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## Wait a minute...

By Kerry Craig

Time out!!! Give this country boy a break — I just want to get across the street.

I don't know what it is about Christmas that makes people in the big cities drive like crazy, but they do.

Last Friday I took my insurance policy and drove to that blooming metropolis just north of us and returned somewhat shaken.

Sure, I used to live there, but something has happened to the drivers there. Everyone is in a mad rush and courtesy is a thing of the past on those streets.

Guess maybe one gets accustomed to the slower, more relaxed, pace in our community and forgets about the madness in the cities.

Well, some how some way, that trip was completed and there were no additional dents in the old buggy.

Maybe, the best way to handle the big city traffic is to drive like everyone else is completely crazy and you are not too sure about your self.

Talking about driving around, if you haven't been around our town at night lately you should go. There are many homes with outstanding Christmas displays.

The displays range from Buck's brilliantly done yard to one on State Street that features several tiny villages that are done in the real spirit of Christmas.

So, if you haven't seen all the lights and displays, you need to. It would make a good family outing.

By the way, in many communities there are annual contests to select the best decorated residences. Now wait a minute...maybe we should have one here too.

## Two charged in attack on school bus

Runnels County Sheriff's officers said Tuesday that two Winters residents had been charged with felony terroristic threat following a Monday night incident that involved a Ballinger school bus.

Sheriff Bill Baird said that bond of \$7,500 was set Tuesday morning for Maggie Ortiz, 19, on the threat charge and \$500 on a separate assault charge that had allegedly been committed earlier Monday.

Officers said bond was also set at \$7,500 for Raymond Ortiz, 23, late Tuesday the second person wanted in connection with the bus incident. Ortiz was taken into custody late Tuesday afternoon in Winters at his place of employment.

Reports said that the school bus, carrying both the girl's and boys' varsity basketball teams, was returning from a game in Abilene at the time the incident occurred.

The driver of the bus told authorities that he had to slow down for a vehicle that was weaving across the road and that as he passed the vehicle, it accelerated and pulled along side the bus apparently trying to force the bus off the street about the north city limits of Winters.

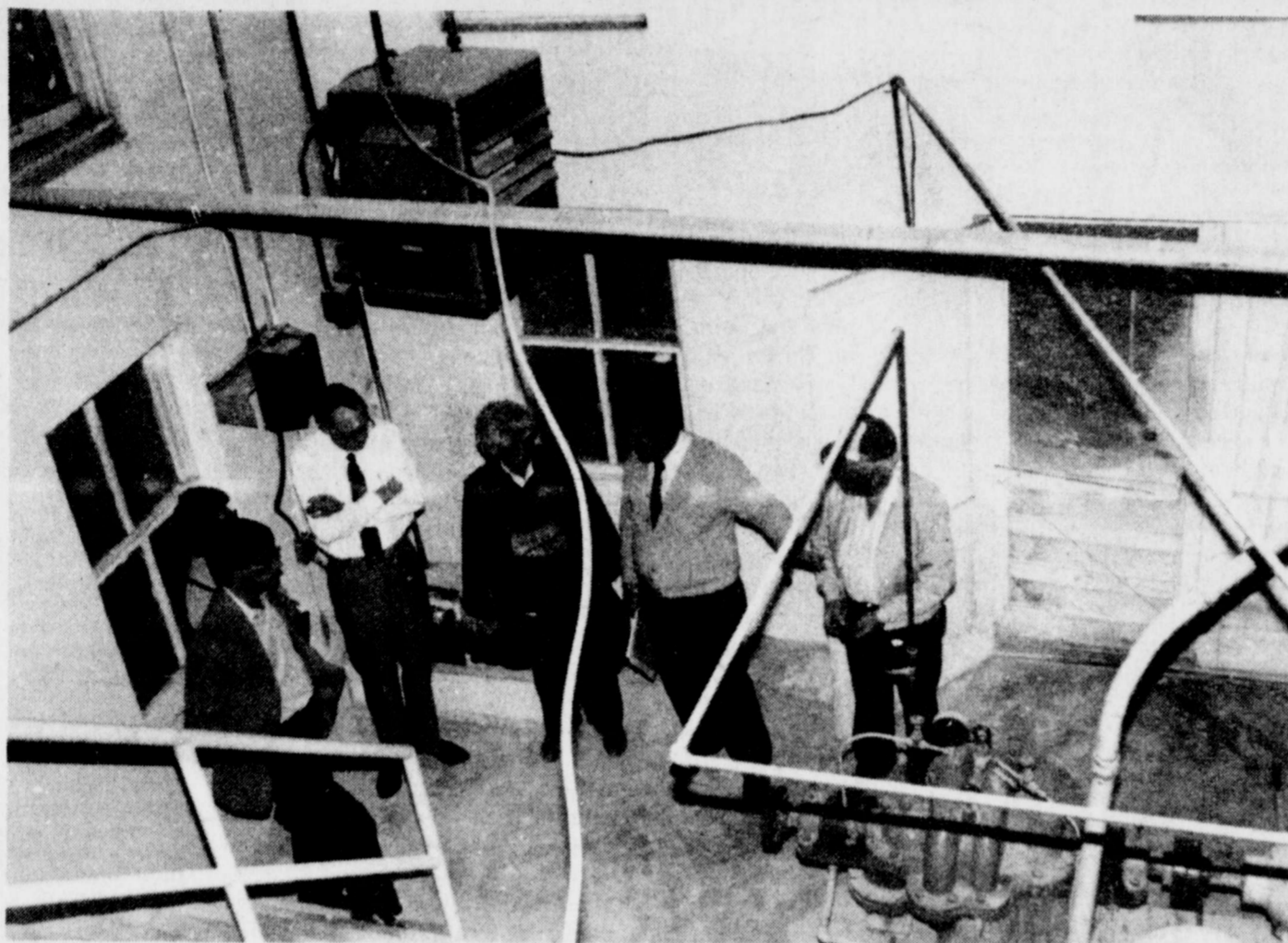
The vehicle, according to the bus driver's statement, turned around in front of the bus on U.S. 83 in south Winters and then pulled along side the bus again and attempted to force the bus off the road a second time.

The driver said that during that time something, possibly a beverage can struck the bus.

Ballinger School Superintendent Doug Cox told *The Enterprise* that the bus stopped at a residence south of Winters to call for law enforcement officers and that the vehicle followed the bus to the house and continued the harassment.

The vehicle and its two occupants fled the area when a Winters Police officer arrived on the scene.

Officers were able to obtain license information on the car as it left and the driver of the bus was able to identify the occupants.



## Taking the tour

Engineers took the Mayor and City Council on a tour of the Water Treatment Plant last week. The facility needs

considerable improvements to meet Winters' increased demand for water, particularly during the summer months. Work will probably begin in 1985.

## City eyeing water plant expansion

The mayor and city council of Winters toured the Water Treatment Plant last Wednesday during a called meeting for discussion of proposed improvements to the plant.

Discussions were conducted at the City Hall following the tour.

Engineers Donald G. Rauschuber and C. Darryl Primeaux of Austin presented two plans for improvements necessitated by an increased demand for water during the summer.

The plant presently has a treatment capacity of 700,000 gallons per day. Last summer the plant treated as much as 1.5 million gallons per day, which exceeds the design of the plant and the qualifications of the Texas Department of Health.

In order to treat more water, the city will have to install more sand filters, sludge removal equipment in the settling basins, and larger pipes.

The city also received some good news from the engineers: the city has adequate ground storage to satisfy Health Department and Insurance Board officers through the year 2000. Also, Winters has enough elevated storage (water towers) for Health Department criteria through the year 2000. However, the State Board of Insurance will insist on the city's building additional elevated storage after 1990.

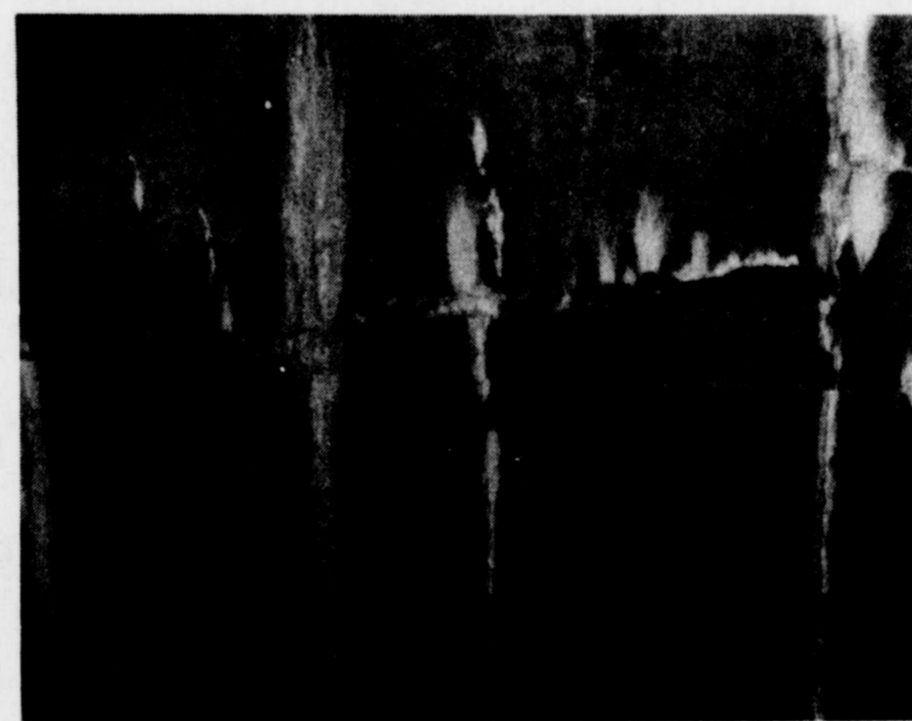
The first alternative involved the construction of a new flocculation building and new filter cells. No major building project would have to be undertaken. The disadvantage of this plan is the structural unsound-

ness of the clarifying basin.

