faubion over the weekend. Also Hallie Sims and her friend Riza, came to see the Faubions Friday.

Same song, second verse. Still no rain—high wind Sunday night.

Hopewell WMU Ladies that attended the Eunice Chamblis Hospitality House in Abilene on Monday were Jean Talbott, Selma Wilkerson, Carolyn Webb, Juanita Shields, Melvena Gerhart, Ramona Akins, and Nila Osborne. Brother Akins treated the ladies to lunch at noon.

Eileen and Kenny Cartwright and Jeremy and Tiffany Prater spent Labor Day with friends in Winters and enjoyed the delicious lunch.

Tammy and Haley Kaczuk of Winters spent a day this weekend driving with Georgia and Connie Gibbs.

Tour Winters and win \$100

by Randall Conner

The Winters Area Business and Industrial Corporation is introducing a "Driving Tour of Winters." The tour features historical and other points of interest in our community, including several older homes. It takes a little over an hour, and there is something of interest to almost everyone.

The purpose of the driving tour is two-fold. First, it is to help those who live here to have a better appreciation for our town and what it does have to offer. Secondly, it offers travelers coming through Winters a chance to see the community.

Tourism is now the number two industry in Texas and more and more people are going to rural areas to visit. As we look around, Winters has as much history and places of interest as almost any town our size.

The Industrial Board and the Chamber of Commerce encourage you to take this tour of Winters. The brochures are available at many businesses around town.

For those who take the tour by September 30, 1999, there will be a drawing for a \$100 certificate redeemable at any Winters business. Just take the tour, fill out the form, and drop it by the Chamber of Commerce or Winters Public Library.

We hope you have fun on the tour!

Shop At Home

Official Records

County Court Criminal Cases Filed

September 2
Rodney Leatherman Sr., filed for theft of merchandise by check

September 3
Rob Parish, filed for theft of merchandise by check

Elias G. Arispe, Jr., filed for theft of merchandise by check

September 7
Suzanne C. Adams, filed for theft of merchandise by check

Julie Sanchez, filed for theft of merchandise by check

Michael Sanchez, filed for theft of merchandise by check

Juana M. Lopez, filed for theft of merchandise by check

September 8
Henry Burton Lawson, filed for driving while intoxicated

Rebecca Islas Tanner, filed for driving while license suspended

Gloria Torres, filed for theft of merchandise by check

Raymond Pierce, filed for theft of merchandise by check

Lahoma Trammell, filed for theft of merchandise by check

Robin Matthews, filed for theft of merchandise by check

September 9
Arnold Silva, filed for theft of merchandise by check

Margarita Villarreal, filed for theft of merchandise by check

Marriage Licenses

September 8
Carey Mathews Foster and Shelly Ann Granzin

District Court Divorces Granted

August 27
Benny Vela Jr., and Christina Pena Vela

Civil Cases Filed

September 8
Sears Roebuck & Co., vs. Donna K. Elkins, suit on account

Justice of the Peace Precinct 1 Criminal Cases Filed

August 26
Gose Ramon Cavazos, filed for family violence protective order

August 30
Jose Diaz, filed for minor in possession of alcoholic beverage

September 2
Larry Gene Pelzel, filed for unplugged shotgun

September 6
Alizeh Shakin, filed for unplugged shotgun

Ray O. Hernandez Sr., filed for unplugged shotgun

Felony Charges Filed

September 8
Jacinto E. Landeros, filed for forgery by passing

Poe's Corner

By Charlsie Poe

Little things in life

Some people think that little things dot not matter — they can be brushed aside or ignored. Perhaps none of these people has tried walking with a pebble in his shoe.

My husband was a stickler for detail. He said people will forget the big blunders, but it's the little errors they'll cut your throat over — and always remember.

I came to middle age with a zest for life. This included church and civic work, and playing football with my four grandsons. For recreation, I toured the United States and visited several foreign countries.

Little trials began to appear in my life. They all began with a T: first it was my tongue, then my teeth, and, worst of all, my little toe. With prompt attention, the first two were conquered.

I had no qualms about minor surgery to correct a hammer toe in order to wear dress shoes comfortably, but my last visit to the doctor revealed that arthritis had interfered and I still doctored that little toe for a long time.

Even Mother Goose realized the value of small things and in her words:

For want of a nail, the shoe was lost;

For want of a shoe, the horse was lost;

For want of a horse, the rider was lost;

For the want of a rider, the battle was lost;

All for the want of a horeshoe's nail.

Let us be careful not to downplay the little things. It is the faithful of the small task who win real victories.

Zechariah 10 says, who de-



Charlsie Poe

spises the day of small things? Most of us are concerned with great achievements like growth, finances, and new buildings. We forget that it is the faithful doing the small tasks who win the real victories.

Sometimes joy comes through being faithful in humble service. While conducting Vacation Bible School at our Mexican mission, it fell my lot to teach the small children. One little girl couldn't understand English. She ran off every day, but I patiently brought her back. I tried to keep her interested with every method at hand. Unable to attend the final service, I was greatly rewarded when told that the child cried because "her teacher wasn't there."

