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BY RICHARD C. THOMAS

The Enterprise has been asked several times why we do not publish the so-called "Public Records" — the County Court proceedings, the docket, including traffic violations filed, suits for collection of debts, the bad-check cases filed, the cases brought before local Justices of the Peace, etc., etc., with names, names, names — and the final disposition of each case. After all, it has been suggested, this information is open to the public — it is of "public record" — and the public has a right to know about each case. That premise we have no argument against — that's what the open public records laws and the open meetings laws are all about. We would be the first to do battle against those who would repeal or abandon such statutes. Without that right to know, our system would be in for trouble.

Frankly, we have for many years toyed with the idea of complete publication and revelation of the whole ball of wax. The subject comes up periodically, and each time there is much study and thought devoted to the idea. We rationalize that the daily newspapers carry this information, regularly, and that we should do the same. But it all comes down to looking at both sides of the coin, and the decision has always been to stay away from such publication.

We receive each week upwards
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Dam construction contract signed



(Staff photo by Loice Osborn)

Bi-district trophy

"We're No. 1!" was the message signaled and yelled last week at Hawley, after the Winters Blizzardettes defeated the Munday Mogulettes in bi-district play, and

Winters Superintendent of Schools Tommy Lancaster displayed the bi-district trophy won by the Winters girls. The win sent the Winters girls on to the first games of

regional playoffs in Lubbock Friday night, where they gave a good account of themselves against a taller New Deal team, losing to New Deal 52-43.

After several years of work and planning, and re-planning, submitting applications for financial assistance from various state and federal agencies, changing courses, and no little amount of sacrifice on the part of many local citizens, Winters and North Runnels is assured of a new and bigger water supply.

The construction company contracted to build the pipeline from the new lake site five miles east of town to the treatment plant in Winters will begin moving supplies and equipment into Winters within two weeks, and should be turning dirt on the pipeline within three weeks. The company with the contract to build the dam and water reservoir proper is expected to move equipment onto the site within a few days and begin dirt work the first part of April.

Mayor W. Lee Colburn told the City Council Monday night that all necessary paper work had been cleared, and the financial assistance — loans and grants — from the Farmers Home Administration is in hand, and that contracts had been signed with the construction companies. The companies now will provide performance bonds, and the project, which has been years in the planning, will be off the ground.

J. H. Strain Construction Co. of Tye has been awarded the contract for the dam and reservoir, and Clause Construction Co. of Odessa has the contract for the pipeline.

Dam construction contract is for \$3.365 million; the pipeline contract is for \$3.777 million. The City of Winters will receive \$4.7 million for the project; the difference will go for acquisition of land for the project, legal and engineering fees.

Contractors have 600 working days to complete the project, Mayor Colburn said.

The new dam and reservoir will be located south of the present dam and reservoir on Elm Creek, about five miles east of Winters. When completed and in use, it will provide an adequate water supply for Winters, and also North Runnels Water Supply Corp., which purchases water from Winters and services much of the rural area of the north part of the county.

Blizzards play Crowell

The Winters Blizzards won the coin toss with Crowell Monday on the site for the bi-district basketball play-off game. The game will be played Tuesday at Abilene Cooper High School gymnasium.

Basketball Coach Jim Farmer said that the Crowell team is very

similar to the Blizzards, but that they were "very quick." Farmer said that the average height of the Crowell team is about 6-2, compared with the Blizzards' 5-11 to 6-foot average.

Crowell had been ranked fifth in the state with a win-loss record of

28-4 and last week in a game in Wichita Falls defeated No. 2 rated Archer City.

The Winters Blizzards, 25-6 on the season, played a practice game with Wall Tuesday evening, and have another practice set for Friday against Miles.

The bi-district game will tip off at 7:30 p. m. Tuesday, March 10, in the Cooper High School gymnasium. The Blizzards will be the home team, with Winters fans seated on the south side of the gym. Tickets for the game will be \$1 for students and \$2 for adults, and will be sold only at the door.

Rain!

Winters rainfall total for 1981 has reached almost four inches with weather observer Roy Rice reporting an official 3.84 inches of rainfall. Since six Monday evening Winters has received 1.91 inches of rain.

In January .85 inches of rain fell and February brought another 1.08 inches. The rain this week was spawned by the passage of a frontal system that prompted the issuance of a tornado watch late Tuesday afternoon for a large portion of North and West Central Texas. By the time the front passed through the Winters area the only severe weather that had been reported was in Dickens County where winds damaged some mobil homes.

Temperature wise, the month of February had 10 days in which temperatures of freezing or below were recorded. The high temperature for the month was 83 degrees and the low was 9 degrees.

Police arrest vandals

Winters police say that three juveniles were taken into custody Tuesday in connection with a Friday night incident in which three pick-ups were vandalized while parked on the high school parking lot.

Acting police chief L. C. Foster said that his department had received information about the incident and a subsequent investigation by officers Winfred Reel and Mike Bowers led to the arrests of the youthful offenders, two aged 16 and one age 13. Foster said that three stereo tape players and five

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GTE Officials meet with City Council

Officials of General Telephone of the Southwest now perhaps have a more acute idea of the problems Winters residents are experiencing with their telephone service.

GTE Southwest Division Manager Melvin Jennings, San Angelo toll center manager Dan Garza, and installations and maintenance foreman Jimmy Reken of Ballinger, met with the city council to explain some of the steps being taken to correct the large number of problems experienced with telephone service here.

City council members and several visitors at the meeting Monday night told the telephone company officials of problems that have continued to plague the city and of repeated attempts to have the problems rectified, to no avail. The common place problems of being cut off on a long distance call, unable to direct dial long distance, or receive long distance calls, and

Revival at Assembly of God Church

Jarrel Kuykendall will be the evangelist in a series of revival meetings beginning Sunday, March 8, and continuing through Friday, at the Winters Assembly of God Church, the pastor, the Rev. Bobby Argo, has announced.

The Kuykendall family also will present music during the meetings. Services will begin at 11 a. m. Sunday, and will be at 7 p. m. Sunday evening. Weekday services will begin at 7:30 p. m.

continuous noise on the phone lines, were the most common problems.

The General Telephone officials most likely felt that they had the hot seat while the numerous complaints and criticisms were aimed directly at them. But division manager Melvin Jennings acknowledged that there were still problems and said that work was continuing at a stepped-up pace to cure the problems and that new equipment was being added to give Winters not only more but hopefully better long distance service.

In another matter related to the telephone company, the city council unanimously voted to join with the Texas Municipal League in opposing a forthcoming rate increase request before the Texas Public Utilities Commission. The cost for Winters to participate in the case will be about \$450 or 15 cents per capita. The money from the participating cities will pay for legal counsel and background work in preparing opposition to the GTE rate increase request.

Full slate for Winters City Council voting

Mayor W. Lee Colburn, and Aldermen Ted Meyer and Charles Hudson have signed as candidates for re-election to the Winters City Council.

Deadline for candidate signing was Wednesday, March 4.

The city election has been called for Saturday, April 4.

News editor is added to staff of Enterprise

Kerry Craig, who has been in the electronic news media for several years, has joined the staff of The Winters Enterprise as news editor, effective March 1. Craig also will be working in the advertising department.

Craig is a native of Coleman, where he graduated from high school; he also attended Howard Payne University in Brownwood. He is married to the former Kelley Thomas of Winters, and they will make their home in Winters.

