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Charges were filed on Winters man in stabbing incident

Cabura Lazona Martinez, of Winters, has been charged on two counts of aggravated assault in the Saturday afternoon stabbing of Rosendo Ramon, Jr., 14, and his father, Rosendo Ramon, Sr., both of Winters.

Police Chief L.C. Foster was called to the scene at 5:40 p.m. and found that the two had been hurt and was told which direction the suspect had gone. About four blocks from the Ramon residence, Chief Foster took the suspect into

custody. According to the police, the suspect had two butcher knives in his possession when he was taken into custody.

Rosendo Ramon, Jr. was taken by ambulance to the North Runnels Hospital where he was treated for his wounds and released on Monday.

The case was investigated by Chief L.C. Foster and members of the Runnels County Sheriff's Department.

Ballinger grant approved for new park

A \$91,000 grant has been approved by the State Parks and Wildlife Commission for a new park at the new lake on Valley Creek, northwest of Ballinger.

The City of Ballinger will put up a matching grant of \$91,000 that is required in this program. Dennis Jones, City Administrator, was

notified of this approval last Wednesday.

Camping areas, boat ramps, docks, rest areas and a beach area will be featured in the park.

January 1 is the scheduled completion date to work on the dam on the lake.

Motorcide score: Texas 52-Runnels Co. 0

At noon on Tuesday, the Texas Department of Public Safety made it's final report on the Labor Day holiday "Motorcide". The report showed that while the Department predicted that fifty-one persons would die on the Texas highways during the holiday, a final total of fifty-two persons did die on the highways of our State during that period of time.

A report from the Runnels County Sheriff's office reveals that in our county the count was zero —

we had no fatalities.

It is a sad thing that so many people die in traffic related accidents during a period of time that is set aside as a holiday — a time for getting away from the everyday drag of our jobs. Certainly it is a sad time for the families of the fifty-two people who died on the roads of our State.

And isn't it amazing how accurately the Department of Public Safety makes their prediction.

Salvation Army asks for support to help needy

The Salvation Army is again this year asking you to make a contribution for a much needed purpose. They are in need of financial help for the unfortunate people who might need food, clothing, shelter, or medical help. No cash goes to anyone. All contributions are dispensed through our organization.

There are more and more families appealing for help this year than ever before.

Due to economic conditions, the

organization is in need of help now, more than in any prior year. They have set their quota at \$2,500.

They wish to thank everyone for their past and continuous help, which benefits the needy.

If you wish to make a contribution please contact Ted Meyer, Chairman of the Winters Chapter of the Salvation Army. The address is Ted Meyer, P.O. Box 395, Winters, Tx 79567. If your donation is in cash, please enclose your name so proper credit can be made.



Blizzards drop opener 34-6

The Ballinger Bearcats ran and paced at will Friday night in their 34-6 rout of the Blizzards. The Blizzards who looked very good in their last scrimmage against Wall, just could not muster up enough defense to stop Ballinger. Ballinger had a combined total of 397 yards of offense during the ball game.

The Bearcats held a 14-0 halftime lead on runs of 5 yds. and 10 yds. But, in the third quarter the Blizzards closed to within 8 points when Bill Wheat passed to Ronnie Lujano for a 5 yd. touchdown. Winters went for the two point conversion but missed making the score 14-6. Ballinger scored three more times to make the final score 34-6.

The Blizzard's offense, which

was inconsistent all night, had a total of 206 yds. Kentt Billups rushed for 97 yds. on 24 carries and Ronnie Lujano had 41 yds. in 7 carries. Bill Wheat completed 5 of 10 passes for 31 yds.

The Blizzards need to establish a more consistent offense and a much more physical defense and they will be one of the best teams Winters has had in recent years. The Blizzards have an experienced line which needs to exert itself and establish some dominance in their games. When this team jells and begins playing as a unit, they will be a hard team to beat.

The Blizzards go to Coleman this Friday to play the Coleman Bluecats beginning at 8:00.

Crimestoppers attack narcotic problem

Runnels County Crimestoppers are here to serve the citizens. This month they are trying to focus on the problem of narcotics.

Drug abuse is one of the foremost problems in most states and counties today and Runnels County is no exception. They can solve this problem in Runnels County, but they can only do it with everyone's help.

If anyone has information concerning the sale, manufacturing, or possession of narcotics, please call

Runnels County Crimestoppers at 365-2111 or Dial O and ask for Enterprise 67574. Any caller that provides Runnels County Crimestoppers with information leading to the arrest and indictment of any criminal will be eligible for a cash reward and all callers will remain anonymous.

Remember, crime can be beat in Runnels County and you can help by calling Runnels County Crimestoppers at 365-2111 or Enterprise 67574.

Sno Queen paints fire hydrants for community

What does a Sno Queen do on a hot West Texas day? She paints the fire hydrants!

Jackye Connor, 16, the 1983 Winters Area Chamber of Commerce Sno Queen, voluntarily undertook a service project this summer as her contribution to her community during her reign.

After obtaining permission from the Winters Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors, the Winters City Council, and the Winters Volunteer Fire Department, Jackye began to color-code all the

fire hydrants in the community — a time consuming project that the fire department had discussed in the past as needing to be done.

She obtained a map from City Water Superintendent Jim Hamner showing the location of the city's fire hydrants and the size water mains they were connected to. Jackye then painted domes of the hydrants on 4-inch water mains, blue; on 6-inch water mains, gray; and on 8-inch mains, white.

There was nearly always a friend to help paint and carry the

	Winters	Ballinger
First Downs	10	23
Rushing Yds	43/175 yds	44/228 yds
Passing Yds	5/11/31 yds	11/22/169 yds
Total Yds	206	397
Turnovers	2	2
Punts	3 for 34 yds	1/27
Penalties	4/35 yds	3/35 yds

Kentt Billups, Player of the Week

The outstanding player in the Winters-Ballinger football game this past Friday night was chosen by balloting at Foxworth-Galbraith Lumber Company. He is Kentt Billups, No. 12, our 172-pound Senior Half Back. Our congratula-

tions go to you Kentt, along with the congratulations of your community.

Voting for the player of the week will continue each week, and everyone is invited to take part.

Runnels Co. Farm Bureau to hold pre-convention

The Runnels County Farm Bureau Policy Development Committee will hold it's annual pre-convention meeting on September 13, 1983, at 8:00 p.m. in the Farm Bureau office in Ballinger.

Resolutions affecting farmers and ranchers will be formulated to present to the County Convention on October 6th, for approval. If approved, they will then be sent to

the State Resolutions Committee for consideration at the Texas Farm Bureau Convention in Houston in November.

All interested members are encouraged to attend this meeting and take an active part in the adoption of constructive resolutions that will influence the future of agriculture.

PTO to meet Tuesday

The Winters Parents and Teachers Organization will meet on September 13th, at 7:00 p.m. in the school cafeteria.

All interested parents and teachers are urged to attend this meeting.

Child Development Center Cake Sale

The Winters Child Development Center is going to have a Cake Sale on Main Street on Saturday, September 10th. The Cake Sale will start at 9:00 a.m. and will not stop until all of the cakes are gone.

If any special orders are desired, call the Child Development Center at 754-4325 between 2 p.m. and 4 p.m.

equipment. One enthusiastic helper doing her first hydrant painted the entire hydrant blue before realizing she was only supposed to paint the dome that color.

The project was finished after several weeks. Firemen can now tell what size water main feeds each hydrant without having to get out the map.

Why did Jackye decide to do the project? Just an illustration that "Service is the rent you pay for the space you occupy!"

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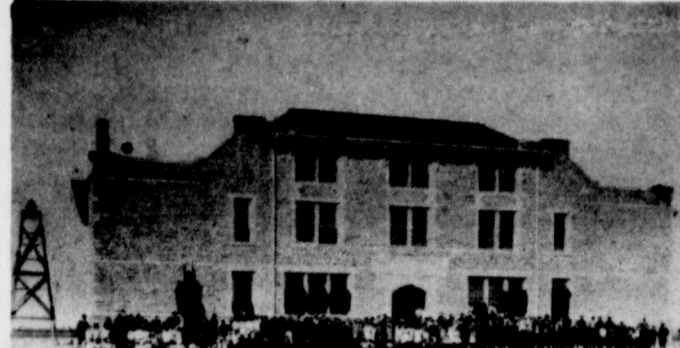
In 1911, the second schoolhouse was replaced by a rock building, financed by public subscription. H.J. Butts, pioneer drayman and builder, hauled rock from the quarry southeast of town on Gap Creek and helped with the construction of the school.

Superintendent P.L. Stone was followed in succession by W.J. Lewis, L.A. Lagrone, A.A. Long, O.O. Minatra and A.W. Cherry. Mr. Cherry was superintendent in 1919 when the school had a faculty of ten members. Mrs. T.V. Jennings contributed a picture to verify this and recalled, that as a young bride, she was given to teach first grade as the teacher had resigned.

Barney McEasland of Lubbock wrote that he came to Winters High School as principal in early 1919, fresh from World War I, after serving as a Field Artillery officer, and no jobs available—no benefits—only a wife and two year old son dependent on him.

"The only question asked me was 'Can you teach four years of Latin?' I said 'yes', and they hired me at \$90 per month for the balance of the term. When A.W. Cherry introduced me to a class of about 40 students who were supposed to be reading Cicero's Orations Against Cataline, I'm told by my wife that I learned more Latin in the next three weeks than I had learned in all my college past. I had a very good reason."

"We had the Famous Black Friday afternoon when



Winters third school — constructed of rock in 1911. At first, it was the only school. Later, it became the high school, and last the elementary school. It was demolished in 1955.

the whole world became black as night. The first dark sandstorm we had ever seen. Cherry had the lower floor and I had the upper floor and auditorium. Screaming women and children gave him a real bit of a problem. I had my group singing war songs, and there was little excitement even with no electricity. There was 30 or 40 minutes of total dark, followed by a thunderstorm and high winds. It blew down all PE equipment, but cleared the atmosphere. It wasn't the end of the world after all."

(Not all the children were in the schoolhouse, my teacher had let us out early. When the sandstorm closed in, I crouched in a ditch and covered my head with my coat. I managed to make it home, near the old hospital, before the thunderstorm struck.)