We should all be encouragers. Your question or comment in the discussion of the Sunday School lesson may be the switch that turns on the light of understanding for someone. Your note of remembrance during the week or a quick phone call can make the difference between someone feeling lonely or loved.

Your financial contribution, though possibly viewed as small, enables the work of the Kingdom to be done. The result is amazing when the year is over.

Jesus himself teaches us that to be faithful in small things results in being blessed with more and greater rewards.

Police Beat

The information below is taken from reports on file with the Winters Police Department. Some of the information is provided to police by citizens, and in some cases, police have not finished investigating the reports. These reports make up a small percentage of the total calls the Department receives and responds to each week.

Winters Police Department reports received and/or investigated from Sunday, September 5, 1999, through Saturday, September 11, 1999. Winters Police Officers:

- investigated a burglary at the Iglesia Bautista Emanuel Church, unknown person(s) removed some microphones.

- issued a court summons to a female for disorderly conduct during a verbal altercation with other family members.

- arrested Daniel Cortez for Public Intoxication.

- investigated a burglary of a habitation; two firearms were stolen. This case is under investigation.

- investigated a reported case of Class C Theft at the Wes-T-Go store. Case is under investigation.

- responded to a report of an argument, where it was determined that a male suspect had committed a misdemeanor assault. Victim was instructed to file charges. Suspect was told to leave and not to return.

- the suspect from the above incident ded return to the scene of the prior call and was arrested for criminal trespass. Suspect was identified as John Wayne Liggins.

- arrested Fidencio Barquera on a warrant.

- arrested Joe Hernandez on a warrant.

- investigated a case of forgery by passing.

- investigated a reported burglary of a motor vehicle at Bahlman Chevrolet.

Runnels County Crimestoppers offers a cash reward for information which leads to the grand jury indictment or conviction of offenders and the caller does not have to give his or her name. To give a Crimestoppers tip, call your local law enforcement agency at:

Winters Police Department—754-4121
Ballinger Police Department—365-3591
Sheriff's Department—365-2121

WHS Class of '79 will host 20th reunion at Blizzard Homecoming

The Class of 1979 will hold their 20-year reunion during Homecoming weekend, October 8 & 9.

Alumni and their families will meet at Blizzard Field on Friday at 7:30 p.m. for the homecoming game against San Saba.

Classmates, families, and friends will meet from 10 a.m. to noon on Saturday at Winters City Park. At noon they will

caravan to the Catholic Church for a luncheon catered by JC's Catering. All other classes are invited to attend.

Cost of the meal is \$6 per person. Members of the Class of 1979 are encouraged to attend, bringing family and friends.

For catering purposes, classmates are asked to please RSVP to Janet Jacob Cason at 915/754-5205 or e-mail to Regmo@aol.com.

Ballinger's Annual GARAGE SALE!!
Saturday, Sept. 18th
8 am til ?? Maps Available
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at Ballinger
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Cowboys for Christ to meet in Drasco

The Bluff Creek Chapter of Cowboys for Christ is now holding its meetings at the old Drasco Baptist Church building on Friday nights at 7:30 p.m.

Everyone is welcome to attend.

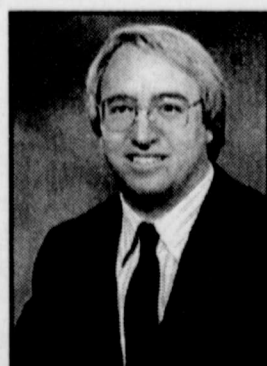
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Kathleen Glass and Houston Guy exchange wedding vows in June

Kathleen Evelein Glass and John Houston Guy were married June 26, 1999, at the First United Methodist Church in San Angelo with Dr. Shane Barnes officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Daniel Glass, Jr. of Sterling City. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Barney Guy, Jr. of Winters.

Grandmother of the bride is Mrs. C.J. Dunn of Sterling City and grandmother of the groom is Mrs. Alvin Jolley of Abilene.

Matron of Honor was Jennifer Glass of Water Valley and Maid of Honor was Carolina Brachetta of Dallas. Bridal attendants were Dacia Alford of Corpus Christi, Beth Clowe of San Antonio, Samantha Stokes of Abilene, Stephanie Frizzell Baldwin of Muleshoe, Tami Wright Russell of Menard, and Janet Guy of Abilene.

Flower girls were Abby Jones of Temple and Danielle Sullivan of Sterling City. Candle lighters were Rory Jones of Temple and Wiley Guy of Winters. Ring bearer was James Glass of Water Valley.

Best man was John Barney Guy, Jr. of Winters. Groomsmen were Barron Guy of Winters, Jody Guy of Iraan, Zane Guy of San Angelo, Jeff Butts of Ballinger, Jeremy Williams of San Angelo, Houston Moos of Fritch, and Philip Glass of Water Valley.

Ushers were Mark Sullivan and Danny Glass of Sterling City, and Russell Jones of Temple.