Choice two was the one the mayor and council liked. It involves building a new clarifier basin, a new chemical storage building, and a new building to dispense chemicals, including fluoride. New filters and more efficient pumps would be needed. This plan would provide for construction of one-half of a four million gallon treatment plant. The other half could be built when the city

needs it.

Joe Smith, the city's financial advisor, told the council that it is not feasible to seek money for the project in the public market. Two government entities, the FHA and the Texas Water Development Program, loan money for this type of project. Total cost will probably be \$1.5 million. Approval of a loan may take one and a half years; so construction might begin in 1985.



## Could be a problem

Cracks in the south wall of the clarification basin at Winters' Water Treatment Plant indicate its weakness. Plans for improvements at the plant could not include new

equipment for the basin as it would put too much stress on the structure and possibly cause a break in the concrete wall.

## Winters to implement fluoridation

By Patsy Roach

The City of Winters has received approval for a fluoridation project to be financed by the Texas Department of Health this year. The amount of the grant is undetermined pending a report by the city's engineers on improvements to the water treatment plant.

The City Council has opted for a bulk storage tank which will hold 4,000 gallons of liquid fluoride. The alternative, buying the chemical in drums, would cost twice as much.

The state will provide a two year

supply of fluoride.

Total cost of the project was estimated by engineer Don Rauschuber of Austin, speaking at a recent special council meeting, at \$17,000 to \$18,000. This figure is

## WISD to purchase property

The Winters School Board met in regular session Tuesday night and spent about 45 minutes in executive session for discussion of personnel and the purchase of more property near the school.

The discussion of personnel was not mentioned after regular session resumed, but a committee was appointed to negotiate for the purchase of the property, the location of which was not disclosed. Those appointed to serve on the committee

under the maximum of \$20,000 currently spent by the state for fluoridation of water in communities the size of Winters.

After the initial two year period, (See Fluoride Page 12)

were Johnny Bob Smith, Freddie Bredemeyer, and Gary Pinkerton.

Smith, financial officer of the school, reported on the gate receipts from football season: at home games Winters' share of gate receipts averaged \$1,514. Amount from away games was an average of \$1,301. The Brownwood playoff gave the school \$1,388, while the Stephenville playoff brought Winters \$1,799.

Smith noted that last year's (See WISD Board page 12)

## Another rate increase expected

# WTU upset with ruling

New rates for West Texas Utilities Company customers have been approved by the Public Utilities Commission, but due to a large number of changes made at the last minute in the hearings examiner's recommendation the exact rates probably will not be known until sometime next week.

WTU officials said that the ruling has made the decision by the utility to come back next spring for another rate increase more certain. The official said that as soon as a new rate case can be prepared we will have to file it.

The Texas Municipal League, which represented a number of Texas cities fighting the \$26.6 million increase in annual revenues sought by WTU said that due to the changes, it was hard to tell just who won the rate case, the utility or the consumers.

Recommendations from the TML and the PUC staff called for an overall increase in revenues of about \$13 million and the hearing examiner suggested an increase of slightly less than \$14 million.

Due to the number of major changes in the recommendation, neither WTU nor the PUC staff could predict whether the new rates will be higher or lower than the interim rates now in effect. If the new rates are lower than the interim rates, some consumers may get a refund on the amounts paid under the interim rates.

Under those temporary rates, which went into effect October 22,

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## Probation granted for theft of water

A one-year probated jail term was assessed a Taylor County woman who said she stole water from the North Runnels Water Supply Corporation because she had a sick grandson and no running water.

Geraldine Laney, 41, of Bradshaw, was charged with felony criminal mischief, but saw her punishment assessed as a misde-

meanor. She was ordered to make a \$30 restitution for the water as a condition of her probation.

Water Supply Corporation officials said the woman had made an unauthorized connection to a water line to divert water to her mobile home. The connection was discovered in late September.

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The utility wants to charge, as commission rules allow, for interest during the year leading up to filing their rate case June 6. In addition, the company wants to charge for additional interest expected to be incurred in the near future.

The WTU spokesman said that the company is so far behind in collecting those interest costs that a new rate increase were granted every three months it could not catch up. This, the spokesman said, would force the utility to come in as soon as possible with a new rate increase request—most likely in the spring.

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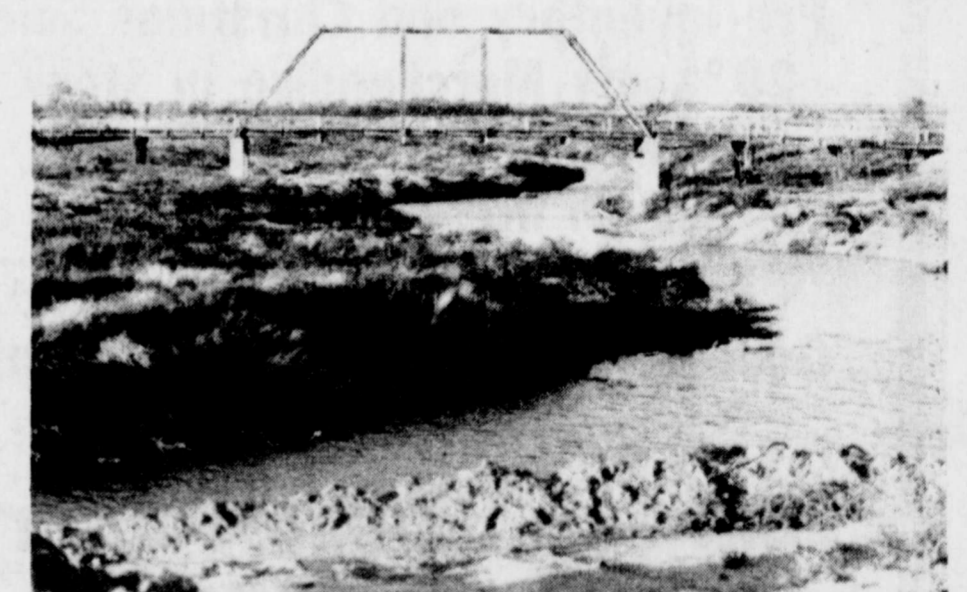
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## Lookin' for a home

The ideal place for a bridge is indeed across a creek, but this bridge has a problem. It is located in the bottom of what will become the new Ballinger Lake and what to do with it is a slight problem.

There has been some discussion regarding the ownership of the structure. Does it belong to the City of Ballinger because the land was purchased for the lake, or does it

belong to Runnels County because it is (or was) on a county road?

Regardless of the owner, the bridge will very likely be pulled down and left on the bed of the new lake. That seems the best idea, it would cost too much to take it down for use elsewhere. Besides, who ever heard of moving a bridge in West Texas.

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**Poe's corner**

by Charlsie Poe

**Four Christmas Trees**

Four decorated Christmas trees at the Z. I. Hale Museum open house Sunday depicted the four phases of our heritage and the development of our town and county.

The open range days were represented by the cowboy's tree! A mesquite branch stuck in a bucket of sand, with sock monkeys peeping out, and draped with a white cloth for a skirt. Pine cones and greenery edged the skirt. Decorations consisted of red and green paper chains made by school children from Nina Hale's room. Small artificial red apples added color, and other ornaments were Santas, bells, gingerbread men and snow men. A life size doll in pioneer dress looked on from her high chair. The tree was brought in from Moro Mountain by Lanny England and located in the farm and ranch room.

Lanny secured a Cedar tree at the same time to represent a later day when the county was settled with farms and small communities. Decorations were more elaborate with strings of popcorn and brown paper chains. Small red ribbon bows and candy canes added color, also a Christmas stocking over forty years old belonging to Mary Jo Dozier. Traditional candle holders, one fifty years old, that had belonged to Mr. & Mrs. Dick Kruse were contributed by Delbert Kruse. Small wooden soldiers belonging to Mary Margaret Leathers also graced the tree. Small circles of counted cross stitch that displayed symbols of the time of Christ were contributed by Hazel Bodegelt. These included, The first three letters for Jesus Christ in Greek, The Circle and the Triangle, The Creators Star, grapes, butterfly and The Calvary Cross.

This tree was mounted in the reception room and based with children's toys. A box of Bois D'Arc apples accented with red ribbons completed the picture.

A red satin kissing ball, made by Aleene Maples, hung from the archway looking into the hall where one of the first artificial trees to be manufactured was displayed. The sparkling metallic tree, sporting red, green, blue and yellow satin balls was used for many years in Nina Hale's school room at Christmas. Featured nearby was a large picture of Jesus and mother Mary labeled "Christmas Joys." This picture was painted in front of the children by one of the mothers, an artist, in 1956, said Mrs. Hale.

The museum office was graced by the modern, green, artificial tree, prepared by Edna England for her family Christmas this year. It will harmonize with her living room which is furnished in blue. She made the skirt for the tree out of blue cloth, trimmed in lace and a blue print ruffle. It featured a blue bird applique on a white circle background. A large lace bow topped the tree which had decorations of blue fans edged with lace and small dolls dressed in full lace dresses with tiny blue bows. Blue birds nestled in its branches and some pearl-trimmed buds made by Mida Colburn also sat on its boughs. Two sets of white and gold electric lights accented the colors.

Other decorations for the tree were furnished by Aleene Maples who had made exquisite ornaments out of spoons, medicine bottles, tuna cans and a ham can which was covered in red velvet, gold lace and held a blue angel. The tuna can was gold covered and held a



manger scene. Egg shells were delicately covered and held tiny angels, birds and other figures. Accent in the tree was a wreath made of grape vines and tied with blue ribbon.

