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Ready, aim, oops!



RICO CAMPOS, age 4, creates enough backswing to knock off his helmet before he even hits the ball during an always entertaining t-ball game.

We can't watch this any more —



JUSTICE HUBBARD (left) and **TYLER SMITH**, both age 5, appear to wish they were playing somewhere else instead of waiting for the hit during the t-ball game.

9-1-1 dispatching goes to county jail

County Commissioners voted to locate the 9-1-1 and telecommunications dispatching office at the Runnels County Jail at a special meeting on Tuesday morning.

At a workshop session last week, Sheriff Bill Baird had asked commissioners if they all would support the location of the office in the jail. All four answered they would, and then Sheriff Baird was asked if he would be asking for additional money in his budget for the coming fiscal year because of the 9-1-1/dispatching office. He told commissioners he would not ask for more money—next year.

Sheriff Baird made a request to the court that a maintenance agreement be approved with Cummins Southern Plans, Inc. for yearly maintenance of the reserve power generation unit located at the jail. The proposal said the company would check the diesel engine unit twice a year at a cost of \$754.15 per year.

Commissioner Thurman Self asked if any other Cummins dealers in San Angelo or Abilene had been contacted regarding a maintenance agreement. "We might be able to save some money on mile-

age," he said. Baird said no one else had been contacted, but he would check to see if the agreement could be bought at less expense. No action was taken until further information could be obtained.

Baird also requested the county pay for a medical-psychological examination for a reserve jailer at a cost of \$250-\$300. He said, "This is a fellow who had applied for a job as a jailer, but we did not hire him. He would like to work some on a volunteer basis, but we must have him certified as a jailer and these examinations are part of being certified." The court approved the cost of the examinations.

Harm Ray and Cynthia Glass of the Dale Community attended the meeting to discuss with Commissioner Keith Collom a problem of water crossing their farm. Asking that some ditch cleaning be done in order to relieve some of the water gathering, the couple made several suggestions to Commissioner Collom as to how to alleviate the problem. Commissioner Collom said he would contact other landowners in the area and see what the county could do

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Now American Electric Power —

West Texas Utilities merger means customer savings

The merger of West Texas Utilities' parent company, Central and South West Corp. (CSW), with Ohio-based American Electric Power (AEP) should mean savings for local customers on their electricity in the future.

The merger was completed on June 15 and, according to company statements, should mean more than \$31 million in cost savings which is to be passed back to customers. The average WTU customer should see a savings of about 2% on their electric bills for the next six years.

The savings are expected to come from \$15.6 million in merger-related cost savings and \$20.5 million in rate reductions.

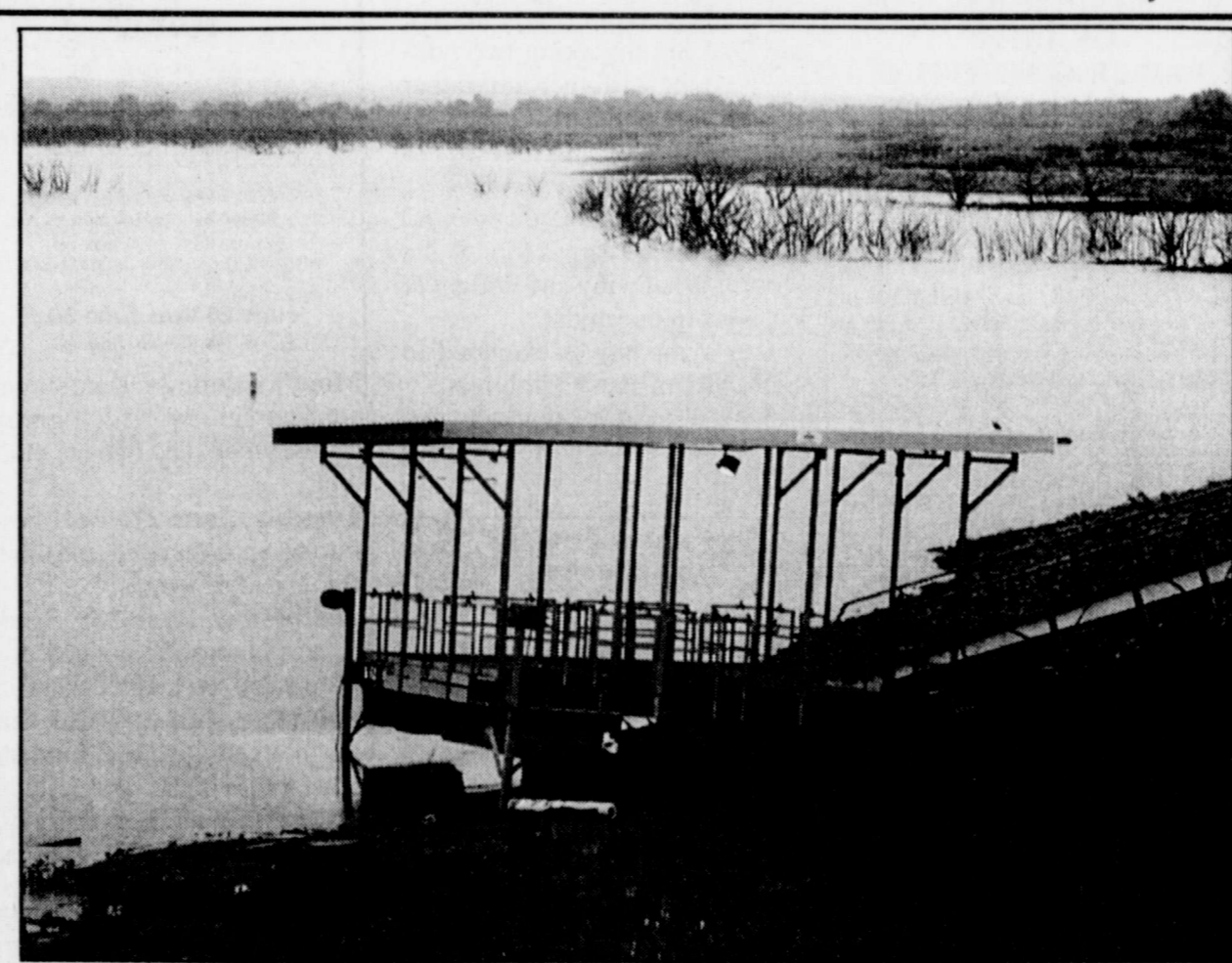
Accounting for part of the cost savings is a 21% reduction in jobs in the combined companies. Central and South West had earlier announced the closing of offices in Ballinger and Winters, eliminating clerical jobs and a district manager's position. The service function of the offices will remain, but no payments will be accepted, nor will the offices be

open to the public. Along with those announced reductions in force, the company also announced the discontinuance of appliance sales by West Texas Utilities.

E. Linn Draper, AEP's chairman, president and chief executive officer, expressed satisfaction with the completion of the merger. "Although the approval process was a lengthy one because of the involvement of many state and federal agencies, this merger was well worth the wait. Completion of the merger solidifies AEP's position as an industry leader and positions us to succeed in the new energy marketplace," he said.

The merged company will retain the American Electric Power name and will continue trading on

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RISING WATER LEVELS continue at Elm Creek Reservoir, thanks to recent rains in the area. The lake, which had dwindled to a mere four feet in depth three weeks ago, is now about six and a half feet deep and also spreading horizontally. According to Jack Davis, Jr., City Water Superintendent, water is still being pumped from the old Winters lake into the Reservoir. The city remains in stage III of the water rationing plan which prohibits outside watering.