The new editor comes to The Enterprise with a full portfolio of recommendations and awards received during his time as news director of several radio stations. He has been recognized by the Associated Press, United Press International and Texas State Network for "continuous outstanding area news coverage" while working for radio stations. While at radio station KEAN, then at Brownwood, Craig received a top award from the Texas Association of Broadcasters for the "best locally produced spot announcement;" the "best locally produced humorous spot announcement;" the "best local newscast in the state." Also while with KEAN, he received an award from the Texas Associated Press Broadcasters Assn. for the "best newscast over five minutes in the market size." He also was recognized for the "best locally produced public service announcement," and while he was with KXYL radio station in Brownwood, he received a "key station award."

In addition to awards and pla-

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Blizzardettes make All-District team

District 8-AA girls all-district basketball teams were announced this week, and the Winters Blizzardettes placed one on the first team, two girls on the second team, and received two honorable mentions.

Named to the all-district first team was Sylvia Ibarra, a 5-4 senior. On the second team were 5-8 senior Bobbie Walker and senior Kim Fry. Receiving honorable mention were senior Lisa Bryan and junior Anna Vera.

Along with Sylvia Ibarra on the all-district first team were Ann Gentry, a senior from Rotan; Charlotte Hooper, a junior from Hamlin; Brissy Martinez, a senior

from Jim Ned; and Denise Walsworth, a junior from Albany.

On the all-district second team were Lisa Davis, a junior from Albany; Marty Brumbaugh, a senior from Baird; Jill Bristow, a junior from Hawley; Jackie Hooper, a Hamlin senior; and Winters' Bobbie Walker and Kim Fry.

Promotions made at Winters bank

Audra L. Mitchell, chairman of the board of directors, and Charles D. Hudson, bank president, announce the promotion of two officers at the Winters State Bank.

Recently promoted were Lanny Bahlman, vice president, and Jim Jordan, cashier.

Bahlman joined the Winters State Bank staff in 1972 and was promoted to assistant cashier in 1974 and cashier in 1977. A graduate of the University of Texas with a bachelor of business administration degree, he holds membership on the board of directors of the Abilene association of the American Institute of Banking.

Jordan began his Winters State Bank career in January, 1980, as operations officer. He graduated from Tarleton State University with a bachelor of science degree in mathematics and taught mathematics in Winters High School for eight years. He then served as accountant for Dry Manufacturing Division of Wallace Murray Corp. before joining the Winters State Bank.

Contests are developing in WISD election

Contests are developing for two places on the board of trustees of Winters Independent School District, as two more persons have signed as candidates. Deadline for filing for the April 4 election was Wednesday, March 4, and additional candidates may have signed after press time Tuesday night.

Pat (Mrs. Allan) Bishop filed as a candidate for Place 3 on the board. She will oppose Joe Bryan, who had filed several days ago.

Jerry Kraatz has filed as a candidate for Place 4, opposing Gary Don Pinkerton, incumbent board member.

Dr. James E. Smith had filed as a candidate for Place 5 last week.

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Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Tot
1959	.00	.20	.00	2.40	4.70	9.70	5.00	.40	3.70	5.80	1.30	5.20	38.40
1960	3.50	.90	1.00	1.40	1.50	.90	5.30	1.20	1.80	2.60	.00	3.70	22.80
1961	5.30	1.60	1.30	.30	5.40	9.30	4.20	*	*	*	*	*	27.70
1962	.00	.00	.30	4.40	1.00	5.70	8.70	1.30	5.30	3.00	1.20	1.00	31.90
1963	.00	1.30	.00	2.80	7.70	2.20	.00	5.20	.80	.10	3.20	1.20	24.50
1964	1.90	3.10	1.80	2.30	1.50	3.50	1.00	3.50	5.20	.70	3.30	.60	28.40
1965	2.50	3.70	.30	2.00	9.30	3.80	.10	.80	3.90	2.80	2.00	1.90	33.10
1966	1.70	1.00	1.30	7.80	1.20	1.90	.10	7.30	2.80	2.70	.00	.00	27.80
1967	.00	.10	1.20	1.00	1.30	5.00	4.20	1.10	8.70	.00	5.30	2.00	29.90
1968	5.61	3.50	4.70	4.70	6.80	.20	3.11	2.67	1.97	.12	3.44	.16	36.97
1969	.33	1.05	2.29	4.46	6.98	3.36	.05	2.09	8.44	3.19	1.53	1.76	36.51
1970	.35	1.98	5.02	4.45	2.25	.00	.00	1.04	2.78	.75	.00	.00	23.11
1971	.04	.29	.00	2.51	1.42	8.33	2.92	7.44	7.21	4.87	.56	1.57	37.16
1972	.20	3.33	.03	.94	4.11	2.72	2.24	3.76	2.88	6.41	.96	.07	24.68
1973	1.83	1.62	1.86	3.36	1.52	5.84	5.48	.45	4.37	2.78	.24	.07	29.42
1974	.05	.47	1.03	1.70	1.60	.91	.54	3.79	8.23	?	?	?	18.32
1975	To be obtained.												
1976	.00	.09	.59	4.22	1.18	.84	5.83	.49	7.85	5.79	.68	.10	27.66
1977	1.07	.44	1.46	4.84	1.22	3.26	2.17	.82	.85	2.16	.58	.19	19.06
1978	.83	1.62	.31	.52	2.80	.49	.89	5.72	2.65	.79	1.57	.08	18.27
1979	1.33	1.19	5.59	3.24	2.74	4.65	4.10	3.91	.00	.41	.36	2.92	29.72
1980	.63	1.14	1.41	.57	4.89	2.72	00.00	.81	11.18	.30	1.36	1.57	26.58
1981	.85	1.08	1.91										3.84

*Not Recorded. Figures through 1967 unofficial.

Total through Feb. 28, 1981



No living person may appear on a dollar bill.



It was once believed that wearing leads into battle would ensure emerging unscathed.

Reflections—

(From Page 1)
 of 30 weekly and semi-weekly community newspapers from a wide area — what we call the "exchanges." Although we haven't taken the time for complete tabulation, a top-of-the-head estimate indicates that at least 90 percent — the actual percentage probably would be higher — do not carry the complete "Public Records." Whatever the reasons given — or not given — for such publication or lack of publication we do not question. We have no quarrel with them if they do or if they don't.

This information does, we admit, have a high readership value. Observation has been that subscribers and readers of community newspapers which do publish these records turn to that particular page or section first off, before reading anything else which might be published in that particular issue. So it is clear that readership is high. But at *The Enterprise*, we do have a reason — or perhaps reasons — for not publishing all the public records. We have seen no bedrock advantage in wide publication of minor infractions, misdemeanors, and the like; there stands the possibility of doing more harm than good in wide publication, especially in a community newspaper. There is a difference in a metropolitan area and metropolitan newspaper, and a smaller closely-knit community and community newspaper. (We do not,

however, consider such things as DWI as minor, but where do you draw the line? If you go an inch, you must go the distance). And, for instance, we've seen persons wrongly charged for bad checks, because of "computer malfunction" — the excuse given by too many institutions too much of the time for errors committed — or the displacement of names and initials which point to the wrong person. Once the information is put down in black and white, the reader takes it at face value, and no amount of subsequent correction is heeded. How many times has a person's credit rating been damaged because of such an error? And we've seen other instances where minor happenings have become major in the eyes of much of the public because of publication, and talk, talk, talk.

We also accept the premise that this is "public information," and will work to keep it as such; we know also that there are some valid reasons for publications, and the information can become valuable in some instances. But we also believe that if it is that valuable or that important to any individual, it can be obtained without widespread publication feeds the gossip mill. We're not talking about major occurrences here; there is a proper time and place for those. The line of difference is fine and dim, and, at the moment, we do not believe it is worth it to locate the definition for each occurrence.