The year of the Teddy Bear was observed by bringing in favorites. First place went to a brown bear belonging to George Lee Garrett, given to him by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Garrett, 50 years ago on his first birthday. The bear had been well taken care of; he had band-aids on his paws and sat in a rocking chair that was given to Mrs. Garrett by Santa Claus in 1921.



Second place was awarded to a 11 year old "Winnie the Pooh" bear, belonging to Landa England. Two third places were given to Kay Busher for a 14 year old bear and James Chaney, age 12, for a brown bear.

The reception room was festive with Christmas music and filled with many varied works of art and treasures of our heritage. Three manger scenes were featured in the first case to the left. A ceramic set belonging to Estella Bredemeyer who bought the figurines and painted them herself. A child's cardboard set was contributed by Minnie Belitz. Jewel Kraatz proudly presented a Llardo from Spain which was given to her by her son, Master Sgt. Walter Kraatz, who spent three years in Spain. The clear blue porcelain figures of Joseph, Mary and the baby Jesus with white birds on a wire in the background were not expensive in Spain but the price would be prohibitive here, said Mrs. Kraatz.

Other treasures displayed were a styro-foam shell that contained the angel band, made by Mrs. Mapes. A wood-ed Rudolph the red nosed reindeer, whose body was a crate filled with greenery, a Santa Claus and red baubles, property of Mrs. Morris Robinson. A small crinoline, star-painted tree, decorated with stars that was made by Maurine Pumphrey for Mildred Gardner 25 years ago.

Jo Olive Hancock exhibited a Santa Claus model made on wire coat hangers by Mrs. Mapes which she had used for many years as a model for her school children. She also had Santa flanked by a boat on one side and shoe on the other. Surrounded by greenery a flat, wooded Christmas tree with names of grandchildren on it is hung outside the Kraatz door at Christmas. A star at the top says "Walter and Jewel" and was made by their son-in-law, Roy Chaney.

Some unusual handwork included a quilted tree skirt and pillow in brown tones. It and stuffed Christmas bells of print were made by Flora McWilliams. She had also crocheted a banner that featured Christmas bells.

Mrs. Hale exhibited her aunt Ella Gable's red felt table cloth, which was trimmed in gold and had green felt candle appliques. She had also made a Santa Claus mail bag.

A centerpiece belonging to Mary Krutz was exhibited. The wooden candle holders were made by Minnie Belitz. They held white candles surrounded by greenery and silver balls.

Edna Englands' all seasons tablecloth was used on the registry table. The gold cloth was applique on one side with Christmas tree, Santa and reindeers; Easter was represented with chickens and rabbits; fall showed pumpkins and colored leaves; summer was depicted with watermelon and fruits. Mrs. England has the custom of making a red stocking for each new member of her family. These now include 17 stockings with their names on them. The latest is her two year old great-grandson Justin's.

The largest exhibit was a Santa Claus collection of 26 items belonging to Mary Jo Dozier. It included Santa tree ornaments, Santas made of construction paper and dough, Santas on light bulbs and Christmas balls. Santa needlepoint, and a jolly St. Nick book.

**CLASSIC FRENCH ENTREE ENHANCED BY WINE**



The French have long been known for their innovative and flavorful cuisine. Chefs from around the world continue to debate why French cooking is unique, yet, almost all agree that the French have mastered the art of cooking with wine. Used to enhance the flavor of poultry, beef, seafood, sauces, soups, and stews, wine seems to add a special "je ne sais quoi" to many dishes.

Beef Bourguignon is a classic French meal enhanced by red Burgundy. This hearty winter stew is warm, flavorful, and filling—perfect for feeding large groups of hungry people when the temperature chills. The beef stew meat is first cooked in onion and garlic. It is then simmered in a savory sauce made with tomato paste, wine, bacon, carrots, and mushrooms.

This mouth watering dish makes about nine cups, which will easily serve four people as a main entree. Serve Beef Bourguignon with French rolls and a spinach salad.

**BEEF BOURGUIGNON**  
 (Makes 9 cups)

- 1/4 pound coarsely chopped bacon
- 1/4 cup oil
- 1/3 cup flour
- 1 1/2 teaspoons salt
- 2 pounds (1-inch cubes) beef stew meat
- 2 1/2 cups coarsely chopped onion
- 1 crushed large garlic clove
- 2/3 cup (6-ounce can) Contadina tomato paste
- 2 cups Burgundy wine
- 1 cup water
- 1 cup sliced carrots
- 4 cups (3/4 pound) cleaned, quartered mushrooms
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper

Place bacon in Dutch oven. Fry until partially cooked. Remove bacon leaving drippings in pot; add oil. Combine flour and 1/2 teaspoon salt; coat meat with flour mixture. Brown stew meat on all sides. Add onions and garlic; cook until onion is transparent. Stir in tomato paste, wine, water, carrots, 3 cups mushrooms, remaining 1 teaspoon salt, pepper, and bacon. Heat to boiling. Reduce heat; boil gently, covered 1 1/2 to 2 hours or until meat is tender. Add remaining 1 cup mushrooms; cook additional 15 minutes.



Pere Fouettard is said to keep track of children's behavior in France. Only the good children on his list will receive gifts at Noel.

The season will be richer this year for all the remembrances of Christmas past!

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**IRS imposters harassment**

Persons posing as employees of the Internal Revenue Service occasionally attempt to harass taxpayers or to collect money for what the imposter claims are unpaid taxes, the IRS says.

The IRS advises that taxpayers should request to see the credentials of any individual claiming to represent the IRS. Any IRS employee who makes contact with the public is required to carry distinctive identification and must show this when conducting official business. Also, usually taxpayers who owe money to the IRS will receive written notification before being contacted in person.

Taxpayers who doubt the validity of the credentials offered can verify the person's employment by contacting the nearest IRS office.

**Stenholm reports**

Congressman Charles W. Stenholm (D-Stamford) has called on Secretary of Agriculture John Block to reverse a decision that could lower cotton farmers' assigned yields.

The yield per acre is a factor in deficiency and other farm program payments. USDA assigns cotton yields based on past production, but present regulations prevent one year's yield from being less than 90 percent of previous year's. USDA intends to lower this "floor" to 80 percent.

"After several consecutive years of heavy losses in the Southwest, a reduction in the yield floor can only cut producer income further," Stenholm said in a letter to Block. "And it threatens serious harm to the effectiveness of the 1984 cotton program."

The purpose of having a yield floor is to guard against extreme year-to-year fluctuations in assigned yields. The lower the floor, the more assigned yields can drop, especially in consecutive years of unusually great crop losses because of disasters.

"The best way to prevent arbitrary decisions like this is to write a 90 percent yield floor into law, rather than leaving it up to USDA's discretion," Stenholm said. "The Agricultural Efficiency and Equity Act, which I recently introduced, does just that. But that applies to future crops. Action is needed now to take care of the 1984 crop."

Congressmen Kent Hance and Jack Hightower and Senator Lloyd Bentsen

joined Stenholm in writing Block. The Texas Legislators said that if USDA was trying to save deficiency payments by lowering the yield floor, then that was "a false economy" because the action will keep many producers out of the 1984 cotton program, they will increase their planting, and that will drive down cotton prices, thus actually increasing deficiency payments.

**HAIR CARE HINTS**

You can protect your hair and prevent damage.

There are many things that contribute to damaged hair. These include hair coloring products, bleaches, blow dryers, electric rollers, curling irons and environmental factors such as the sun.

One of the most common causes of dry, brittle, matted hair is the incorrect use of hair coloring products and bleaches. When using any product containing chemicals that will permanently change the texture of the hair, always follow the manufacturer's directions to the letter.

As for blow dryers, electric rollers and curling irons, try not to use them every day. When using blow dryers, keep them on a medium setting and do not leave them on any one part of the hair for any length of time. If you will be using electric curlers or curling irons, be sure your hair is perfectly dry first.

Another way to help prevent damaged hair is to use a special treatment shampoo such as Ogilvie Reconditioning Hot Oil Shampoo. It contains gentle cleansing agents and beneficial oil capsules so it cleans and conditions at the same time. To protect your hair from the harmful drying effects of the sun, wear a hat or scarf.

A mole can dig a tunnel 300 feet long in one night.

**Mr. & Mrs. M.L. Dobbins to be honored on 50th**

Mr. and Mrs. M.L. Dobbins will be honored with a 50th Wedding Anniversary reception on Sunday, December 18th from 2 until 4 PM in the Winters Housing Authority, 300 N. Grant. The reception will be given by their children and grandchildren.

Children of the couple are: Jerry and Melba Dobbins of Irving, Marty and Allen Sikes of Abilene, David and Marc Dobbins of Junction and Wayne and Carolyn Dobbins of Sundown. There are nine grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

M.L. was born May 28, 1914 at Drasco and has lived within eight miles of his birthplace all his life until moving into Winters at 211 Paloma in 1979.

He married Odessa Carwile on December 16, 1933 in the First Methodist Parsonage, now the Pastor's study in the Drasco Addition. She was born October 26, 1915 in Gorman, Texas. They met in Winters High School and married soon after graduation.

They are members of the First United Methodist Church. He is a farmer in the Drasco Community.



**Texas Judges attend seminar**

Seventy-eight justices of the peace attended a 20-hour Texas Justice of the Peace Training Center seminar November 8th through 11th in Arlington. The training center is based at Southwest Texas State University in San Marcos. The seminars are held in compliance with Article 5972, Section B, of the Texas Revised Civil Statutes. Among the judges attending were, left to right, Ronnie Lappe of Brownwood, Brown County, Precinct 6, Place 1; Gale Allen-Brock of Santa Anna, Coleman County, Precinct 2, Place 1; J.C. Hodnett of Winters, Runnels County, Precinct 2, Place 2; and Wilburn Davis of Ballinger, Runnels County, Precinct 1.

