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The Winters Enterprise agrees that your hometown newspaper is wherever you want us to be, as we celebrate National Newspaper Week.

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Winters hoping to utilize Abilene's Ivie water pipeline

In what seems to be an ongoing battle against the drought and the critical water shortage, the City of Winters is hoping to tap into the planned pipeline from Ivie Reservoir to the City of Abilene.

According to Kenneth Martin with Jacob & Martin Engineering of Abilene, the proposed 51-mile pipeline will be within four and a half miles from Winters' existing pipeline at Elm Creek Reservoir.

"The pipeline comes too close to Winters for you not to use it," said Martin. "Any time

a group can work together and share resources, it's better for everyone."

Martin is one of the engineers working with the Abilene City Council on the Ivie pipeline project which is currently underway. Although trenching will not be started until the end of October or first of November, about ten miles of pipe have been put on the ground.

"But Winters residents need to understand that Ivie will not be their primary source for water — just a backup," said Martin.

Winters City Manager Aref

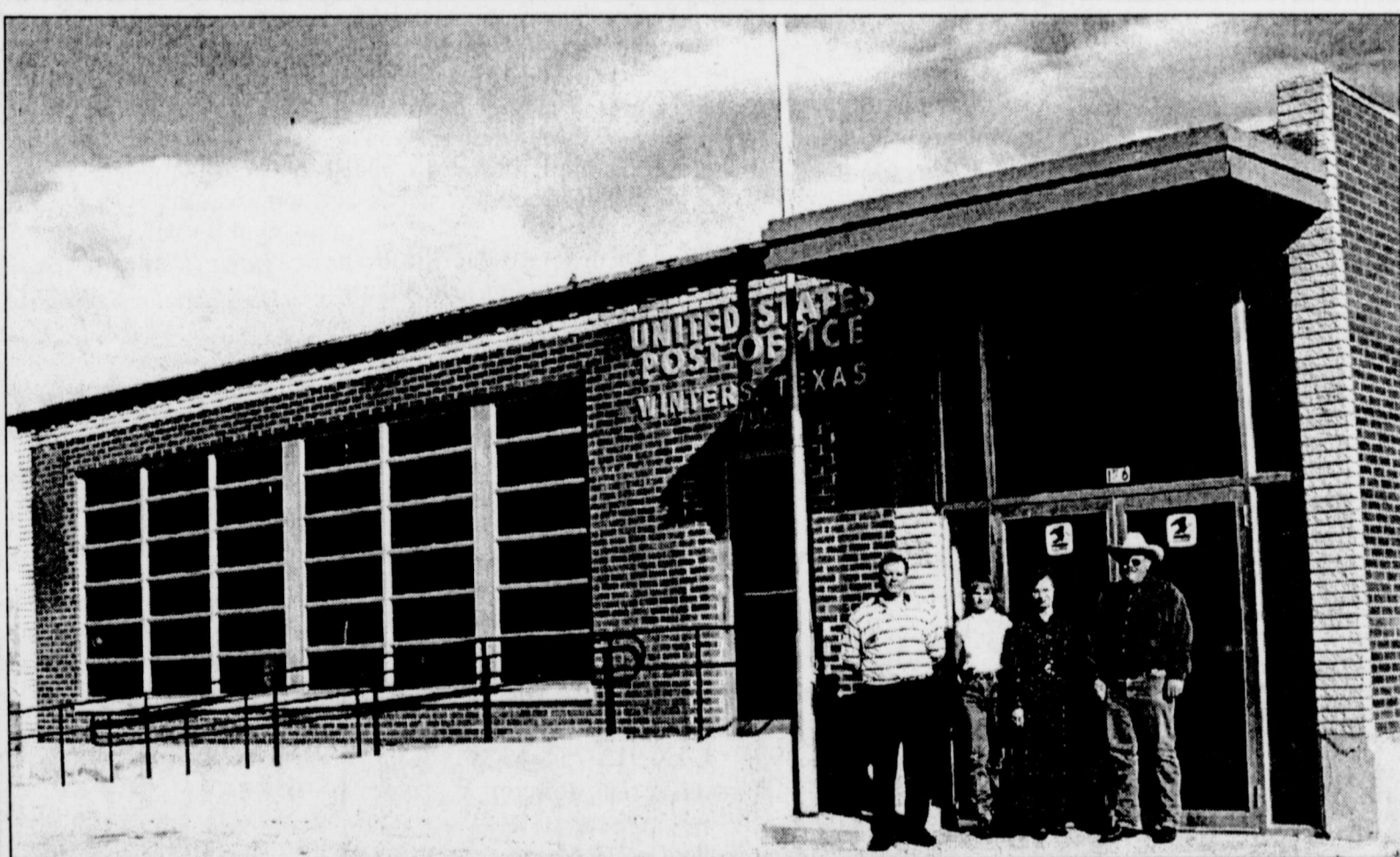
Hassan comments, "So far, we have managed the drought, thanks to our twin lakes and some partial rains and our wells, but it's becoming a situation where if we don't look for a different, permanent and substantial solution, next summer we will have a nervous time, mad citizens, and probably no job for me or Jack Davis or probably anyone else in the water department."

"For all these reasons, and having an eye for long-range utility management, we have been negotiating to obtain a

See PIPELINE, page 5



ONE VERY DRY DOCK is the case at Elm Creek Reservoir where the water level continues to drop. The City of Winters is hoping to utilize the pipeline being brought from Ivie Reservoir to Abilene. The pipeline will run within about four miles of Winters' existing water lines and is hoped to be available by late next summer or early fall.



LOOKING FORWARD TO THE FUTURE HOME OF MHMR OFFICES for Runnels County are (l-r) Jerry Freshour, Program Manager for West Texas Centers for MHMR; Lisa Nitsch, Children's Service Coordinator; Runnels County Judge Marilyn Egan; and Keith Collom, Commissioner of Precinct 2. The former post office building at 126 State Street in Winters has been donated by the family of the late Leonard L. Wills and will be remodeled by County employees. Plans are for the local offices on Main Street to move to the new location early in 2002.

Wills family donates old post office to MHMR

by Randall Conner, Director of Economic Development

The family of Leonard L. Wills recently donated the old post office building in Winters to Runnels County and designated its use for the mental health programs in this area.

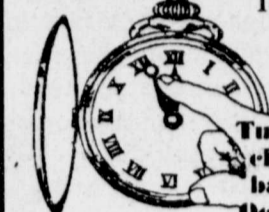
The building, located on State Street, was built in 1958. It will be remodeled by the county and will be provided to West Texas Centers for

MHMR, which is the local provider for mental health services by the State of Texas.

The late Leonard L. Wills, who grew up in Abilene, graduated from Abilene High School in 1944. He purchased the property in 1985 and it was leased to the U.S. Postal Service until the new post office opened in August 2000. Mr.

Wills' son was to have managed the property, but soon afterwards, the son was diagnosed with a terrible mental illness, schizophrenia, and was unable to follow through with the father's plan. In October 1990, Mr. Wills was diagnosed with lung cancer and died four months later.

Quoting one of the donors,



Texas and the nation will return to Central Standard Time at 2 a.m. on Sunday, October 28. Turn clocks back one hour to regain that lost hour last spring. Also this safety tip: Be sure to check all smoke alarms and fire extinguishers.

Bradshaw landmark business closing

Audra Mercantile selling unique contents

"To everything there is a season . . .," the Bible says, and now the time has come to say good-bye to one of the oldest establishments in the area.

Audra Mercantile, located halfway between Winters and Tuscola, in what was once a bustling town called Bradshaw, will close its doors forever on November 4.

Everything inside the once bustling country store will be priced to sell on October 26-

28 and November 3-4.

Founded by Charles Meno Hunt, the family store was named for the nearby community of Audra, where it was originally built in 1905. In 1909 the store was moved to Bradshaw, just off of U.S. Highway 83, alongside the Abilene and Southern Railway.