The bride chose a gown of ivory dupioni silk and re-embroidered point d'allençon lace, with a jeweled bodice of pearls and paillettes.

The molded bodice was designed with an off the shoulder



Mrs. John Houston Guy

neckline and short sleeves and was accented with medallions of beaded lace, outlined in tiny pearls and soutache.

The slender slipper length skirt was bordered in sparkling lace as was the full detachable train. A fine rolled satin ribbon encircled the imported illusion veil. She wore her mother's pearls and an English six pence in her shoe.

Bridesmaids wore long dresses of periwinkle dupioni silk and the flower girls wore ivory dupioni silk dresses trimmed in lace.

A reception was held at the Bentwood Country Club in San

Angelo. Serving in the house party were Deborah Miller Anderson of Reeves, Louisiana, Terry Clanton of Blooming Grove, Kelly McCrea Smith of San Angelo, LaShea Butts of Ballinger, Robbie Clanton of Blooming Grove, Elaine Clanton Nelson of Athens, and Carla Dunn Jenner of Clint.

The bride is an interior designer for Visions Design Group and the groom is a teacher and coach at Wall High School.

After a wedding trip to the Virgin Islands, the couple lives in San Angelo.

2nd Lt. Russell Parramore deployed to Saudi Arabia for 90 day mission with 79th Fighter Squadron

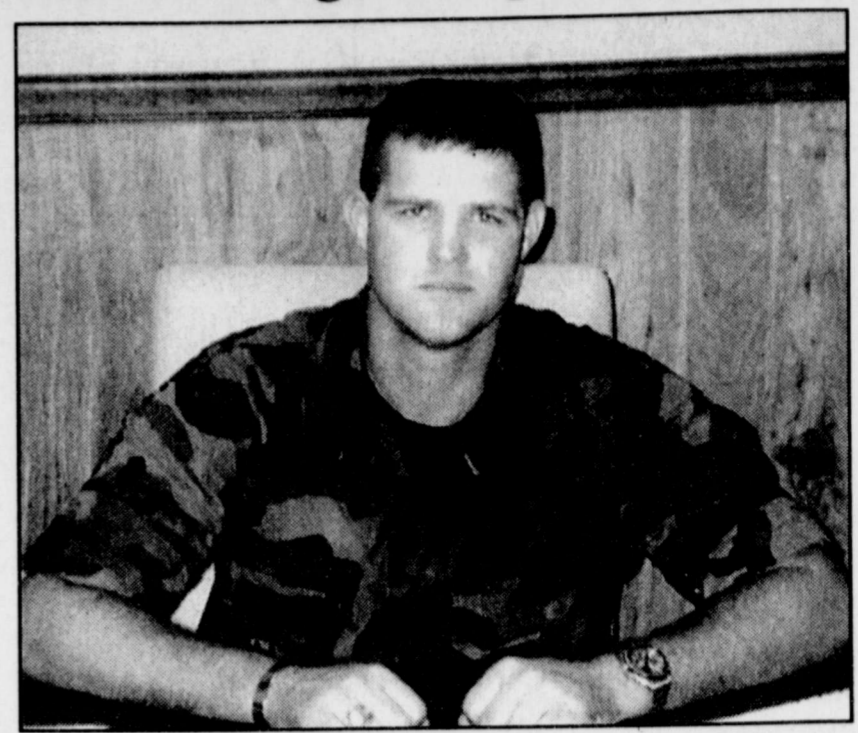
Second Lieutenant Russell Parramore of the 79th Fighter Squadron stationed at Shaw Air Force Base in South Carolina has been deployed to Saudi Arabia, effective Friday, September 10.

The 79th Fighter Squadron "Tigers" are a combat ready F-16 squad, tasked with air-to-air and air-to-surface missions. Second Lt. Parramore is a flight maintenance officer with the squadron.

The 79th spent 22 days in June in Turkey supporting operations in Kosovo. In Saudi Arabia, they will be in charge of the southern no-fly zone in Iraq. Their mission will last approximately 90 days before rotating home.

While in Saudi, Parramore is scheduled to be promoted to First Lieutenant in October.

He is the son of Robert and Rhea Parramore of Winters and has one sister, Robin, a junior at



Angelo State University.

Parramore is a 1997 graduate of Angelo State University,

ROTC commissioned. He graduated from Winters High School in 1993.

Triple L monthly meeting changed for September

The Triple L Club has rescheduled their regular monthly meeting. Instead of meeting the second Thursday of the month, they will meet on Tuesday, September 21, with the Abilene Triple L Club in Abilene.

The meeting will begin at

11:30 a.m. followed by a catered luncheon at noon. Cost of the luncheon is \$2.50. Guests are invited to attend. The church bus will leave from the First Baptist Church parking lot at 10 a.m. Club members and guests are asked to call the church office at

754-5521, by Friday, September 17 to register for the trip.

The Abilene club and Brother L.L. Trott organized the Winters affiliation in 1979. The organization is open to any senior adult, age 65 and older.