**CAPITOL UPDATE**

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Wasteful government spending is a major concern for Americans. You are concerned that a portion of your tax dollar is wasted through duplication of efforts, unnecessary red tape, and generally unproductive spending.

Finding and stopping these instances of waste in an organization as large and far-reaching as the federal government is a mind-boggling task, and one which, unfortunately, cannot be completed quickly. However, the Administration is implementing fundamental improvements throughout government agencies and departments which already are yielding improved efficiency in spending while preserving the public services for which the money was intended.

This bold effort by the Administration, with the cooperation of Congress, seeks to address three major areas of concern -- spiraling administrative costs in how government operates, fraud and waste in government programs and fair delivery of services to those in need.

The administrative costs of running the government have been far too high, in large part because of duplication, out-moded equipment, unnecessary procedural red tape, and incompatible financial systems used by agencies and departments. For example, there are 330 different financial systems and 200 payroll systems in use by the various agencies and departments of the federal government.

Steps have been taken to standardize and streamline these systems. Already, 300 million hours a year of paperwork have been eliminated, and in another year that figure is expected to rise to 400 million hours.

Other cost-saving procedures have been instituted as well:

-- Until two years ago, federal employees were not encouraged to use discount fares for airline tickets. Today, employees are required to take advantage of available discount fares, and the result is an estimated \$400 million in travel cost savings.

-- Government publications which are either outdated or available in the private sector have been discontinued. Among them are the publications "How to Buy a Christmas Tree" and "Hot Springs Bathing Instructions."

-- Simplified guidelines for buying goods and services for the government will increase competition and reduce purchase costs by \$5 million when the new system is fully implemented.

Additionally, steps have been taken to improve collection of delinquent debts. Of the \$289 billion owed to the government, about \$44.3 billion in delinquent. A private business with this 15.3 percent overdue debt ratio would long ago have collapsed. The Administration from its beginning has required agencies to tighten administrative controls over loans and contracts. The result will be the collection of \$3 billion in old debts this year alone.

Additionally, Congress passed the Debt Collection Act of 1982, enabling the government to collect debts and screen poor risk candidates for loans and contracts -- something which has been routine for the private sector for decades. Agencies now are exchanging information on loan applicants and contractors and using private sector credit bureaus.

The federal government has asked state and local governments to share in the pursuit of greater efficiency, holding down to costs of programs which are jointly administered.

These efficiencies do not affect the delivery of services to those whom government programs were designed to help. To the contrary, the elimination of waste means that we can better direct our resources to those in need while taking steps to control the overall cost of government.

The measures thus far instituted are only a beginning. But the Administration is committed to a continuing effort to bring more efficiency to government, and I am hopeful that Congress will be willing to take necessary action to further this goal.

**New DWI laws effective January 1**

A minimum jail term is mandatory for any person convicted two or more times for DWI under a stricter Texas law effective January 1, 1984.

Colonel Jim Adams, DPS director and chairman of the task force which recommended tougher legislation, said the new law should close the back door in the criminal justice system for repeat offenders.

"Deferred adjudication, which allowed repeat violators to wipe the slate clean after each DWI arrest, will be eliminated under this new statute," Adams pointed out.

"Even if probation is given, a conviction record will be established for the offender and this record can be used in subsequent prosecution of any additional drunk driving charges. Jail time is mandatory as a condition of probation beginning with the second DWI conviction," he added.

The new law provides

increased penalties for DWI convictions. Conviction on first offense DWI carries a fine of \$100 to \$2,000 with a jail term ranging from 72 hours to two years. A second offense conviction is punishable by jail time ranging from a minimum of 15 days up to two years with a fine of \$300 to \$2,000.

Conviction for third and subsequent DWI offenses carry a fine of \$500 to \$2,000 and confinement in jail for a minimum of 30 days to two years or in the state penitentiary for 60 days to five years.

Minimum terms of confinement are increased by 60 days and fine limits are raised by \$500 if the DWI offense results in serious bodily injury to another person.

If a drunk driver is found to be responsible for a traffic fatality, the law prescribes a mandatory term for the violator.

Adams said the revised

DWI statute will aid in the prosecution of drunk drivers.

"Under the present law, a person is only presumed to be intoxicated if tests reveal a blood alcohol concentration of .10 per cent or more," Adams said. "The new law establishes that a driver is definitely too drunk to drive at the and institutions of a nation must go hand in hand with the progress of the human mind." Our forefathers realized this and so they created a broad, flexible, and farsighted document that has stood strong for 200 years.

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- 1/2 cup Bisquick baking mix
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper
- 1 1/2 teaspoons instant chicken bouillon
- 1 1/2 cups milk
- 1 1/4 cups hot water
- 2 cups cut-up cooked chicken or turkey
- 1 jar (4 ounces) whole pimientos, drained and chopped

Cook and stir mushrooms and green pepper in margarine in 3-quart saucepan over medium heat 5 minutes; remove from heat. Mix in baking mix, salt and pepper. Cook over low heat, stirring constantly, until bubbly; remove from heat. Stir in bouillon (dry), milk, water and reserved mushroom liquid. Heat to boiling, stirring constantly; boil and stir 1 minute. Stir in chicken and pimientos; heat through. Keep warm over low heat.

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**NEW HOME:** in Ballinger - semi-rock exterior, 3 BR, 2 bath, not completed. \*\*\*\*\*

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**NEWS OF SAFETY**

**Road Traction—A Gripping Story**  
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The device is easily installed on drive wheels, it is constructed of lightweight aircraft-type steel cable. It's easy to install, because there are no complicated hooks or fasteners.

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In recent tests by the National Safety Council's Committee on Winter Driving Hazards, cables outperformed snow tires by 89 percent and studded snow tires by 87 percent.

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**Seasonal Greetings**

**TRADITIONAL TREATS WITH NEW ENDINGS**

The holiday season is the get-together season. One fun and easy way to entertain is to have the party—or part of it—somewhere other than your house!

For instance, invite friends to join you at a nearby pond for a skating party. Take a group to the local theatre to see the holiday production. Or gather singers to spread holiday cheer by caroling throughout the neighborhood.

After the entertainment, invite everyone to your house for refreshments. Most appropriate are these two party-size recipes, which use traditional favorites of the season in exciting new ways.



**PUMPKIN-GINGER BARS**

1 package Betty Crocker gingerbread mix  
1/4 cup raisins  
1/4 cup chopped nuts  
1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon  
1/4 teaspoon ground nutmeg  
1 cup cooked pumpkin  
1/3 cup water  
1 egg  
Lemon Cream Frosting (right)

Heat oven to 350°. Mix all ingredients except frosting in medium bowl until batter is of uniform consistency, about 2 minutes (batter will be stiff). Spread in ungreased rectangular pan, 13x9x2 inches; smooth top with rubber spatula. Bake until wooden pick inserted in center comes out clean, about 25 minutes. Cool

completely on wire rack. Spread Lemon Cream Frosting over top. Cut into bars, about 3x1 inch, 32 bars.

**Lemon Cream Frosting**

1 teaspoon grated lemon peel  
1 tablespoon lemon juice  
1 teaspoon milk  
1 package (3 ounces) cream cheese, softened  
2 1/4 cups powdered sugar  
Mix lemon peel, lemon juice, milk and cream cheese in small bowl. Gradually beat in powdered sugar until frosting is smooth and of spreading consistency.

**High Altitude Directions** (3500 to 6500 feet): Heat oven to 375°.

**FROZEN CRANBERRY CHEESECAKE**

1 1/2 cups vanilla wafer crumbs  
1/4 cup margarine or butter, melted

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**What Parents Can Do About Drug Abuse**

You can help your children say no to drugs. That's the message from the National Institute on Drug Abuse. Strong family support helps children develop the personal values and self-confidence they need to resist peer pressure.



Start early, the Institute advises parents. Talk to your children before they have a problem. Although peer pressure can have a strong influence on your children, your love and guidance will help them resist negative pressures. Let them know it's okay to say no to drugs.

Learn about drugs so that you can give your children accurate information. Talk to them before they have problems. As early as the fourth grade, your children may have knowledge of drugs and much of it will be wrong. Set the record straight and let them know where you stand.

While your children need your support, you, too, may find the need for help if drug problems arise. Many parents find getting together with other parents to set behavior guidelines and standards is helpful.

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**A Special Supper**

No time is more magical than Christmas eve. The smell of pine, the glimmer of decorations and the anticipation of the morning to come cause children to dream and adults to reminisce.

For many families, the Christmas celebration begins by attending a candlelight, midnight church service. Others enjoy the evening spreading Yule cheer by caroling with friends.

Whatever the activity on this special evening, a late supper is a fitting finale, and tasty Filled Popover Shells are the perfect entrée.

Tender popover shells are filled with a Creamy Chicken Filling that can be made

ahead of time. The shells puff right in your oven to create a little magic themselves. Served with a crisp salad, it's a meal that might even tempt old Saint Nick to stop by for a bit.

**Creamy Chicken-filled Popover Shells**

Creamy Chicken Filling (right)  
2/3 cup water  
1/4 cup margarine or butter  
1 cup Bisquick baking mix  
4 eggs

Prepare Creamy Chicken Filling. Heat oven to 400°. Generously grease 12 medium muffin cups, 2-1/2x1-1/4 inches. Heat water and margarine to boiling in 2-quart saucepan. Add baking mix, all at once. Stir vigorously over low heat until mixture forms a ball, about 1 minute; remove from heat. Beat in eggs, one at a time; continue beating until smooth. Spread about 2 tablespoons mixture in bottom and up sides of each muffin cup. Bake until puffed and dry in center, about 20 minutes. Remove from pan; spoon Creamy Chicken Filling into each shell. Serve immediately. 6 servings.