Hunt's daughter, Opal, and her brother Wayne worked in the store all their lives, and

See MERCANTILE, pg. 4

Lady Blizzards District 9-2A CC runner-up; advance to regionals

The Lady Blizzards earned themselves a trip to Arlington, Texas, in two weeks with a top-notch performance and second place finish at Monday's District 9-2A Cross-Country Meet.

Host Eula won the meet

with 43 points, while the district runner-up Lady Blizzards finished with 77 points. Jim Ned placed third with 97 points and will join Eula and Winters at the regional meet in Vandergriff Park in Arlington on Saturday.

See CROSS-COUNTRY, pg. 6

Haunting Halloween festivities planned for entire family

Halloween Carnival and Boo-tique

A variety of Halloween activities have been planned for Saturday and Wednesday evenings. The Winters Athletic Booster Club will host their annual Halloween Carnival on Saturday night while the Winters Area Chamber of Commerce has scheduled the an-

nual Halloween Boo-tique for Wednesday.

The Booster Club Halloween Carnival is set from 6:30-11 p.m. on October 27 in the Yellow Activity Building.

Planned activities and booths include the cakewalk, See HALLOWEEN, pg. 10

WSL to host pre-game meal, October 26

Women's Service League will host a chicken fried steak dinner Friday, October 26 prior to the Jim Ned football game. The meal will be served in the WHS cafeteria from 5 to 7 p.m.

The menu will include chicken fried steak, gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, homemade dessert, and tea. Take-outs will be available.

Tickets are \$6 for adults, \$3 for children age 12 and under. Tickets may be purchased from any Service League member or at the door.

Third grade musical set for Tuesday night

The Winters Elementary Third Grade Class will host their annual musical program on Tuesday, October 30, in the WHS auditorium.

"Feathers, Scales, and Furry Tales" will be performed by the 3rd graders beginning at 6:30 p.m. All children will actively participate in a simple story offering the audience an opportunity to learn about the characteristics of forest animals. The play was developed as an extension of classroom activities.

The public is invited to attend free of charge so come enjoy an evening of entertainment. You are guaranteed to laugh!

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Community

Jerry Lloyd caps off 49-year career at Mac Oil Field

by Jean Boles, editor

"I'm ready for a change," says Geraldine "Jerry" Lloyd as she talks about leaving Mac Oil Field, a company where she has worked for more than 49 years.

Back in 1952, Jerry heard "through the grapevine" that Mac McLeroy was needing a secretary for his company then known as Mac Construction Company. Other partners in the business were Frank Pool and Pete Gerlick, and the office was located at 508 S. Main in Winters.

Pool went on to form his own oil field drilling business which spread throughout Texas and surrounding states.

"We had one pulling unit back then," says Jerry. "Then Mac bought a water truck from Gene McCarroll and we moved to the location on West Dale. The oil boom of the 1950s was on and things were "really hopping."

"At one time I had three phones and two radios to answer every day, all day long. It sure kept me busy and I learned a lot," she says.

Although exact dates escape her, Jerry reminisces about several changes the company has undergone. She talks of the time when Duncan Hensley and Griff Brown joined Mr. McLeroy and changed the company name to Mac Oil Field.

She says she worked with "wonderful" people such as Emma Marks, James Bomar and the late Jim Burnett.

Jack Hall and E. J. Bishop bought the dirt business of the company in about 1963, and shared the office with the "oil end."

McLeroy later sold his interest to W. M. "Milt" Bunger who ran the company until his death about fourteen years ago.



JERRY LLOYD says she's ready for a change after working 49 years with Mac Oil Field Company. She began her career on September 2, 1952, when the company was begun as Mac Construction Company.

"After Mr. Bunger died, Juanita (Wilson) and I pretty much ran the place until the new owners (Ronnie and Gloria Poehls) took over," Jerry recalls. She says that although they never actually went out to a rig location, they learned the business by talking to the pumpers and drivers and everyone else involved.

"I've met a lot of really nice people and made many good friends through the years," Jerry says.

The Poehls then sold the business to Elsie and Allen Belk, who, along with their son Harley and daughter Barbara, now operate the company.

With 49-plus years of oil field experience behind her Jerry says she's ready for a change.

"I love my church, my family and my hobbies, and there are some other things I want to do, too," she says.

Since age nine, she has been a member of the First Baptist Church of Winters where she

also sings in the choir. She enjoys travelling and embroidery. And then there are her two grandchildren and three great-grandchildren who come to visit. She also plans to help out by Byler Dozer in Ballinger, the company owned by her daughter and son-in-law, Linda and Dub Byler.

"I've worked all of my life," she says, "so I won't just sit still. I've still got things to do."

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Senior Citizens Activity Center Menu

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Oct. 29 thru Nov. 2
Subject to change

- Monday, Oct. 29:** Ham, cabbage, sweet potato, cornbread, cookie.
- Tuesday, Oct. 30:** Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, cobbler.
- Wednesday, Oct. 31:** Stew, vegetable sticks, jello salad, cornbread, chocolate cake.
- Thursday, Nov. 1:** Tuna salad, macaroni salad, jello salad, crackers, dessert.
- Friday, Nov. 2:** Hamburgers, fries, pea salad, pickles & onions, dessert.

Commissioners ratify contract

Runnels County Commissioners ratified a contract between the county and the City of Winters for law enforcement dispatching services at a special meeting on Tuesday.

The contract calls for the City of Winters to pay the county \$20,374 for the fiscal year 2002 for the dispatching service. The county and the City of Ballinger had previously entered into a contractual agreement for dispatching service.

Presenting her Quarterly See COMMISSIONERS, pg. 9

WHAT'S HAPPENING ?

- Oct. 25-7:30 a.m., Muffins with Moms, Winters Elementary 11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Center 5 p.m., Hale Museum Board, Rock Hotel
- Oct. 26-11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Center 7:30 p.m., Cowboys for Christ, Drasco
- Oct. 27-2-6 p.m., Sr. Citizens Party, VFW Post Home 2:30 p.m., Halloween Scramble, Winters Country Club 6:30 p.m., Booster Club Halloween Carnival, Yellow Bldg. 7 p.m., Halloween Party, Winters Country Club 8 p.m., Winters Squares, Community Center **Make-A-Difference Day**
- Oct. 28-2 a.m., Daylight Savings Time Ends 6 p.m., Blackwood Bros., First United Methodist Church
- Oct. 29-11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Center 6 p.m., City Council, City Hall
- Oct. 30-9 a.m., Ministerial Alliance, First Baptist Church 11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Center Noon, Lions Club, Sr. Citizens Activity Center 6:30 p.m., 3rd Grade Musical, WHS Auditorium 7 p.m., WVFD, Fire Station 7 p.m., Athletic Boosters, Blizzard Field 7 p.m., AA, First United Methodist Church
- Oct. 31-7 a.m., Industrial Board, Windmill Enterprise Office 11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Center 5-6:30 p.m., Halloween Boo-Tique, Family Dollar Parking Lot **HAPPY HALLOWEEN**
- Nov. 1-10 a.m.-Noon & 1-3:30 p.m., Immunization Clinic, TDH 11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Center 6 p.m., Chamber Directors, Chamber Office

Come one, come all, Senior Citizens

by Mary Kurtz, WFWW Ladies Auxiliary
As you know there is a shortage of places to go and things to participate in for our senior citizens in Runnels County.

The Winters Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 9193 and Ladies Auxiliary have decided to have a Senior Citizens Party as their project for "Make A Difference Day" Saturday, October 27, 2001, from 2:00 to 6:00 pm at the Post Home, 1/2 mile south of Winters on the Ballinger highway.

We are inviting all seniors, 55 or older to join us for an afternoon of games and music by a local string band, "Now and Again." They play gospel, western and a little of everything. There will be prizes, refreshments, and lots of visiting. Those under 50 may come if they bring a car load of senior citizens.

If enough people show an interest, we could make this a regular event. Everything will be free and there will be no smoking in the main room. We have no steps and all floors are even.

If you have any questions, call Mary Kurtz at 754-5182 or Billy Ray at 754-5621.

Sr. Citizens Nursing Home News
by Billie Ruth Bishop, Activity Director

Last week we celebrated the birthday party for October with three residents having birthdays this month. They are Anita Wood, Hilda Brede-meyer and Hazle Fry.