Miss Eunice Lilly of Norton taught the fifth grade and recalled that she and Zora Doran, 4th grade teacher, roomed together in the home of Dr. and Mrs. C.T. Rives. As long as Miss Lilly lived, she corresponded with Miss Doran who later became Mrs. McCloud and lived in Phoenix, Arizona. Miss Lilly couldn't remember much about school but recalled personal things like Edith Rowe, teacher, always wearing dresses with big collars and ties. Miss Doran was unhappy because she wore a plaid dress and had to have her picture made in it.



Winters School Faculty 1918 — 1919. Back row left to right: A.W. Cherry, superintendent; Thelma Meadows; Edna Younge, 3rd grade; Zora Doran, 4th grade; Barney McCasland, principal. Front row: Adelia Bryant, 6th & 7th grade; Eunice Lilly, 5th grade; Mrs. T.V. Jennings, 1st grade; Edith Rowe; and Leska Hinds.

Mrs. Tom Caudle of Ballinger, the former Edna Young, said that she taught the third grade the first year and after that the fourth grade. She taught one year after her marriage and then they moved to Ballinger.

One year there were 90 enrolled in the fourth grade and only one teacher. So 45 had to stay in the study hall half a day while the others had classes and vice versa. Mrs. Caudle said she felt sorry for the children because they were expected to sit there and be quiet all that time.

Mrs. Thomas Beal, the former Erma Eason, wrote from California about some of her memories of those early days. "Shorty Dodd was the janitor. He swept the whole building with a broom and 'floor sweeps', an evil smelling sawdust. He built the fires in the coal burning stoves in each room, took out the ashes and kept coal in the scuttles.

"On wintry days we ate our lunches with our backs against the wall of the building, sharing and trading from lunch boxes and paper bags. The farm children had homemade sausage and ham between biscuits, fried pies and baked yams that were worth trading for."

"At the bell call we lined up after recess and lunch have in rows to enter the building with admonitions to keep a straight line and be quiet. During the war we learned the pledge of Allegiance and to salute the flag."

"Girls played jacks in the front entrance of the building. There were two entrances in back but they were likely to be cold and one was on the boy's side. (Girls played on the west side and boys on the east.) This was the only cement surface available. It was cold to sit on but we could fold coats and sweaters for insulation, or play on bended knees and wear out our long black stockings.

"Snow was so rare that it was impossible to keep classes. All the children wanted to throw snowballs, build snowmen and just be out in the snow that melted so quickly.

"When a sudden northern came up the country children often stayed in town with friends as it was too threatening for them to get home. Such disasters were accepted as fun and an opportunity to have company overnight."

"When the first airplane landed at Winters in Meadow's pasture, north of the schoolbuilding, it was during school hours. We almost broke down the doors getting out to run as fast as we could to see our first plane and pilot. He took passengers up. Ruth Eason was the first to go for the \$5 fare. She was substitute teaching at the time and happened to have the price.

"Some students got a good education here, some a smattering and some none! The building did not really matter."

For approximately 45 years after its establishment, the Winters Independent School District was constantly faced with financial difficulties. For several years, students had to pay tuition to supplement the insufficient school funds. In 1916, the public funds gave out, and the School Board proposed that the teachers accept their positions at a reduction of twenty percent. In order to maintain the nine months school term in 1917, the Board voted to raise valuation. In 1920, Superintendent J.C. Watts was asked to make a list of

patrons and each trustee canvassed the names on the list for contributions in order to maintain the school for a full term.

Another prevalent problem of the school was crowded conditions. In 1920, the fourth and fifth grades were able to have only half-day sessions until the First Baptist Church basement was secured for classroom space. The first grade that year, with an enrollment of one hundred and five pupils, was rather strenuous work for one teacher. To alleviate the situation, a contract for a temporary building for two classes was given to C.E. Woodrow in September, 1921. The two room structure was sold in February 1923.

On April 29, 1922, a bond election was held for the purpose of constructing a new grade school building. The bond issue was passed, and in July the contract to erect the new building was given to C.E. Woodrow. Again H.J. Butts hauled rock and helped with the building. He was assisted by his son, Henry. The structure, which was completed in 1923, now accommodates the Winters School Cafeteria.

A high school annual, The Glacier, is now published yearly, although this has not always been the case. The first year book ever attempted by Winters High School students was a small paper back booklet called the Cockle-Burr. This 1917 annual is dedicated to the superintendent, O.O. Minatra, Paul Williamson was president of the senior class and Lloyd Cooke was vice-president. From the description of activities we learn that "The declaimers and debaters won all the county honors, the debaters also defeated some of the best high schools in West Texas. For the second consecutive year the WHS track team has won the county championship, our success was due largely to the hard work of the coach, A.W. Cherry."

The year 1923 saw the introduction of football in high school. The first touchdown ever made by a Winters Blizzard was by Jim Fields in a game at Ballinger on November 8. The team was coached by Mack McCombs and O.D. Sandeford. Other team members were Floyd Sykes, Gattis Neely, Gerald Knight, Otha Hillyard, George Key, Fannin Lowe, Charley White, John Barnett, Bailey McCaugham, Howard Faulkner, Rankin Pace and Jim Gardner.

Roy Young recalled that there were not enough suits—only thirteen—and they were of the cheapest quality, also we lost to Ballinger. The next year was a different story. Roy was a freshman and played on the team coached by Joe Childers that beat Ballinger 33 to 13. Although they played on a field that was a foot deep in dirt and covered with goat heads and grassburrs, the boys had new suits, all sixteen of the players.

The winning game was played on a field running east and west on the rocky hill back of the school house. All it had was two goal posts and people stood around the edges of the field to see the game. There was no pep squad but after the game the school kids had a snake dance downtown shouting "thirty-three to thirteen" until somebody made them go home. A hole was dug and, using some kind of box, Ballinger was buried in a ceremony at halftime.

In 1923 Winters High School reached sixteen credits of application and two years later won ever trophy at the county Interscholastic League meet.

Still more room was needed by the school. In December, 1924, a contract to build a temporary four-room school building was given to Goolshy and Roberts. The building was sold to Jennings and Dixon in August 1927.

The Glacier, a full-sized annual, published by the senior class, made its appearance in 1925, with Clifford

Rhoden as editor-in-chief and George Poe as business manager. Miss Ora Stephenson was sponsor. It was dedicated to Superintendent A.H. Smith, who had been a faithful promoter of the Glacier, and whose liberal an unceasing efforts had been of great value.

Other members of the Glacier staff were Ruby Nell Roberts, associate editor; George Key, sales manager; Ira Jordan, Kodak editor; Glee Ingram, calendar editor; Emma Baldwin, art editor; Charlsie Graham, joke editor; Ruth Baldwin, calendar editor; Juanita Pentecost, society editor; Bobbie Godwin, asst. business manager; Lovella Adams, athletic director; Bailey McCaugham, athletic editor; and Emily Bailey, art editor.

From the calendar of events a few dates of special significance have been selected:

Tuesday, Oct. 14, 1924—The Winters Blizzards is the name of our athletic men of Winters High, the name winning over a large number of others, suggested in the naming contest. Truett Barber had the honor of naming them.

Oct. 29—A pep-squad was organized during the noon period to yell for the coming game with Ballinger.

Nov. 19—The old system of recess periods was abolished today and a new system introduced. Will get out now at 3:30.

Dec. 11—The Glacier is the name of the annual. The winning name was submitted by Glee Ingram.

Feb. 13—The Winters Blizzards play Ballinger their 13th basketball game of the month, on Friday, too. We knew this meant bad luck for Ballinger, and it was, the score being 34-7 in our favor.

Feb. 27—The Popularity Contest is over! The seniors won. Charlsie and Clifford are the winners.

March 2-6—Was "Good English Week" and ended with a High School parade featuring class floats, school athletics and activities, also all kinds of stunts. The parade was a success in every way. The class with the best float was given \$5 by the Chamber of Commerce.

Myrtle Barber, head of the English department, coached the debating teams of Winters High School to a highly successful year. Glee Ingram and Leon Campbell were the girls team. Auburn and Benton Neely composed the boys team. Winters sent both teams—boys and girls—to the state meet at Austin.

Thursday, May 28, 1925 commencement exercises, held at the First Methodist Church. Not only was this my graduation day with a class of 28, but it was also my 16th birthday. This was the last year that graduates had to buy suits and dresses. The next year began the practice of caps and gowns.

Another of my memories is of the Seniors being honored with a party in the attractive new home of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Low—The house where I now live.



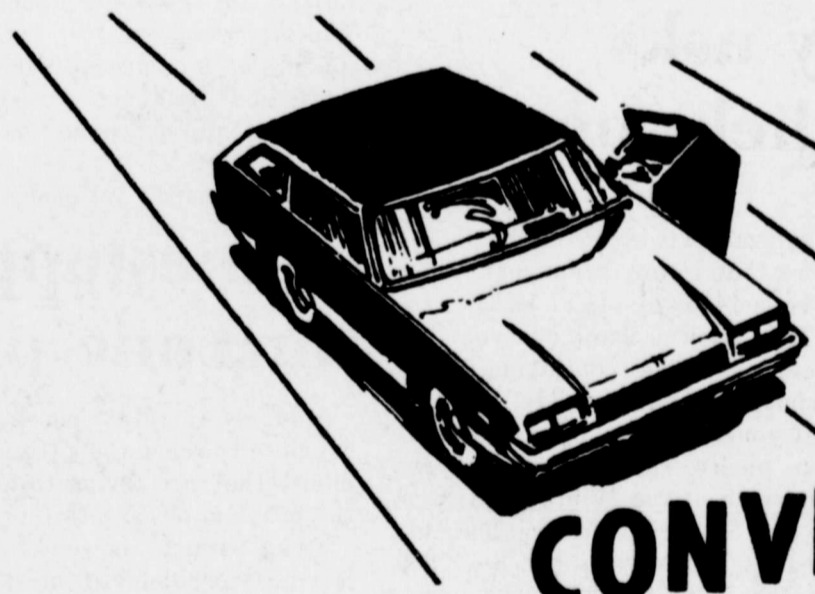
The first American-made automobile in history, the "buggyaut," was invented by Charles E. Duryea, who first drove it in 1892.