As has been stated, this subject has been studied periodically, and the decisions thus far have been against such publication in this community newspaper. We retain our prerogative, however, and we will not rule hard and fast against a possible change of policy at some future time. But for the moment, if some segments of the population find it necessary to obtain grist for their gossip mills, the information is available for the asking. We do not feel we are sidestepping our responsibility as a community newspaper — if we are, there are hundreds of other community newspapers on the same track with us. If we come under criticism for such policy, so be it.

W. Merrifield died Saturday at Center Point

William Turner (Bill) Merrifield, 65, died early Saturday morning at his home in Center Point near Kerrville. He had formerly lived in Winters.

Services were held at 2 p. m. Tuesday in Winters Memorial Chapel with the Rev. James Gehrels, Baptist minister, officiating.

Burial was in Norton Cemetery under direction of Winters Funeral Home.

Mr. Merrifield was born at Maverick, July 18, 1915, and lived in the Maverick-Norton area for a number of years. He attended school in Norton and Ballinger.

He was a welder and later moved to California where he lived until the mid 1960s when he moved to Winters. In 1974 he moved to Center Point.

He was a veteran of World War II, serving in the U. S. Army.

He married Stella Roe, Sept. 26, 1936, at Ballinger. He was a member of the Methodist Church.

Survivors include a son, Glenn Merrifield of Center Point; a daughter, Loice Osborn of Winters; four grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers were Wes Hays, J. A. Henderson, Don Marks, Jake Cortez, Jr., Buster Dillard, M. L. Guy, R. C. Thomas and Johnny Wilson. Ray Prichard was honorary pallbearer.

SBA loans available until April

The deadline for farmers and ranchers to file physical crop loss disaster loan applications under the Small Business Administration (SBA) declaration 1900 is April 13. Businesses have until July 13 to apply for Economic Injury Disaster Loans. This declaration covers the drought and extreme heat conditions during the 1980 crop production season.

If a Farmers Home Administration (FmHA) borrower suffers a disaster loss, it is suggested the borrower apply first with FmHA. An applicant cannot receive the total amount of his eligibility from both FmHA and SBA for the same disaster loss by his crops. Under SBA guidelines, should an applicant not receive his full eligibility from FmHA, he could apply with SBA for the difference provided his application is received by the April 13 deadline.

For applications to be accepted, they must be received by the close of business or postmarked before midnight of the deadline date.

Emergency unit runs for February

The Winters Unit of the Runnels County Emergency Service answered 22 emergency and transfer calls during February.

Dates and nature of runs were:

Feb. 1 — Emergency transfer, nursing home to hospital.

Feb. 3 — Transfer from North Runnels Hospital to nursing home.

Feb. 5 — Emergency run to St. John's Hospital, San Angelo.

Feb. 8 — Local transport.

Feb. 9 — Emergency transport from residence to North Runnels Hospital and then to Hendricks Medical Center, Abilene.

Feb. 12 — Emergency transfer from nursing home to North Runnels Hospital.

Feb. 13 — Emergency run from residence.

Feb. 13 — Emergency run from Crews to North Runnels Hospital.

Feb. 14 — Emergency run from residence to North Runnels Hospital.

Feb. 14 — Emergency transfer from North Runnels Hospital to Shannon Hospital, San Angelo.

Feb. 15 — Transfer from North Runnels Hospital to nursing home.

Feb. 15 — Emergency run from two miles south on US 83 to North Runnels Hospital.

Feb. 16 — Emergency transfer from Ballinger Memorial Hospital to St. John's Hospital, San Angelo.

Feb. 16 — Emergency run from auto accident of U. S. 277 to Hendrick Medical Center, Abilene.

Feb. 16 — From residence to North Runnels Hospital.

Feb. 17 — Transfer from Ballinger Memorial Hospital to State Hospital, Big Spring.

Feb. 19 — Emergency run from residence to Shannon Hospital, San Angelo.

Feb. 20 — Emergency transfer from nursing home to North Runnels Hospital.

Feb. 22 — Emergency run from residence to North Runnels Hospital.

Tom Loeffler
 Congressman
 2nd District - Texas

Reports from Washington

East-West Relations Conditional On Soviet Restraint

The Reagan Administration, during its first weeks in office, has wasted no time in laying down the law to the Soviets on ground rules for improved relations between the Super Powers.

From now on, Moscow has been told through diplomatic channels, it will have to play by the rules of the game. In other words, if there is to be progress on reaching agreement on a whole range of issues between our two countries, the Soviets must observe an agreed code of international conduct.

The new Administration's hard line on diplomacy is long overdue. For too long, the United States has watched from the grandstands while Moscow has marched, unrestrained, to expand its sphere of influence worldwide. The policy of this Administration is unequivocal. The United States will no longer be the bystander to Soviet insurgency. From now on, Moscow's activities will be linked directly to the development of better relations with the United States.

The Reagan Administration is not writing new rules. It is merely demanding adherence to old ones. They have officially existed between the United States and the Soviet Union since 1972. Both countries adopted a set of principles at that time calling for reciprocity and mutual restraint in international affairs.

The Soviets, of course, have ignored the spirit and the letter of that agreement, acting without reservation in seeking unilateral advantage.

No one called Moscow's hand in Afghanistan, in Africa, or anywhere else around the world. Absent decisiveness by the United States, the Soviets have made the most of their opportunities.

The Reagan Administration has served notice it will deal differently with Soviet adventurism. Before this country will sit down at the bargaining table with the Soviets to discuss such issues as arms control, trade, and the extension of financial credits, there must be a new understanding of the limits to Soviet expansionism.

A new show of determination by this country will have tangible benefits. First of all, it will convince many of our allies who are now skeptical of American resolve, that we intend to stand firm against Soviet strategy for world dominance. Moscow will no longer dictate the course of East-West relations.

Moreover, for too long, Moscow has calculated that it runs no risk of reprisal from the United States, no matter what it does internationally. No longer so. The Reagan Administration now has thrown some uncertainty into this equation.

Few countries understand better than the Soviet Union that power equates with influence in global strategy. The Soviets know power and use it to their advantage. Over the past few years, like many other countries throughout the world, the Soviets have doubted America's power — and our willingness to use the power we do have.

Unfortunately, their calculations may have been correct. Not so any longer.

The Reagan Administration has made it clear that no objective will be more important for this country internationally than rebuilding our military power, and reestablishing our influence around the world.

We will not be asking for confrontation. We will always be willing to sit down at the negotiating table to bargain with the Soviets in good faith. But before we do so in the future, the Soviets must demonstrate they intend to do the same. Not with their words. But with their actions.

Few initiatives will send a clearer message to our allies — or to our adversaries.

We intend to play by the rules of international conduct. From now on, the Soviets will be required to do the same.

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Jerry Lackey's Country Folk

"Come a ti yi yip-pi yip-pi yay yip-pi yay... A two-dollar horse and a forty-dollar saddle, I'm gonna get punchin' those old Texas cattle." So went the song, a favorite among the hundreds made up by cowboys to pass the time and quiet the herds back during the days of the trail drives to the railhead in the 1800's.

For the cowboy of that era the physical hardships, 20 hour days, branding, and countless unknown dangers along with loneliness and only male companionship produced no entertainment. So around the campfires at night under the stars was born the singing cowboy. That rich tradition stayed with the American west through the periods of outlaws and men with six pointed stars, the Indian fights and the range wars. When motion pictures with sound come along, some of the first westerns featured singing cowboys. John Wayne's first appearance on the silver screen was as a singing cowboy.

There was Gene Autrey and Roy Rogers and San Angelo's own Rex Allen. Rex's family roots go back to Robert Lee. His grandfather is buried on the historic Fort Chadbourne Ranch near Bronte. Rex Allen liked to sing and liked cowboys.