The ladies from the Catholic Church hosted the party with great refreshments and entertainment. We give them a big thanks for bringing us an afternoon of fun.

We will be having "Trick or Treat" on Halloween night for the kids starting at 6:00 p.m.

Thanks to all who volunteer daily. We are grateful to all of you.

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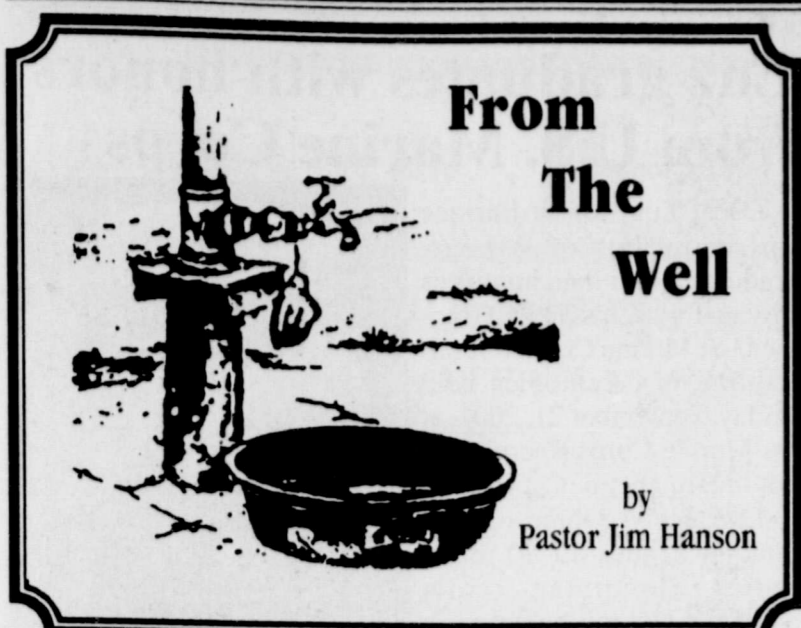
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From The Well

by Pastor Jim Hanson



Pastor Jim Hanson

This column is from an e-mail sent by "Nicholas Mumford," whoever he is. And a piece written by Tamim Ansary, about whom someone said: When he writes, I read. When he talks, I listen. Here is his take on Afghanistan and the

whole mess we are in:

I've been hearing a lot of talk about "bombing Afghanistan back to the Stone Age." Ronn Owens, on KGO Talk Radio, today allowed that this would mean killing innocent people who had nothing to do with this atrocity, but "we're at war, we have to accept collateral damage. What else can we do?" Minutes later I heard some TV pundit discussing whether we "have the belly to do what must be done."

And I thought about the issues being raised especially hard because I am from Afghanistan, and, even though I have lived here for 35 years, I've never lost track of what's going on there. So I want to tell anyone who will listen how it all looks from where I'm standing.

I speak as one who hates the Taliban and Osama bin Laden. There is no doubt in my mind that these people were responsible for the atrocity in New York. I agree that something must be done about those monsters.

But the Taliban and bin Laden are not Afghanistan. They're not even of the government of Afghanistan. The Taliban are a cult of ignorant psychotics who took over Afghanistan in 1997. Bin Laden is a political criminal with a plan. When you think of Taliban, think Nazis. When you think bin Laden, think Hitler and when you think "the people of Afghanistan," think "the Jews in the concentration camps." It's not only that the Afghan people had nothing to do with this atrocity. They were the first victims of the perpetrators! They would exult if someone would come in there, take out the Taliban, and clear out the "rat's nest" of international thugs holed up in their country.

Some say, why don't the Afghans rise up and overthrow the Taliban. The answer is, they're starved, exhausted, hurt, incapacitated. A few years ago, the United Nations estimated that there are 500,000 disabled orphans in Afghanistan — a country with no economy, no food. There are millions of widows. And the Taliban have been burying their widows alive in mass graves. The soil is littered with land mines, the farms were all destroyed by the Soviets. These are a few of the reasons why the Afghan people have not overthrown the Taliban.

We come to the question, now, of bombing Afghanistan back to the Stone Age. Trouble is, that's been done. The Soviets took care of that already. Make the Afghans suffer? They're already suffering. Level their houses? Done. Turn their schools into piles of rubble? Done. Eradicate their hospitals? Done. Destroy their infrastructure? Cut them off from medicine and health care? Too late. Someone already did all that. New bombs would only stir the rubble of earlier bombs. Would they at least get the Taliban? Not likely. In today's Afghanistan, only the Taliban eat, only they have the means to move around. They'd slip away and hide. Maybe the bombs would get some of those disabled orphans, they don't move too fast, they don't even have wheel-chairs. Flying over Kabul and dropping bombs wouldn't be a strike against the criminals who did this horrific thing. Actually it would only be making common cause with the Taliban — by raping once again the people they've been raping all the time.

So, what else is there? What can be done? Let me now speak with true fear and trembling. The only way to get bin Laden is to go in there with ground troops, when people speak of "having the belly to do what needs to be done," they're thinking in terms of having the belly to kill as many as needed. Having the belly to overcome any moral qualms about killing innocent people. Let's pull our heads out of the sand. What's actually on the table is Americans dying. And not just because some Americans would die fighting their way through Afghanistan to bin Laden's hideout. It's much bigger than that. To get any troops to Afghanistan, we'd have to go through Pakistan. Would they let us? Not likely. The conquest of Pakistan would have to be first. Will other Muslim nations just stand by? You see where I'm going. We're fighting a world war between Islam and the West.

That's bin Laden's program... exactly what he wants. That's why he did this. Read his speeches... he really believes Islam would beat the West. He figures if he can polarize the world into Islam and the West, he's got a billion soldiers. If the West wreaks a holocaust in the lands, that's a billion people with nothing left to lose. That's even better from bin Laden's point of view. He's probably wrong. In the end, the West would win, whatever that would mean. The war would last years and millions would die. Not just theirs, but ours.

Who has the belly for that? Bin Laden. Anybody else? I offer this for your thinking. And our prayers. "Lord, our God, have mercy on us!" All! Amen.

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

Dr. Troy Carter, a member of Texas Midwest Eye Center in Abilene, along with North Runnels Hospital and Dr. Mike Bacigalupi, offers cataract surgery in Winters.

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Make-A-Difference Day is Oct. 27

by Mary Kurtz, WVFV Ladies Auxiliary

You can make a difference on "Make a Difference Day," a national day to help others. This day is America's largest day of service.

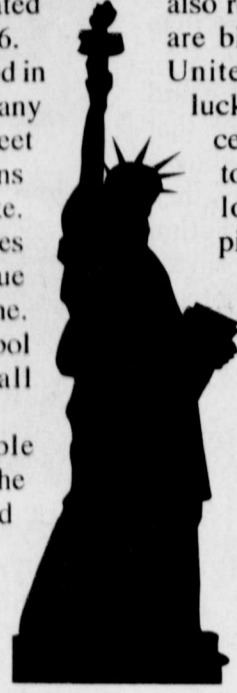
thing for children in need, the homeless, the environment, an elderly neighbor, a lonely person, give clothes and food so they can be given to those who need them, and on and on.

Very special lady celebrating birthday

by Mary Kurtz, Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary

There is a special lady in the New York harbor. The people of France gave her to the citizens of the United States as a gift of friendship. She was first dedicated on October 28, 1886.

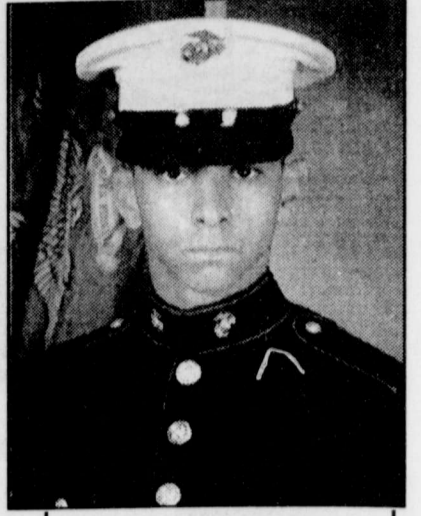
The lady brings new arrivals in hope of liberty, self-government, and the chance to go as far as their talents will take them.