Seeking voices for community choir— To perform praise at Thanksgiving

by Pastor Don Roath

The Ministerial Alliance is forming a community choir that will perform a Thanksgiving praise musical entitled "God For Us." Anyone interested in being a part of the choir is invited to participate.

The first rehearsal will be held September 19 at 4:30 p.m. in the First Baptist Church. A schedule for the remaining rehearsals will be decided upon at this time.

"God For Us" centers on the great love the Father has bestowed upon us. If God be for us, who can be against us? "God For Us" is an experience for all seasons!

The musical will be performed Sunday evening, November 21, at 7:00 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

Fall Fest at Eden September 24-26

Eden's annual Fall Fest, Sept. 24-26, has something for everyone — a parade, barbecue, and dance.

The weekend starts with the annual Eden-Menard rival football game at 8 p.m. Before the game at 5:30 p.m., a hamburger supper and tailgate party will be held on the square.

On Saturday morning, arts and crafts and food booths will begin to set up on the square at 8:30. For booth space, call Ivie Spiller at 869-EDEN.

The Concho Country Fair will be set up in the Multi-Purpose Center on the south side of the square at 9 a.m. A health fair, sponsored by the county Extension office, will be held in conjunction with the country fair.

The parade begins at 10 a.m., followed by the dedication of the new Eden-Volunteer Fire Station.

In the afternoon, there will be live entertainment, a washer pitching tournament, and Bingo. An evening barbecue supper is available from the Concho County 4-H Club.

At 9 p.m., Six Feet Under provides music for the dance.

On Sunday, Sept. 26, the Concho County Saddle Club will hold their annual Tracy Rudloff Memorial Team and Goat Roping at the Pfluger Park area.

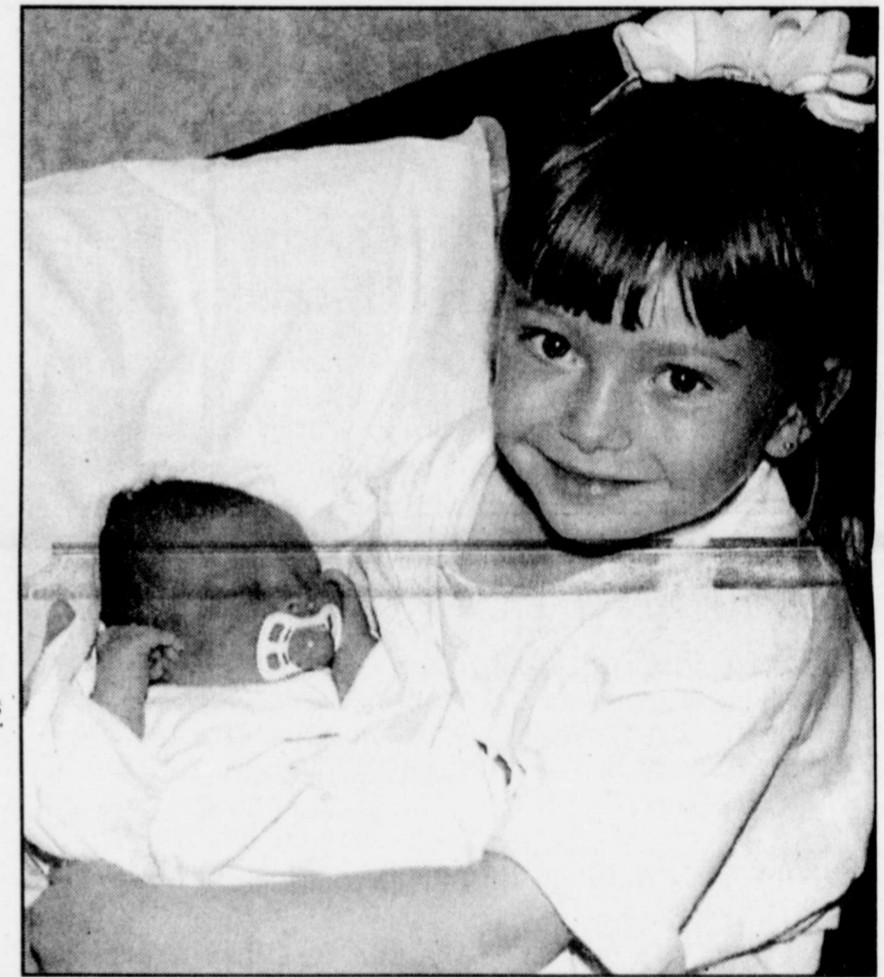
Come on out and be a part of the fun at Eden Fall Fest.

Attention: Class of 1949

Winters High School class members of 1949 are asked to reserve October 8 and 9 for some fun activities to celebrate the 50th class reunion.

Call Jo Poe at 754-5470 or Ed Bredemeyer at 754-4083 for details.

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Kinley and big sister Taylor

Kinley Elyse Gray

Taylor Gray, age 5, would like to announce the arrival of her sister, Kinley Elyse Gray.