At a tender age, his family was embarrassed by Rex's father and his friends coming to San Angelo one night on horses and shooting up the town "the way we did later in the movies," he said in an interview. So he packed the family and left taking the old Goodnight-Loving Trail away to Arizona.

Well, someday Rex Allen has always had a special spot in his heart for West Texas. He has been the national chairman for Cattlemen's Round-Up for Crippled Children for 22 years. And over a dozen years ago he put together the first telethon to raise operating money for West Texas Rehab Center in Abilene.

The telethon grew each year with a 16-station network carrying the show earlier this year. Growing parallel was WTRC. And now, WTRC - San Angelo, a third campus providing services for the handicapped, has outgrown its quarters.

So, next week on March 10, one of Hollywood's few original singing cowboys, Rex Allen is coming back to home ground to kickoff the \$1.5 million WTRC-San Angelo building drive. A live one-hour television show debuts at 8 p.m. central time over KCTV-Channel 8, San Angelo cohosted by Allen. The show will also include Johnny Desmond and the Rehab '81 Orchestra, Rex Allen, Jr. and Margo Smith.

Council okays revenue sharing funds budget

The Winters City Council Monday night gave their approval to the budgeting of some \$50,000 in federal revenue sharing funds for the upcoming fiscal year.

City Administrator Glenn Brown told the council that cuts in the federal budget had reduced the amount of revenue sharing monies to the City of Winters, from \$50,000 to about \$38,000, a reduction of 24 percent. City officials said, however, that there were revenue sharing funds that had not been spent that would make up the difference between the amount budgeted and the amount of funds received.

In the mandatory public hearing on the use of the federal money, no one was present to offer suggestions to the city council on how or where the money should be spent, other than the areas designated by the council earlier. The city receives the federal monies in quarterly payments of about \$9,000.

The next day, March 11, Rex Allen will address the San Angelo Press Club. That group, the combined media and public relations organization of the Concho Valley, happens to have a president named Jerry Lackey. (It's one of my free jobs to serve the public which sometimes takes 30 hours per week.)

One of the delights of the Press Club job is having our meeting in the relaxed atmosphere of our new home... Gideon's. The charm and hospitalities are garnered from the beautiful restaurant on the banks of the Concho River. Well, anyway a place which dates back to 1884 when the singing cowboys were on the trail and could possibly be one of the buildings Rex's father shot up before moving to Arizona, is going all out for Rex Allen Press Club Day!

"We are preparing a cowboy lunch treat for the Press Club members that day," says owner Joan Nobles.

So, starting March 10, it's going to be a full week for cowboys in San Angelo. Following Rex Allen and the big TV show, the 1981 edition of the San Angelo Stock Show and Rodeo runs for the remainder of the week with the nations leading pro-cowboys and Nashville's modern singing ones!

"Come a ti yi yip-pi yip-pi yay yip-pi yay!"

County opts for data processing for tax office

In a called meeting Monday, Runnels County Commissioners elected to employ Western Data Services, Inc., to provide on-line data processing for the county tax office for the tax roll and voter registration, complete with printer.



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Acting Police Chief to speak to club on crime prevention

L. C. Foster, acting Chief of Police, will present a program on Crime Prevention at a meeting of the Triple L Club (Live Long & Like It) Thursday, March 12, at 10:30 a. m. in the Fellowship hall of the First Baptist Church. A covered dish luncheon will follow the program.

Purse and wallet-snatching, flim-flam, self protection, and a neighborhood watch program will be discussed.

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Ray Boone died Feb. 25

Ray Halbert Boone, 78, a longtime resident of Taylor and Runnels counties, died Wednesday, February 25 at Hendrick Medical Center after a short illness. Services were held at 3 p.m. Friday at Fairmont Methodist Church in Abilene.

The Rev. Douglas Gossett officiated, and burial was in the Bradshaw Cemetery.

Born March 19, 1902, in Waco, he moved with his family at an early age to Wingate. The family moved to Paint Rock, where he graduated from high school in 1919. He moved to Bradshaw in 1922.

He married Olive Newby on March 9, 1925 in Winters where the couple lived for 15 years.

Survivors include his wife; a daughter, Mrs. H. W. Bender of Arlington; two sons, Earl Boone of Las Vegas, Nev., and Troy of San Antonio; two sisters, Mrs. Leon Hallman and Mrs. Vera Wallace of Abilene; and six grandchildren.



Cock-a-leekie soup, made with leek, is the Scottish national soup.

Editor—

(From page 1)
 ques of recognition from Tyler Independent School District, and other awards, Craig has been commissioned an "Admiral in the Texas Navy," by then-Gov. Dolph Briscoe. He has an Emergency Care Certificate from the Texas State Department of Health, and attended the Staff College of the Defense Civil Preparedness Agency at Battle Creek, Mich. He was a member of the community advisory committee of United Blood Services at San Angelo, and has two certificates of training following flights with Global Shield '80-81 from the U. S. Air Force.

For the past year, Craig has been news director at Radio Station KWKC-KORQ in Abilene. Other radio stations where he served as news director have been KGKL, San Angelo; KX-YL, Brownwood; KEAN, Brownwood; KZEY-KROZ, Tyler; KNEL, Brady; KSNY, Snyder; KVMC, Colorado City; KSTA, Coleman. He also has worked at station KRUN, Ballinger.

He holds a third class Radio Telephone Operator's License.

Relative of local woman died in Arizona

Labon Smith of Mesa, Ariz., died Friday, Feb. 27, following a long illness. Funeral services were held in Mesa.

He was the brother-in-law of Mrs. Ili Simpson of Winters. He married Mozelle Branham, formerly of Winters.

Other survivors are two daughters of Mesa, and two step-daughters, Barbara Buchanan of Brownwood and Doyleene Bagwell of Edmond, Okla., and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.



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United Methodist Women met recently

Mrs. F. R. Anderson was in charge of the program when the United Methodist Women met Tuesday morning in the fellowship hall.

Mrs. Ava Crawford led the singing, and Gladys Wilson gave the opening prayer.

The program, "Love Made Visible - The Command to Love" was a Bible study involving all members present.

Others present were Mmes. Paul C. Gerhardt, Thad Traylor, M. L. Dobbins, Melvin Mapes, J. D. Vinson, Addie Beth Stanley, and Margurite Mathis.

Benediction was The Lord's Prayer.

Jr. Culture Club met Tuesday

The Jr. Culture Club met in the home of Mary Lynn Presley on Tuesday.

A program on skin care was presented by Mary Lynn and Belinda Hill through Merle Norman Cosmetics.

Final plans for a game night were discussed. Plans were also discussed for a Bike-A-Thon in April to raise money for Cystic Fibrosis. Members of the club will also be calling on citizens in Winters to collect money for the March of Dimes.

Members present were

Winters Public School LUNCHROOM MENU

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Tuesday, Mar. 10
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Wednesday, Mar. 11
Sliced ham, potato salad, green beans, fruit cobbler, hot rolls with butter, milk or chocolate milk.

Thursday, Mar. 12
Fried chicken, cream gravy, buttered cream potatoes, whole kernel corn, tossed salad, peanut butter cookies, hot rolls with butter, milk or chocolate milk.

Friday, Mar. 13
Fish squares, tarter sauce in cups, cabbage slaw, fruit, macaroni and cheese, cinnamon rolls, cornbread squares, milk or chocolate milk.

Sue Keene, Brigitte Lett, Brenda Bahlman, Rhea Parramore, Brenda Killough, Melanie Wade, Jean Boles, Kim Lee, Mary Slimp, Judy Holloway, Jan Jordan and Cheryl Springer.