On this her 115th year, let all Americans join in wishing our Statue of Liberty a happy birthday and a long and productive life.

Luz graduates with honors from U.S. Marine Corps

Oscar Luz, son of Enrique and Lydia Luz of Winters, graduated with high honors as Private First Class (PFC) from the U.S. Marine Corps Recruit training in ceremonies held Friday, September 21, 2001, at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot in San Diego, California.



Private First Class Oscar Luz

Luz received three awards: Platoon Leader (of 80 men), Series Honorman (from among 8 platoon honormen), and the coveted title of Company Honorman (over 517 other Marines).

After a short stay at home, Luz will return to San Diego for Marine Corps Combat Training at Camp Pendleton. Upon completion of this warrior training, he will report to Oklahoma for artillery and weather analysis training.

Luz is a 2000 graduate of Winters High School. Attending graduation in San Diego were his parents, Ricky

and Lydia Luz of Winters; his brother, Marine Sergeant Ricky Luz Jr. who is stationed in Havelock, North Carolina; his sister, Raquel Luz of Winters; his grandmother, Maria Cavazos of Miles; an aunt, Irma Perez, and cousin, Joe Ray, both of Ballinger; and Jamie Bishop of Abilene.

A Special Job. In memory of Katie on her 3rd birthday in heaven... Twinkling eyes and dimpled cheek, "Mommy, come play hide and seek." Life is fun and hugs are sweet, "Mommy, wanna smell my feet?"

MERCANTILE, continued

continued the operation after the death of their father in 1956. After Wayne died, "Miss Opal," as she is called, kept the home fires burning and the business open.

But time marches on and Miss Opal, who now resides at an assisted living facility in Winters, understands of the closing that "it's got to be."

She continued selling merchandise until the early 1980s, when her age and deteriorating health limited the store with all its antiques and unique items to more of a museum.

The sale will begin Friday, October 26, at 9 a.m.

Conserve water & Pray for rain!

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT VOTERS GUIDE

Constitutional Amendment Election: Tuesday, November 6, 2001; Early Voting October 22-November 2, 2001

For assistance, please call the office of State Representative Jim Keffer: 1-800-586-4515.

Table with 3 columns: PROPOSITIONS, ARGUMENTS "FOR", ARGUMENTS "AGAINST". Includes items like #1-Land Titles in Bastrop County, #2-Funding Roads in Border Colonias, #3-Ad Valorem Tax Exemption for Raw Cocoa & Green Coffee, etc.

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Library News



Winters Public Library to host open house —To introduce 50-volume great American writing collection—

by Carolyn Scarborough, Winters Librarian

Winters Public Library invites all residents to attend an open house, a free program introducing a brand new addition to our collection. The collection features 50 volumes of great writing by American authors.

The open house will be held on Tuesday, October 30, from 5:00-7:00 p.m. at the library.

In addition, local author Elaine Coleman will be on hand to sign copies of her book, *Texas Haunted Forts*. Mrs. Coleman is the daughter of area residents Calvin and Bessie Laird and recently moved back to the Winters area.

The free program is made possible by a major gift award to the library through a national competition titled "The Millennium Project for Public Libraries."

Through this project, funded by the Carnegie Corporation of New York, the library received

a 50-volume Great American writing collection and funding to develop this program introducing the collection to the community. The collection is published by The Library of America, a non-profit publisher dedicated to preserving the nation's cultural heritage by publishing America's best and most significant writings in durable and authoritative editions. The retail value of the collection is nearly \$1,800.

The 50 volumes span three centuries of notable American writing, including works of Robert Frost, Henry James, James Madison, James Baldwin, Zora Neale Hurston, William Faulkner, and others, and collections of 19th and 20th century American poetry and American journalism from World War II and the Vietnam War.

"The Millennium Project" is partnership of the National Endowment for the Human-

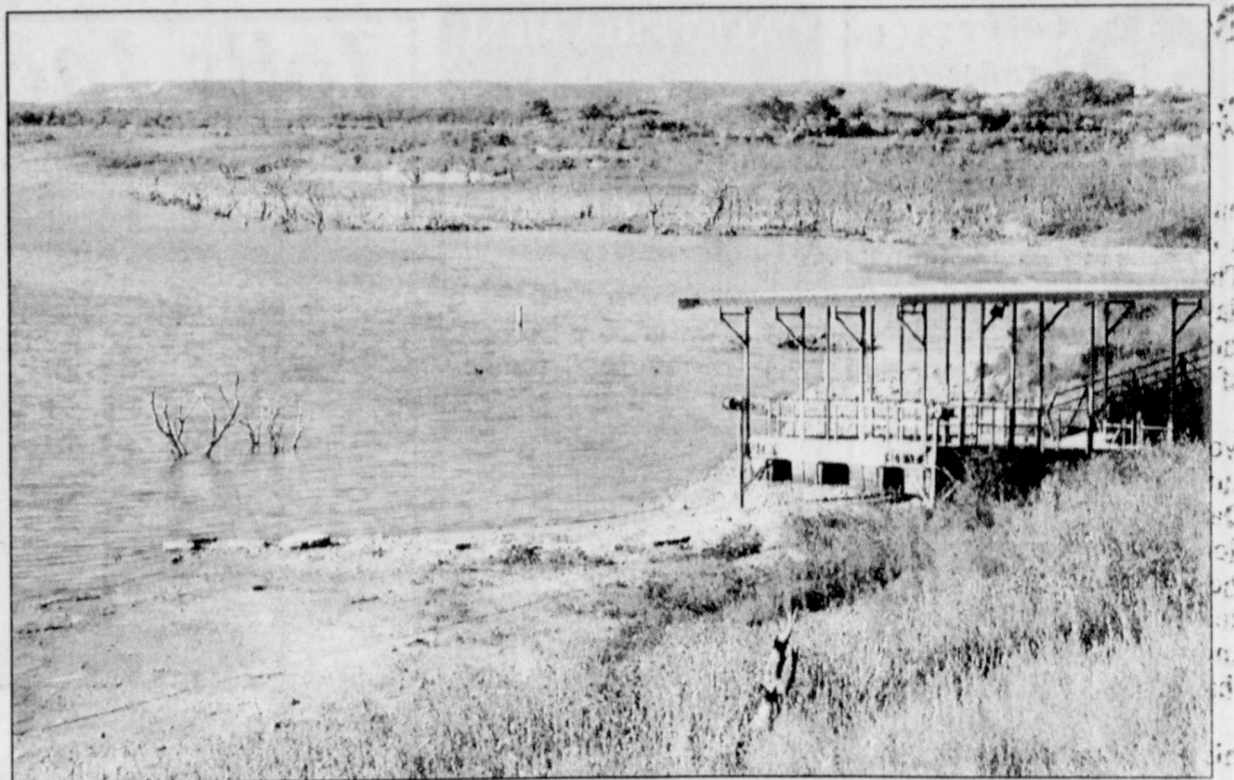
ities (NEH), The Library of America (LOA), and the American Library Association (ALA).

The library has also just received word of a grant from the Brownstone Book Fund, a private foundation in New York City interested in fostering early reading, a love of books, and encouraging parents and children to read together.