Organizational meeting to plan Jeanene Hoppe Laird benefit

An organizational meeting to plan a benefit for Jeanene Hoppe Laird will be held Tuesday, June 27, 2000, at 7 p.m. in City Hall Council Chambers.

If you would like to help but will be unable to attend this meeting, please contact Sheila Paschal

See BENEFIT, page 7

Church of Christ to host evening Vacation Bible School, June 26-28

North Main Church of Christ will host an evening Vacation Bible School Monday through Wednesday, June 26-28, from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m.

The theme is "Outback Games VBS 2000."

Children four years of age through the sixth grade (recently

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Officers and directors elected for 2000-01 at annual Z.I. Hale Museum Foundation meeting

The Z.I. Hale Museum Foundation, Inc. held its annual membership meeting at 4 p.m. on Sunday, June 11, 2000, in The Rock Hotel Heritage Center. A program was presented by Mike Pumphrey on restoring the old Drummer House.

Officers and directors were elected for the coming year. This year's officers are Mike Pumphrey, president; Randall Conner, vice-president; Dan Killough, assistant vice-president; Phyllis Boles, secretary; Jane Bourdo, assistant secretary; Marlene Smith, treasurer; Charlie Poe and Edna England, historians; and Alton O'Neal, Bobby Mayo, Anthony Lange, and Johnny Key,

curators with O'Neal serving as chairman.

Mrs. Smith will be activity coordinator and Kay Colburn is in charge of publicity, with Wanda Brewer and Mrs. Smith as assistants.

Directors for 2000-2001 are Mrs. Colburn, Mrs. England, Nina Hale, Mrs. Smith, Judy Biddix, Mrs. Boles, Conner, Killough, and Mayo. Senior Advisory Directors are Homer Hodge and Mrs. Poe.

Advisory Directors are Gwen Andrae, Hank Bourdo, Key, Lange, O'Neal, Pumphrey, Dwayne and Gail Williams, Mrs. Bourdo, Naomi Gerhart, Jewel Kraatz, Teresa Patterson, and

Julie Springer.

All Z.I. Hale Museum members are reminded to send in their annual dues at this time. Families and businesses are encouraged to become members of the museum association.

The dues and other fund-raising activities are used to support the operation of the museum and its many activities. Family membership is \$15, business memberships are \$40, and lifetime memberships are \$125. Dues may be mailed in care of the museum at P.O. Box 42, Winters, TX, 79567. When registering for membership please include the year you graduated if you are a Winters High School graduate.

WHAT'S HAPPENING ?

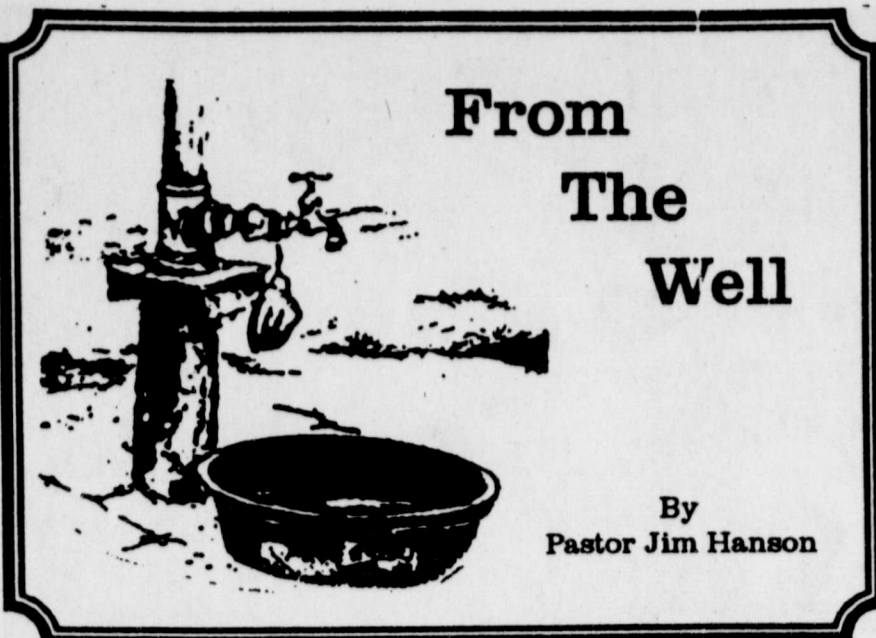
- June 22-9 a.m.-Noon, Vacation Bible School, St. John's Lutheran Church
- 11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- 6:30-9 p.m., Computer Class, Winters High School
- June 23-11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- 7:30 p.m., Cowboys for Christ, Drasco
- June 24-1 p.m., Classes 1980-90 Reunion, WHS
- 7 p.m., Winters Squares, Community Center
- June 26-9:30-10:30 a.m., Social Security Rep., Winters Housing Authority
- 11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- 5:30-8:30 p.m., Vacation Bible School, Church of Christ
- 6 p.m., City Council, City Hall
- 7 p.m., Wingate Masonic Lodge
- 7 p.m., VFW & Auxiliary, Post Home
- "Shoot to Chill" Basketball Camp Begins
- June 27-11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- Noon, Lions Club, Community Center
- 5:30-8:30 p.m., Vacation Bible School, Church of Christ
- 7 p.m., WVFD, Fire Station
- 7 p.m., Jeanene Laird Benefit Meeting, City Hall
- WVFD Auxiliary
- June 28-7 a.m., Industrial Board, Chamber Office
- 11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- 5:30-8:30 p.m., Vacation Bible School, Church of Christ
- June 29-11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- 5 p.m., Hale Museum Board
- 6 p.m., Coleman Rodeo Begins

Rock Hotel rental rates increase

The directors of the Z.I. Hale Museum have raised the rental rates for use of The Rock Hotel Heritage Center, effective July 1, 2000. The new rates will be \$100 for partial days—morning, afternoon, evening, and \$200 for all-day use.

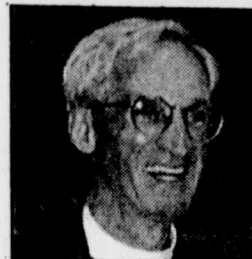
During the past year, rental revenue generated was 42% of the

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From The Well

By
Pastor Jim Hanson



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I did not believe it! When I called the bank the other day I asked the question. THE QUESTION. The question of the year. The question I asked every time I called anyone in Winters. The very first question. The question that comes before

"How are you?" A life or death question. For many of us the most important question. And for all of us an essential question.

"Did you get any rain... yet?" I did not anticipate the answer I got. I even felt guilty asking. Because where Ramona and I have been these past weeks everything has been green and growing. Wisconsin. Minnesota. South Dakota. Even Montana and Wyoming. Not big amounts. But enough to clean the air and keep the growing things green. Plenty of water here. So little where you are. We were hoping and praying that you would get some, too.

She answered. Very calmly. And precisely. "Nine inches." Silence was all I had to give for an answer. I had nothing to say. For once in my life, I was without speech. Like Zechariah when the angel told that old man that he was going to have a son. He didn't believe it. And so he was struck dumb. I didn't either. And so I was speechless. And then I heard, "Really, Pastor Jim. In some places it totals nine inches. Others... five or six. Water is flowing into the reservoir from the old lake.

My well was silent no more. Deep down, on the inside of my heart was pounding. My well was filling up. My spirit was soaring. I wanted to sing like Mary, "My soul magnifies the Lord... for He has done great things!" It was the best news I have heard in a long time.

It's probably good that I wasn't there when it happened. I do crazy things when the rain comes. Often I have gone and stood in it and just let it soak me. With nine inches, I might have taken off my clothes and just gone out without any on. I might have got arrested for "streaking." Letting my whole skin feel the showers of blessing rain down on me. Becoming rebaptized. Immersed in the downpour. Soaking it all up. Can't you just see the story in the Police Beat?: "Responded to a report that a gray haired old man was running around in the rain. Near the corner of West and Parsonage."