MRS RODNEY JOSEPH FREY

Miss Miller and Mr. Frey married Saturday

Michele Antoinette (Missy) Miller, daughter of Mr. Charles H. Miller of Winters, and Mr. Rodney Joseph Frey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gus A. Frey of Rowena, were united in marriage Saturday, Feb. 28, at three o'clock in the afternoon in St. Boniface Catholic Church at Olfen.

The Rev. Bennie Bervise performed the double ring ceremony before an altar adorned with baskets of sonia and white carnations on gothic pedestals.

Mrs. Bernie Michalewicz of Rowena was organist; Mrs. Becky Boles of College Station was soloist; and David Bushnell of San Angelo was soloist. The presented "Through the Eyes of Love," "There Is Love," and "Lady."

Altar boys were Jason Lange of Veribest, nephew of the bridegroom, and Michael Gully of Rowena.

Ginger Gully of Lawn was flower girl, and Jody Frey of Ballinger, nephew of the bridegroom, was ring bearer.

Rick Hoelscher of Rowena was best man, and Cliff Reed of Bronte and

Pat Reyes of Ballinger were ushers.

Groomsmen were Kent McMillan of St. Lawrence, Doug Frey of Rowena, brother of the bridegroom, Charles Frey of Ballinger, brother of the bridegroom, Mitt Loyd of Norton and Allen Halfmann of Ballinger.

Camille A. Miller, of San Angelo, sister of the bride, was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Mrs. Kathy Underwood, Toni Hambright and Patti Bomar, all of Winters, and Mrs. Omega Gehrels and Kathy Brooks, both of San Angelo.

The bride's attendants wore pink floor-length dresses, outline in lace. They carried single stem sonia roses accented with sonia and ivory ribbon streamers.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a gown of organza sheer with Chantilly lace enriching the Queen Ann neckline, victorian sleeves and empire bodice, a flowing skirt cascading to a chapel train. Her Juliet lace cap held the chapel length veil with lace. Her bouquet was a colonial nosegay of white roses, silk Lily of the Valley, gypsophelia and English ivy.

A reception was held in Dale Sewing Club met recently

The Dale Sewing Club met in the home of Mrs. Thad Traylor for their regular meeting.

Those present were Mmes. Walter Kruse, Clifford Lehman, Norbert Ueckert, Carl Baldwin, August Stoecker, Jack Whittenberg, Newt Stoecker, W. C. Little, Leland Hoppe, Clarence Hambright, I. W. Rogers, Loyd Compton, Reese Jones, Verge Fisher, Bill Mayo, and Thad Traylor.

The next club meeting will be with Mrs. Bill Mayo.

Fire Auxiliary met recently

The Winters Firemen's Auxiliary held a regular monthly meeting in the city hall recently with Melba Emmert and Beth Hamilton as hostesses.

Betty Easterly was elected racing captain. Present were Pat Simpson, Barbara Carroll, Beth Hamilton, Melba Emmert, Jeanne Hiliard Betty Easterly, Lu Bowden, Pat Staggs, Tommy Hodnett and Diann Whittenburg.

Roach, J. E. Smith, T. C. Stanley, Fay Clark Thompson and Roy Young.

Olfen Hall. Mrs. Sarah Halfmann of Olfen made and served the cake.

Friends and relatives were in the house party. The dinner was catered. A dance was held in Olfen Hall, with music by Jerry Max Lane of Fort Worth.

The bride is a 1979 graduate of Winters High School and is attending Angelo State University.

The bride is a 1975 graduate of Paint Rock High School, and employed by Frey Cattle Co. of Ballinger.

They will make their home at Rt. 1, Ballinger.

VISITORS
Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hagins of Abilene visited in the home of Mrs. Clifford Lehman and Robert on Sunday.

Blackwell

The women of the United Methodist Church in Blackwell met Monday afternoon at 3:00 in the home of Mrs. Terry Barrett with eight members attending.

Mrs. Winnie Oden presided for the meeting and called the meeting to order with a prayer, given by Mrs. Barrett.

A short business session was held, with new yearbooks handed out to all those present.

The program, "The Command to Love" was given by Mrs. Oden, who was assisted by Mmes. R. Q. Spence, Savannah Thompson and Mary Louise Alderman.

Closing prayer was given by Mrs. Spence.

A refreshment plate was served to those mentioned and Mmes. Cecil Smith, John McRorey, Billy Hood and Mrs. Alderman's granddaughter, Carrie.

The next meeting will be March 9 in the home of Mrs. Oden.

The Women's Missionary Union of the Blackwell First Baptist Church met Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 at the church with Mrs. Thelma Smith presiding.

The meeting was called to order with a prayer voiced by Mrs. Ninnie Kinard.

The Scripture and calendar of Prayer was read by Mrs. Smith.

Prayer for the missionaries was voiced by Mrs. Willie Burwick. Mrs. Kinard gave the study on, "Mission Possible."

Closing prayer was given by Mrs. Burwick.

Those attending were Mmes. Smith, Kinard, Burwick and Charlie Strickland.

The Euterpean Club of Blackwell met Thursday, Feb. 19 at 3:00 in the home of Mrs. Jennings Lewis.

Mrs. Rhoda McCarley conducted a short

business meeting.

Officers for the new year were elected. They were Mmes. Rhoda McCarley, president; C. B. Smith, vice president; Herman Seale, secretary; C. H. Raney, treasurer; Bertha Smith, librarian; Rhoda McCarley, choral director; H. C. Raney, pianist; Josie Hipp, reporter; and C. B. Smith, parliamentarian.

Mrs. E. C. Carter was voted back into the club, after being away for a year.

Mrs. Mary Louise Alderman won the drawing prize.

The program, "Travels" was presented by Mrs. Terry Barrett. She showed slides and commented on a trip she and Mr. Barrett had made to Spain.

Mrs. Lewis served refreshments to those above and Mmes. R. Q. Spence, Gene Cole, Abe Lanier, Billy Hood, Margaret Stout, and B. J. Sanderson.

Mrs. A. O. (Lena) White is still in Odessa, but is reported to be improving nicely after her surgery.

Blackwell has had nice spring weather all this week.

Sub Deb Club met March 2

The Sub Deb Club met Monday, March 2 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Merrill, with Tina Merrill as hostess.

Present were Kayleen McGuffin, Jodie Wearden, Kathy Grenwelge, Shanna Weems, Robbie Cole, Tina Merrill, Anna Vera, DeOnn Deaton, Rosalinda Vera, Ketta Walker, Susie Vera, and sponsor, Glenda Matthews.

The next meeting will be Monday, March 9 with Robbie Cole as hostess.