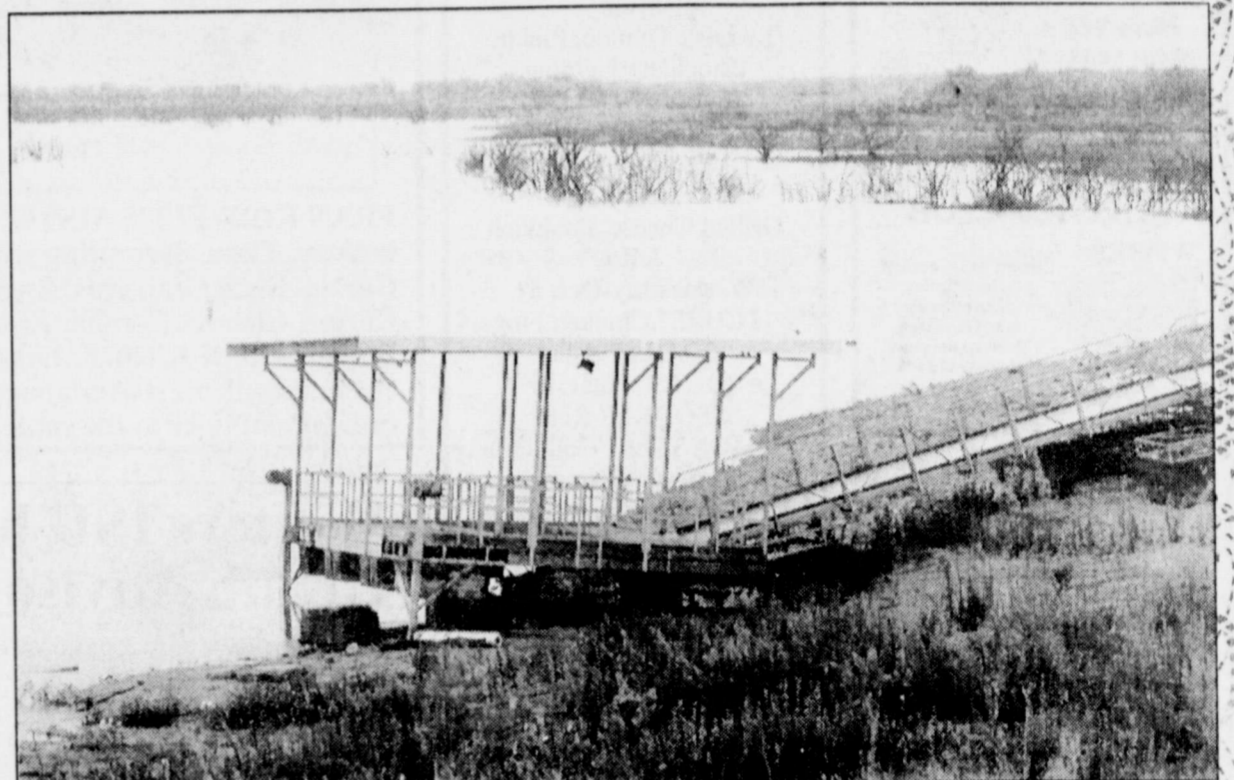
The gift is 100 children's books. These books range from pre-kindergarten through early readers. The books have been ordered and if they arrive in time will also be on display at the open house and made available to check out.

We are thrilled by this news and hope you will come out to visit with us and see all the new goodies for our reading pleasure.

For more information, contact Carolyn Scarborough at 754-4251.



WATER COMPARISONS from June, 2000 (shown below), and October, 2001 (pictured above), reveal the dwindling water supply at Elm Creek Reservoir. Steps are being taken by the City of Winters to use the pipeline being installed by the City of Abilene from Ivie Reservoir.



Blackwood Gospel Quartet in concert at First United Methodist Church of Winters

In 1934 in the hills of Mississippi, the original Blackwood Brothers Quartet was formed with Roy, Doyle, James, and Roy's oldest son, R.W. Blackwood. They sang in churches, on the radio, and in schoolhouses all around their home state.

Their dedication and effort to spread the gospel in song has left a great heritage and blessed the lives of many people. Since

that early formation, the group has won countless awards, sung thousands of concerts, and appeared on many television shows. Their recordings have been played on radios all across the world.

The Blackwoods do not take their heritage in gospel music lightly, nor the responsibility of integrity that goes with it.

It is the sincere desire of the Blackwood Gospel Quartet

that the people who hear them will be moved to a deep spiritual commitment and give all the glory to the Lord Jesus.

Come experience the love of the Lord in music, Sunday, October 28, 2001, 6:00 p.m. at First United Methodist Church, Winters.

A love offering will be taken. Reverend Georgia Orr is pastor of the First United Methodist Church, Winters.

If you don't vote—don't complain!

Constitutional Amendment Election-Tuesday, November 6, 2001

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 Tuesday-Oct. 30
 Muffins
 Cereal
 Juice
 Wednesday-Oct. 31
 Cinnamon Rolls
 Cereal
 Juice
 Thursday-Nov. 1
 Pop Tarts
 Cereal
 Juice
 Friday-Nov. 2
 Doughnuts
 Cereal
 Juice

Lunch
 Monday-Oct. 29
 Cheeseburgers
 French Fries
 Fruit
 Lettuce, Tomato, Pickle
 Chocolate Pudding
 Tuesday-Oct. 30
 Stew
 Vegetable Sticks
 Pears
 Grilled Cheese Sandwich
 Jello

Wednesday-Oct. 31
 "WITCHES" Chicken Fingers
 "SCARY" Salad
 "BATS" Potatoes
 "SPOOKY" Rolls
 "MONSTER" Cookies
 Thursday-Nov. 1
 Chicken Spaghetti
 Green Beans
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 Garlic Bread
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FRAN KIDWELL'S SIXTH GRADE MUSIC STUDENTS decorated IGA pumpkins for the upcoming Halloween holiday. Those decorating were (front row l-r) Trayson Lange, Reina Aragon, Justin Medina, David Lara, Lillian Garcia, Nissa Ontiveros, Asenette Vasquez, Corey Smith, Ricky Silva, and Rashae Martinez; (second row l-r) Eddie Cortez, Claudia Corona, Erica Roman, Mayra Stout, Ashley Martinez, Rebecca Nunez, Lupe Landeros, Cameron Burson, Cattie Kitchen, Laura Armendariz, Christian Martinez, and Cody Johson; and (back row l-r) Clay Bush (Lawrence Bros. IGA Manager), Fran Kidwell (Elementary music teacher) and Alex Harrison. Mr. Bush presented cookies and juice to the students in appreciation of their efforts.

Winters ISD begins School Health Advisory Council

The Winters Independent School District, in conjunction with Senate Bill 19, has put into place a School Health Advisory Council. The council consists of thirteen members who meet on a monthly basis to discuss health issues. They have decided to focus on tobacco avoidance in the district for the 2001-02 school year. The WISD Health Advisory Council will help promote and encourage the health and well being of students, faculty, and employees through health education in the classroom and workplace. With this increased knowledge of health related activities and application to oneself, there will be a better understanding about one's health and lifestyles will be enhanced for the students and employees of Winters ISD and the community of Winters.

Registration deadline for ACT test is Friday, November 2

College-bound high school who want to take the ACT Assessment have two chances to register before the December 8 test date. The postmark registration deadline is Friday, November 2. There is also a late registration postmark deadline on November 15 (an additional fee is required for late registration). Students can get information from their school counselor or register online at www.act.org. ACT scores are accepted by virtually all colleges in the nation, including all Ivy League schools. The test fee is \$24. A student's ACT scores are considered by colleges for admissions and course placement, along with several other important factors including high school GPA, college prep courses taken in high school, extracurricular activities, personal background and other information. To learn more about ACT Assessment, including registration forms and test locations, contact your high school counselor or go to the ACT website (www.act.org), which also offers useful tips, sample tests and the opportunity to order test prep materials.