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GARAGE SALE

3 FAMILY GARAGE SALE: Saturday, September 10th. 509 Van Ness, across from Nursing Home. 8:30 until ? Womens, children's, and men's clothing, luggage, small appliances, a new oven and cooktop, and whatnots.

GARAGE SALE: Baby and toddler clothes, furniture, 10-speed bicycle, color TV, odds and ends. Saturday only. 121 Penny Lane.

3 FAMILY GARAGE SALE: Tuesday, September 13th only. 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Children's clothes, some furniture, miscellaneous items. Rt. 1, 754-4017.

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FACTS & FIGURES

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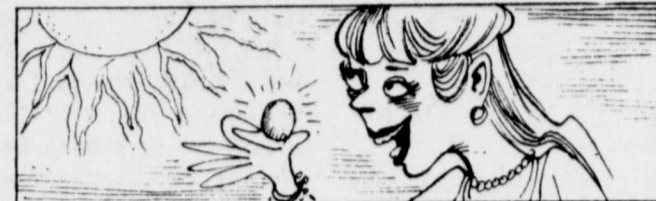
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Runnels County Commissioners Court will hold a PUBLIC HEARING on the 1984 Budget at the Courthouse in Ballinger, Texas on September 13th at 2:00 p.m.
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50 percent cut of WTU rate request asked

West Texas Utilities' \$26.5 million revenue increase request should be cut in half, according to a recommendation filed Tuesday with the Public Utility Commission.

Utility experts hired by the Texas Municipal League, which represents a number of cities fighting the rate hike, recommend that the utility receive a \$13.8 million increase, about a 48 percent reduction.

The recommendation comes one week before a public hearing on the request begins at the commission's Austin headquarters.

"West Texas Utilities is a pretty straightforward case," league attorney Don Butler said, noting that the company is asking for too high a rate of return, too much working capacity and too high a fuel-cost factor.

"They're assuming an increasing cost for natural gas and we're assuming no increase," Butler added.

In addition, the rate experts recommend a 15.9 percent return on equity instead of the 17 percent requested.

If approved as requested by the three-

member utility commission, the average residential customer's monthly bill would increase by 13.1 percent, going from \$46.01 to \$52.06, according to company estimates.

Commercial rates would go up 12 percent and industrial rates 10.66 percent. Also, public street and highway lighting rates would jump 14.28 percent.

Utility officials say the rate hike is needed principally to support new construction, including completion of the \$675 million coal-fired plant near Oklaunion in North Texas. West Texas Utilities, Southwestern Electric Power Co. of Shreveport, La. and Public Service of Oklahoma are sharing Oklaunion's cost.

The utility, which serves 164,000 customers in 52 West and North Texas counties, wants to increase the basic monthly fee from \$7.25 with 30 kilowatt-hours of electricity to \$8 with no electricity. In addition, West Texas Utilities wants to increase the per-kilowatt-hour charge from 2.773 cents to 7.343 cents.

Much of the increase in

the per-kilowatt-hour charge, however, is caused by rolling the old separate cost-of-fuel or fuel adjustment charge into the basic rates.

The last Legislature ordered the separate fuel charge eliminated because it was causing an almost monthly change-

Texas crude oil production down

Texas crude oil production decreased by just over half of one percent during the first half of this year as compared to the same period last year, according to preliminary reports to the Railroad Commission.

The latest production totals available show that oil production totaled 432,987,257 barrels during the first six months of 1983. Through June of 1982, Texas produced 435,533,131 barrels of oil.

In June 1983, Texas crude oil production totaled 70,214,469 barrels. The state produced 72,558,167 barrels in May 1983 and 71,358,946 barrels in June 1982.

Texas oil production averaged 2,340,484 bar-

rels daily in June, up from 2,332,490 barrels daily in May but down from 2,378,632 barrels daily in June 1982.

The June 1983 production allowable totaled 91,384,829 barrels. The state's oil production was 23.17 percent under the allowable for the month.

The state's top producing counties in June were Pecos, 4,126,037 barrels; Ector, 3,661,983 barrels; Gaines, 3,647,884 barrels; Yoakum, 3,603,512 barrels; Andrews, 3,158,923 barrels; Gregg, 3,122,911 barrels; Hockley, 3,065,756 barrels; Scurry, 2,489,913 barrels; Crane, 2,102,655 barrels; and Refugio, 1,870,000 barrels.

VA furnishes decoders for the deaf

One picture isn't always worth a thousand words. This is especially true for hearing impaired people who want to enjoy television but must struggle through a silent plot.

The telecaption decoder, a device which attaches to a television set and prints dialogue on the screen, has reduced the alienation deaf people have with the hearing world—and now the Veterans Administration provides these devices for qualified deaf veterans.

VA guidelines define a qualified deaf veteran as one who cannot respond to amplified sound or whose hearing loss cannot

be corrected by a hearing aid.

Veterans may apply for a decoder with the chief of prosthetics and sensory aids at any VA medical center. Once eligibility is established the VA will purchase a decoder for a veteran. The devices retail for about \$275.

The VA medical centers in Texas are: Amarillo, 806-355-9703; Big Spring, 915-263-7361; Bonham, 214-583-2111; Dallas, 214-376-5451; Houston, 713-795-4411; Kerrville, 512-896-2020; Marlin, 817-883-3511; San Antonio, 512-696-9660; Temple, 817-778-4811, and Waco, 817-752-6581.

NCOAA auto insurance is now reality

The long awaited breakthrough for an automobile insurance company, owned and operated exclusively for senior enlisted military members, is now a reality, according to NCOAA Management Company President, William L. Foley, Jr.

At a news conference held at the Greater San Antonio Chambers' Briefing facilities, Foley addressed the particulars of the program. "The establishment of NCOAA, an automobile insurance company for our senior active and retired military enlisted members, is another outstanding example of why we in San Antonio can take great pride in being known as Military City, USA," said Walter Bielstein, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Greater San Antonio Chamber of Commerce.

According to Foley, the new company to be known as the Non Commissioned Officers Automobile Association, will incorporate the same concepts which made the Commissioned Officers Program (USAA) so successful.

"Our aim," Foley said, "in establishing NCOAA, which is long overdue, is to provide the mature responsible senior career and retired non-commissioned and petty officers with an automobile insurance plan which truly reflects their status as preferred drivers

through lower premiums and dividends as earned." "As a select group," he continued, "they have proven to be a stable force, not only in the military, but in the communities in which they reside."

It was further pointed out that the members of the NCOAA will own the company and participate in the profits of the company. The members will actually mandate company policy through their own Board of Directors.

"Initially," Foley said, "membership eligibility will be limited to E-9, E-8, and E-7 active and retired noncommissioned and petty officers stationed or residing in the State of Texas." "However," Foley further states, "expansion to additional states could begin as early as one year from our initial start-up date in Texas."

Formal application of the NCOAA Charter was granted by the State Insurance Board of Texas on 18 August 1983. According to Foley, NCOAA will commence operations in September 1983.

Frank Lister, President and Chief Executive Officer for the Non Commissioned Officers Association (NCOA) said, "we are most excited about this program. It's something we have been striving to achieve for our senior military enlisted force for many years."

Parent support group for LD

A parent support group has been formed for parents of children with learning disabilities. This group is open to all parents in our area schools including Coleman, Ballinger, and Winters. The Association of Parents of Children with Learning Disabilities (APCLD) will begin this year's meeting Monday, September 12th, with Mrs. Jettie Winston, Area Coordinator, as our guest speaker. Tentative meeting time and place for the year is the first Monday of the month in the Fellowship Hall of the First Presbyterian Church in Ballinger, Texas.

Some of the goals of the group are:

- to better help children in the home environment;
- to be effective in participation in school meetings;
- to feel that one is not alone but has support from others with similar problems;
- to join together in sharing possible solutions;
- to feel better about ourselves as parents;
- and to be of assistance to other parents.

It is hoped that all parents of children with special developmental or learning disability problems will feel free to attend and become a part of the group.

The parents who attended last year were all in agreement that they gained from being associated with other parents of children with special needs. This year we are more aware of the resources available to us and hope to have even better speakers and benefit more. Ultimately, the disabled child will gain because of increased understanding of his needs and new approaches towards meeting those needs. The group needs the experiences and insights of others. Please make plans to attend, Monday, September 12th, at 7:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of the First Presbyterian Church.

African violets can "light up your life" if they get enough light. "Although African violets cannot tolerate direct sunlight, they often need more light than most people give them in order to bloom," says Everett Janne, landscape horticulturist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas A&M University System.

"If African violets fail to bloom, more than 90 percent of the time it's due to insufficient light," he points out.

Too little light causes the central stem of violets to stretch and the leaf petioles to elongate as they reach for the light source. The result is a misshapen plant with few, if any, blossoms.

In contrast, a well-lighted plant will be symmetrical with closely spaced leaves and an abundance of flowers in the center.

"Flourescent lights are excellent for growing African Violets," says the horticulturist. "However, don't crowd plants under light and keep about 8 inches between plants and lights. If plants seem to stretch, lower light slightly or raise the plant."

Janne suggests watering African violets only when the soil is dry to the touch, and then watering them thoroughly. Water should be at room temperature or slightly above because cold water can cause leaf spotting. Wick systems used by

Texas Probate Laws explained

"Changes in the Texas inheritance tax law, when combined with the 1982 changes in the federal tax law, have created a truly simplified inheritance tax system for Texas residents and property subject to Texas jurisdiction," says Charles A. Sanders, editor of the new, fourth edition of 'How to Live-and Die-with Texas Probate.'

This new book clearly explains the advantages of proper planning and probate of estate under the supervision of competent legal counsel. Written by more than 30 leading Texas attorneys practicing in estate planning and probate, it explains how careful planning can protect a family from the additional pain and confusion created by needless legal entanglements and excessive taxation.

"Even if you have a large estate, you don't necessarily have to pay taxes on it when you die if you take the appropriate steps under the Economic Recovery Tax Act of 1981," states Saunders.