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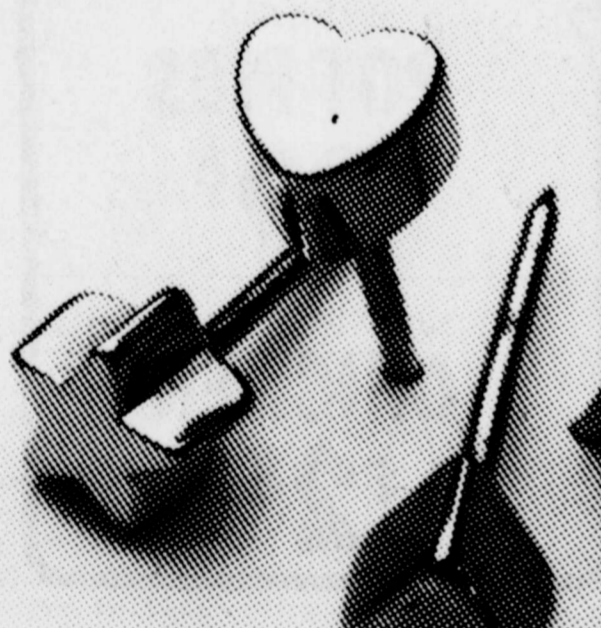
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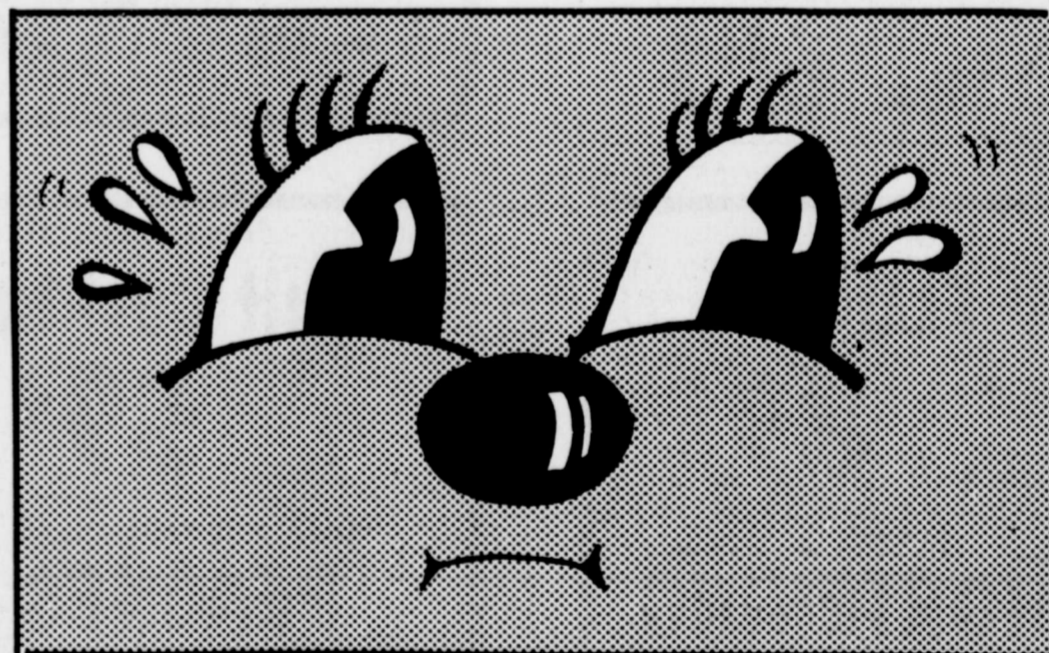
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Poe's Corner

BY CHARLES POE

FORT PHANTOM HILL

(From a story written by Mrs. Emma Johnson Elkins in 1908)

In a rare book, owned by Arnold Allcorn, *Indian Fighting On The Texas Frontier* by Captain John M. Elkins, I ran across some information about Mrs. Emma Johnson Elkins, the Captain's wife, which I never expected to find.

Mrs. Elkins had lived at Fort Chadbourne when she was a little girl and wrote many years later about the arrogance of the Comanches. She recalled one chief riding across the parade grounds with a lance from which waved scalps of long brown and blonde hair obviously from white women, which I quoted in my book, *Runnels is My County*.

And that was all I knew about Mrs. Elkins until I read the book on Indian fighting which included some of her stories written in 1908. She says, "I was born in Philadelphia, Penn., January 23, 1848, and came with my parents to Texas when four years of age, and my earliest recollections are of Fort Phantom Hill.

The Johnsons remained at the post until it was abandoned in 1854. "My father was ordinance sergeant, having charge of the artillery and ammunitions. I was very young, but remember quite distinctly particulars pertaining to the establishment of the fort, and hearing my parents talk of it also helped to keep it fresh in my memory. Therefore, I feel competent to give here a brief sketch of the fort. I have read different statements as to how it came by its singular name, all of which were erroneous. Different names were suggested but all disapproved when it was finally settled upon around a camp fire.

"On a bright moonlight night a group of officers, and party of men were encamped a short distance from the new post when one of the party seeing a tall white figure on the hill, (probably an Indian with a white blanket around him) exclaimed: "A ghost!" Another said: "A Phantom on the hill!" "This," said one of the officers, "suggests a name; we will call the fort Phantom Hill!" This name was unanimously adopted.

"This fort was built on the west side of the Clear Fork of the Brazos River. The first commander was Colonel Abercrombie, but only for a short time. Inheriting a large estate and peerage in England, he resigned and went to that country. Colonel Waite assumed and held command until the fort was abandoned.

It has been alleged and many believe the statement that at one time Colonel Robert E. Lee commanded that post, some even to this day insisting that he did. Colonel Lee never commanded at that fort; of this I am quite certain."

The Northern Comanches were hostile to the whites and made threats that no white person should settle west of Red River. Seven companies of soldiers, five of infantry and two of cavalry, were stationed at the fort. Preparations at once began for the reception of the Indians in case an attempt was made for the execution of their threats. A trench eight feet wide was cut around the garrison; the artillery was placed on a parapet in the center, ready to sweep the countryside.

A few days after the completion of preparations, "To arms!" was sounded early one morning. The soldiers were soon out in battle array. The whole tribe of Northern Comanches was coming in sight, the head chief, Buffalo Hump, in the lead followed by his subordinates; then came the warriors, squaws and papooses, 2500 in all. Seeing the preparations for their reception, the red men passed on by with scowls and angry looks going in a westerly direction.

In a short time they began coming in, in small squads, with "howdy-do's", handshaking and friendly demonstrations, begging for everything they could see and stealing everything they could lay hands on when not being watched, and murdering anyone they caught out. It was about this time they waylaid and killed Lieutenant Harrison at Hanging Rock Spring.

On the west bank of the Clear Fork was the village of the Delaware and Caddo Indians. They were far superior to other tribes and owned their own property. Jim Shaw, chief of the Delawares, was an intelligent man and tried to emulate the white man in dress and manners.

"When Fort Phantom Hill was abandoned my father was ordered to Fort Chadbourne, as it was his place to be stationed at headquarters. We were enroute to that place when Major Stemm, the paymaster, was murdered by Kickapoo Indians. When within twelve miles of our destination, and encamped in a gorge of the mountains which forms the chain in which Mountain Pass is situated, and just as the sun was setting, a rider appearing coming toward our camp, who proved

to be Jim Shaw, the Delaware Chief, who brought us the tidings of the killing of Major Stemm. On information of the murder reaching Phantom Hill, the old chief immediately mounted his horse and, alone, started in pursuit of us to warn us of danger. The chief remained at our camp that night, never closing his eyes to sleep but sat up keeping watch. The next morning he bade us a kindly adieu and returned to his people.

"Fort Phantom Hill was abandoned in Feb. 1854, the troops being ordered to the Rio Grande. The night following the departure of the troops every house was burned to the ground. I have been told by persons traveling through the country that the old chimneys are still standing and evidence still exists of the trench around the garrison, and the springs walled up with steps leading down to the water is still in a good state of preservation. Fort Phantom is situated in what is now Jones County, and one of the most fertile counties in the western part of the State."

We think of Fort Phantom Hill as being north of Abilene.

Crews

It's discouraging to get up in the morning and know that coffee is worth more a pound than you are.

Hi, I'm glad to be back, and want to thank the girls who volunteered to write up the news for me, Pat Bishop and Bernie Faubion. A job well done! Thanks, again!

Walter and Connie Clendenen and Nila and Therin Osborne will host Saturday nights supper and game night, March 7 at 6:30 p.m. at the gym. Bring one or two of your favorite dishes. See you there.