BLIZZARD ACTIVITIES

OCT. 25-Nov. 1, 2001
Thursday, Oct. 25
 "Sock It To Drugs Day"
 7:30AM, Muffins with Moms, Elementary
 5&6:30PM, WJHS vs. Jim Ned, Blizzard Stadium
 6:30PM, JV @ Jim Ned
Friday, Oct. 26
 "Blizzards Against Drugs Day"
 3PM, Pep Rally, Gym
 7:30PM, Blizzards vs. Jim Ned, Blizzard Stadium
Saturday, Oct. 27
 6:00-11PM, Athletic Booster Club Halloween Carnival, Yellow Activity Building
Sunday, Oct. 28
 Daylight Savings, Set Your Clocks Back 1 Hour
Tuesday, Oct. 30
 6:30PM, 3rd Grade Musical, WHS Auditorium
Wednesday, Oct. 31
 "Happy Halloween"
Thursday, Nov. 1
 5&6:30PM, WJHS @ Coleman
 6:30PM, JV vs. Coleman, Blizzard Stadium

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CROSS-COUNTRY continued

urday, November 3.
 "The competition was tough and they really ran well," said coach Deb Whittenburg of her Lady Blizzard team. The Blizzards ran well according to Whittenburg, but had only four runners. Eula, Jim Ned, and Bangs, will advance in the varsity boys' division. Tina Perrie medaled in the JV girls' division while Jonathan Meyer and Bryce Wilkerson medaled in the eighth grade boys' division. District 9-2A cross-country results are as follows:
Varsity Girls Team Results
 Eula, 43; Winters, 77; Jim Ned, 97; Cisco, 97; Bangs, 102; Coleman, 116; and Hawley, 151
Lady Blizzards
 5th, Marie Llanas, 13:41
 8th, Briana Parramore, 13:53
 20th, Lacey Meyer, 14:56
 21st, Kendra Esquivel, 14:57
 23rd, Kari Walker, 15:01
 27th, Macy Hopson, 15:18
 36th, Ashly Santoya, 15:55
JV Girls Team Results
 Eula, 15; Winters, 40
JV Lady Blizzards
 8th, Tina Perrie, 16:01
 11th, Katy Wilkerson, 16:12
 12th, Marci Paschal, 16:19
 14th, Kathryn Hatler, 16:29
 15th, Amy Esquivel, 16:31
Blizzards
 16th, Jose Hernandez, 19:47
 23rd, Max Harrison, 20:32
 27th, Tim Fenwick, 21:06
 29th, Adam Solorzano, 21:31
8th Lady Breezes
 13th, Kindy Walker, 10:01
8th Breezes
 7th, Jonathan Meyer, 8:47
 9th, Bryce Wilkerson, 8:53
 17th, Justin Fenwick, 9:10

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Survivor II — the blazing baton update



THESE EX-BLIZZARD PERFORMERS braved thunder, lightning, wind and rain during Homecoming 2001 to perform their cheerleading and twirling routines at a special halftime presentation. Exes included members of the Class of 1951, who were celebrating their 50th class reunion.

by Jean Boles, editor

For all of you who have waited on pins and needles, with fire extinguishers in hand, I thought I'd let you know about THE halftime show at the Winters homecoming. At this point I could tell you about another flashback to 1968 when my fellow twirler, namely Troylene McKnight Lincycumb, snagged her baton

under the front of her wiglet (the top half of a wig) during our introduction on the field, and flung the hairpiece out to the area where the band marched back and forth across it turning it into synthetic roadkill. But that's another story. Back to Homecoming 2001. Yes, I twirled.

No, I didn't catch anything on fire this time. But it was still pretty memorable. The evening started out in grand style, with the crowning and presentation of the 2001 Homecoming Queen and then the Coming Home Queen before the kickoff. The first half of the football game found the

Blizzards behind 7-6, and I missed the Winters score because I was gathering with my fellow ex-twirlers and ex-cheerleaders at our appointed meeting place behind the bleachers. Laughter, hugs. More laughter. Then we all decided we probably should practice — at least a little bit. We considered

doing some mild stretching exercises but the consensus was, "Naaah." (We still like to live on the edge).

The second quarter ended, the teams left the field, and about thirty-five of us "ex-performers" paused for a quick picture before heading for the sidelines. About this time, the wind began to really blow (thus, the wind tunnel hairdos) and a light rain began to fall as the Hawley band performed their routine for what seemed like a really long time to us.

After all, we were ready. We're pretty much always ready. Once a twirler, always a twirler. And that adrenaline was really a-pumpin' — or was it fear. Naaah! Besides, why would we miss a chance to embarrass our own kids for a change!

As we anxiously waited on the sidelines for our "time to shine," the weather grew worse by the second and we lost a couple of our twirlers who didn't think batons and the incredible lightning made for a good combination. Silly girls.

Finally, it was our turn and we lined up on the field in makeshift formations — we twirlers on one side of the Blizzard Band and the cheerleaders on the other side of the band. By this time, the rain is pouring down, the wind is blowing about 150 mph, lightning is ripping through the sky and thunder is crashing all

around us.

I guess the downpour wasn't enough insurance against the threat of a repeat blaze, so Dale Montgomery, Maintenance Supervisor for WISD, brought a fire extinguisher all the way out to me on the field. What a guy!

So we twirled and cheered through the entire fight song routine. The young whippersnappers in our group even said they were impressed that we still know the routines, that we point our fingers and toes without cramping, and even kick our legs "after all these years." (I think that was one of those "you don't sweat much for a fat girl" compliments).

And talk about dedicated ex-Blizzards — we even had a twirler and three cheerleaders from the class of 1951. Way to go, ladies!

Nobody broke an arm (a couple of fingernails, maybe), or was struck by lightning, or had to seek emergency medical care (although I had already punched 9-1 on my cell phone just in case we needed help).

Yup, it was definitely a performance to remember. I think our sparkling smiles, glittering batons and pom poms, and spectacular lightning made for a pretty flashy show, even without my setting the field on fire.

And there's always next year.

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BBQ & Brazos Boys part of High Attendance Sunday plans at FBC



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The First Baptist Church of Winters located on the corner of Truett and Main streets would like to invite everyone for an afternoon of good 'ole Gospel singing featuring the Brazos Boys Quartet.

The event, in conjunction with High Attendance Day, on Sunday, October 28, will begin with Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. and morning worship at 10:45 a.m. Following the services a Bar-B-Que Brisket lunch will be served in Jones Hall. The Brazos Boys Quartet will follow at 2:00 p.m.

The Brazos Boys Quartet is an all male, traditional Southern Gospel Quartet, whose objective is to celebrate the good news of Jesus Christ through music and to encourage believers in their walk with the Lord.

Headquartered in Abilene, the group was formed in 1999 by Dennis Cutbirth and Chuck Sims, and though there have been personnel changes, continues to sing all across West Texas, bringing an exciting sound to each appearance.

The community is encouraged to attend.

Pioneer Church of God welcomes new youth pastor, Phillip Fowler

The Pioneer Church of God would like to welcome their new youth pastor, Bro. Phillip Fowler and his wife Misty.

During the Sunday evening baptismal, Pastor Rawls baptized 29 people.

On Halloween night the church will be having a "Family Fest Ho-Down" with games, food, hayrides, prizes and lots of fun for the entire

family. There will also be a costume contest and a festival king and queen will be chosen.

Worship hours for Pioneer Church of God are: Sunday School 9:45 a.m.; morning worship, 10:45 a.m.; evening worship, 6:00 p.m.; and Wednesday evening, 7:00 p.m. If you need a ride to church, call Bro. Billy Sherman at 754-1934.

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- TXism: 'right ____' (specific location)
- ceremonial act
- this Arthur won '65 Davis Cup in TX
- chief cook at a TX restaurant
- TX Chennault was advisor to Chiang ____-shek
- disorderly crowd
- TXism: "____ sit still for that" (ant)
- Van ____ TX
- ex-Houston mayor Robert ____
- TXism: "____ ways about it"
- TXism: "brave as ____ grade teacher"
- El Camino Real was ____
- San Antonio Road" state ____ was adopted in 1845
- TX Vikki Carr's ____ Hombres' ____ the times"
- Dallas Museum ____
- this raccoon-type critter can be found in so. TX
- Jack Ruby's defense attorney
- saved rhinos in TX
- Emory is its seat
- big legal area in TX (3 wds.)
- TX "Bum" Phillips book: "He ____ Bum"

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- high school sports (3 wds.)
- TXism: "keeps ____ polished" (do gooder)
- TX Madalyn O'Hair, at
- near Galveston in Gulf. coral
- TX Belle Starr.
- Maybelle Shirley
- TX Tanya Tucker tune
- quitting or spelling
- TX "Turtle Lady" Loetscher
- Luby's, et al.
- groove-billed birds at Bentsen Park
- this De ____ was in "Cape Fear" with TX Joe Don Baker
- TX actress Harper
- TXism: "get hitched"
- TXism: "____ spell"
- Tech grad Demetrio was pres. of Panama
- TXism: "would ____ a maggot" (taste bad)
- UT course abbr.
- TX Heisman winner Brown & actor Conway
- TXism: "____ heartbeat"
- TX Martin film: "The ____ With Two Brains"
- female sheep
- TXism: "chew ____ fat"
- TX actor Rip (init.)
- TXism: "dot the i's and cross the ____"
- with "cup," a diaphragm spasm
- TX Janis Joplin's "____ Blues"
- TXism: "useless as a saddle ____"
- noted TX female gambler Deno
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- TXism: "got the morals of ____ alley cat"
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- TXism: "____ fire under him"
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- TXism: "want it ____ bad I could spit"
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Solutions for this puzzle appear in this issue.