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**Runnels Soil & Water sponsors contest**

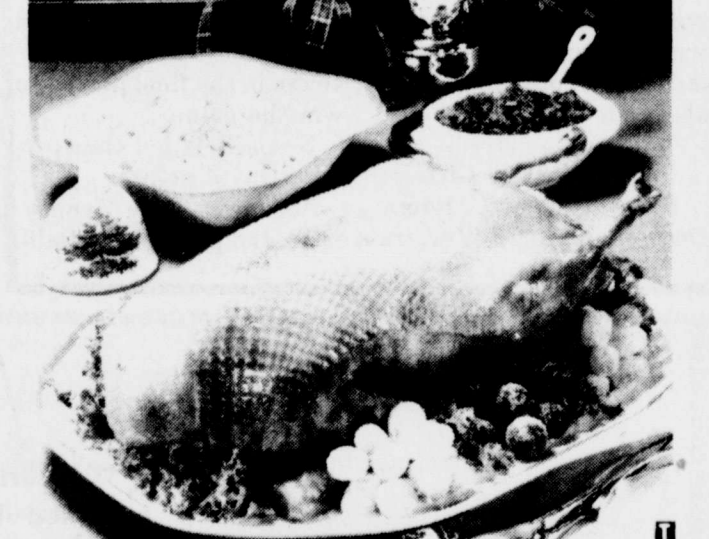
The Runnels Soil and Water Conservation District is sponsoring a Conservation Essay and Conservation Poster Contest again this year. The Essay Contest is open to all students in grades seven through twelve in Runnels County. The essay theme is to be "Soil and Water Conservation." The poster contest is open to all students in grades kindergarten through six in the county. The subject of the poster contest is "Resource Conservation."

Material for these contests will be distributed to the schools in the District by the Board of Directors with assistance from the Soil Conservation Service office located in Ballinger.

In addition to ribbons, the District is also offering cash awards for the three top winners in each contest this year. The first place winners in the contests will be eligible for the Area and State Regional Essay and Poster Contests.

The Runnels Soil and Water Conservation District Board of Directors urges all students in the District to enter these contests. The purpose of the contests is to stimulate a greater interest in the conservation of our natural resources. The contests close on January 20, 1984. For further information students should contact their teachers or the Soil Conservation Service in Ballinger.

**Succulent Christmas Goose This Year Order Early - Order Now**



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Have bird according to package instructions. Follow the table below for correct roasting times. If you cook the bird unstuffed, cooking time will be slightly shortened.

| Ready-to-cook Weight (Pounds) | Time at 400 F (Hours) | PLUS Time at 325 F (Hours) | Total Roasting Time (Hours) |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 8 to 10                       | 1 hour                | 1-1/2 to 2                 | 2-1/2 to 3                  |
| 10 to 12                      | 1 hour                | 2 to 2-1/2                 | 3 to 3-1/2                  |

**APRICOT-WALNUT STUFFING**  
1 cup (1-lb. 1-oz.) canned apricots, drained  
1/4 cup butter or margarine, melted  
6 cups day-old bread, cubed  
1 cup chopped walnuts  
1/2 cup golden raisins  
1 teaspoon salt  
1/2 teaspoon poultry seasoning  
1/4 teaspoon pepper  
Dice apricots. In bowl, pour melted butter or margarine over bread cubes. Combine with apricots and all remaining ingredients. Toss lightly to mix well. Makes enough stuffing for a 10 to 12 pound goose.



Hang a large cup hook near the sink to hold rings, watches and bracelets while you do the dishes or messy cooking jobs.



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| 40-hp 1250       | \$1,000                 | \$175    | \$175                         | \$125    | \$75     |
| 40-hp 1250 MFWD  | 1,000                   | 250      | 250                           | 175      | 100      |
| 45-hp 2150       | 2,100                   | 200      | 200                           | 150      | 100      |
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| 50-hp 2255       | 1,350                   | 225      | 225                           | 150      | 100      |
| 55-hp 2350       | 1,950                   | 250      | 250                           | 175      | 100      |
| 55-hp 2350 MFWD  | 1,950                   | 325      | 325                           | 225      | 150      |
| 65-hp 2550       | 2,700                   | 300      | 300                           | 200      | 125      |
| 65-hp 2550 MFWD  | 2,700                   | 375      | 375                           | 275      | 175      |
| 75-hp 2750       | 2,300                   | 325      | 325                           | 225      | 150      |
| 75-hp 2750 MFWD  | 2,300                   | 450      | 450                           | 325      | 200      |
| 85-hp 2950       | 2,800                   | 425      | 425                           | 300      | 175      |
| 85-hp 2950 MFWD  | 2,800                   | 500      | 500                           | 350      | 200      |
| 100-hp 4050      | 2,100                   | 600      | 600                           | 425      | 250      |
| 100-hp 4050 MFWD | 2,100                   | 750      | 750                           | 525      | 325      |
| 120-hp 4250      | 2,300                   | 650      | 650                           | 475      | 275      |
| 120-hp 4250 MFWD | 2,300                   | 800      | 800                           | 575      | 350      |
| 140-hp 4450      | 2,800                   | 700      | 700                           | 500      | 300      |
| 140-hp 4450 MFWD | 2,800                   | 850      | 850                           | 625      | 375      |
| 165-hp 4650      | 3,100                   | 875      | 875                           | 625      | 375      |
| 165-hp 4650 MFWD | 3,100                   | 1,050    | 1,050                         | 750      | 450      |
| 190-hp 4850      | 3,400                   | 975      | 975                           | 700      | 425      |
| 190-hp 4850 MFWD | 3,400                   | 1,100    | 1,100                         | 800      | 475      |
| 185-hp 8450 4WD  | 5,700                   | 1,150    | 1,150                         | 825      | 500      |
| 225-hp 8650 4WD  | 6,400                   | 1,425    | 1,425                         | 1,025    | 600      |
| 300-hp 8850 4WD  | 8,200                   | 1,800    | 1,800                         | 1,275    | 775      |

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## Voice of Democracy

(Editor's note: the following speech by Marianne Mostad won third place in recent Voice of Democracy competition sponsored by the VFW Auxiliary.)

### My Role in Upholding the Constitution

By Marianne Mostad  
I am an American. This land, my liberties, they are the harvest received from the seeds planted by the writers of the Constitution. I live in a Democratic Society. Had it not been for the bloodshed of my forefathers, I would be an Englishman... or would I be a Communist?

The bloodshed is no longer necessary, but there are still battles to be won. Today, women are fighting for equal rights in a nation that boasts equality. Other battles challenging our Constitution are raging—in our schools, where prayer has become questionable; in our nation's defense, where many believe the entire human race is being threatened by nuclear warheads; and in our work force, where people are fighting to get equal pay for equal work. As an American, it is my responsibility to confront these issues, to be loyal to the ideals set forth in the Constitution, and to stand up for my rights. If I disagree with the law, I should seek to change it through the amending process.

If I am to uphold the Constitution, I must first understand the ideals it is based upon. Some of these principles are federalism, separation of powers, a representative government, and popular sovereignty. Federalism is an equal division of power between state governments and national governments. A system of separation of powers insures that no part of my government will become powerful enough to try to take away any of my rights. Because we are a nation of so many, it is impossible for individuals to have a direct hand in all government affairs, thus we have a representative government in which one elected man represents many voters. Popular sovereignty insures control by the majority, not the upper class.

### Letters to Santa cont.

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a Mickey Mouse guitar and a bulletin board and a Barbie and a Barbie house.  
Love,  
Leslie McDonald

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the issues, and keep informed about the proceedings of the government so that I can make intelligent choices.

My country has given me so much, yet asked for so little. I travel on federal highways without charge and receive a free education. I owe it to my country to pay my taxes fairly and seek only benefits that are rightfully mine. I must be willing to serve, whether it be merely on jury duty or taking a position in the armed services. I should try to maintain respect and take part in civic affairs so in the future, I will know what is best for my country.

As Thomas Jefferson once said, "Some men look at constitutions with sanctimonious reverence and deem them, like the ark of the covenant, too sacred to be touched... But the laws

### The Total Teens

The Total Teens met Monday, December 12, at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Rebecca Moore.

A brief business meeting was held in which it was decided to accept the offer of the Library Board and plan to decorate the windows of the Winters Public Library for one month of the year. The Total Teens will hold a bake sale Monday, December 19th at 3:30 in front of Piggly Wiggly and Super D. Stop by to stock up on Christmas treats.

The program for the evening was a Christmas party. Members exchanged hand made gifts and enjoyed fellowship and refreshments of the Christmas season.

Those attending were Deedra Blackshear, Marci Caffey, Jill Connor, Beverly Halfmann, Lucy Lugo, Robin Michaelis, Rebecca Moore, Michelle Polston, Leslie Pruser, J'Lynn Russell, Ketta Walker, Mary Jane Blackshear, Nancy Michaelis, Janice Pruser, and Mary Ellen Moore.

### CARD OF THANKS

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Winters Farm Equipment for the use of the truck and trailer for their parade float.

We would also like to thank the Winters Funeral Home for the use of the carpet.

— The Boy Scouts

# Blizzard Basketball Roundup



**Last play of the game**

Winters 7th Grade Girls defeated Ballinger Monday night here.

### Varsity Boys

The Winters Varsity Boys played in Coleman December 6, losing 62-57. The Blizzards led 27-26 at the half, but were outscored by 10 points in the third quarter. Jeff McDorman was high point man for the game with 22 points. Don Kvpil scored 20 points. The boys made five out of eight free throws for 63

per cent. The boys participated in the Ballinger Tournament and won the consolation trophy.

Their first tournament game was with Brady; they won 87-48. Kvpil was the game's high point man with 36 points; McDorman had 19, and Greg Guevara scored nine. The boys made 15 of 21 free throws for 71 per cent.

The second game was with Ballinger, and Winters lost 64-77. Kvpil again led the scoring with 24 points; McDorman had 18.

For Ballinger, Nichols scored 20, Organ 18, and Keesee 10.