What is it that makes me feel so connected to the earth that when it's dry, I dry up? My body feels it. My skin. My eyes. My hands and face and feet. Even my spirit. Even my well goes dry. Every cell in me cries out for moisture. And, when it rains... why the urge to go out and get soaking wet?

My mind turned to Genesis. Chapter 2. "In the day that the Lord God made the heavens and the earth, when no plant of the field was yet in the earth... for the Lord God had not caused it to rain on the earth, and there was no man to till the ground... a mist went up from the earth and watered the whole face of the ground... then the Lord God formed man from the dust from the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living being."

That's it! The soil connection. I am made from the dust of the ground. We are related. Like cousins. The Native Americans believed that the earth is our mother. When the earth is dry, so am I. When the earth is moist and wet, I feel alive. When nine inches come, even if I'm not there, I feel immersed, reborn, and renewed.

The dry and the rain... are really beyond our control. Even if we live in an age of great achievements in science and technology. Our son John shared a story he got on the Internet. It goes like this:

A group of scientists came together and decided that we really don't need God and more. What with all the biotechnologies, and cloning and computers and all our achievements, who needs God? So they appointed one of their group to arrange a meeting with God. He did. And God came. The scientist told God what they had decided... God wasn't needed any more. God was not upset with this. It wasn't the first time he had heard this. But He did offer the scientist a challenge. An experiment. He said "I challenge you to create a man from the ground, just like I did. Just like Genesis." The scientist accepted the challenge, bent over, and reached for a handful of soil. At the point God interrupted the scientist's action saying, "Now, hold on there. That's my stuff. You go and get your own dirt."

"In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. It hasn't changed. And, "in spite of all its achievements, humanity exists because of 6 inches of top soil and the fact that it rains." And that hasn't changed, either. Thank God.

Correction

A name was inadvertently omitted from the WHS Class of 1960 story in last week's issue.

The scholarship was awarded in memory of the following nine deceased classmates: John Max Crawford, Eldon Hambright, Tommy Hancock, Charles Hester, Alyn Key, Wayland Scott, Tommy Day Smith, Willeam Voglesang Gerhart, and Barbara Wheless.

We apologize for this omission.

Outback Games VBS 2000 North Main Church of Christ



Date: June 26-28, 2000

Time: 5:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Place: North Main Church of Christ

Ages: 4 yrs.-6th grade (recently completed) are welcome.

There will be a Closing Program on Wednesday, June 28, 2000, at 7:15 pm in the church auditorium.

Come and be part of...



Social Security Rep. in Winters on June 26

Garland Gregg, representative for the San Angelo Social Security Office, has scheduled his June visit to Winters. He will be at the Winters Housing Project Office on Monday, June 26, between 9:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

Anyone who wants to file a claim for benefits, get information, or transact other business with the Social Security Administration may contact him at this time.

Your Social Security matters can be handled just as quickly by telephone. For help when you first want to sign up for Social Security or Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits, call (915) 949-4608. The office is open every weekday (Monday through Friday) except holidays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. If you just need information or are already receiving benefits, call 1-800-772-1213 from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. every weekday except holidays.

Quarterly sales decrease 16.7%

As reported May 31, 2000, by the office of State Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander, gross sales for Runnels County decreased 16.7 percent for the fourth quarter of 1999 as compared to the same reporting period in 1998.

Sales for the fourth quarter of 1999 totaled \$74,844,268 as compared to \$89,872,780 for the same period in 1998.

Use tax purchases include \$181,756 while \$11,883,836 is subject to state sales and use tax.

For the fourth quarter, there were 422 reporting outlets in Runnels County in 1999 and 446 in 1998.

WHS Class of '60 sets July reunion

The Winters High School Class of 1960 has scheduled their 40th reunion to be held in Winters during the 4th of July weekend. The seniors, their families, and friends will gather at the Rock Hotel at 2 p.m. on Saturday, July 1st.

Dinner will follow at 6:30 p.m. at The Shed at Wingate. A breakfast is planned for Sunday morning with the location to be announced.



PROFESSOR MEGANOOGGIN (AKA MANDIE ENGLAND) (center) teaches a session in the Science Lab during Vacation Bible School activities at the First Baptist Church last week. Learning about gravity by playing with dominoes were (l-r) Shelby Walker, Addison Bergman, Jami Harris, Julie England, Brittney Woffenden, and Susan Sneed. Over 140 youth attended the VBS during the course of the week. Nearly 30 teens assisted adult leaders at the event.



"COACH" DEB WHITTENBURG gave up her running shoes in favor of a grill lighter as she finishes ends on necklaces for arts and crafts at the First Baptist Church last week during Vacation Bible School. Patiently waiting their turns are (clockwise) Sybil Bridgeman, Jaci Frierson, Chelsy Lipsey, Kelton Bredemeyer, Jared Briley, Collyn Pritchard, and Jason Taylor.

Troy L. Carter, M.D. Surgical & Medical Diseases of the Eye

Dr. Troy Carter, a member of Texas Midwest Eye Center in Abilene, has joined with North Runnels Hospital and Dr. Mike Bacigalupi, to offer cataract surgery in Winters. Patients can now be evaluated, have surgery with complete post-op care and never leave Runnels County.

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PRINCIPAL TAMMY BRIGHT soaks Edgar Vega with a water gun while Cameron Burson watches hoping to be her next target for the cooling relief during the Accelerated Reading Carnival held at the end of school for all elementary students and staff.



2000 SCIENCE FAIR WINNERS at Winters Elementary were (front, l-r) first place, Adrian Montgomery and Luke England; (back) second place, Erica Lujano and Cassi Mendoza; and third place, Elizabeth Sartor and Amanda Blackshear.

Co-Ed Softball Tournament to be held in Winters

Winters Community Baseball Association will host a Co-Ed Softball Tournament June 30 and July 1, 2000, at the Winters City Park baseball field.

Entry fee is \$125 per team, 18 team maximum. Team trophies will be awarded to first through fifth places.

Concessions will be available. Volunteers are needed to work

the games: scorekeepers, umpires (\$10 per game), and concession help.

All proceeds go to Winters Community Baseball Association. Any business/individual donations will be greatly appreciated.

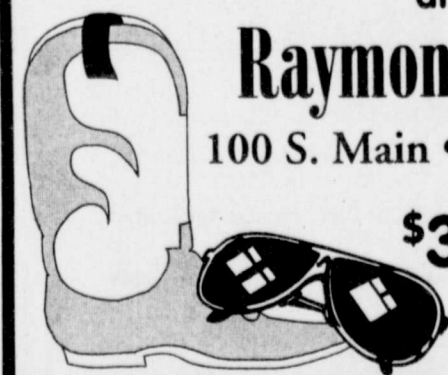
To register or for more information, contact Bob Lindley at 754-4746 or Mincy Briley at 754-4987.

Do your boots look tired? Shoes needing a facelift?

See **Cameron Burson**

at **Raymond's Clip Joint**

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Shined so bright, you'll need sunglasses!



"SHOOT TO CHILL" BASKETBALL CAMP 2000

June 26-29, 2000
Winters High School Gymnasium

Session #1 Ages 6-7-8 8:30-10 AM
Session #2 Ages 9-10-11 10:30 AM-12:30 PM
Session #3 Ages 12-15 1-3:30 PM

\$30/child

(For boys & girls ages 6-15)

STILL TIME TO SIGN-UP!!