'How to Live-and Die-with Texas Probate' is specifically designed for Texans and deals only with Texas' probate law and the appropriate federal laws. This book has been carefully prepared to avoid any un-

necessary legal words and phrases, easing comprehension.

Topics include when an estate is valued and why, how debts are paid after death, the federal estate tax, the Texas inheritance tax, the marital deduction, pitfalls in a homemade will, revocable and irrevocable trusts, life insurance as a will substitute, probate and tax saving through gifts, what probate will cost, and more.

"There are all kinds of laws, most of which will not affect a person in his lifetime. But in every family, probate will happen," says Saunders, a

partner in the Houston-based law firm, Fulbright and Jaworski. "Every citizen should understand the purpose of probate, the people it protects, and the advantages it offers, and with this understanding be motivated to plan his or her estate to achieve probate's highest purposes, protections, and advantages."

'How to Live-and Die-with Texas Probate, Fourth Edition': 178 pages, index, glossary, paperback, \$9.95 (export \$11). Available in bookstores or directly from the publisher: Gulf Publishing Company, Book Division, Dept. F8, P.O. Box 2608, Houston, TX 77001. Include price of book plus \$2 transportation cost; Texas residents add 6 percent sales tax.

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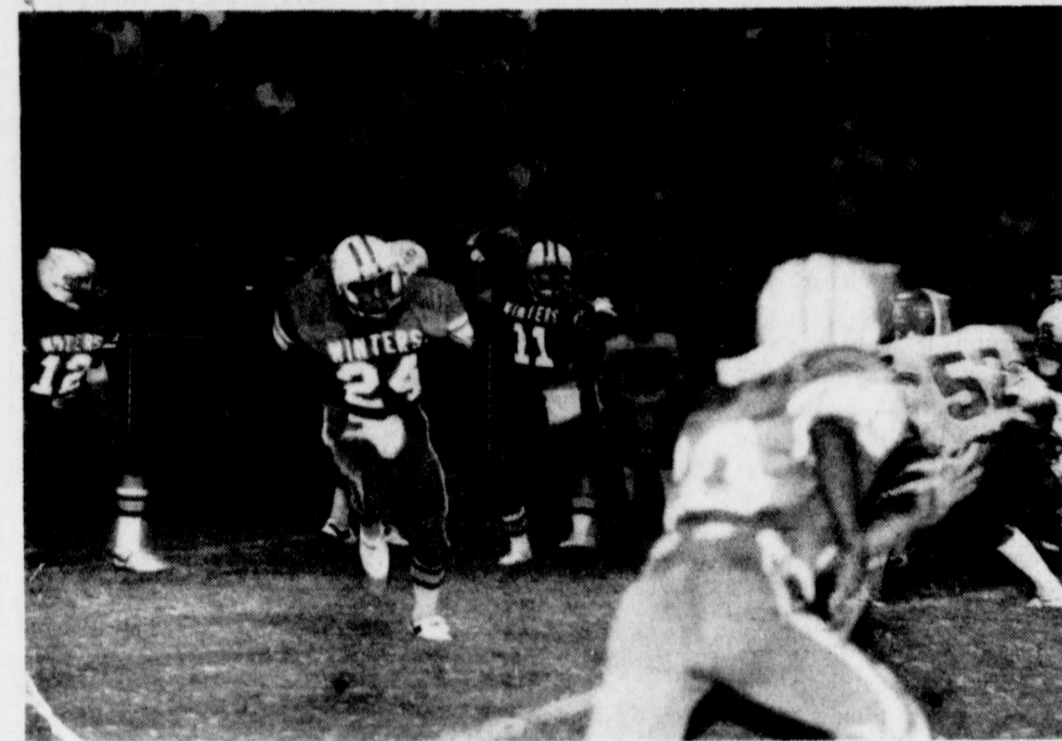
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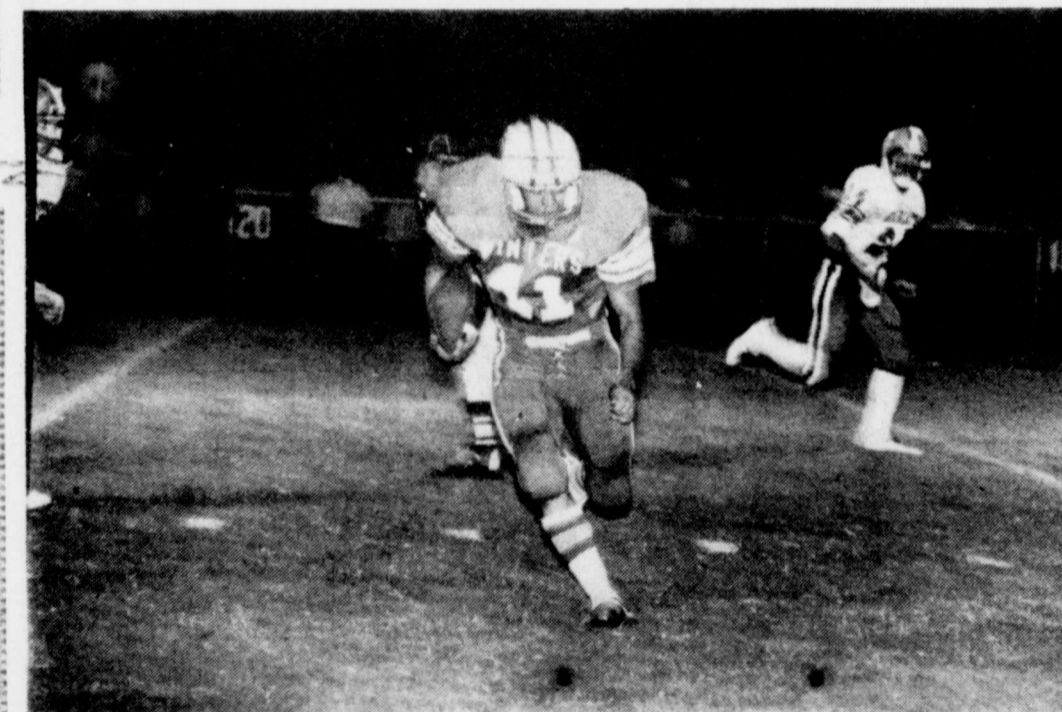
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Blizzard Action '83

There was sure a lot of action and good plays last Friday during the Winters-Ballinger game. Our boys try hard and the people of Winters are behind them 100 percent. Let's go out and Cream Coleman next Friday, September 9th.

— Go Blizzards —



Winters Rodeo Assoc. announces winners

The Winters Rodeo Association announces the results of its Playdays activities. The activities featured an ice cream supper and awards presentation on the last day of the Playday, August 27.

Awards for the five year olds and under were presented to:
 *1st Place-Trena Moore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Moore,
 *2nd Place-Paige Bishop, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lanham Bishop,
 *3rd Place-Cheri Dry, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C.A. Dry.

Honorable mentions were: Tamra Grohman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Freddie Grohman; Kelli Shifflett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L.B. Shifflett and Courtney Collom, son of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Collom.

Ages six through eight award winners were:
 *1st Place-Mitchell Caffey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bub Caffey,
 *2nd Place-Tabatha Grohman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Freddie Grohman,
 *3rd place-Brock Guevera, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Guevera.

Honorable mentions in this group were: Rickey Bishop, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lanham Bishop, Amanda Collom, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Collom.

Presented awards in age group 9-12 years old were:

*1st Place-Kim Wilson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bo Wilson,
 *2nd Place-LaTricia Palmer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Palmer,
 *3rd Place-Michelle Moore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Moore.

Honorable mentions were: Mandy Wilson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bo Wilson, Greg Shifflett, son of Mr. and Mrs. L.B. Shifflett and Jason and Joel Dry, sons of Mr. and Mrs. C.A. Dry.

Winners in age group 13-15:
 *1st Place-Leslie Pruser, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Pruser,
 *2nd Place-Marci Caffey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bub Caffey, and
 *3rd Place-Gina Nesbit, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Nesbit.

There were no participants in the 16-19 age group.
 In the Adult category, winners were:
 *1st Place-Ronnie Moore,
 *2nd Place-Tresia Moore, and
 *3rd Place-Barbie Bishop.

Honorable mentions were: Keith Collom and Freddie Grohman.

Prizes awarded the winners were: 1st Place-buckles, 2nd Place-saddle pads, 3rd Place-halters and honorable mentions received cotton headropes.

We would like to thank all of you for coming out and having fun with us.

Goal Diggers Campaign Chairman for CF

The Lone Star Chapter of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation announces the appointment of The Goal Diggers Club as Chairman of its 1983 Campaign in Winters.

The Campaign will be held to provide the community with information about cystic fibrosis, and to raise funds to support research, education, and care programs.

The no. 1 genetic killer of children, CF is difficult to diagnose and impossi-

ble to cure. Each day five babies are born with the tragic disease that will clog and choke their lungs and inhibit their digestive processes and their growth, the disease that will eventually take their lives as it takes the lives of three people each and every day.

For information about cystic fibrosis and how you can help in the fight to find a cure, please contact Ms. Erma Ray Hicks.

McMurry College features play

Fourteen students will combine their efforts with five Abilene community members to form the cast of "Look Homeward Angel", the initial production of the 1982-83 theatre season at McMurry College.

Leading roles in the production are held by Tim Ruland, a sophomore Hereford; Doug Brown, a freshman from Amarillo; Callie Corthron, a junior from Buffalo Gap; Doris Smith and Bob Latson, both members of the Abilene community.

Other students who are part of the cast include Eddie Lendeman, a junior from Hereford; Tracy Hamblin, a senior from Happy; Michelle Dillard, a freshman from Houston; Susan Hutchison, a senior from Tuscola; Bill Duke, a sophomore from Devine; Tim Jarrell, a senior from Dallas; Kenny Gregg, a freshman from Potosi; Linda Kendall, a sophomore and Tina Haley, a senior both from Abilene.

Other members of the Abilene community participating in the production include Francine Gandy, Wrenda Coughran, Robert Edmunson, Mary Kate Smith and Buz Sawyer.

Auditions were held August 25-26 and were open to the general public as well as McMurry students.

Directing the play will be Harry Starks, a senior drama major at McMurry from Tucson, Ariz. He is being assisted by Shawn Kirkpatrick, a freshman from Abilene.