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by B.D. Davis, Biologist/Land Manager

No-Till best for cotton

Twenty years of research by Texas A&M researchers with the Agricultural Research and Extension Service indicated no-till (NT) to out yield conventional till (CT) cotton (Southwest Farm Press-September 20, 2001).

Soil scientist researcher Dr. John Matocha did not originally think NT would be the best yielding cotton production system. But over the years of research, particularly during these latter drought years, yield data begin to indicate both NT and minimum till (MT) out yielded CT by as much as 36 percent.

Especially during the extreme drought years of 1998 and 2001 yield differences were due primarily to in-

creased soil moisture availability found in the NT system.

One of the factors favoring NT was that bare soil can lose as much as four-tenths of an inch of soil moisture per day to evaporation. The increased organic residue on the soil surface found in the NT system significantly reduces these soil moisture losses. There is also more moisture held within the Profit per acre is not always tied to the big yields.

It is really not how much cotton we producers make that counts—it is how many dollars we net per acre. It is not that white stuff we take to the gin that is really important—it is that green stuff we take to the bank. Separate research from Mississippi cotton fields basi-

cally underlined this point (Farm Journal-April 2001).

The Mississippi research showed that a CT 8 row system made more cotton (825 lbs) than the NT system (709 lbs). However, the NT system made more money (\$55.18 per acre) while the CT system actually lost (minus \$6.20).

The difference is found in the overall cost of inputs—labor and diesel mainly. Labor has never been cheap and the cost of diesel has essentially doubled within the last 5 years.

NT seems to start off slow compared to CT when only yields are considered. However, the soil is much better protected by the NT system when compared to the CT systems. Our topsoil is nonrenew-

able natural resource that we producers cannot replace—we must protect what we have.

The land also slowly gains productivity as soil organic matter builds. The improved health of soil microorganisms in the NT system also begins to help yields over time. The NT is pretty close to nature's way.

Does the above mean that NT will work as well in Runnels County? Perhaps not! However, on the other hand it may work even better in Runnels County due primarily to our limited rainfall—research data indicates the NT system can provide more water to the cotton plant than CT.

When they sow the wind. They will reap a storm. Hosea 8:7

Conservator recognized—



DON DAVIS (left) is presented an entrance sign from **C.J. Robinson Jr.**, member of the Runnels Soil and Water Conservation District (RSWCD). The sign was provided to Mr. Davis by the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) and the RSWCD in recognition of his participation in the National Conservation Buffer Initiative for installing grassed waterways on his property with assistance from the Continuous Conservation Reserve Program. For information on the Conservation Buffer Initiative, contact the NRCS in Ballinger at 365-3415, ext. 3, or come by 2000 Hutchins Avenue.

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COMMISSIONERS, continued

Investment Report to commissioners, County Treasurer Margarette Smith reported the county received \$117,976 in interest on county investments during fiscal year 2001. She told commissioners she was investing county money in shorter term certificates of deposit in hopes interest rates will rise.

The only other item of business handled was the approval of a plan change for home delivered meals, increasing the amount of money received by the county.

All commissioners were present for the thirty-minute meeting.

Reminder to landowners & hunters: General deer hunting season opens November 3

by Ralph Suarez TPW, Wildlife Biologist

Landowners and hunters are reminded that the general deer hunting season in Runnels County will open Saturday, November 3, 2001 and continue through January 6, 2002. The legal bag limit in Runnels County is five deer, no more than two bucks. No special permits are required for harvesting antlerless deer, however, both bucks and antlerless deer must be properly tagged with an appropriate tag from a valid hunting license.

There will be a special late general antlerless and spike

deer season which runs from January 7, 2002 through January 20, 2002. Bag limit restricted to antlerless and spike deer only.

Deer populations vary from area to area and even from ranch to ranch. The either sex regulation allows landowners and hunters the flexibility to harvest antlerless deer on his/her property in order to keep deer numbers in balance with available food supply. It does not automatically mean that a heavy antlerless deer harvest is needed. The recommended harvest rates for both bucks and antlerless deer, provided by the department, should be used only as a general guideline for harvesting deer.

If more intense management is desired, we suggest that land managers survey their own properties. This will allow for a more accurate representation of deer numbers on their ranch. Please note that in most cases the department recommends more antlerless deer to be harvested than bucks.

The recommended guideline for harvesting antlerless deer throughout most of Runnels County is one antlerless deer per 200 acres. The recommended harvest rate on bucks is one per 650 acres.

For more information concerning harvest rates or wildlife management planning, contact Wildlife Biologist, Ralph Suarez, at 915-365-2840.

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Financial Focus

by Jim Woodruff

Keep long-term perspective in times of crisis

The tragic events at the World Trade Center, the Pentagon and in Pennsylvania shocked the nation and the world. As an individual, you no doubt felt appalled and deeply saddened. But as an investor, you also have to deal with the "aftershock"—specifically, the impact such a horrific event has on the world's financial markets.

There's nothing you or anyone else can do to control world events, or how the markets respond to them. Consequently, it's important not to base your investment decisions on today's headlines, no matter how dramatic they may be.

Sadly, there have been other national tragedies in our past, although arguably none as horrific as the events on September 11. Thankfully, we live in a country that is resilient and the financial markets have historically reflected that. And, over the past four decades, the rebounds have come fairly quickly after the onset of a major crisis. For instance, at the height of the Cuba Missile Crisis—a

period of extraordinary fear for most Americans—the Dow Jones Industrial Average fell more than nine percent. Yet, just over two months later, the Dow had gone up nearly 20 percent.

We can also go back to October 1987, when the stock market crashed. At its low point, the Dow was down 34 percent—and yet, two months later, the index had regained a full 15 percent. And in the years since ten, the Dow soared from record high to record high.

The point is that the stock market is resilient. Throughout its history, it has trended upwards in the long-term, despite short-term blips, bumps and crises.

Nonetheless, it can still be difficult to maintain your focus in the face of calamity. That's why you should consider following these basic investment principles:

- Maintain a long-term perspective—Short-term setbacks can be discouraging, but keep in mind that you're not invest-

ing for next week or next month. You're investing to achieve long-term goals, such as college for your kids or a comfortable retirement. That's why it's best to look beyond today's events and stay focused on the future. It's easy to do this when times are good—but it takes real discipline to stay on your path when the road gets rough.

- Diversify your portfolio—The best way to protect yourself against short-term market fluctuations is to diversify your holdings. Not all investments respond in the same way to the same circumstances. For example, when stocks are down, bonds may be up or vice versa. By building a diversified portfolio containing stocks, bonds, government securities and money market instruments, you'll give yourself more opportunities for success.

It's natural to feel distraught in the wake of crises or tragedies. Yet, by following these few simple guidelines, you'll be able to take the emotion out of your investment decisions.