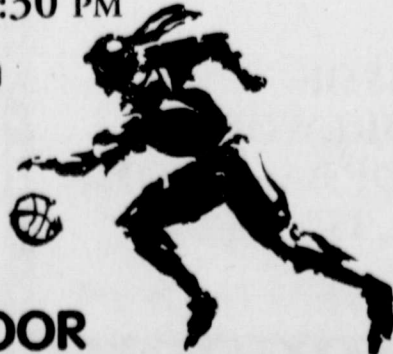
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For more information contact:

Coach Ken Fowler

754-5106 or

754-5574 ext. 121



A GREAT TIME IN THE METROPLEX was enjoyed by these students of Winters High School. Eighteen students from Mrs. Martha Shepard's and Mrs. Deb White's math class spent a full day at the Omni Theater and Ft. Worth Zoo on May 19. Back row, l-r: Steven Cavazos, Justin Jones, Justin Young, Angie Galloway, Amy Galloway, Joseph Gardner, Gracie Vidaurri, Robert Aragon, Amanda Armendariz and sponsor, Deb White. Middle row, same order: Jimmy Rodriguez, Rosie Villarreal, Cole Hogan, Donnell Barnes, Kevin Ballard, Geneva Ovalles, Amber Smith, Lindsey Bentrup and sponsor, Reesa Wilkins. Front row (left, Mrs. Shepard, sponsor, and Trent Bearden.

WHS students earn trip to Omni Theater in Ft. Worth

Eighteen students from the math class of Mrs. Deb White and Mrs. Martha Shepard spent an exciting, fun-filled day on May 19.

The group left Winters at 6:30 a.m. and traveled to the Metroplex where they went to the Omni Theater and saw The Dolphin Show.

Sponsor, Deb White, said, "The kids really enjoyed the theater. It was the first time many of them had seen anything like this."

After the Omni, the students went to the Ft. Worth Zoo where they stayed until closing time. On the way home, they stopped at McDonald's in Weatherford, then

arrived back in Winters about 9:30 p.m.

The students had worked to raise money throughout the school year by baking cupcakes on Thursdays and selling them during lunch on Fridays.

Mrs. White said, "We also

want to thank the Winters Lions Club for their donation. We were able to give each student \$20 for spending money."

The group plans to make enough money to travel to SeaWorld in San Antonio next year.

Winters school board hires Houston Guy

In a called session at 7 a.m. Tuesday, June 20, the Board of Trustees of the Winters Independent School District voted to employ Houston Guy as teacher/coach, effective 2000-2001 school year.

Guy is a 1989 graduate of Winters High School and a 1994 graduate of Angelo State University.

Present for the early morning meeting were board members Allen Andrae, Jack Davis, Jr., Gary Moore, Jerry Sims, Bob Prewit, Cheryl Bryan and Larry Walker, and Superintendent Mike Harris.

Local students on TSTC President's Honor Roll

Four Winters students are among those named to the President's Honor Roll for the spring 2000 term at Texas State Technical College.

Recognized for academic excellence at the Sweetwater campus are Bobbie Collom and Tony Walden; at the Abilene Center, Timothy Meyer; and at the Brownwood Center, Michael Kraatz.

Students must earn a 4.0 grade point average on a 4.0 scale to be recognized on the President's Honor Roll.

Class of 1954 to meet July 15

The Winters High School Class of 1954 will meet for their class reunion Saturday, July 15, 2000, at the Winters Housing Authority, 300 North Grant Street, Winters.

The reunion will begin at 9:00 a.m.

Friends of the class members are welcome to visit in the afternoon.



EARNING 1999-2000 HIGHEST RANKING BOY AND GIRL HONORS in Winters Elementary were (front, l-r) Susan Sneed and Roy McBeth from the fourth grade, (back) Keegan Kurtz and Yesinia Flores from the fifth grade, and Krystal Gibbens and Armando Nava from the sixth grade. The honor was based on the students' yearly grade point average.



VOTED MOST SCHOOL SPIRITED BOY AND GIRL in the fourth, fifth, and sixth grades at Winters Elementary School for the year 1999-2000 were (front, l-r) Jerardo Perez (4th), Marcus Tubbs (6th), Anthony Ramirez (5th), (back) Shelby Walker (4th), Kellyn Airhart (5th), and Vicki Santoya (6th). The students were voted for the honor by their classmates.

Reservations still accepted—

WHS Classes of 1980 through 1990 hosting big reunion on Saturday

A reunion has been planned Saturday, June 24, 2000, for the 1980 through 1990 classes of Winters High School.

Classmates should meet at the high school building at 1 p.m. for a tour of the high school facilities. Immediately following at approximately 2 p.m., fun and games will be enjoyed at the Elm Creek Reservoir Lake Pavilion.

Class members are encouraged to bring balls, bats, gloves, volleyballs, washers, horseshoes and games for the afternoon. Refreshments will not be provided, so those attending should bring their own beverages and snacks if they desire.

An evening meal will be catered by The Shed and will be served at the Wingate restaurant.

Price for the meal will be \$8 for adults and \$3 for children ages 3-10.

IT'S NOT TOO LATE, reservations will be accepted at the reunion or by contacting Tammy (Gibbs) Kaczyk, 754-4736; Amy (Tuggle) Wheat, 754-4882; and Christy (Collins) Lindley, 754-4959.

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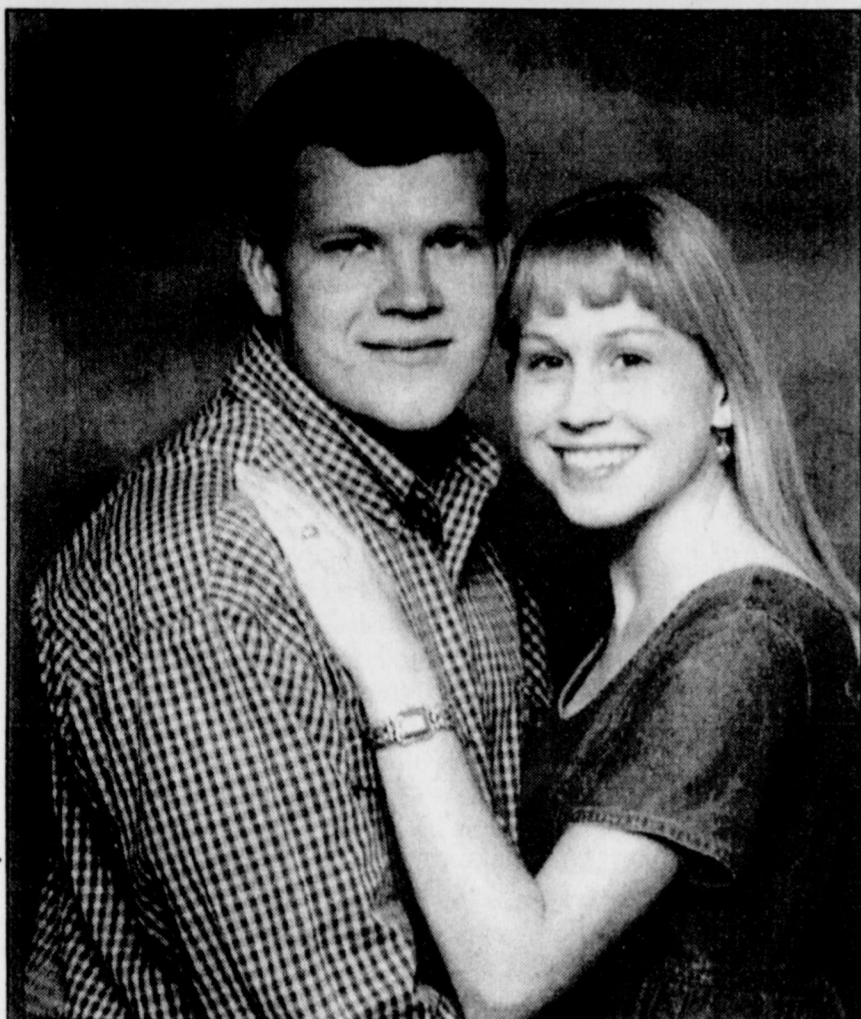
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Engagement



Austin Jobe and Amber Gee

Amber Gee & Austin Jobe to marry in August

Mr. and Mrs. Skip Gee of Rankin are pleased to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Amber Tara Gee, to Austin Truitt Jobe. Austin is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Archie Jobe of Winters.