The production, adapted to the stage by Ketti Frings, will run Sept. 29, 30, Oct. 1, 2 in the Little Theatre on the McMurry campus. Showtime will be 8 p.m. except on Sundays when the production will be presented at 2 p.m.

Reservations may be made by contacting the McMurry Theatre Department at 692-4130, Ext. 304 or 302.

Young Homemakers set meeting

Lesczynski. A baby shower will be given in honor of Cindy Rogers.

Officers will be hostesses.

New members and visitors are encouraged to attend.

The Winters Young Homemakers will meet Monday, September 12, at 7:30 p.m. in the Winters High School Home Ec Cottage.

The program will be "Stained Glass" presented by Wandrea

Winters Public School BREAKFAST MENU

—Subject To Change—
Monday, Sept. 12
 Pancakes, syrup in cups, juice, milk or chocolate milk.

Tuesday, Sept. 13
 Sausage and gravy, hot biscuits, fruit, milk or chocolate milk.

Wednesday, Sept. 14
 Cereal, buttered toast, juice, milk or chocolate milk.

Thursday, Sept. 15
 Eggs and bacon, biscuits, juice, milk or chocolate milk.

Friday, Sept. 16
 Cheese toast, fruit, milk or chocolate milk.

Winters Public School LUNCHROOM MENU

—Subject To Change—
Monday, Sept. 12
 Burritos with chili and cheese on top, seasoned beans, tossed green salad, cornbread squash, buttered ice box cookies, milk or chocolate milk.

Tuesday, Sept. 13
 Rolled roast with brown gravy, cream potatoes, baby lima beans, jello with whipped cream, cake, hot rolls, milk or chocolate milk.

Wednesday, Sept. 14
 Hamburger or combination sandwiches, french fries, catsup in cups, mixed fruit, brownies, milk or chocolate milk.

Thursday, Sept. 15
 Fish squares, tartar sauce in cups, macaroni and cheese, tossed green salad, Italian dressing, apple cobbler, hot rolls, milk or chocolate milk.

Friday, Sept. 16
 Chicken fried steak, cream gravy, whipped potatoes, green beans, peanut butter cookies, hot rolls, butter, milk or chocolate milk.

Blackwell High School Homecoming Parade

Everyone is invited to participate in our homecoming parade. Registration begins at 1 p.m. The parade is downtown at 3 p.m.

A barbecue supper, sponsored by the senior class, will be held from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Adult tickets will be \$3.50. Tickets for children under 10 will be \$1.75.

The pep rally at 6 p.m. will be followed by the Exes business meeting in the cafeteria at 6:30 p.m. Homecoming King and Queen will be elected so everyone needs to attend.

Introductions of the players and parents will be at 7:15 followed by the kick off at 8 p.m. of the Blackwell vs. Woodson game.

During halftime, the Football Sweetheart and Hero will be crowned and the King and Queen will be presented.

The classes to be honored this year are 1923, 1933, 1943, 1953, 1973. Homecoming King and Queen will be selected from these classes.

Officers for 1983 are: president — Sonny Barte, vice president — Bobby J. Sanderson, secretary/treasurer — Gwen Ware, publicity — Betty Cole, Hulene Conrad, Wanda Saunders, June Hicks, Leva Self, and Joyce Roland.

To reserve homecoming corsages, contact the Junior Class, Blackwell School, Box 505.

Blackwell, Texas 79506. Mrs. Smedley, sponsor, says the deadline is September 12, 1983.

If you have an old car, covered wagon, bicycle built for two, etc., a float with your classmates on it, anything will be welcome. If you are interested, please contact Janet Lisso. Get together with your friends and classmates. I bet you can come up with something. We need your help. Deadline for parade entries is September 14, 1983.

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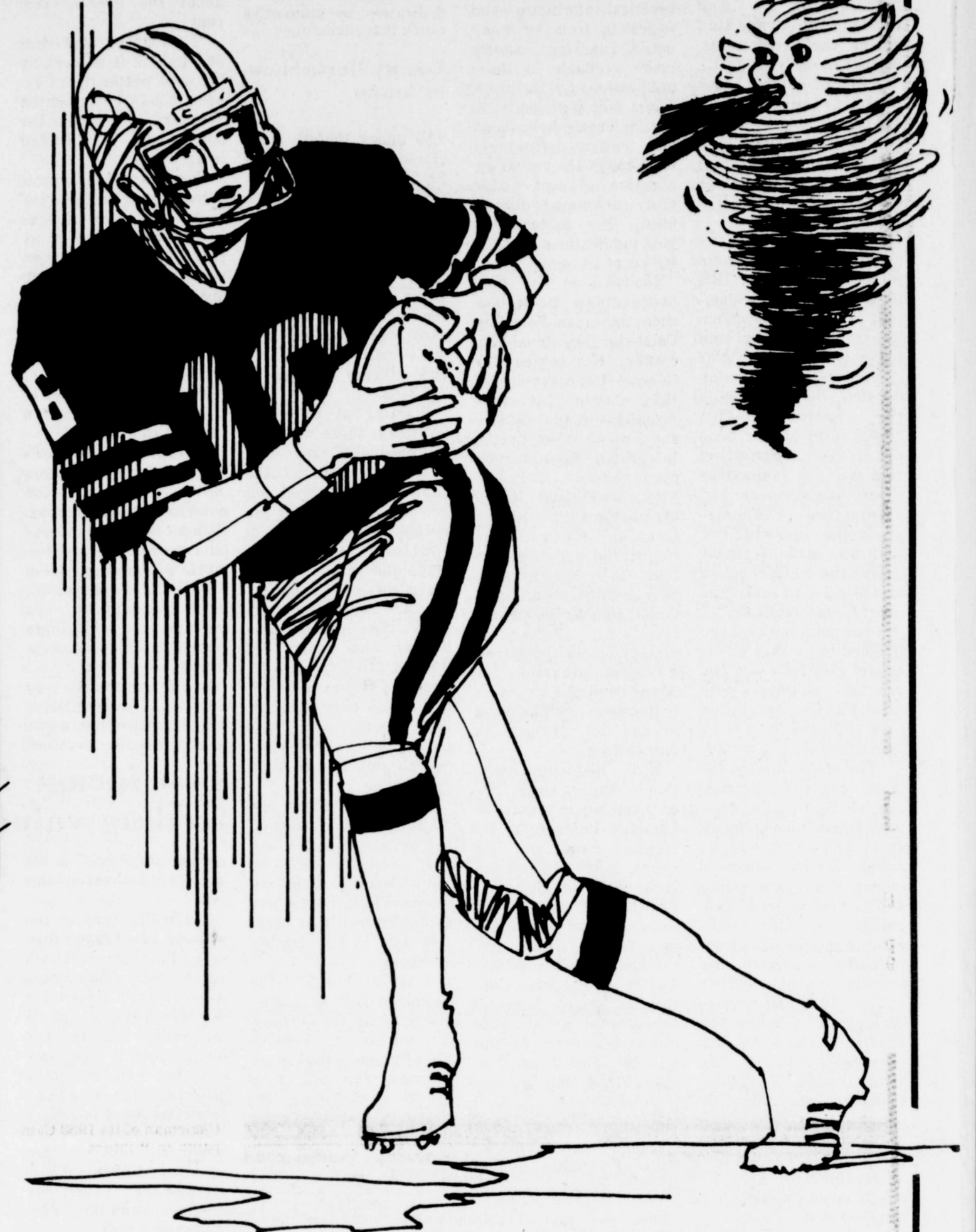
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Proceedings available to ranchers from IRR

Ranchers who were unable to attend the recent International Ranchers Roundup (IRR) in San Angelo can still benefit from the mass of information and technology presented during the five-day conference in early August.

A limited number of the IRR proceedings—a 440-page bound book containing 72 of more than 100 talks presented—are being offered for sale at cost, according to the IRR coordinators.

"We realize that many ranchers and landowners could not attend the IRR for a variety of reasons," said LeRoy Hoermann, Robert H. Kensing, and Larry White of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service who coordinated the entire event. "Because of all the good practical information relative to innovative ranch management and alternative income-producing opportunities that was made available during the conference, we are pleased to make the proceedings available."

They point out that the proceedings makes an excellent reference text and provides ranchers with many ideas in cost cutting and effective ranch management.

"The book contains the latest practical information on beef cattle, grazing system management, sheep and goats, wildlife, ranch family business management, marketing and computerized ranching, plus stimulating general session talks from industry leaders," the coordinators emphasized.

The 1983 IRR proceedings is available by sending a check for \$22 payable to IRR, P.O. Box 1849, Uvalde, Tx 78801. Copies of the 1982 IRR proceedings are also available at a cost of \$25 per copy. Both books can be obtained for \$47. All prices cover shipping and handling costs.

"If last year's orders are any indication of the

book's usefulness, we expect ranchers will also take advantage of the opportunity this year, too," the coordinators said. "Very seldom is so much practical information and expertise from so many noted ranching experts made available in these publications for the price. Those who participated in the conference have found the books extremely valuable in the actual application of cost-cutting and income-producing ideas. The material in both publications is useful for years to come."

Included in the 1983 proceedings book are such topics as Selecting Cattle for Functional Efficiency, Strategies for Genetic Improvement of Beef Cattle, Livestock Handling Made Easier and How to Work Cattle, Integrated Reproduction Management, C.P.A.'s View of Holistic Ranch Management, Savory Grazing Method for Registered and Commercial Operations, Marketing Non-traditional Ranch Resources, Use of Financial Statements in the Ranch Business, Sharing for Responsibilities for Family Business, and Changing Trends for Women in Agriculture.

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within the ranching framework.

Over 100 ranching experts and industry leaders from 12 states and South Africa shared their expertise with 732 participants who represented several states at the third annual ranching conference dedicated to innovative ranch management.

County Horse Show in Anson

The Jones County Open Horse Show will start Saturday, September 10, at 9:00 a.m. There will be all halter classes followed by performance events. Rosettes through sixth place will be given, with silver trays awarded to the high point horse in each age division. For more information, call Mrs. Dickie Cooper at 773-3168.