Kinley was born at 2:50 p.m. on Thursday, September 2, 1999, at Abilene Regional Medical Center. She weighed 7 lbs. 15 oz. and was 20 inches long.

Parents are Michael and Cindy Gray of Abilene.

Grandparents are Stan and Linda Greer of Abilene, and Mike and Betty Gray of Winters.

Taylor Delane Stevens

Tanner, age 6, and Cody, age 3, are proud to announce the arrival of their baby sister, Taylor Delane Stevens.

She was born Saturday, September 11, 1999 at 6:14 p.m. at Shannon Medical Center in San Angelo. Taylor weighed 9 lbs. 14 oz. and was 21 inches long at birth.

Also welcoming Taylor home are her parents, Pam and Roger Stevens of San Angelo.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Bub Burson of Kerrville. Maternal great-grandmother is Lois Sherrod of Kerrville. Paternal grandmother is Neva Stevens of Winters.

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12 cow poke

16 TX-sized continent

18 TXism: "Katy bar the door"

19 Lorrie Morgan's "What Part _____"

20 music recording format

21 Texans: nobody _____ in the world!

24 bracelet ornaments

30 TXism: "a day late and _____"

33 distribute cards again

34 TXism: "_____ to" (intend)

35 _____gallon hat

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43 TXism: "a shy _____ get no biscuits"

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1 in Hill Co. on B1

2 "Big D"

3 type of pine tree grown in so. TX

4 TXism: "tame as _____ dog"

9 TX Bob Bullock went to TX Tech on the _____ Bill

10 TXism: "_____ your hair stand on end" (scary)

11 this continent gets half of TX mohair

12 book (192): "Texas _____ War"

13 TXism: "finished out _____" (lost)

14 type of mistake (2 wds.)

15 TXism: "a stepper"

17 TX Janis had drug _____ problem

22 TX singer Kenny (init.)

23 Guadalupe Peak or Pine Top (abbr.)

24 TX Lynda Bird married this Robb (init.)

25 skirt edge

26 Father's Day honoree (2 wds.)

27 TX tree or town

28 Rice RB Dickie who was tackled from the bench in '54 Cotton Bowl

29 Astro pitcher toss

31 paddle

32 TXism: "a windy"

37 "Cola _____"

38 TX Rangers sportscaster Nadel (init.)

39 TXism for a kind of a wasp (2 wds.)

41 enlisted officer (abbr.)

42 Kermit, TX was named after the _____ of Teddy Roosevelt

48 worry

50 state of TX Rangers Twins foe (abbr.)

51 TXism: "six of _____ half a dozen of the other"

56 TX Ranger film: "Lone _____ McQuade" (B3)

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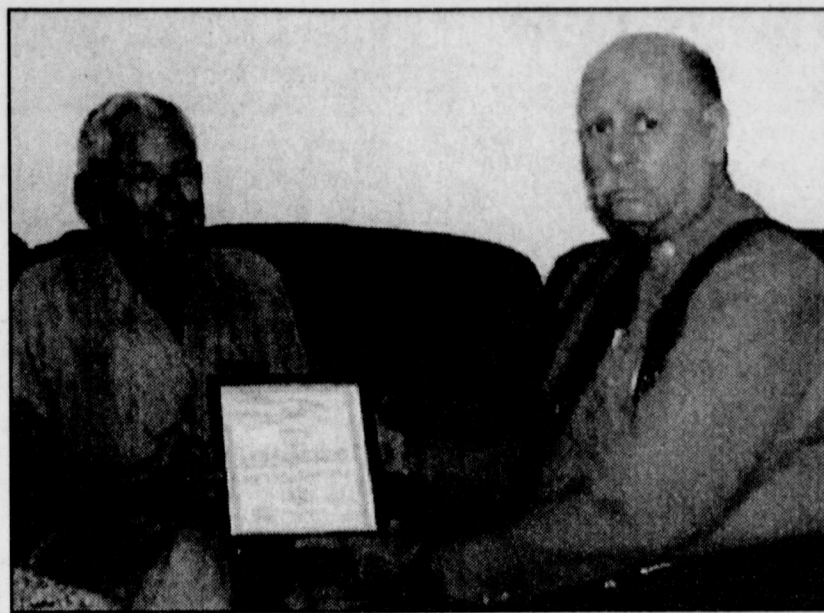
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Awarded for 50 years of service



JOSEPH IRVIN (left) was recently presented the Masonic Fifty Year Service Award. The presentation was made at Our House in Winters by Ballinger Masonic Lodge #643 Worshipful Master **Bob Southard** (right). Mr. Irvin was pinned by his friend, Mrs. Lois Swatshue. Also attending, but not pictured, were **James Brown**, **Vollie Pierce**, and **Bart Bartlett** of the Ballinger Lodge.

Runnels County eligible for emergency wildfire aid

Runnels County is among 227 Texas counties designated eligible for federal emergency wildfire aid.