Amber is the granddaughter of Dollie Stanfield of Rankin and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Gee of Omaha, Nebraska. Austin is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Byron Jobe of Winters and Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Pittcock of Aspermont.

The wedding date is set for August 5, 2000, at 2:00 p.m. at First Baptist Church in Rankin.

The bride-elect is a 1998 Rankin graduate and is currently a junior at Angelo State University in San Angelo where she is majoring in elementary education.

The prospective bridegroom is a 1997 graduate of Winters High School and is currently a senior at Angelo State University. He is majoring in accounting with a computer science minor.

Support the Winters Area Chamber of Commerce.



Town Criers



Dylon Thomas Edmunds



Angie Mata of Winters is proud to announce the birth of her first nephew.

Dylon Thomas Edmunds was born Friday, May 19, 2000, at

3:51 p.m. at Harris Methodist H.E.B. Hospital in Bedford. He weighed 7 lbs., 11 oz. and was 19 inches long.

Proud parents are U.S. Navy Petty Officer Joe Edmunds of Japan and Sondra White of Hurst.

Maternal grandparents are Gene and Gloria White of Winters.

Other aunts and uncles are Michael White of Hurst, Diana White of Hearne, Anthony Mata of Fort Stockton, and Jason Taylor and John O'Brien of Winters. The only cousin is Mikey Amador, age 12 months, of Winters.

Molly Marie Austin

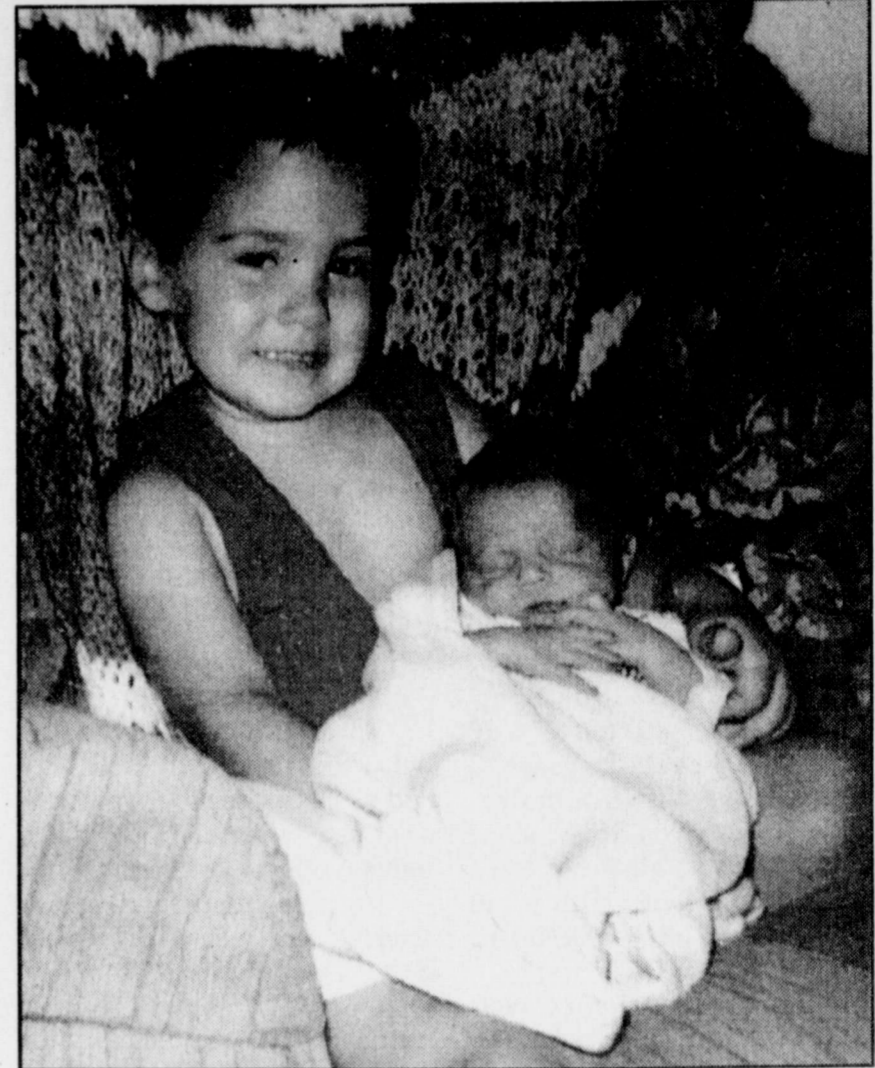
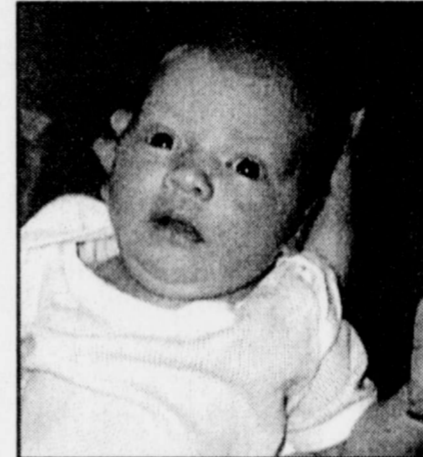
Ralph and Amy Austin of Roswell, New Mexico, are proud to announce the arrival of their daughter.

Mollie Marie Austin was born Sunday, May 21, 2000, at 3:56 a.m. at Eastern New Mexico Medical Center in Roswell. She weighed 7 lbs., 1.6 ozs. and was 20 inches long.

She is welcomed home by 10-year-old brother Cory Austin.

Maternal grandparents are Pat and Henry Tabor of Muscatine, Iowa.

Paternal grandparents are Barbara and Pete Gray and Archie and Betty Austin, all of Winters.



Jace Kincaid Young

Ryan Christopher Young, 3-1/2, proudly announces the birth of his precious brother Jace Kincaid Young.

Jace was born Thursday, June 1, 2000, at 12:40 p.m. at Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene. He weighed 8 lbs., 10 oz. and was 19-1/2 inches long.

Proud parents are Jason and Tammy Young of Winters.

Paternal grandparents are Carl and Kathy Young of Winters. Maternal grandparents are Rick and Linda Dry of Winters.

Visitors in the home of Nadine Bedford

Visiting in the home of Nadine Bedford the weekend of June 3 were her children Lisa and Craig Gray of Winters, John Bedford of Denton, Missy Love and daughters Brittney and Heather Rendon of Grapevine, Libby and Greg Zemanek of Dallas, Perry and Tonya Bedford and children, Isaiah and Alexis of Brady, Robert Bedford of Stephenville, and Sandy Eddington of Garland.

While in Winters, the family attended the annual Fred D. Bedford reunion at the Community Center.

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Vietnam — Forgotten medals, live memories

Editor's Note:

With the anniversary of the involvement of U.S. troops in the Vietnam war, one local resident, Ace R. Polk, is celebrating his participation and survival in a special way.