Starting at 6:00 p.m. Saturday, there will be a jackpot bull buckout with a \$30 entry fee for the adults. Mitch Terrell will provide the stock for the buckout. The buckout will continue after the playnight activities. The playnight will begin at 7:00 p.m. with a \$2 entry fee for the youth divisions of five and under, 6-8, 9-12, 13-15, and 16-19. Trophies will be awarded to the top four places in each event, with high point belt buckles to overall winners in each age group.

The 20 and over age divisions will be jackpotted in barrels, poles, and flags. Calves will be available for jackpot calf ropers. The entry fee will be determined that night according to the number of ropers.

A special event of the playnight will be a free boot race for the kids age five and under. Trophies will be given to the top six winners. The boot race will be just before the playnight activities start at 7:00. For more information call Teresa Kiker at 823-2939.

Computerized agri-business with NRR

At the inception of National Ranchers Registry Inc. in San Antonio, Pecos County ranchman-Burch Woodward talked to director Dick Bailey about the over-all concept.

"I liked the idea then and I think it is working out even better than I expected it to," commented Woodward. "I have used it successfully. It is needed in agriculture."

Woodward has been a subscriber from the very first. He says it has "opened up a lot of options in marketing—whether buying or selling. It puts the buyer and seller in direct contact with each other, especially people you don't normally come in contact with and have no way of finding, other than through this method."

National Ranchers Registry, headquartered in San Antonio, is a computerized information exchange for agri-business buyers and sellers. Information ranging from livestock, acreage, to farm equipment is available to subscribers via nationwide telephone access.

In brief, this is the way it works: A seller phones in and lists what he wants to sell, usually livestock

or farm machinery. Bailey likes the description to be as full and accurate as possible, which he contends has been one of the biggest problems in some other computer operations.

The listing is put into the firms IBM system/23 computer, cross-referenced with codes showing such points as sex, age, weight, breed, location, price, prospective delivery dates and other pertinent features.

When a perspective buyer phones in asking if livestock of a certain type is listed, the computer operator can punch in his key requirements and instantaneously bring up those listings that would fit. These are read to the caller over the phone. It is up to him to contact the seller or sellers and make a deal.

"Burch Woodward of Fort Stockton was one of our first users," added Bailey. "Since no sales are consummated by the service, no commissions are levied on either buyer or seller, thus decreasing the cost of sales for a bottom line increased profit."

"I know this was one of the things that sold Burch on the Registry from the start," concluded Bailey.

Test forage for definite feeding value

Just how "good" is the hay you harvested this year?

It's really hard to tell without a forage test, says Allen Turner, county agent with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas A & M University System. The forage test is the only way that a definite feed value can be assigned to a particular lot of hay.

While a forage test may cost a few dollars, it can save you dollars in supplemental feed or livestock condition, contends the Agent.

Feeding low quality hay without supplementation can result in livestock weight losses and reduced rebreeding percentages. At the same time, feeding supplement with top quality hay may not always be necessary.

Only when your hay's feeding value is known can you make a useful decision on the necessity of a protein or energy supplement. The hay's feeding value might be such that no supplement is needed or it might be such that the animal is slowly starving without a supplement.

Air Force needs prior experience

The Air Force is in critical need of people with prior Air Force experience before September 30, 1983. According to Staff Sergeant Vicki Colbert, Air Force Recruiter here, former personnel trained in the following AFSC's: 115X0, 208XX, 251X0, 272X0, 304X4, 321X0K, 321X2Q, 325X0, 326X0, 326X3A/B, 326X4A/B, 326X5A/B, 326X6A/B, 326X7A/B, 326X8A/B, 328X2, 328X3, 423X3, 431X1, 431X2, 461X0, 462X0, 463X0, 464X0, 511X1, and 553X0 are critically needed by the Air Force. Recruiters may offer these needed specialist their former rank if they have not been out of the service more than five years.

All prior Air Force personnel interested in reenlisting in the Air Force should call her collect at (817) 261-2946 for more information.

"Consistency is the last refuge of the unimaginative." Oscar Wilde

Dated eggs help consumers

An easy-to-understand "date" on egg cartons could be a big help to consumers looking for high quality, fresh eggs.

Present regulations do not require either a "pack" date or "pull" date on egg cartons, says Dr. David B. Mellor, poultry marketing specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas A&M University System. But, many egg cartons are "dated."

A "pack" date on cartons is usually based on the Julian calendar.

Under this system, days of the year are numbered consecutively, explains Mellor. For example, Jan. 1 is 001, Jan. 31 is 031, June 25 is 176, and so on. Packers and store personnel use this date for inventory control and proper shelf stocking.

In addition to a "pack" date, many companies use a "pull" or expiration date. This is usually a month followed by the date and preceded by "Exp" or "Sell by." This date is usually from 10 to 30 days following packing, depending on the grade of eggs and the store or company involved, notes the

specialist.

Even though eggs may have reached this "pull" date, they would not have lost their high nutritional value, Mellor assures. If the eggs have been maintained under refrigeration, they could probably be kept in the home refrigerator for a month or more without any noticeable difference in taste, flavor, appearance, or nutritional quality.

For many years, some people have suggested the dating of food containers in an easy-to-understand fashion while others have questioned the practice. Perhaps the most understood dating

system for eggs would be an un-coded pack date that retailers and consumers would understand, says Mellor.

Eastern Star honors Masons

The Winters Chapter No. 80 of the Order of the Eastern Star will honor all area Masons and their families with a supper and program, Thursday evening, September 15 at 7:00 p.m.

The programs and supper will be held at the Masonic Lodge on West Dale. Please come!

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Blackwell

The children of the late H.M. Rose, Sr., and Pearl G. Rose held their annual reunion at Throp Springs, Christian Education near Granbury on August 26, 27 and 28th with 89 attending.

Highlights of the weekend included such things as "42", bike-riding, swimming, group singing, and just having a good time visiting and eating, let us not leave out eating and now we can all have good reasons for dieting.

Recognition was given to the oldest person and the youngest person attending. Mrs. Faye Ford of Bells was the oldest and Joey Kost, just six weeks old, was the youngest attending.

Johnny Rose was recognized for his birthday, which was to be August 31 and Brian Rice for his birthday which was August 28.

Winnie and T.J. Oden were also recognized for their 40th anniversary, which will be September 10. Their children presented each of them with "a gift".

Listed below are the names of those attending: Faye Fore, Bells; Treva and O'Dell Catlett and Paula; Dave and Ashley Woodson; Elva, Erwin, Rodney, Holly and Christi Govacke; Ray and Reba Smith; Jessie Yeary, all from Bells; June and Everett Watson; John, Pauline, Brian, Craig and Patty Rice; Lynda Beckham and her friend Billy; Lillie, Jody and Joel Kost; Jill and Jerry Kost all from Denison; Winnie and T.J. Oden; Larry Oden; Kathy, Ron and Cyndi Carlton all from Blackwell; Joe Dan and Jan Oden with Sarah Joye; Millissa, Tommy Joe, James and Allen Oden all from Albany;

Overdoses of B-6 poison nervous system

Taking large doses of vitamin B-6 can increase your body's need for the vitamin or even poison your nervous system, says nutritionist Marilyn Haggard.

The USDA's recommended daily intake for vitamin B-6 is 2 to 4 milligrams, but some people are taking 50 to 500 milligram "mega-doses" of the vitamin, explains Haggard, a specialist with the Texas A&M University System's Agricultural Extension Service.

"Nutritionists have known for some time that vitamin B-6 is toxic at 200 milligrams per day," Haggard says, "and a study published this month in the New England Journal of Medicine shows that it can poison the nervous system, causing numbness and loss of coordination in arms and legs."

Other research has shown that when patients are withdrawn from very high doses of vitamin B-6, they require greater than average amounts of the

vitamin just to maintain a normal level. In short, large doses of B-6 just increase the body's demand for it, says the specialist.

People often take large doses of vitamin B-6 as a cure for hormonal imbalances. But, according to Haggard, there is no evidence showing the vitamin is effective in treating this type of problem.

There's little danger that anyone eating a normal diet would become deficient in vitamin B-6, since it is found in liver, meat, whole grain cereals, and many vegetables.

Some elderly people, pregnant women or women taking oral contraceptives occasionally experience a shortage of vitamin B-6. But a physician should diagnose and treat the problem with appropriate doses of the vitamin, says Haggard.

As with all other vitamins, people should not prescribe vitamin B-6 for themselves, cautions the specialist.

Jackie, Micheal and Michelle Crewell all from Sterling City; Judy, Van, Mathew and Daniel Craves, from Borger; Wayne, Sherri and Dustin Watson; Allen and Hazel Minnick all from Sherman; Kenneth and Mary Lou Harvey from Denton; Mrs. Nellie Rose and her granddaughter; Nellie and Dale and Kathy Rose all from Enid, Oklahoma; Bobby and Clea Rose with Dona and Tracy from Dallas; Marion and Doris Rose from Abilene; Perry D. and Ruth Moore and Jean and Bill Teague all from Sweetwater; Johnny L. and Jean Rose with their family, Ray and Sharon; Tony and Stephanie Young; Jimmie, Marilyn, Jason, Tina and Justin Rose, Beverly, Dennis and Bryson Campell all from Sweetwater.

The visitors were: Jill and Jerry Kost and Jessie Yeary all from Denison, and Maggie Bowen from Sweetwater.

The reunion will be held next year at the same place on August 3, 4, and 5th of 1984.

After the business meeting was held, the place and the date for the reunion was decided for next year, they began saying their farewells until next year and departed for home.

They will all remember how they enjoyed the visiting and how fortunate they were to be part of such a lovely family.

The Women's Missionary Union of the Blackwell First Baptist Church resumed their meetings, Thursday afternoon, September 2 with seven ladies attending and with Mrs. E.K. Finley presiding.

Several passages of scripture were read. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and stood approved as read.

They set their goal for the State Missions at \$300.

The Mission program will be held Friday, September 16 at the church at 10:00 a.m.

The group was dismissed by Mrs. Willie Burwick, voicing the Closing Prayer.

Those attending were:

Mmes. Finley, Burwick, Thelma Smith, Lanette Montgomery, Margaret Corley, Joan Ann Rhymes and Ninnie Kinard.