The head of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) recently announced that President Clinton has ordered the federal emergency aid for Texas because of the extreme threat to populated areas posed by the recent outbreak of wildfires.

FEMA Director James Lee Witt said the President took the action September 1 after the agency reported that severe drought conditions have sparked some 217 wildfires, which burned more than 23,000 acres of land and threatened numerous communities since August 1.

Witt said the President's emergency declaration authorizes FEMA to make direct federal assistance available to pay 75% of the cost for emergency measures needed to save lives, protect property, and insure public health and safety. The funding includes costs for the required mobilizing and advance staging of federal and state firefighting resources.

Under the declaration, reimbursement of the state's cost for fighting wildland fires will continue to be authorized under FEMA's fire suppression grant program, Witt said.

Witt named Robert E. Hendrix, of FEMA's regional office in Denton to coordinate the federal emergency assistance in the affected areas.

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destroyed more than ninety percent of her home. There were no injuries.

At around 10:45 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 9, firemen were called to extinguish a burning tractor/trailer rig in the 300 block of N. Melwood. Gerald McIntyre, driver of the rig owned by Alderman Cave, said he had just filled up with 300 gallons of diesel and driven to the grain elevator to load his trailer.

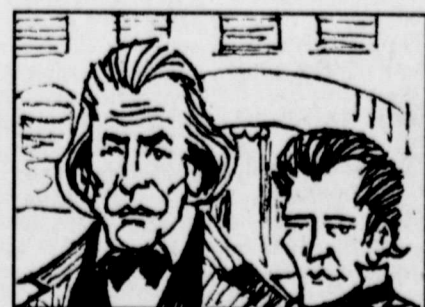
After backing his rig under the elevator, he got out and as he was watching the trailer fill, he heard an air hose pop and saw flames near the truck cab. He jumped off the trailer, got in the cab and drove the rig out from under the elevator. Although he grabbed a fire extinguisher, he was unable to contain the fast-spreading flames which quickly engulfed the cab.

Cause of the fire was unknown at press time but McIntyre said that the rig had been picked up from the repair shop in Brownwood that same day.

Shortly after midnight on Sept. 5, heroic efforts by two members of the Winters Fire Department possibly saved the life of one Winters man. Firemen Jack Davis, Jr. and Mark Bridgeman were among the first firemen to arrive at the fire at 507 Bowen.

Neighbors, who smelled smoke, saw flames and called 911, told the firemen that someone was inside the burning home. Without concern for their personal safety, Davis and Bridgeman immediately entered the home and found Larry Foster, 64, lying unconscious in the hallway. They were able to get Mr. Foster outside and transported by ambulance to North Runnels Hospital where he was treated for smoke inhalation.

According to Fire Chief Davis, the fire was started by smoldering cigarettes.



Because he and President Andrew "Old Hickory" Jackson were so close, James Polk was often referred to as "Young Hickory."

Chamber Memo

Winters driving tour a must; cook-off set for November 13

by Carolyn Scarborough, Chamber manager

If you have not taken the driving tour, composed by the Winters Area Business and Industrial Corporation, be sure to check it out. The brochures with instructions and information can be picked up at the Chamber office or the library.

Even though you might have been here a long time, you will probably pick up a tidbit of local knowledge that you did not know.

Then be sure to turn in your entry form for the \$100 drawing to be held on September 30.

We are still looking for hunting leases around the area. We will list any leases in Runnels County as well as southern Taylor, Coke, Coleman, and Nolan

counties. If you would like to be listed, please call in your information to the Chamber office at 754-5210. These leases will be available on our web site and in paper form.

The Chamber is preparing for its 30th Annual Arts and Crafts Show to be held on November 13. This year, a cook-off has been added to the festivities. There are three categories: beans, brisket, and wild game. Be sure to enter your famous and tasty dish; you could win "cash money." The first three places in each category will be awarded a cash prize. Official rules may be picked up at the Chamber office.

Sudduth on Dean's List

Stephen W. Sudduth has been named to the Dean's List at Southwest Texas State University in San Marcos for the fall 1998 and spring 1999 semesters.


The Dean's List is comprised of a select group of SWT students who have succeeded in maintaining a grade point average of 3.6 or better per semester.

Sudduth is an employed, full-time college student majoring in

education, with a criminal justice minor. During the fall semester, Stephen interned at Lockhart Elementary School working with second grade students, and after the spring semester, he completed an internship with the sixth grade of Kyle Middle School.


Stephen is the son of Jerry W. and Mary Ann Sudduth of Sealy and the grandson of the late Albert and Dora Sudduth of Winters.

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North Runnels Water Supply Corporation is not required to extend retail water service to a service applicant in a subdivision where the developer of the subdivision has failed to comply with the Subdivision Policy.

Applicable elements of the Subdivision Policy include:

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Payment of reasonable costs or fees by the developer for providing water supply capacity;

Payment of fees for reserving water supply capacity;

Forfeiture of reserved water supply capacity for failure to pay applicable fees;

Payment of costs of any improvements to North Runnels Water Supply Corporation's system that are necessary to provide the water;

Construction according to design approved by North Runnels Water Supply Corporation and dedication by the developer of water within the subdivision following inspection.