The following is his story.
In 1987 my wife and I had a child, Amanda. As she grew, she began to hear about Vietnam in school and she had questions. I showed her pictures and awards. But I had no medals. They were gone.

My medals weren't lost, I gave them away. How could I do that?

Well, I was nineteen years old and had just returned from Vietnam a second time. I went to Vietnam on my 18th birthday. I would have gone on my 17th, but my mother wouldn't sign the release forms so I had to wait. But that's another story.

So here I was, nineteen years old with 18 months in Vietnam, and most of that serving as a helicopter door gunner in Nam and Cambodia.

I was in Oakland (California) for discharging and I was at the base store when I saw a mother and a young boy. I gave the blue boxes to the boy and told him he could have them. His mother



U. S. Army Specialist Four Ace R. Polk, September, 1969. Polk participated in more than 25 aerial missions over hostile territory.

asked, "Do you want to do that?" "Yes," I replied, "They mean nothing to me."

So I left Oakland and flew into Houston. I called home and told my mother that I was back. Nobody came, and I spent the night at the airport. Welcome home.

Over the years, I had heard of the Tet Reunion in Abilene, so I went in 1999. After that, I decided to go the Veterans' Affairs Board and ask for help. Finally, in December, I got a letter saying the medals would be sent and to call if I didn't get them in ninety days.

I forgot about it and then on May 23, 2000, they came in the mail. Included was a special medal. An Air Medal with "V" device for heroism. Date of action, 24 June, 1970.

I had received the citation in Vietnam and was told I'd receive the medal in the States, but I didn't and never gave it another thought.

But I remember that day . . .

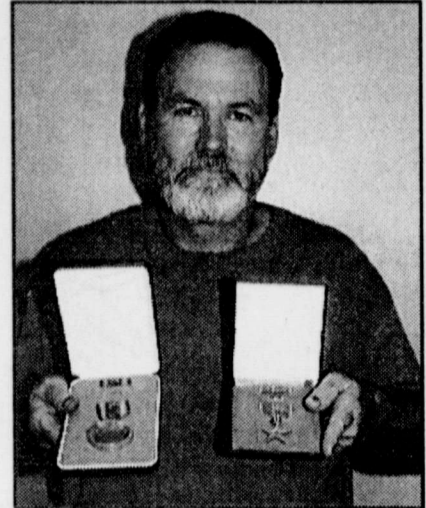
It was mid-morning and we were running men and supplies into a new fire base on the Cambodian border. We were hovering 2-3 feet off the ground due to tree stumps sticking up. This is all that remains after a large bomb is dropped to blow a hole in the jungle.

Then troops are dropped in to begin clearing the area and pushing up an earthen dam around the

perimeter.

I stood at my M-60 machine gun, mounted on a cross bar, in about a 3 by 4-foot opening, fully exposed to sniper fire.

The grunts were scurrying here and there, moving supplies off the ship. Helmets, pants and boots but no shirts. Some had no helmets and all were without their weapons. Their skin, dirty and sweaty, glistened in the sun. These were



Ace R. Polk proudly shows his Air Medal for Heroism and Bronze Star for action in Vietnam. At age 19, feeling disillusioned by the war, Polk had given away his medals. In May, 2000, he received duplicates of the awards from the U.S. Army.

not grown men but rather boys, I should say. They were trim from marching through hot, dense jungles, sweating off any extra weight.

Suddenly, the air was filled with death!

The buzzing in my flight helmet told me this wasn't any V.C. sniper. I saw men diving or dying. Everything seemed to go into slow motion. I flipped the safety off and began to lay down, covering fire into the surrounding jungle.

Bullets were coming from every direction. Perhaps, you've heard hail pounding on a tin shed or gravel down a sheet of tin — a

steady roar.

Our chopper was a sitting duck. The captain pulled us out, guns blazing, into the sky above. We called in Cobra gun ships and they saturated the area with rockets and mini-guns.

I don't know what happened after that. The fire base must have been abandoned for we never returned to supply them again.

I don't know how many boys died that day or how many Viet Cong, but I know there must have been an angel with me for without one I couldn't have stood in the fires of hell and not a hair on my head be touched. Thank you, Lord!

Let the Sun Shine

They took him out of Nam, but they couldn't take Nam out of him. They sent him back to the real world, his future's looking dim.

No high school education, no job experience under his belt so he came home and no one understood how he felt.

It took several months before his senses began to come around. But only during the day; at night, he returned to foreign ground.

The whump-whump-whump of chopper blades or the screaming of an outgoing shell. Awakening in a sweat and realizing he made another trip into hell.

They say that time can heal all wounds in mice and men. And finally with His help, he came to grips with a war he couldn't win.

by Ace R. Polk



AWARDED PINS FOR SERVICE TO WINTERS INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT were (front, from left) Becky Martinez, 15 years; Cathy Oliver, 5 years; Laura Dees, 10 years; Jerry Awalt, 10 years; Fran Kidwell, 10 years; (middle) Gloria Lujan, 20 years; Susan Mostad, 20 years; Ann McCaslin, 15 years; Diann McMinn, 10 years; Nell Ballard, 15 years; Troylene Lincymb, 15 years; Mary Beth Ahrens, 15 years; (back) Charles Kidwell, 10 years; and Chuck Lipsey, 10 years. Not pictured were Melissa Gerhart, 5 years; Easter Walden, 5 years; Dawn Bryan, 15 years; and Nadine DeLaCruz, 25 years. Also receiving engraved gift awards were Nadine DeLaCruz, 25 years of service; Dawson McGuffin, 17 years of service - retired in 2000; Charles Kidwell, 10 years of service - 35 years in education - retired in 2000; Raymond Lindsey, 9 years of service - retired 2000; and Juan Esquivel, 8 years of service - retired in 2000.

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WTU, continued

the New York Stock Exchange under the "AEP" stock symbol.

Draper said AEP's post-merger strategy consists of three key elements: wholesale, energy delivery, and retail. "Each of these business lines has its own characteristic set of skills and capital requirements, but the two that will be most important to us initially are the wholesale and energy delivery businesses," Draper said.

9-1-1, continued

to help.

Other business and action taken:

- The court approved a bond for Kenneth H. Slimp, Assistant District Attorney.

- Approval was given of a request by the Texas Rehabilitation Commission to install a dedicated telephone line in the third floor conference room, with the Rehab Commission paying the cost.

- Approved a no change notice for benefits under the county retirement plan.

The court adjourned to the second floor district courtroom for a presentation by George Bomar, Senior Meteorologist with the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission, and Dale Bates with the West Texas Weather Modification Association.

BENEFIT, continued

at 723-2697 or Teresa Davis at 754-5422.

Jeanene has undergone extensive surgery to correct lymphoedema of the leg. The disease results in a dysfunctional fluid return system to the heart, allowing the fluid to collect abnormally in the leg. As of press time on Tuesday, her first surgery, from the knee down, was successful according to her doctors.

She will spend several weeks recuperating in Scott & White Hospital in Temple. She would welcome cards and letters at the following address:

Jeanene Laird
Scott & White Hospital
2401 S. 31st St., Room 398
Temple, Texas 76508

All proceeds from the planned benefit will be used towards her medical expenses.

CHURCH, cont'd.

completed) are welcome.

There will be a closing program on Wednesday, June 28, at 7:15 p.m. in the church auditorium.

Come and be a part of "Outback Games."

HOTEL, continued

expense of operating The Rock Hotel. Last year income from facility use fees was \$2,165 while expenses including insurance, utilities, and custodial solely for The Rock Hotel was \$5,107. This figure did not include depreciation on the building or repairs.