The ladies will meet each Thursday afternoon now, after Fall has arrived.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay White of Odessa visited over the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Crain, and other relatives and friends.

Mrs. Louise Edison of Junction is visiting with Mrs. Vivian Hipp, other friends and relatives.

Mrs. Maud White has been visiting over the week-end with Imo Gene Ware and other friends.

The United Methodist Women of the Blackwell Methodist Church met Tuesday and Wednesday Mornings of this week and quitted on their quilt.

Sunday night was the fourth Sunday in August, so it was time for the monthly Family Night at the Blackwell United Methodist Church which was held in the Fellowship Hall of the Church with 16 attending.

They were unable to get the program they had planned but the pastor, Rev. Weldon Tucker thanked all that came, said they would have a good time visiting and enjoying the good dinner.

Rev. Tucker voiced the Invocation.

He thanked all and hoped more would come next month and help support this Monday program. So invite someone to come with you, bring a covered dish and be with us on this occasion.

Those attending were: Rev. and Mrs. Tucker, Mr. and Mrs. R.Q. Spence, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Sanderson and son, James Lee, Mary Louise Alderman and her grandchildren, Doyle Lee, Robert and Carrie Parsons, Juanita McRorey, Bess Vest, Savannah Thompson, Margaret Stout and Betty Sweet.

Mrs. Bess Vest visited Wednesday thru Friday with her daughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. J.E. Roye in Odessa.

When she arrived home Friday afternoon her granddaughter and her family, Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Sims and daughter, Jeanie and also her grandson and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. David Johnson all from Kermit, visited over the weekend.

Dorothy Fugua is a patient in the North Runnels Hospital in Winters and had Major Surgery Wednesday morning and was reported late Wednesday afternoon to be resting very comfortably.

Beulah Chapman is still a patient in the Rolling Plains Memorial Hospital in Sweetwater and is slowly improving.

Meeting of United Methodist Women

The Women of the United Methodist Church met at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, September 6, for a business meeting and started a study.

Billie presided. Minutes were read and approved. The treasurer gave a financial report. Willie Lois Nichol lead in prayer.

Margaret Anderson was in charge of the study, "The Pacific Islands". Mrs. Doree Colburn lead in the "Lord's Prayer".

Members present were Billie Middlebrook, Margaret Anderson, Ozie Stanley, Pauline Mayhew, Margurite Mathis, Odessa Dobbins, Alene Mapes, Beatrice Traylor, Donah Vinson, Willie Lois Nichol, and Doree Colburn.

Over 97 percent of the tea consumed in the U.S. is black tea.

Crews

If it weren't for drive-in banks, very few cars would ever see their real owner.

Community supper & game nite Saturday at 7:30 in the Crews gym. Bring your favorite. Bar B Q will be furnished. You are welcome to come.

Brol Jim Shipman Hopewell Baptist News Sun services visitors were Mrs. Myrtle Wright, of Menard; Mrs. Winniefred Worthington, of Banny, California; Kin & Paula Barker, of San Angelo; Mr. and Mrs. Grady Moore, of Snyder; and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Pelletier and son Derek Kyle, from Bedford, Texas.

Hopewell Church ladies will have their State Mission & luncheon meeting combined with the Glen Cove Baptist ladies at Hopewell September 12th, Monday.

Mike & Von Hill, of Sweetwater, were down over the weekend with the Robert Hill.

Three of the Coleman Foreman nephews, Lonnie Foreman, of Denton, Tx; Charlie & Clifton Foreman, Dallas; spent the weekend dove hunting.

Mrs. Amber Fuller & daughter Winniefred Worthington, went in to Coleman Thursday to see Amber's sister Mrs. John Mays who is still in the hospital there.

L.C., Louise & Amber Fuller, Winniefred all invited Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Mathis & Mark in

Abilene & had supper with them.

Mrs. Rodney Faubion spent Friday in San Angelo with the Mike Praters.

Dewitt, Frances, Leyon, & Davis, & Brent Bryan were out to see the Doug Bryans. The Doug Bryan were in Ballinger visiting with Eva Hutton, Clyde & Clara Davis, on Mon nite they attended Imogene Hutton Birthday party in the home of Mary Edna Horton, Norton.

The Rodney Faubion & son's were in Abilene Sat to see Brandon phillips who was in the hospital they also visited in the Dan phillips home.

Visiting in the Effie Dietz home were Keith Callom, Selma Osborne, Winters, Gaston, Ophelia, & Elissa Ernst. San Antonio. Glad to report Mrs. Dietz is recovering just fine after her fall & to the Dr. Mrs. Effie appreciate Ophelia cleaning her house top to bottom.

Bill & Josie Hoppe entertained with a Bar B Q Labor Day picnic get to gather down on there creek Sun. About 126 attended, folks came from Dallas, Big Springs, San Angelo, Ballinger, Abilene, & Winters, special proud to see paster Mel & Mrs. Sowyler, & 3 daughters Stacey, Jennifer & Marcie of Near Dallas West thanks such a good time.

Alta Hale & I went over to see tu & Selma Berry on the Morrison Mt. Thursday nite far a nice visit & played 80.

Mrs. Alta Hale spent tues with Mrs. Lemma Fuller

Mrs. Alta Hale spent tues with Mrs. Lemma Fuller in Coleman on Sat she attended the Flay Brevard 50th anni party in Ballinger, on Sun she visited with the S.J. Brevards & the Edgar Whitley.

Labor Day & bird hunters with the Marion Wood came from F. Worth, Winters, Big Springs, Sonera, San Angelo, temple, Lubbock. About 50 friends came.

Mr. & Mrs. C.C. Foster & Nila Osborne spent Wed & thrus in Lanno with Mr. Foster sister Mrs. Flora Smith her daughter Malba Hogan & family.

Kim & paula Baker San Angelo, Brenda & Fred tyree- & Sam Brown spent Labor Day wk end with Dee & Sam Faubion. Mr. and Mrs. Noble Faubion spent Fri & Sat with the Mike prater family in San Angelo.

Mrs. Myrtle Wright menard spent the wk end with the Marvin Gerhart

family.

Mr. & Mrs. Geralt terhune & boys - Arlington spent the Labor Day wk end with Mrs. Lilly presley & other relatives.

The Walter Jacob taken daughter Brenda to the Abilene Air port to catch a plane to Europe on a 17 day cruise.

Those picnicing on Labor Day wk end at Hord Creek include: Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Busnsenlehner & boys, Alphin, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Van Zandt and family, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Kozelsky and family Snyder, Mr. and Mrs. James halfman and boys, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Kozelsky, Sr. Winters, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Jacob, and Mrs. Ernestine Van Zandt, San Angelo.

Mr. and Mrs. Connie Gibbs attended the McCutehen reunion Sat & Sun in the Bronte Center, about 80 came from Dallas, Del Rio, San Angelo, & Winter.

The Gibbs spent Labor Day in Rising Star with the travis Ford family.

McMurry sponsors road races

The 1983-84 school year at McMurry College is off and running-literally.

Students and faculty members are invited to participate in a pair of "Back to School" road races scheduled to begin at 7 a.m. Saturday.

The races, sponsored by McMurry's Physical Education Majors Club, will consist of a five-kilometer and a 10-kilometer race.

Registration for both races will begin at 6 a.m. Saturday in the Hunt Physical Education Center on the McMurry campus. Registration fee is \$4. All participants will receive a T-shirt to wear during the races.

Both races will begin on Ross Street near the Hunt PE Center and finish on the new all-weather track surrounding the football field.

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Crime Of The Month

The Runnels County Crimestopper Crime of the Month for September is the burglary of a construction site. Sometime between 5 p.m. Saturday, April 16, and 9 a.m. April 18 at least two persons entered and burglarized a house that was being built by the Cardinal Homes building firm of Ballinger, Tx. The home is located on the Paint Rock Highway, U.S. 83 approximately five miles from Ballinger.

Taken in the burglary was a Rudd 4 ton heating system and condensing unit, a 50 gallon water heater, a 30 inch Kenmore cooktop, a 30 inch vent-a-hood, a garbage disposal, one 50 inch Emerson ceiling fan, three 52 inch ceiling fans, several light fixtures, one set of sink faucets, one fire place blower assembly, one Kenmore dishwasher, and one door chime.

Two sets of footprints were found at the scene and a van that was army green in color was seen at the house on the weekend of the burglary.

If you have any information concerning this burglary, or if you know someone that has a vehicle matching the description of the van mentioned, call Runnels County Crimestoppers at 365-2111 or Enterprise 67574. Callers that have information concerning this burglary or any other criminal activity may be eligible for a reward of up to \$1,000. Call Runnels County Crimestoppers today at 365-2111 or Enterprise 67574.

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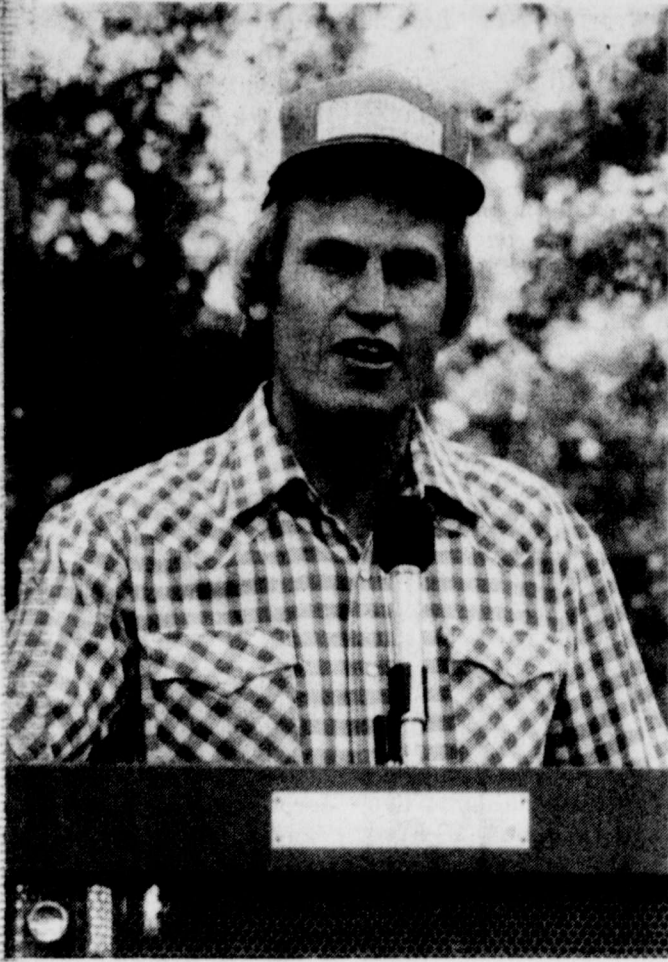
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FUNDay honors Stenholm and wife

Congressman Charles Stenholm and his wife, Cindy, will be honored at the Fifth Annual FUNDay Festivities, Saturday, September 10. The annual Texas-Style, down-home picnic will begin at 5 p.m. and last until sundown.