North Runnels Water Supply Corporation's tariff and a map showing North Runnels Water Supply Corporation's service area may be reviewed at North Runnels Water Supply Corporation's offices, at 1020 N. Main, Winters, Tx; the tariff and service area map also are filed of record at the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission in Austin, Texas and may be reviewed by contacting the TNRC, c/o Utility Rates and Services Section, Water Utilities Division, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711.

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More shows this weekend—

Winters youth exhibit livestock at West Texas Fair and Rodeo

Area Winters youth had a good opening weekend at the West Texas Fair and Rodeo last weekend, exhibiting market lambs and heifers.

Exhibiting in the Junior Market Lamb competition were Georgetta Horton, Camille Kruse, Braden Mikeska, Bryant Mikeska, Collyn Pritchard, Devon Shackelford, and Dalton Shackelford.

Dalton Shackelford placed second in the Open Polled Hereford Heifer competition while Camille Kruse finished fifth and Jami Harris, sixth.

In the Junior Polled Hereford Heifer show, Matt Angel and Dalton Shackelford placed second, Jami Harris was fourth, and Camille Kruse, fifth.

Mandy Pritchard was second in the Junior Shorthorn Heifer show, while Colby Pritchard finished

fourth. Jeffrey Jordan was second in the Junior Angus Heifer competition, while Ryan Bland finished second in the Junior Red Angus Heifer show.

In the Junior Simmental Heifer show, Chris Hoppe placed first and fourth with his calves, Ryan Bland was second, and Maegan Schwartz placed sixth. Trenton Grohman placed third in the Junior Charlois Heifer show.

Winters youth will compete again this weekend as the fair draws to a close, with swine, steers, and breeding sheep. In addition, five FFA and 4-H members will scramble this week during the rodeo.

Scrambling for purchase certificates worth up to \$500 will be J.T. Davis, Travis Grohman, Georgetta Horton, Cody Pritchard, and Jessica Pritchard.

Ninth annual Club Pig Sale benefiting West Texas Rehab set for Monday, October 4

The ninth annual Club Pig Sale benefiting West Texas Rehabilitation Center is set for Monday, October 4, at 7 p.m. in the Wyle FFA Showbarn. The barn is located behind the football field on Antilley Road in Abilene.

Only pigs purchased at this sale are eligible for the December Rehab Jackpot Show which will be judged by Scottie Windham of Abernathy.

Don Richburg, chairman of the event, stated that the sale raised over \$17,000 last year from a record 166 pigs donated.

Richburg is expecting another banner year of high quality pigs to be donated by many well-known breeders. A partial list of past donors who have pledged again this year include Apache Hog Farm, Newcastle, Okla-

homa; Charles Crawford, DeLeon; Joe Behrens, Voca; Heathcott Hogs, Winters; and Luther Hill, Littlefield.

Other breeders are Tadd Knight, Plains; Mappes Duross, Moore, Oklahoma; Mr. and Mrs. Don Richburg, Roscoe; Clarence Schaefer, Rowena; Harvey Schwertner, Miles; Sam Sparger, DeLeon; and West Texas Boar Stud of Stamford.

Richburg is asking everyone to come to the sale early to look over the pigs and enjoy beans and cornbread served from the Rehab chuckwagon.

For more information about the sale or to donate pigs, call Don Richburg at 915-766-3578, West Texas Rehab Center in Abilene at 915-793-3507, or in San Angelo at 915-223-6300.

Pest Management News

By Richard Minzenmayer, Extension Agent-Entomology (PM)

GENERAL SITUATION—

Hot and dry conditions have prevailed over the Concho Valley most of the growing season causing premature cutout and rapid boll opening in most cotton fields.

Some producers are gearing up to start applying harvest-aides to finish up the 1999 crop. Be sure to match harvesting capacity with the numbers of acres treated with harvest-aide materials. You never know, it might actually start raining one of these days, hopefully, in the near future.

Dryland producers with yield potentials of 350 lbs. or less should consider using low-cost desiccants such as Cyclone®. Irrigated producers will probably want to consider going in and dropping the leaves first with a defoliant and then going back with a desiccant in 10-14 days.

Crop maturity is critical. Premature crop termination has been shown to reduce lint yield, seed quality, micronaire, and fiber strength. Harvest-aide chemicals cannot increase the rate of fiber development. Only additional good growing weather, which are certainly getting right now, will help. Hot, sunny, and dry.

HARVEST-AIDES—A standard across the cotton belt has been to apply defoliants when the field reaches 60% open bolls and to apply desiccants when a field reaches 80% open bolls. This is still a somewhat useful technique, but it is recommended to use this technique in conjunction with the Nodes Above Cracked Boll (NACB) and the boll cutting method.