Directors noted that this is a significant increase from past rates, but in comparison to facilities in other cities, it is still a very reasonable rate.

A credit card is required for deposit for use of the facilities and must be presented before making a reservation. Users are responsible for any damage to the building or furnishings.

To schedule use of The Rock Hotel, contact Marlene Smith at 754-4961.

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18 Team Maximum

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Bob Lindley 754-4746 or Mincy Briley 754-4987

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Coleman's 63rd Annual PRCA Rodeo

June 29, 30 & July 1
Thursday at 6 p.m.
Friday-Saturday at 8:00 p.m.
Coleman Rodeo Association's
Dust-Free Arena

Rodeo Events

Bareback Riding
Saddle Bronc Riding
Calf Roping
Steer Wrestling
Bull Riding

Steer Tripping
Team Roping
Women's Barrel Racing
Mutton Bustin'
Goat Scramble

Women's Breakaway Roping

Bulls, Babes & Bad Company
6 p.m. Thursday
Lots of bull riding interspersed with women's events

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Coleman County Cowgirls
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Official Records

County Court Dispositions June 12 Erin Lamont Davis, possession of marijuana, pleaded guilty, fined \$350, plus \$210.25 court costs... District Court Divorces Granted June 12 Charles Preston Corley and Kelli Renae Corley... Civil Cases Filed June 9 Sears, Roebuck & Co. vs. Angelita D. Jalomo, suit on account... Justice of the Peace Precinct 1 Criminal Cases Filed June 10 Tonya Scott dba The Shadow Box, filed for issuance of a bad check... June 13 Joseph Justin Key, filed for issuance of a bad check (five)...



AFTER 30 YEARS IN PRIVATE PRACTICE, Marion Fred Austin was sworn in as Oklahoma City's newest municipal judge.

Brother of Winters resident sworn in as Oklahoma City's municipal judge

Marion Fred Austin, brother of Winters' resident Archie Austin, was sworn in April 21, 2000, as Oklahoma City's newest municipal court judge. Marion Fred Austin graduated from Winters High School in 1958 and Abilene's McMurry University in 1963. He continued his study and graduated from Oklahoma City University School of Law in 1969.

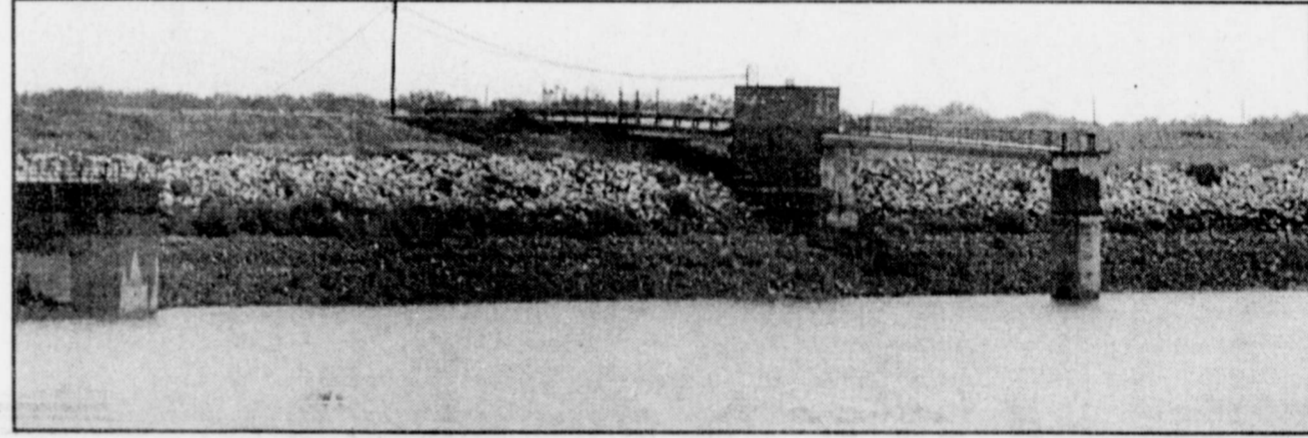
Police Beat

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, June 11, 2000, through Saturday, June 17, 2000. Winters Police Officers: received a report of a domestic dispute occurring in the 700 block of Roberts Street. A 56-year-old female alleged being shoved by a 51-year-old male related to her. The female reported the intoxicated male had left the scene in his pickup. No injuries were observed on the female who had an odor of alcohol on her person. The pickup was located and stopped for driving erratically. The male was observed to have a strong odor of alcohol on his person and was offered field sobriety tasks. The male refused and asked to be taken to jail. Antonio Casares of Winters was obliged, arrested for felony driving while intoxicated, and taken to Runnels County Jail where he provided a blood alcohol specimen over twice the legal limit.

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WATER LEVEL IS STEADILY IMPROVING at Elm Creek Reservoir as seen in this photo taken Sunday, June 18, of the intake facility at the south end of the lake. The level has risen over two feet in the last three weeks due to recent rains and flow pumped from the old lake.

Legal Notice

BYLAWS OF COLEMAN COUNTY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE INC. ANNUAL MEETING ARTICLE II Meeting of Members SECTION 1. ANNUAL MEETING. The annual meeting of members shall be held at such time, during the month of July as the Board of Directors may direct, and such meeting shall be held at such place in the Cooperative service area, as shall be designated in the notice of the meeting for the purpose of electing directors, passing upon reports covering the previous fiscal year, and transacting such other business as may come before the meeting. If the election of directors shall not be held on the day designated herein for any annual meeting, or at any adjournment thereof, the Board of Directors shall cause the election to be held at a special meeting of the members as soon thereafter as conveniently may be. Failure to hold the annual meeting at the designated time shall not work a forfeiture or dissolution of the Cooperative. SECTION 2. SPECIAL MEETINGS. Special meetings of the members may be called by the President, by the Board of Directors, or by a majority thereof, or upon a written request signed by at least ten per centum (10%) of all members and it shall thereupon be the duty of the Secretary to cause notice of such meeting to be given as hereinafter provided. Special meetings of the members may be held at any place within the County of Coleman in the State of Texas specified in the notice of the special meeting, or elsewhere within the area served by the Cooperative as may be designated by the Board of Directors. SECTION 3. NOTICE OF MEMBERS' MEETINGS. Written or printed notice stating the place, day, and hour of the meeting and, in case of a special meeting, the purpose or purposes for which the meeting is called, shall be delivered not less than ten (10) days nor more than twenty (20) days before the date of the meeting, either personally or by mail, by or at the direction of the Secretary, or by the persons calling the meeting, to each member; provided, however, that with respect to all meetings at which directors are to be elected such notice shall be so delivered not less than ten (10) days nor more than fourteen (14) days before the date of the meeting. If mailed, such notice shall be deemed to be delivered when deposited in the United States mail, addressed to the member at his address as it appears on the records of the Cooperative, with postage thereon prepaid. The failure of any member to receive notice of an annual or special meeting of the members shall not invalidate any action which may be taken by the members at any such meeting. SECTION 4. QUORUM. As long as the total number of members does not exceed one thousand (1,000), at least fifteen per centum (15%) of the total number present in person shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at all meetings of the members. In case the total number of members shall exceed one thousand (1,000), then at least one hundred fifty (150) of the members present shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at all meetings of the members. If less than a quorum is present at any meeting, a majority of those present in person may adjourn the meeting from time to time without further notice. SECTION 5. VOTING. Each member shall be entitled to one (1) vote and no more upon each matter submitted to a vote at a meeting of the members. At all meetings of the members at which a quorum is present all questions shall be decided by a vote of a majority of the members voting thereon in person or by mail, except as otherwise provided by law, the articles of incorporation of the Cooperative or these bylaws. If a husband and wife hold a joint membership they shall jointly be entitled to one (1) vote and no more upon each matter submitted to a vote at a meeting of the members. SECTION 6. VOTING BY MAIL. In addition to the method of voting for directors of the Cooperative as provided by the existing by-

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Solutions for this puzzle appear in this issue.