Congratulations to Jennifer and Rose Marie Faubion who entered the Runnels Pageant and won 1st Saturday night in Ballinger. Jennifer is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Mathews and granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Odie Matthews, and she won in the Petite Division. Rose Marie is the daughter of Lynn Fau-

bion and Amantina Faubion and won in the Ideal Miss Division.

Earl Cooper had a freak incident which cut his hand. He had six stitches.

Wesley McGallian had surgery on his hand on Wednesday. Both of these guys are doing fine.

Bro. Tackett and his family enjoyed dinner with the Wilmer Gerharts Sunday after services.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Walters of Fort Worth were down to see the Marion Woods this week.

Sam Brown went home with Kyle Kraatz after church Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Cooper attended the Fry wedding in Olfen Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Coleman Foreman were in Abilene two days. Mrs. Foreman to see her allergy doctor and Coleman to see his dad.

Mr. and Mrs. Gaston Ernst and Melissa of San Antonio were up to see Mrs. Effie Deitz this weekend.

Mrs. Clyde Brevard spent several days in Canton with her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Marion Davis.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewitt Bryan, Gary, Cheryl, Susan and Angela Bryan visited with the Doug Bryans Saturday.

On Sunday the Wilbert Alcorns were in to see the Donnie Patton family in Ballinger and to visit with

the Johnnie Mathis' last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Moss, Mindy, Chad and Joy of Midland, and Mike Bragg of Glen Cove spent Friday through Saturday with Hazel Mae and Russel Bragg.

Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Faubion, Saudi Arabia, are here visiting the Noble Faubions and other relatives. Rose Marie Claudette and Melissa Faubion of Winters were dinner guests Sunday also.

The Rodney Faubions spent Saturday in the N. L. Faubion home and with Lynn's family.

Correction: Mr. and Mrs. Kat Grissom were over to see the Marvin Hoelschers of Ballinger and the Ricky Grissoms of Winters instead of the Earl Coopers as stated last week.

Mrs. Amber Fuller returned home after spending several months in California with her daughter, the Woodrow Worthingtons.

Just had word that Amber was admitted in the Coleman Hospital Sunday night.

Mrs. Clyde Brevard was accompanied home by her daughter, Neva Davis Sunday evening. Neva will remain for a few days.

Clyde Brevard, Lemma Fuller, Amy, Jill and April Fuller all had lunch Friday with Alta Hale. On Saturday they journeyed

into Coleman and ate out.

On Saturday night Alta and Lemma attended the musical in Echo.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Jacob were in San Angelo to see the Robert Van Zandt family Friday. The Jacobs, Brenda and Corey had dinner with the Herbert Jacobs on Sunday.

Visiting in the Andrew Michaeliewicz home on Friday were Mrs. Gwin Nerka, Mrs. Daniel Strube, Mrs. Olen

Wieshuhn, Mrs. Edd Wilde, Mrs. Lervina Schniers.

After services Sunday Clyde Brevard, Alta Hale and Corra Petrie ate out at the Trade Winds in Coleman. Afterwards they visited with Mrs. Annie Edens who is in the hospital with five broken ribs and collarbone. They later went to Holiday Hill and saw Arthur Allcorn and Grandma Kirby.

Our rain gauges out here showed 18/10 inches.

NORTH RUNNELS HOSPITAL REPORT

ADMISSIONS
Feb. 24
Jose Reyes, Jr.
Sam Morgan
James L. Burleson
Longina Tamez
James E. Smith
Feb. 25
Wesley McGallion
Allen Hart
Feb. 26
Wayne Gibson
Roger O'Neal
Mary Burks
Santago Rivera
Feb. 27
No Admissions
Feb. 28
No Admissions
March 1
Steve Pharris
March 2
Melissa Torres
Telitha Maxwell and baby boy
Dickie Bullard
Merle D. Wright
Russell Barnes
Walter Wright
Allie M. Voelker
DISMISSALS
Feb. 24
Charlotte Murphy
Feb. 25
Kathie Cook
Mary J. Tucker
Bessie Ann Frasier
Feb. 26
Wesley McGallion
Kenny Reel
Beatrice Harris
James E. Smith
Feb. 27
Sam Morgan
Wayne Gibson
James Burleson
Feb. 28
Amanda Waldrop
Allen Hart
March 1
Longina Tamez, trans.
Roger O'Neal
Santago Rivera
March 2
Carmen Ochoa
Steve Pharris

CARD OF THANKS

The Arthur Windham family would like to thank all the people of Winters and surrounding area for all the help they gave us when our house burned in December. Thanks to the fire department for answering the call as quick as they did. All the churches, and the High School Student Council. I want to also thank the first grade for all they did for our daughter. Everyone else that offered their help if we needed it, we thank you.

We are back in the house now, and would like for anyone that wants to see it to come by any time after 2:30 in the afternoon. Thanks a million to everyone. May God bless you all. —The Arthur Windham Family.

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Blizzardettes end season with 26-4 record

The Blizzardettes wrapped up their season last week with a 28 win 4 loss season record after winning the district and bi-district crowns. The Blizzardettes were defeated Friday night in the regional play-off game by New Deal 52-43.

Coach Bill Howard said that the height of the New Deal team was the deciding factor of a very physical game played on the Texas Tech campus in Lubbock.

Coach Howard summarized the season by saying that sheer determination and team play and hustle won most of the games. Howard said that a solid nucleus of good players from the varsity, the junior varsity, and the eighth grade will keep the Winters girls a good team for several years. The coach concluded by saying that this has been the most satisfying season he has ever had and that he was looking forward to next year.

Percentage of first-time home buyers drops dramatically

The percentage of home buyers entering the housing market for the first time has declined from nearly half the market in 1977 to less than one-third in 1980, reports the Family Housing Bureau, a public information service of Chicago Title Insurance Company, in its fifth annual national survey of recent home buyers.

In 1980, first-time buyers represented 32.9 percent of the market, compared to 48.1 percent in 1977, the peak year studied. As inflation mounted in 1978 the percentage of first-time buyers dropped to 36.7 percent and held steady at 36.6 percent in 1979.

Those first-time buyers who did enter the housing market in 1980 paid significantly more for a home than their counterparts in past years, and obligated themselves for substantially higher mortgage payments, the survey said.

The median price of a home purchased by a first-time buyer was \$61,450 in 1980, compared to \$50,800 in 1979. The average monthly payment was \$558, up from

\$421 in 1979. As part of a trend that began in 1979, first-time buyers relied more on relatives for help in making the down payment on their homes. And a greater percentage received half or more of the down payment from this source in 1980.

In 1977, 75.6 percent of first-time buyers came up with the down payment entirely from their own savings and investments. By 1980, this total was down to 51.1 percent.