Maturity can be determined by using a sharp knife to cut into the bolls. If the boll is watery or jellylike on the inside, then it is immature and needs more time. If boll development is such that a knife cannot slice through the lint, then the boll is nearly mature. Close inspection of the seed will

give further indication of boll maturity. If the seed coat is turning tan and the cotyledons are fully developed, the boll is mature.

NACB is a recently developed tool that can be used to time harvest-aide application.

Generally, if the uppermost first position-cracked boll is within 3 nodes of the uppermost harvestable first position boll, then no lint weight will be lost if a harvest-aide is applied at that time. If the uppermost first position-cracked boll is located 4 nodes or lower on the plant, then the potential for some lint loss exists and increases as NACB increases.

Micronaire reduction generally follows a similar pattern when weight transfer takes place which allows marginally mature bolls to finish development. If applying desiccants, then more bolls must be mature in order to reduce the risk of fiber weight loss or reduction of micronaire, thus 2-3 NACB would be a better target.

COURSE UPDATES—A Financial Record Keeping Shortcourse is to be held on September 21, 1999, at the Texas A&M University Research and Extension Center in San Angelo. The class will begin at 10 a.m. and end at 4 p.m.

Dr. Jason Johnson, Assistant Professor and Extension Economist-Management, will be the speaker.

Registration fee which includes materials and lunch is \$40. Class will be limited to the first 15 participants that call 659-6522 to register and is designed specifically for agricultural producers.

A program on Technical Analysis for reading price charts is being presented at the Taylor County Extension Center in Abilene on October 5, 1999, beginning at 9 a.m. and ending at 3 p.m.

Speaker will be Alan Brugler, senior analyst in the DTN AgDaily News division.

The object of this workshop is to introduce and demonstrate basic technical analysis tools to be used in an effective price risk management program.

Pre-registration is available through Oct. 1 for \$10. At the door, the registration fee will be \$20. Lunch is provided.

For additional information, call Gary Bomar, Taylor County Extension Agent, at 672-6048.

COTTON DEMONSTRATION COOPERATORS—The Texas Agricultural Extension Service greatly appreciates the cooperation received from local producers.

Many of these demonstrators and applied research projects require many hours of labor from producers and also the use of their equipment. These cooperators are ultimately helping every producer in the Concho Valley through the

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Metroplex Cattlemen's Conference set for Friday, September 24

Cattle producers sometimes work against nature in their beef production systems.

Dr. Ron Gill, livestock specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, said this concern will be addressed in this year's Metroplex Cattlemen's Conference. It will focus on the synergy that should exist in a ranching operation among forage production, cattle performance, health, marketing, and cost control.

Scheduled for Friday, Sept. 24, at the Texas A&M Dallas Research and Extension Center in North Dallas, the conference begins at 8:30 a.m. and concludes at 3 p.m. Registration and a trade show open at 7:45 a.m.

"We'll be presenting methods producers may find useful to redesign their forage production to complement their total operation," among other topics, said Gill.

"Also recent articles in national livestock publications encouraged producers to delay calving until May and June, or even July and August," he said. "We need to consider climate and geography before making basic changes in operations. These recommendations come from Midwestern or northern states. There, it is has never made sense to calve cattle in periods of potential blizzards when a relatively cool summer exists for calving cows, but Texas conditions are not comparable."

L.R. Sprott, professor and Extension beef specialist, will discuss calving season for production efficiency in Texas and Oklahoma.

Gill will outline a sound immunization and parasite control program, again focusing on the high production efficiency that results when the entire operation is co-

ordinated.

"Another key factor in a production system is marketing," said Gill. Joe Don Pogue, owner of the Sulphur Springs Livestock Market and co-founder of the Northeast Texas Beef Improvement Organization, will discuss what they are doing to enhance and capture the true value of cattle merchandise.

"They have shown that quality cattle and sound management can be rewarded through normal marketing channels," said Gill.

Forage production costs are among the greatest concerns of any cattle operation. Larry Redmon, professor and Extension forage specialist, will address the concept of stockpiling forages in the fall to reduce the need for feeding baled hay early in the winter.

"Hay requirements can be reduced by 25 percent to 30 percent through stockpiling forages," Gill said.

The final speaker will be Hugh Aljoe, Noble Foundation forage agronomist, continuing the theme of reduced hay requirements, lower costs, and effective winter pasture. Winter pastures could further reduce hay requirements by an additional 25 percent to 50 percent, according to Gill.

Three hours of continuing education units (CEUs) will be given for integrated pest management training. Registration is \$15 if received before Sept. 17 and \$20 at the door. The fee includes a copy of the proceedings, refreshments at breaks, and lunch.

For more information, contact Fred Burrell, Dallas County Extension agent, 214-904-3050 or Suzanne Williamson, Dallas County Extension Beef Committee, 214-361-7703.

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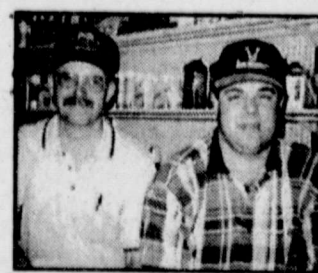
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