Pest Management News

By Richard Minzenmayer, Extension Agent-Entomology (PM)

Houseflies a major problem due to mild winter and adverse weather

Folks are currently having major problems with houseflies in and around their houses. The very mild winter and the adverse weather conditions experienced the past several months has really turned loose the flies.

FLY POPULATIONS

Management of flies is very difficult and requires an understanding of the factors that produces fly populations. Most adult houseflies travel within one mile of sites where eggs are laid and larvae (maggots) develop.

In heavily infested areas, the larvae breeding site is almost certainly within 100 yards. Housefly maggots need a damp or semi-liquid medium in which to live since they cannot chew dry food and are susceptible to desiccation.

They feed on almost any man-made or naturally occurring moist or slimy vegetative or animal waste material such as household garbage. Keep these facts in mind when searching for fly breeding sites to clean-up and apply insecticides.

CONTROL

Combining sanitation efforts, insecticide spraying and fly bait use should effectively control flies. However, if the fly source is not eliminated or is beyond your control, then insecticide sprays may have to be reapplied at 2 to 4 week intervals throughout the warmer season.

Rains or lawn sprinklers wash residual insecticide off the fly resting surfaces, creating a need

for treatment. The cost in time and money for insecticide treatments emphasizes the efficiency and desirability of sanitation and elimination of maggot breeding sites.

LOW FLY NUMBERS

If there are only a few flies around at any one time, then the breeding area may not be on your property. Since flies feed and lay eggs in areas such as garbage cans or dog kennels which are sources of food odors, cleaning these areas eliminates the problem.

Also control low fly numbers by using a residual insecticide spray to treat surfaces where flies usually rest. For fast knockdown and killing flies, but no residual control, some aerosol fly sprays are available which contain synergized pyrethrins, tetramethrin or resmethrin.

These are appropriate for fast results and safe application around people, pets, and food before or during picnics and outings. These insecticides sometimes temporarily repel other flies from the treated area.

BAITS, TRAPS, STRIPS

There are also some insecticide fly baits available that can be put out in small shallow trays (bait stations) in fly-infested areas. These are especially effective when they are used with the residual sprays and sanitation procedures.

Many brands of electric flying insect traps are marketed. These generally use an ultraviolet light

to attract flying insects and an electrocution grid to kill them. While these traps often seem to give their owners satisfaction as they "zap" insects, they seldom significantly affect outdoor fly control.

Insecticide impregnated resin strips (e.g., those that contain dichlorvos) are also sold to control flies and other flying insects, but are not effective in either outdoor areas or ventilated indoor areas.

They effectively aid fly control if they are attached to the underside of a garbage can or dumpster lids that seal the container tightly. Do not expect them to work if they are hung outdoors or in breezeways.

LARGE NUMBERS

If large numbers of flies are present in your yard, then there is probably a fly breeding site on your property or nearby. Look for areas where flies may be breeding; clean up these areas and make whatever changes necessary to prevent this condition from recurring. The residual insecticides listed below can be sprayed into the areas where maggots breed after clean-up.

This gives temporary protection against further maggot development. Spray these residual insecticides all around the premises: Baygon®, Atraban®, Cygon®, Gre-

nade®, GuardStar®, and Count-down®.

INDOOR FLY CONTROL

Indoor fly control should be 99 percent exclusion, using screens, caulking, etc. When flies come inside as doors and windows are opened or while screens are in disrepair, use of an insecticide aerosol gives temporary relief. Push-button aerosols containing synergized pyrethrins or resmethrin and total release aerosols are effective. Be sure to read the product label and follow directions for best results.

Deadline to order fish from RSWC is June 26

Runnels Soil and Water Conservation District is holding their annual fish sale again this year.

Deadline to order fingerling fish is Monday, June 26, with delivery of the fish on Wednesday, June 28, at the Natural Resources Conservation Service office at 2000 Hutchins Avenue in Ballinger.

The vendor will provide bags, air, and water necessary to transport your fish to their destination.

For prices of catfish, bass, perch, and minnows, call 365-3415, ext. 3, or come by the office and pick up an order form.

Abraham Vasquez now a Marine

PFC Abraham Vasquez of Winters officially earned the title "United States Marine" during Marine Corps Recruit Training graduation ceremonies held June 2nd at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot in San Diego, California.

After a chance to return home for a few days, he will attend Marine Corps Combat Training at Camp Pendleton, California. Upon completion of this warrior training, this new Marine will report to Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, for schooling in the warehousing military occupational specialty field.

Vasquez, who graduated from Winters High School in 1997, enlisted through the Marine recruiters located in Abilene, Texas.



Coleman to host 63rd Annual PRCA Rodeo

The Coleman Rodeo Association will host their 63rd Annual PRCA Rodeo, Thursday through Saturday, June 29-30 and July 1. The event will be held in the Coleman Rodeo Association's dust-free arena.

The rodeo is approved by the Professional Cowboys Association and the Women's Professional Association to insure that some of the top cowboys and cowgirls in the nation will be competing for some \$11,000 added prize money.

The queen for the 2000 rodeo is Miss Keva Allen, daughter of Kevin and Rhonda Allen.

Rodeo producer will be Mac Altizer's Bad Company Rodeo Company of Del Rio. Mac will be furnishing the stock, clowns, announcer, and entertainment as part of his services.

Rodeo events include bareback riding, saddle bronc riding, calf roping, steer wrestling, bull riding, steer tripping, team roping, women's barrel racing, and women's breakaway roping. In addition, a local team roping will be sponsored by the Coleman Rodeo Association on Sunday, June 25.

Thursday night activities will be a little different from the past and will start at 6:00 p.m. Mac likes to call this "Bulls, Babes,

and Bad Company." This is a special night featuring lots of bull riding interspersed with women's events.

Friday and Saturday nights the rodeo will begin at 8:00 p.m. As always, kids will be included in the rodeo. Each night will begin with a mutton bustin' at 7:00 p.m. A goat scramble will be held between events.

Saturday afternoon the rodeo parade will begin downtown at 5:00 p.m.

The rodeo dance pavilion will be full again with Coleman's own Southern Cross performing each night.

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For more information, call (915) 625-4128.

Real Estate Planning Seminar set for August 6 & 7 in College Station

Dr. Wayne Hayenga, an attorney with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, will hold a Ranch Estate Planning Seminar on August 6 and 7, 2000, in conjunction with the Annual Beef Cattle Short Course.

The seminar will begin at 3 p.m. on Sunday, August 6, and conclude at 4:30 p.m. on Monday, August 7. It will be held at the College Station Hilton in College Station.

Topics to be covered include the basic tools of estate planning—wills, living trusts, and powers of attorney. However, most of the time will be spent on income and estate tax saving plans for ranching families.

Irrevocable trusts, generation skipping trusts, bypass trusts, property ownership, community/separate property, special use valuation for ranches, partnerships and corporations will be discussed in the context of the gift and estate tax rules.

Registration fee is \$100 per person. It includes seminar materials, snacks on Sunday evening, and lunch on Monday, as well as refreshment breaks.

For more information, contact Sharon Wehring-Forster of Dr. Wayne Hayenga at (979) 845-2226, or FAX to (979) 847-9374, or email <w-hayenga@tamu.edu> or <s-wehring@tamu.edu>.

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