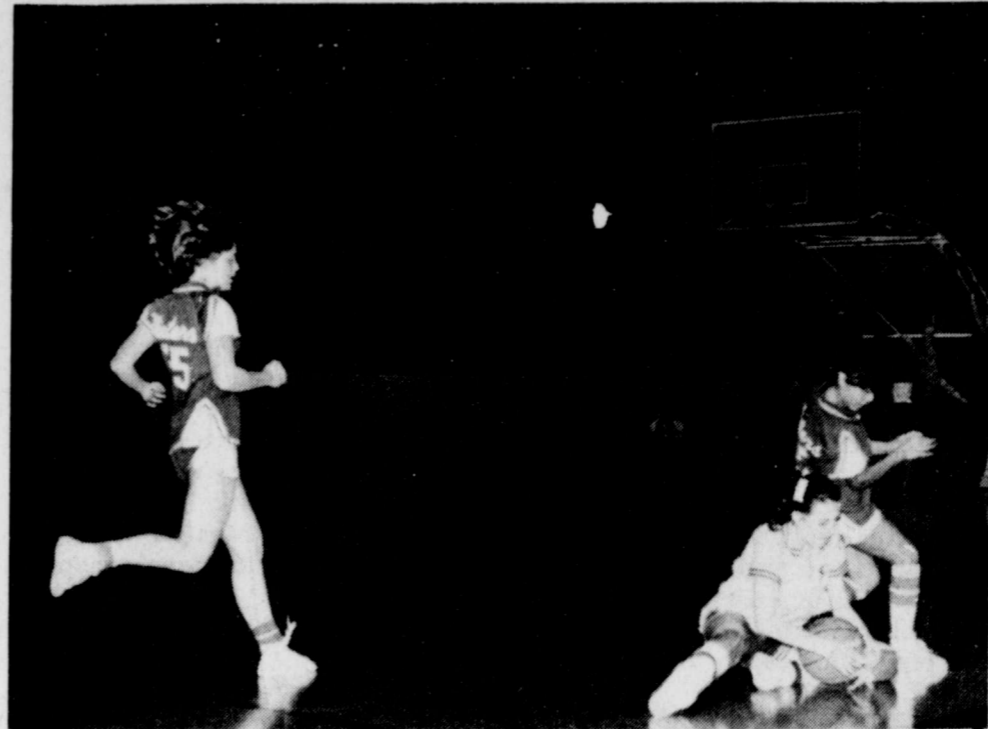
The percentage of first-time buyers receiving help from relatives in making the down payment was 32.6 percent in both 1979 and 1980, compared to 14.3 percent in 1977 and 8.7 percent in 1978. However in 1980, 26.2 percent of first-time buyers received half or more of the down payment from relatives vs. 15.2 percent in 1979 and 6.8 percent in 1978.

As a percentage of the down payment made by all first-time buyers, relatives accounted for 19.5 percent of the total in 1980, vs. 14.4 percent in 1979 and 6.2 percent in 1978.

The Family Housing Bureau survey also noted significant changes in the way repeat home buyers moved up in the housing market. Fewer relied on the sale of a previous home as the source for all or most of the down payment. As the median price of a home for repeat buyers moved up to \$75,750 in 1980 from \$64,600 in 1979, and monthly mortgage payments rose from \$466 to \$660, a greater percentage of these buyers made part or all of the down payment from savings and investments.

In 1980, 39.7 percent of repeat buyers received all of the down payment from the sale of a previous home, compared to 55.8 percent in 1979. And 46.6 percent of repeat buyers received 90 percent from this source, down from 61.1 percent in 1979.

The Family Housing Bureau survey was made as part of Chicago Title Insurance Company's continuing program to foster interest in home ownership. The company issues real estate title insurance, which insures the existence or non-existence of rights to property for lenders and home owners. This insurance pays the policy



On the boards at Lubbock...

(Staff photos by Loice Osborn)

Area students on honor roll at Angelo State

Several area students attending Angelo State University in San Angelo are listed on the dean's honor roll for the fall semester at the university.

Those listed on the 3.00 to 3.49 honor roll include Carey Jobe, an accounting major from Winters.

Those listed on the 3.50 to 4.00 honor roll include Brenda J. Schaefer, an accounting major from Norton; Colleen Brumley, a health and physical education major; Duane Walter Geistmann, a business major; Jo Dee Meyer, a psychology major; Martha J. Pritchard, a biology major; and Penny Springer, a business major.

Literary and Service Club meeting

The Literary and Service Club met recently in the Royce McDorman home, with Mrs. McDorman, Mrs. R. E. Dorsett and Mrs. Bert Humble serving as hostesses.

Mrs. Wayne Sims presided for the business session, and program moderator was Mrs. Floyd Sims. She led a panel discussion entitled "Aging, Front and Center." Mrs. M. G. Middlebrook discussed "Late Marriage and the Law." Mrs. Loyd Roberson spoke on "How you can Survive Inflation." Mrs. Lee Harrison told "How to Defeat the Con Artist." "When Appliances Won't Work" was the topic chosen by Mrs. E. E. Thormeyer.

Plans were made for the trip to see the play, "George Washington Slept Here." The play is to be presented by the Abilene Christian Theatre Group March 3 and 4.

Twenty members were present, including Mmes. Ray Laughon, Bobby Airhart, Marvin Bedford, Bill Russell, Max Lewis, H. M. Nichols, David Carroll, Marcin Jones, Chas. Kruse, Jr., Elo Michaelis, Joe Irvin, Wayne Sims, Floyd Sims, Loyd Roberson, E. E. Thormeyer, Lee Harrison, M. G. Middlebrook, Bert Humble, R. E. Dorsett, and Royce McDorman.

Piano students in contest at Abilene

Piano students of Susan Conner recently participated in contest and festival events sponsored by Abilene Music Teachers Assn.

Bill Wheat competed in junior solo contest against eleven other students. He played Scarlatti, Sonata In B-flat, and Dance Scherzo by Agay.

Students performing in the Santina festival were Karen Carter, Resa Porter and Gina Rosson. They each received excellent ratings.

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Band Boosters meet Monday

The Band Boosters organization will meet Monday, March 9, at 7 p. m. in the Band Hall.

All members and others interested in the school bands have been urged to attend.



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On the boards at Lubbock...

Scout and Cub awards night and family night Thursday

Boy Scouts of Troop 249, and Cub Scouts, Pack 249, held a combined awards night and family night Thursday at the Scout Hut.

Scoutmaster Manuel Vera presented Bobcat awards to Cubs Ricky Bullard, Lance Bellis, Dan Killough, J. Dan Miller and Timmy Neal.

Webelo Billy Gernerdt received a shoulder badge.

Webelos Steve Patterson, James Carrillo, Greg Shifflett and Paul Bishop received both Athletic Activity and Citizenship awards.

Boy Scouts receiving awards were:

Pets merit badge, Scott Pinkerton.

Camping merit badge, Ricky Hobbs.

Athletics, David Childers.

Swimming, Shawn Bean.

Tenderfoot, Chuck Patterson.

Family Living, Shawn Bean.

Trucking merit badge, Archie Austin.

Citizenship badge, Chuck Patterson.

Scout badge, Marty Windham, Renee Cortez, Joe Valles, C. J. Young.

Sports merit badge, Robert Vera, Shawn Bean, Scott Shifflett.

First Aid Skills, Scott Pinkerton, Marty Windham, Shawn Bean, Ricky Hobbs, Scott Shifflett, Richard Barnett, Renee Cortez, Joe Valles, C. J. Young.

Following the presentation of awards, Scouts James Pelton and James Culpepper, both of Santa Anna, and adult advisor Bob Tyson of Coleman, presented a slide program for summer camp promotion of Camp Tonkawa.

The three are members of the Order of the Arrow of the Chisholm Trail Council, Boy Scouts of Amer-

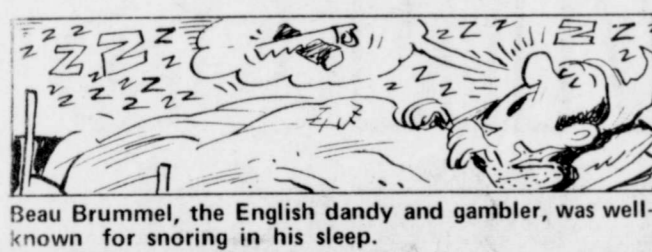
ica, and answered questions from the group concerning camp activities.

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