The event will take place at the Ericksdahl Picnic Grounds of the Bethel Lutheran Church, just a few miles from the farm Stenholm grew up on, and 12 miles from his hometown of Stamford.

This year's FUNDay will draw several of Stenholm's colleagues from Congress. Those planning to attend are:

*Congressman Ronald Coleman, democrat of the 17th District of Texas. He serves on the Armed Services Committee and the Government Operations Committee.

*Congressman Kent Hance, democrat of the 19th District of Texas. He

serves on the Ways and Means Committee.

*Congressman Sam Hall, democrat of the 1st District of Texas. He serves on the Judiciary Committee and the Veteran Affairs Committee.

*Congressman Jim Jones, democrat of the 11th District of Oklahoma. He serves on the Ways and Means Committee and as Chairman of the Budget Committee.

*Congressman Marvin Leath, democrat of the 11th District of Texas. He serves on the Armed Forces and Veterans Affairs Committee.

*Congressman Bill Ratcliff, democrat of Connecticut. He serves on the Appropriations Committee.

Tickets to the FUNDay festivities, given by the "Friends of Charlie" are \$10 per person. The menu will be fried chicken and barbecued beef and all

the trimmings, and for dessert, De Leon iced watermelons. For tickets or information, call or write: The Stenholm Re-election Committee, P.O. Box 1032, Stamford, Texas 77553 or Phone (915) 773-5521.

A & M finds ranch alternatives

Ranch managers in Texas and the U.S. have faced considerable economic pressure in recent years to reduce their production costs, per pound, in order to survive economically. A Texas banker and an agricultural economist at Texas A & M University collaborated on a recent study to evaluate alternatives that a ranch manager might use to become economically more efficient.

A typical ranch firm in the eastern portion of the Edwards Plateau was selected to evaluate alternative grazing systems, alternative livestock combinations, programs, brush control options, and the potential of stocker animals to increase economic efficiency of the ranch.

"While findings are specific for the typical ranch firm in the study, it is anticipated that these results will be applicable to a wide range of livestock situations," according to Robert E. Whitson, assistant vice president, Frost National Bank, San Antonio, Texas (former associate professor, Departments of Agricultural Economics and Range Science at Texas A & M University).

Whitson collaborated on the economic study with Swynne K. Lundgren, research associate in the Departments of Agricultural Economics and Range Science at A & M.

"A fifteen-year linear programming representative ranch model was developed for the Edwards Plateau resource region in Texas," Lundgren says, "to evaluate the economic potential of adopting alternative grazing systems, brush control and combination livestock, and of maintenance of weaned steers on rangeland."

The model was specified to maximize the present value of net returns to land, management and owners capital over the fifteen-year planning period, and included annual cash flows which varied with projected livestock prices, production costs and livestock performance factors over time.

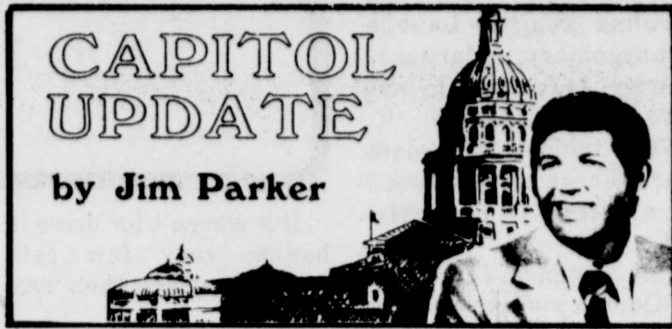
A real annual discount rate of ten percent was selected as appropriate. Sources of input data included previous research as well as expert opinions.

Findings indicate that ranch managers who are willing to properly adopt planned grazing systems and utilize combination livestock in the eastern half of the Edwards Plateau can expect net returns to increase over time.

"For the representative ranch, shifting from an over-grazed year-long, cow-calf operation to a planned grazing system resulted in a 20 to 40 percent increase in net returns to land, management and owner capital," Whitson says.

A short-duration system was found to have the greatest potential to increase net returns. By utilizing a deferred-rotational grazing system with cattle and goats (1:1) returns were projected to increase from 55 to 80 percent.

Maintaining steer calves beyond weaning increased annual net returns a maximum of 7 to 15 percent when small grains were available and steers were maintained when prices were



Many of the new laws passed during this last session of the Legislature are quietly going into effect this week. Although many of you will be unaware of the new laws, I thought I would explain some of the legislation affecting particular groups of people.

An issue which we have read about often in the past few years and which affects many of us, either directly or indirectly, is nursing homes. Much of the nursing home publicity has been based on horror stories relation to events which have taken place in a few of the more disreputable homes. While these particular homes make up a very small percentage of the homes in Texas, the fact that some of the neglected patients who died could have been members of our family makes everyone take special note of any atrocity hoping to hear of punishments or penalties for the nursing home's neglect. Such was the case in Texas City where a nursing home scandal a couple of years ago caused much furor. As a result of the publicity, more stringent regulation was required by the Legislature. I might add, too, that because of the bad publicity created by the events in this case, both the Texas Department of Health and the Texas Department of human Resources (DHR) have strengthened regulations and requirements for certifications simply through policy changes made within each agency.

The changes mandated by the legislature because of this and other such cases go into effect this week.

One new measure requires the Health Department to make two unannounced inspections of every nursing home each year. If any problems are

favorable (40 to 50 percent of the time).

When steers were maintained on rangeland, the breeding herd was reduced 5 to 11 percent and net returns were increased from 1 to 10 percent, depending upon the specific livestock situation.

The marginal profits to be made from maintaining steers on rangeland indicate the need to identify potentially profitable years. One important advantage from maintaining steers on rangeland would be the increase in stocking rate flexibility in case of drought.

Mesquite control on deep sites was profitable when 2, 4, 5-T was used, but marginally so when 2, 4, 5-T and picloram was used. Juniper control on shallow sites was not profitable for any grazing system/livestock combination.

The establishment of Klein-grass was generally profitable on deeper sites. "This research indicates the economic importance and economic potential of a short-duration-grazing system," Whitson says.

"Of particular importance is the need for more research involving the short-duration-grazing system, particularly when combination livestock are a part of the system," Whitson concluded.



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Loan to Aid Lawn water system

The city of Lawn has been awarded a \$30,000 federal loan that Mayor B.D. Hudson said Tuesday will enable the troublesome water system to be brought into complete compliance with state regulations.

The Farmers Home Administration loan will be used to build two tanks and a pump station, Hudson said. The system, which serves about 300 meters, now has four tanks and two pump stations.

The city received a \$120,000 loan last month but soon realized that another \$30,000 was needed to complete improvements, he said.

Hudson said he was pleased by the knowledge that the system will meet state standards within about 120 days, mostly because this probably will end the flood of "adverse publicity" that began surfacing in 1981.

Several water users filed a lawsuit in state district court seeking to force the city to upgrade the system. In 1982, the Texas Department of Health also filed a complaint against the city alleging that it's drinking water violated state standards.

Health Department and city officials later agreed on a timetable of improvements designed to bring the water system in line with state standards.

To date, Hudson said completed improvements include upgrading filters and installing rate-of-flow indicators.

Part of the cost was absorbed by several loans. Even so, the city was forced to double its water rates last year. And that, Hudson said, made people angrier than the quality of the water.

As he said, "The drinking water never has been all that bad."

Article was taken from The Abilene Reporter News.

Rest areas have new time limit

Signs informing travelers and tourists that it is now against the law to camp in state-

maintained roadside parks and rest areas soon will be appearing at these locations.

House Bill 675, spawned as a result of flagrant abuse of rest areas and parks over the past few years, has made it illegal to erect tents or other structures without a permit, or to remain in roadside parks, rest areas, comfort stations or picnic areas for more than 24 hours. Fines ranging up to \$200 can be assessed violators. Permits will be granted only in the instance of rest area "travelers' breaks" sponsored by approved civic or community service organizations.

State Department of Highways and Public Transportation maintenance forces have begun erecting signs apprising the public of the new law which went into effect August 29. Signs are expected to be in place by the last of September.

Mark Goode, engineer-director for the department, said the use of roadside parks "is intended to provide a welcome respite from the rigors of

driving." He said the facilities are "not designed for long term use by motorists, but primarily are designed as a safety measure and as a convenience to the traveling public."

The new signs will enable law enforcement personnel to warn travelers that the new law prohibits camping and that penalties will be enforced. Prior to 1983 Texas law made no provision for prohibition of unauthorized use of these roadside facilities

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Cisco JR. College registration dates

Cisco Junior College's registrar, Olin O. Odom, III, reminds area residents that registration will continue through Thursday, September 15 at the Cisco campus and all off-campus centers. Though there will be no problem in registering as late as September 15, Mr. Odom urges those who wish to take college-credit courses to register now in order to begin attending classes. Classes are presently in session, and a minimum amount of missed time is beneficial to the student.

Mr. Odom said, "Cisco Junior College offers a wide range of opportunities for expanding knowledge. We're anticipating a large enrollment this year, and we invite anyone, college-age or older, to enroll in one of the many programs we offer."

Students may register at the main campus in Cisco, at the Clyde Educational Center, or at the Abilene center in Westgate Mall at anytime during regular office hours, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Thursday, and 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Friday.

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