### Winters Public School BREAKFAST MENU

—Subject to Change—  
Monday, Dec. 19

Eggs & bacon, hot biscuits, milk or choc. milk.

Tuesday, Dec. 20

Cinnamon rolls, fruit, milk or choc. milk.

### Winters Public School LUNCHROOM MENU

—Subject to Change—  
Monday, Dec. 19

West Side  
Hamburgers, french fries, catsup, lettuce and pickles, cinnamon rolls, milk or choc. milk.

East Side  
Pizza, pinto beans, cabbage slaw, fruit, cinnamon rolls, milk or choc. milk.

Tuesday, Dec. 20

West Side  
Hamburgers, nacho with cheese, lettuce and pickles, choc. cake, milk or choc. milk.

East Side  
Hot dogs with cheese on top, nachos, fruit, choc. cake, milk or choc. milk.

**MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR TO EACH AND EVERY ONE.**

**Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Haupt.**

Dear Santa,  
I love you. I want Char-kins, glow worm, video game, pretty Ponies, and a sack with a bunch of cowboys & Indians. I also want a Cabbage Patch Baby.  
Brandi Sheppard

Dear Santa,  
I am 4 years old and have been a good boy nearly every day. I would like a care bear and a game for Christmas. I Love you, Santa.  
Austin Jobe

Dear Santa,  
A magnet bow & arrows and a BB gun.  
Love,  
T.J. Meyer

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have a Strawberry Shortcake necklace, Poochie dog, and house shoes. I have been good this year.  
Your friend,  
Jennifer Tischler

Dear Santa,  
I want a gum machine, and a Strawberry Shortcake bike. And that's all. You can get me anything else that you want to.  
Love,  
Karen Kvpil

Dear Santa,  
My name is Marshall Scates. I am 5 years old and I am in preschool. I would like a Truck, Puzzles, Games, Lots of toys

Dear Santa,  
I want a gun and a bike.  
Love  
Darrell Woodcox

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**This was a foul**

Winters Eighth Grade Boys play Ballinger Monday night.

JV Girls lost to Hawley 44-31. Susie Reyes and Leslie Pruser each scored eight points as Winters' high point players.

In the Jim Ned Tourney, the girls won consolation. First, they played Hawley again, losing 46-19. Lana Rice scored seven points.

The girls played Jim Ned's B Team next and won 26-21. Melinda Sims made nine points in that game.

In the final game, Winters beat Baird 37-20 to take the consolation trophy. Lana Rice scored 16 points as Winters' high point girl.

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inger, 49-14. Sonja Belk again scored the most points for Winters with eight. Cole of Ballinger was high point girl with 14; her teammate Halfmann made 10 points.

Winters Seventh Grade Boys lost to Ballinger Monday night, 31-29. Ahead 10-7 at the end of the first quarter, and still leading 17-13 at the half, the Breezes scored only four points in the third quarter to Ballinger's seven, and

only eight to Ballinger's 11 in the last quarter. Chris Rives was high point man for the game with 13 points. Ballinger's Patterson scored 12, while their McCall made 10 points.

The Winters Seventh Grade Girls were jubilant Monday night after defeating Ballinger 21-10. Landa England scored the most points in the game, 16. Ballinger's Ledbetter scored three.

The eighth grade boys lost to Ballinger Monday night by a score of 52-24. R. Garcia and W. Poehls of Winters each scored eight points.

Piel and Lopez of Ballinger scored 12 apiece.

The Winters Eighth Grade Girls fell to Wingate last Monday night, losing by a score of 22-21.

The girls were behind 6-4 at the end of the first quarter, but scored two points to none for Wingate in the second quarter to tie the score at six all at the half.

The third quarter score was Winters 12, Wingate 10; but Wingate scored nine points to Winters' seven in the final period to win the game.

Sonja Belk led the scoring with 14 points. Playing at home Monday night, the girls lost to Ball-

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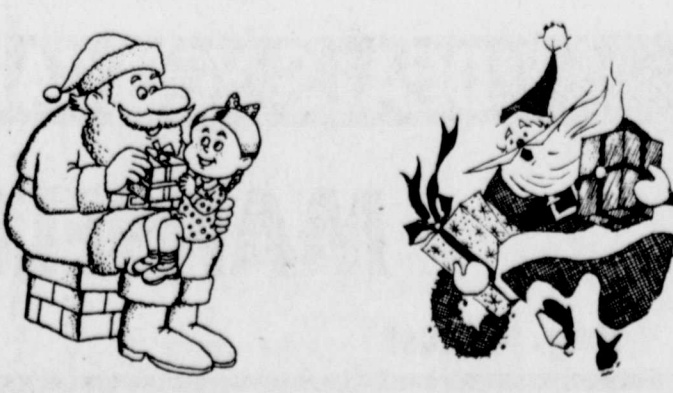
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# Letters to Santa Claus



Dear Santa Claus,  
I have been very good this year. I would like you to bring me a Go-Cart, and Hot Wheels, and a big bicycle, and a radio like my daddy has, to put in my Go-Cart, and that is all.  
I love you,  
Jason Lynn Hall

Dear Santa Claus,  
I'm a good boy. Would you bring me a race track, a big Foot 4x4, Tonka construction set, and a whole bunch of toys. Brother needs a He-Man. Baby sister wants a Strawberry cake doll. Bye-Bye Santa Claus  
Nathan Helsler  
Age 3

Dear Santa,  
I would like a new doll. I would also like something for my brothers, Dereck and Jeffery.  
Love,  
Karen Oats

Dear Santa,  
I would like a Cheerleader doll & a Cabbage Patch Doll. Bring Clint a motor hot wheels.  
Love  
Mandy Marks

Dear Santa Claus,  
I have been very good and make good grades. Please bring me a Dallas Cowboy football suit, a football, walkie-talkies, and Army stuff. Please be careful and fasten your seatbelt on your trip.  
I love you,  
Charlie Burton  
Age 6  
Winters, Texas  
P.S. Heat your own water for your hot chocolate, but the cookies will be on the table in a plate.

Dear Santa:  
I'm a little boy 4 years old. I would like to have a car racing set and some extra racing cars. I will leave you some milk and cookies and I promise to be a good boy.  
Jason Payne

Dear Santa,  
I want a Barbie doll with a man and the Barbie

house with everything in it. I also want a Becky doll and a baton.  
Love,  
Angela Shoemaker  
Age 3

Dear Santa Claus,  
I want a trans am, Go cart, clothes, and some good food. and I've been pretty good.  
Bear Nitsch

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me a dolly with a bottle. I want a little playhouse and lots of toys.  
Monica Parramore

Dear Santa  
I want a truck I am a good boy. I want a G.I. Joe toy. Dear Santa Claus get Jimmie a truck please. Bring another Christmas tree I want 2 bigs ones.  
Love  
Andrew Parker III  
Age 3

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a dolly & a little house you put Furniture in.  
Love,  
Amy Heathcott  
Age 3

To: Santa  
From: Kristin Ballard  
Please bring me a big red motorcycle with a red helmet, a hunting knife, and a dove hunting gun.  
Thank you!

Dear Santa,  
I want a bike and a guitar. I've been good.  
Love,  
Michael Pritchard

Dear Santa,  
I forgot one more thing! I want a new motorcycle that pulls a string and goes by itself. I want a army chocho train, Hot Wheels city construction house and bike.  
Love  
Kyle Loudermilk

Dear Santa,  
Santa Claus thank you for the toys you gave me last year I would like to have a baby skates, Smurf, skates, big bird house and a Smurf game also Rattler,  
Steven Sneed

and a pony for my brother  
Thank you  
Lacy Torres  
PS. Also a barbie doll

Dear Santa Claus,  
I would like to have a Baby Alive for Christmas. I also want a Barbie Swimming Pool, a new Barbie doll and an Alvin Doll. My sister Kourtney and I also need a Playhouse for the back yard with one phone and 2 chairs.  
I love you Santa,  
Hollie Cathey

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me some toys at my Meme's and Granddaddy's house at Christmas time. I'm a little boy 4 yrs old and I'll try to be real good.  
Please bring me a bow & arrow too. Bring me some peppermint candy and cinnamon bears.  
Please bring Michelle a pick-up.  
Bye Bye  
I love you,  
Dustin Priddy  
4 years old

Dear Santa  
I want an Atari. My brother wants a football and a pump and a Kicking Tee I also want a makeup whole case  
Tandy Reagan  
Chane Reagan

Dear Santa,  
I would like a bicycle.  
Joe B. Folsom

Dear Santa,  
I would like Castle Grayskull and He Man for Christmas. My Cousin Zane wants an Atari. We have been good.  
Merry Xmas  
Timmy Hilliard

Dear Santa,  
I want a Strawberry Shortcake doll, some toys, and candy. I love you.  
Tandra Grohman

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Kyle Loudermilk

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Dear Santa,  
I would like to have a baby doll, a Care Bear, and a Barbie doll. I don't suck my thumb anymore so please bring me these things.  
Love,  
Heather Watkins

Dear Santa,  
I want that John Deere corn thing and Dual wheel tractor that has dual wheels and a bicycle with brakes and training wheels and those pads on the steering wheel that are like on Byron's bicycle, and that John Deere pickup. Thank you. Hope I'll see you at the mall.  
Bradley Stephenson  
Age 3

Dear Santa,  
I am three years old and want a skating doll by

Dear Santa,  
I am four year old. I want you to bring me a race car set and lots of G.I. Joe toys.  
Love,  
Travis Calcote

Dear Santa Claus:  
I would like a mighty crane and a slam sifter car. Merry Christmas.  
Love,  
Brent Jacob  
Age-4 1/2 years

Dear Santa,  
I've been a good girl. Please bring me a baby doll for Christmas and a puppy dog that talks.  
Your friend,  
Jaime Bahlman

Dear Santa Claus,  
Bring me a care bear, barbie doll, hot wheel. I been good really. Also, a purse & dolly.  
I Love you  
Mandy Hicks  
PS My mommy Love you too really.