Official Records

County Court Criminal Cases Filed October 16

Michelle Leanne Valles, filed for making a false report to a peace officer

October 18

Tyrone Watkins, filed for driving while intoxicated

Legal Notice

BID NOTICE

The City of Winters is accepting sealed bids for remodeling the Community Center funded by the United States Department of Agriculture Grant Loan program and City matching funds (Cash & In-kind service). Bid specifications/bid sheets may be obtained at the City Hall, 310 S. Main, Winters, Texas 79567, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Bids will be accepted until 5 p.m. Friday, October 26, 2001. Bid opening is scheduled for Monday, October 29, 2001, at 10 a.m. in the City Manager's office. The City reserves the right to accept and/or reject any or all bids. 12-42(2)c

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, October 14, 2001, through Saturday, October 20, 2001. Winters Police Officers:

- observed a 2000 Hyundai passenger car on N. Rogers Street turn onto Jones Street with a child in the front seat not secured by a seatbelt. The driver was contacted and a license check revealed her driver license to be currently suspended for a previous charge of no insurance. The driver, a 29-year-old of Winters, was released due to extenuating circumstances, but faces charges for Driving While License Suspended.

- received report of an injury accident in the 1000 block of W. Dale Street. Investigation revealed that a 1997 Chevy pickup, driven by Erika Alvarado of Winters, lost control and left the roadway impacting a guard rail and a brick building. A 2-year-old Winters female and a 23-year-old Abilene male sustained minor injuries. The child was treated at North Runnels Hospital and released. Alcoholic beverages were located in the vehicle and an odor of alcohol was detected on the driver who was offered and subsequently failed a field sobriety task. Erika Alvarado was arrested for Driving While Intoxicated and taken to Runnels County Jail where she provided a blood alcohol specimen over twice the legal limit. The male passenger faces charges of Making Alcohol Available to a Minor as the driver is under 21-years-old.

- received report of a burglary in the 300 block of N. Main. A Winters female reported arriving to work to open the business when she discovered that person(s) unknown had gained entry through a window then removed over \$100.00 in cash. This is under investigation as Burglary of a Building.

- attempted to stop a 1980 Oldsmobile passenger car in the 400 block of S. Grant Street. The vehicle continued until stopping at a residence in the 300 block of S. Rogers Street. A check of the driver license status revealed his license to be invalid. The vehicle showed to have an expired registration and no inspection sticker. The driver, Timothy Starkey of Winters was arrested for Driving Without a Valid License, Displaying an Expired Registration, No Liability Insurance and Failing to Yield to an Emergency Vehicle.

HALLOWEEN, continued

basketball throw, milk jug throw, balloon darts, candle shoot out, ring toss, fishin' pond, pot shot, bingo and more.

This year, a child's bingo will be added by the Booster Club. Regular bingo will begin at 7 p.m. and children's bingo will be played randomly throughout the night. Refreshments will also be available.

Set-up time will begin at 1 p.m. on Saturday for organizations sponsoring booths and for the delivery of baked goods for the cakewalk. Anyone still interested in sponsoring a booth for the annual children's fun

night is asked to contact Teresa Davis at 754-5422.

The Boo-tique will be held on Halloween night, October 31, from 5-6:30 p.m. in the Family Dollar parking lot.

A drawing will be held for a giant pumpkin filled with "monstrous treats and goodies" and candy will be given away provided by area businesses. The Chamber will sponsor a costume contest in three age divisions and various categories.

Youth and adults alike are encouraged to attend these "spooky" holiday festivities

for a night of family fun. Admission is free for both events.

The Winters Police Department notes that Trick-or-Treating is scheduled as usual with no particular restrictions for the evening. As always though, the department encourages safety, particularly if "young ghosts and goblins" are out after sundown.

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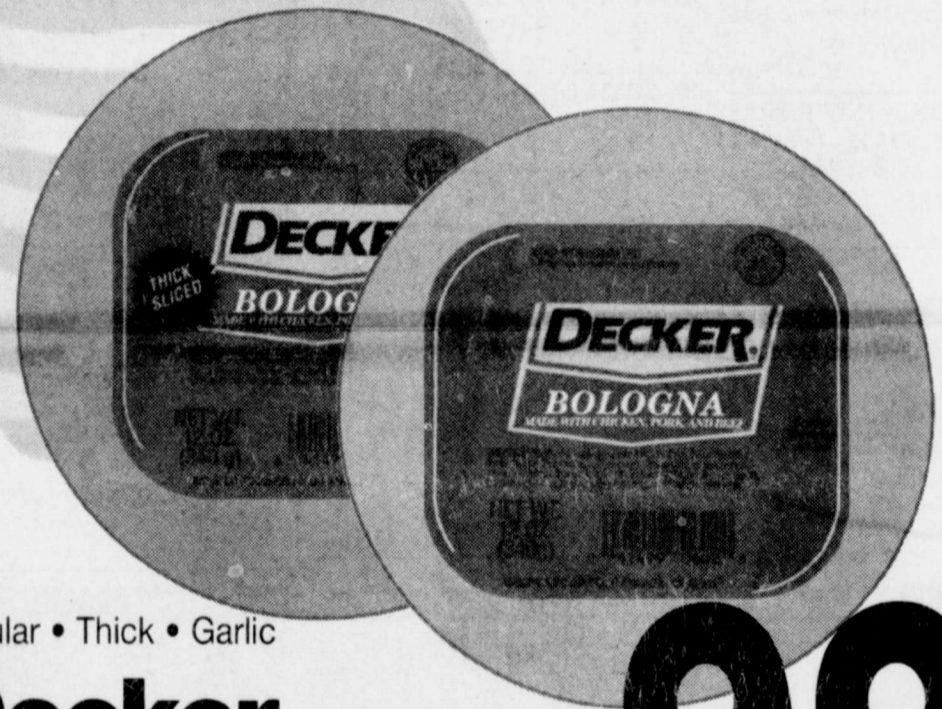
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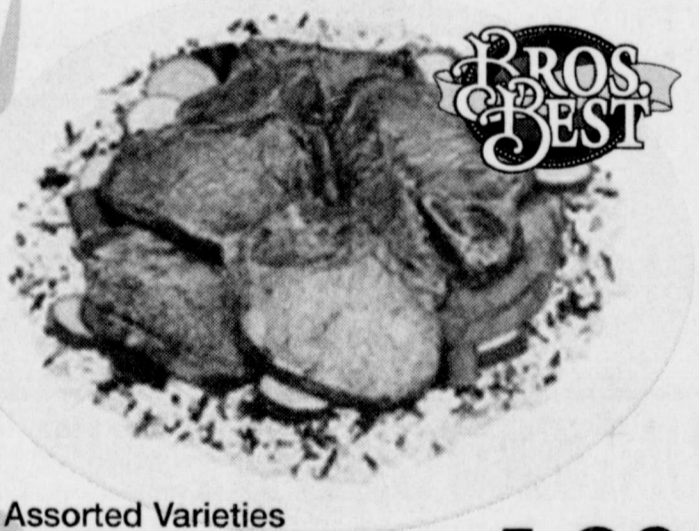


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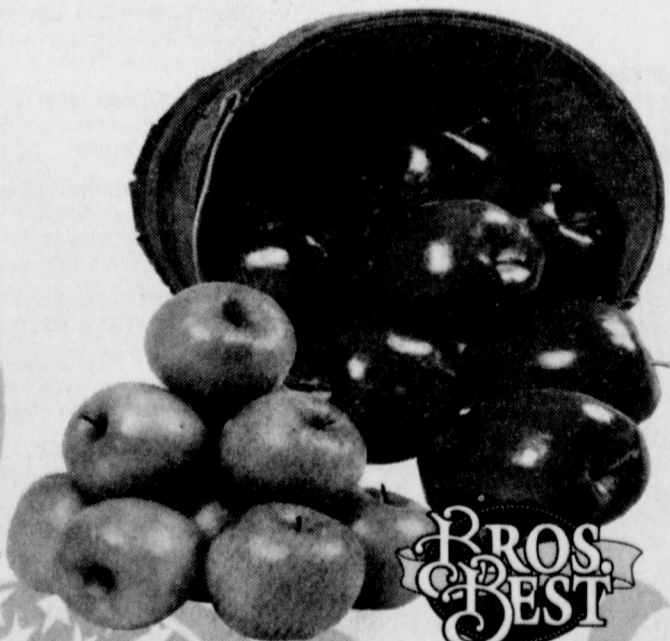
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