Hi Santa Claus,  
I want toys for Christmas—trucks, a tractor, and a train. Merry Christmas!  
Justin Deike

Dear Santa Claus:  
I would like Strawberry Shortcake stuff. I want a Care Bear. I want my own make-up with a case. I want an oven and kitchen.  
Love,  
Sarah Brown  
102 Belair  
Winters, Texas

Dear Santa,  
For Christmas I would like to have some trucks and cars and some tools, not real ones since I am only 3.  
Love  
Shannon Wharton

Dear Santa Claus,  
I've been good! Send me Count Dracula, & Mangore. Hope you get the letter.  
Nickolaus Dulaney

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me a Atari game, with PacMan, Tennis and Donkey Kong. If you want to bring me something else that's fine. Please bring my brother, Shane a truck.  
I love you,  
Tandy Briley

Dear Santa,  
Please bring me a whistle, please a pump Dukes of Hazzard car. I have been good. John hasn't been good and Mindy has.  
Love,  
James Andrae  
God bring me snow please

Dear Santa Claus,  
Please bring me a Strawberry Shortcake Hot Wheels and a Cabbage Patch Doll. Please my little Brother a backhoe. Thank you.  
Love  
Courtney Marks

Dear Santa,  
I am a good girl. I help my mommy and daddy. Michael helps too. Please bring Michael a little bitty truck and a backhoe. Please bring me a baby doll with a bottle and clothes, and a Care Bear. Thank you.  
Jennifer P.

Dear Santa,  
I want a new bike, a Hot Wheels Speedway, and a army set with tanks and jeeps and a Stomper jeep that goes by itself. I have been a good boy.  
Love,  
Aaron Calcote  
Age 5

Dear Santa,  
I would like a baby doll, an etchasketch, and some skates. I will leave you a snack Christmas Eve.  
Love  
Tiffany Donica

Dear Santa  
I want a tractor and a bicycle to ride, also a tractor for my little brother, too.  
Your friend  
Micheal Barthelemy

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have a doll, a radio, and a jacket.  
I have been very good and I will leave you some cookies and milk for you.  
Love,  
Estella Vara  
Third grade, Wingate

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Third grade, Wingate

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I would like a Knight Rider car that talks, a bike, and a Dukes of Hazzard car, and a Knight Rider jacket.  
I was very good this year. I will leave you some cookies and milk for you.  
Love,  
Vennie Reyes  
Third grade, Wingate

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have a doll and a bike with a basket. I would also like a Barbie Make-up Kit.  
I have been very good and I will leave you some cookies and milk.  
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Fourth grade, Wingate

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have a pair of bluejeans, a shirt, some socks, and a taperecorder for Christmas.  
I have been a good girl.  
Love,  
Samantha Alandi  
Fourth grade, Wingate  
P.S. I will leave you some cookies and milk.

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have a gold car, a bike, a watch, and a Knight jacket for Christmas.  
I have been very good and I will leave you some cookies and milk.  
Love,  
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Fourth grade, Wingate

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Love,  
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I would like to have a doll. I have been a nice girl. I will leave you some cookies and milk.  
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good kids.  
Your friend,  
Cristi Burton  
Age 4

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have a bear, a bike, and a car for Christmas.  
I have been a very good boy. I will leave you some cookies and milk.  
Love,  
Primo Reyes  
Fourth grade, Wingate

Dear Santa at the North Pole—  
I love you. I would like a Hot Wheels and a picture of you. Please bring my sister Summer anything you think she would like—maybe a play kitchen. Thank you Santa.  
Love,  
Brooks Ferguson

Dear Santa & Mrs. Santa,  
I was a pretty good boy this year. For Christmas I would like Stuff Yer Face, G.I. Joe, a speeder bike and some gum.  
Be careful when you're traveling and Merry Christmas.  
Love,  
Greg (Evans)  
P.S. I am 3 years old.

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"A poet can survive anything but a misprint."  
Oscar Wilde

**NOTICE**  
**HUNTERS & TRAPPERS**  
Fur Buyer will be in Winters every **FRIDAY in December & January at Town & Country from 1:15 p.m. to 1:45 p.m. H & H Fur Company 817-559-5720**

*Especially Christmas*

**GIRL'S SOX**  
Ass't Colors  
Sizes 6 1/2 - 8 1/2  
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3 Pairs \$2.98

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One size fits all.  
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Values to \$49.95  
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Heavy Vinyl  
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All colors as well as red or black  
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**JUST FOR HER!**  
Warm Velour **ROBES**  
that are high style.  
In a big selection of colors and styles.  
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**Ladies' Gowns and Pajamas**  
of fine brushed fleece in colors for Christmas  
\$12.95

**Women's Warm Slippers**  
for Christmas  
Select one to go with her robe or let us match you a set.  
\$7.95 to \$12.95

**Gift Wrapping**

**CHRISTMAS GIFTS**  
Fri. Dec. 16 & Sat. Dec. 17  
9 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
Sunday Dec. 18 — 9 to 2

TOP LINE: Handmade gift items — Blizzard Pillows, Dolls, Barbie clothes, baby quilts, stockings, and much more!

**Bobbie Alexander**  
915-854-1382 or 854-1725  
1-20 E. of Clyde. Take Union Hill exit to south access rd. 1/2 mile E. of Union Hill rd. on access (faces 1-20) Tan brick w/flag pole in front.

**The Directors & Wives of the Peoples National Bank**

invite you to **OPEN HOUSE**

Honoring **Miss Estella Bredemeyer**  
Serving the Big Country with **40 years Banking Experience**

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**158 N. Main**

### Services for D. Hathaway

Drury Hathaway, 78, a lifetime resident of Ballinger, died on December 6, 1983, at 4:25 a.m. at the Ballinger Memorial Hospital.

Services were held Wednesday, December 7, 1983, at 2:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church. Burial was at the Garden of Memories with Dr. Glen Willingham officiating.

Born on July 7, 1905, in Ballinger, he was the son of Sterling P. Hathaway and Preston Patteson Hathaway. He married Aline Barber on November 27, 1935, in Ballinger. He was past mayor of Ballinger, former member of the Board of Trustees of Howard Payne University, a member of Presidents Club of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, an attorney for the Ballinger Independent School District, a member of the Board of Trustees of the Baptist Memorial Geriatrics Hospital, a member of the Board of Directors of the First National Bank, past chairman of the Runnels County Appraisal Board, a member of the Ballinger Rotary Club, and a member of many Texas Baptist Executive Boards.

He was a member and a deacon of the First Baptist Church, the Ballinger Masonic Lodge, a Charter Member of the Suez Shrine Temple and the Dallas Scottish Rite.

He is survived by his wife.

Pallbearers were Lynn Williams, Jerry Willingham, O.L. Parrish, Jr., Billy C. Sykes, Alvin Holbrook, and Earl Barr.

Honorary pallbearers were the Directors of the First National Bank, the Directors of the Runnels County Appraisal and Clayton Brazelton, and the Deacons of the First Baptist Church.

### Rites held for Oscar Swanner

Funeral services for Oscar Lee Swanner, 70, 1718 S. Sneed, are scheduled for 2 p.m. Tuesday in the Lloyd James Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Ronnie Burke and William "Dub" Goolsby officiating.

Burial will be at the Cathedral in the Pines Cemetery.

Mr. Swanner died Monday morning in a Tyler hospital after a lengthy illness.

He was born Feb. 28, 1914, in Wood County and had lived in Tayler since 1953. He was the distributor for Cities Service Oil Co. for 15 years. He was also the owner of Central Warehouse Distributors Inc. and of the Dixie Automotive Supply Co. He was a member of

### Services held for Doug Black

BALLINGER - Doug Black, 62, of Ballinger, died at 11:38 a.m. Sunday at Ballinger Memorial Hospital after a brief illness. Services were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday at the First Christian Church.

The Reverend Winford Gore, pastor, officiated. Burial followed at the Garden of Memories Cemetery, under the direction of Rains-Seale Funeral Home.

Born September 1, 1921, in Ballinger, Black was a member, deacon and member of the board of directors of First Christian Church and a member of the Men's Fellowship of the church. He had been assistant manager of Black's retail store for 14 years. He had also served his country in the Coast Guard during World War II.

He was preceded in death by his father, Ross M. Black, Sr., December 26, 1970.

Survivors include his wife, Jeane; two daughters, Charlene Gregerson, Ballinger, and Kathi Moore, Fort Worth; his mother, Mr. Ross (Lola) Black, Ballinger; four brothers, Ross, Jr., Gerald, and Bob, all of Ballinger, and Jim of Winters; and six grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Bill Tatum, Dub Robinson, Don Gore, Ray McKnight, Claude Gentry, and Harvey McCoy.

He was a member of the First Methodist Church, the Doss Bible Class, and the Farm Bureau. He married Aline Bridwell on December 14, 1983, in Coleman.

Survivors include his wife; a daughter, Bonnie Swann of Austin; four grandchildren; two sisters, Bessie Buchanan of Tuscola, and Doris Bradshaw of Gorman; three brothers, Bruce of Tuscola, Bob of Abilene, and Vernon of Fort Worth. One son, James Donald, preceded him in death.

Pallbearers were Clovis Smith, Elwood Brown, Dale Duggan, Frankie Berryman, and Johnnie Wilson.

### Orville Pearce services held

James Orville Pearce, 74, of Ballinger, died on December 7, 1983, at 2:15 a.m., in the Ballinger Memorial Hospital.

Services were held on Thursday, December 8, 1983, at 4:00 p.m. in the Rains-Seale Chapel. Burial was in the Bradshaw Cemetery with Robert Cavanaugh officiating.

Born December 7, 1909, in Belton, he was the son of James Yancy Pearce and Mary Ethel Bruce Pearce. He was a welder at the Houston ship yard during WWII, a bus driver for the Talpa Centennial and Winters schools, and a farmer in the Crews community until 1968. He moved to Ballinger and worked at the Runnels County Court House until retirement. He was a member of the First Methodist Church, the Doss Bible Class, and the Farm Bureau. He married Aline Bridwell on December 14, 1983, in Coleman.

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 Comiller Jean  
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 none  
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 Cheryl Merriott and baby boy  
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**December 12**  
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If the employer pays the bonus or award at a future time, it is not taxable until it is received by the employee, the IRS says.

If an employer distributes holiday remembrances such as turkeys, hams, or other items of nominal worth, the value of these gifts is not taxable. However, if cash, gift certificates or similar items that may be easily exchanged for cash are given, the value of the gifts is taxable.

Further information is detailed in Publication 525, "Taxable and Nontaxable Income." It can be obtained free by calling the IRS Tax Forms/Information number listed in the telephone directory under U.S. Government.

**Tax payment due soon**  
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The IRS notes that there is an exception to this rule for the final installment for those taxpayers who file their returns and pay all taxes due by February 1, 1984. This exception applies whether the declaration is an original or amended one.

Generally, taxpayers

### New Year's Eve Dance planned

Plans are now being made for the annual New Year's Eve Dance to be held Saturday, December 31, 1983 from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Winters Community Center. This year the dance is being sponsored by the Winters Fire Department Auxiliary. Music will be provided by the Gold Rush Band of Winters. Everyone is urged to mark this date on the calendar and attend the dance.

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The first English dukedom was created when King Edward III gave his son, the Black Prince, the title of Duke of Cornwall—a title retained today by Prince Charles.

**FOODS FROM ITALY**  
 Enrich Your Diet With Mediterranean Cuisine

The typical Mediterranean diet is simple, healthy and appetizing. Even better, its components lend themselves to the preparation of low cost, nutritionally balanced, tempting one-dish meals.

This diet is high in cereal intake (pasta, bread and pizza) plus fresh fruits and vegetables, legumes, dairy products, fish and olive oil.

Recent studies worldwide found that this diet most closely approximates the dietary guidelines established in 1977 by the U.S. Senate Select Committee on Nutrition and Human Needs. These dietary goals have now been widely reconfirmed and endorsed by the international scientific community.

Below is a recipe for a typical Mediterranean one-dish meal—Pasta Primavera—that combines the basics of the guidelines—cereal products, vegetables, dairy products and oils.

**PASTA PRIMAVERA**  
 1 (8 oz.) package pasta  
 1/4 cup light olive oil  
 1 medium onion, finely chopped (1/2 cup)  
 2 cloves garlic, minced  
 3 small zucchini, thinly sliced  
 2 medium tomatoes, peeled and diced, or 1 cup drained, canned tomatoes, chopped  
 1/2 cup chicken broth  
 4 to 6 olives, pits removed, sliced  
 salt and black pepper to taste  
 1/2 cup heavy cream  
 2 tablespoons grated Parmesan cheese, if desired

**Civil suit blocks Florida regulation**  
 The U.S. Justice Department filed a civil suit seeking to block Florida from enforcing a new regulation restricting the operation of tandem trucks from segments of interstate highway in major urban areas in the state from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. except weekends and holidays.

The suit also urges the federal court in Tallahassee to strike down a new Florida law giving the state authority to restrict the use of tandem trucks on limited-access roads other than interstate highways. The Justice Department claims that the Surface Transportation Act of 1982 gives only the U.S. Secretary of Transportation the authority over the trucking issued involved.

The U.S. previously sued Connecticut and won a preliminary injunction preventing the state from enforcing its ban on tandem trucks.

### I think I finally found something she'll wear,

and have a Merry Christmas

Bahlman Jewelers

"Pick a Phone, Any Phone?"

Just because a phone will plug into your wall jack, it doesn't mean that it will work.

Why? Well, for instance, let's look at a phone that will be used on a party-line. Since customers share a common line to the telephone company switching office, each

Even if you have a 'Private Line', you still may have problems. Single-line customers may also have special dialing or ringing requirements that are not apparent. So, they purchase a new phone and sadly discover that it won't work. This is especially true for customers who may be

Trading in your dial phone could be asking for trouble. The joy of owning your very own 'Touch Tone' phone could turn into tragedy if your phone line is designated for a dial or pulse phone. A pushbutton 'pulse' phone will work on most lines, since it also duplicates the signal of a regular dial phone. However, a

'Touch Tone' phone emits a 'beeping' tone that requires special equipment to recognize the signal. Some dial phones, even if you have Touch Call Service, are not compatible under certain circumstances.

So, if you decide to buy a new telephone, take the time to stop by your neighborhood GTE Phone Mart and see if your particular line has any special limitations. It could possibly save you a lot of frustration and money.

General Telephone GTE

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Plans are now being made for the annual New Year's Eve Dance to be held Saturday, December 31, 1983 from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Winters Community Center. This year the dance is being sponsored by the Winters Fire Department Auxiliary. Music will be provided by the Gold Rush Band of Winters. Everyone is urged to mark this date on the calendar and attend the dance.

Doug Black, 62, of Ballinger, died at 11:38 a.m. Sunday at Ballinger Memorial Hospital after a brief illness. Services were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday at the First Christian Church.

The first English dukedom was created when King Edward III gave his son, the Black Prince, the title of Duke of Cornwall—a title retained today by Prince Charles.

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The typical Mediterranean diet is simple, healthy and appetizing. Even better, its components lend themselves to the preparation of low cost, nutritionally balanced, tempting one-dish meals.

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Below is a recipe for a typical Mediterranean one-dish meal—Pasta Primavera—that combines the basics of the guidelines—cereal products, vegetables, dairy products and oils.

**PASTA PRIMAVERA**  
 1 (8 oz.) package pasta  
 1/4 cup light olive oil  
 1 medium onion, finely chopped (1/2 cup)  
 2 cloves garlic, minced  
 3 small zucchini, thinly sliced  
 2 medium tomatoes, peeled and diced, or 1 cup drained, canned tomatoes, chopped  
 1/2 cup chicken broth  
 4 to 6 olives, pits removed, sliced  
 salt and black pepper to taste  
 1/2 cup heavy cream  
 2 tablespoons grated Parmesan cheese, if desired

**Civil suit blocks Florida regulation**  
 The U.S. Justice Department filed a civil suit seeking to block Florida from enforcing a new regulation restricting the operation of tandem trucks from segments of interstate highway in major urban areas in the state from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. except weekends and holidays.

The suit also urges the federal court in Tallahassee to strike down a new Florida law giving the state authority to restrict the use of tandem trucks on limited-access roads other than interstate highways. The Justice Department claims that the Surface Transportation Act of 1982 gives only the U.S. Secretary of Transportation the authority over the trucking issued involved.

The U.S. previously sued Connecticut and won a preliminary injunction preventing the state from enforcing its ban on tandem trucks.

### I think I finally found something she'll wear,

and have a Merry Christmas

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"Pick a Phone, Any Phone?"

Just because a phone will plug into your wall jack, it doesn't mean that it will work.

Why? Well, for instance, let's look at a phone that will be used on a party-line. Since customers share a common line to the telephone company switching office, each

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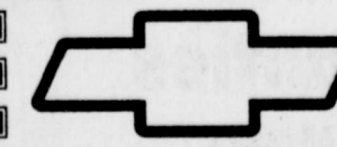
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 Single-line customers may also have special dialing or ringing requirements that are not apparent. So, they purchase a new phone and sadly discover that it won't work. This is especially true for customers who may be considering a cordless telephone or even a universal dialing telephone, a clock radio that offers telephone access capability or any other special telephone service.

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By Hilda Kurtz

### Crews

Today is the tomorrow you worried about yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Jacob were in San Antonio on Tuesday and Wednesday.

On Sunday the 18th after morning services at the Hopewell Church, a Christmas dinner will be served to members, visitors, and friends. They will gather in the home of Brother and Mrs. Jim Shipman, 616 East Truett Street, Winters. Following the dinner, there will be evening services at their home. No night services will be held at the church that night.

A surprising birthday supper in the N.L. Faubion home Saturday night honored Bernie Faubion on her 31st birthday. Those who came were Linda and Dale Duggan, Nila and Therin Osborne, Melvina and Marvin Gerhart and sons, the Mike Prater family, San Angelo, and Rodney Faubion.

Brother and Mrs. Charles Mitchell, Glen Cove, came by to see the N.L. Faubions Sunday afternoon.

Saturday, December 10th, Mr. and Mrs. Cal Thompson and Mildred May honored their parents, Mr. and Mrs. John May of Coleman on their 70th wedding anniversary with a catered luncheon in Brownwood. Thirty-five relatives attended. Many more anniversaries are wished for the honored couple. John is 91 and Myrtle is 87.

Happy birthday, Bernie, and many more. Those attending a covered dish birthday dinner in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hoppe, honoring Bill on his birthday were: Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Hoppe, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Spill and Nancy, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Spill, Dawn and Brent Bryan, Jeanene and Spud Laird, Lena Spill and two grandchildren, Thelma Hoppe, Dan, Francine, and J'Dan Miller. Happy birthday, Bill.

Jimmy Chapman, Winters, was a dinner guest Sunday in the Hazel Dietz home.

Our deepest sympathy goes to the Orville Pierce family due to the death of Orville. Some who attended his services from here were: Coleman Foreman, Effie Dietz, Corra Petrie, Hazel Mae Bragg, Linda Duggan and her children, Becky Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Enoch Johnson and John. Mr. Pierce at one time farmed out here.

Richard and Brenda Chamblis and girls, Hawley, spent Saturday with Pat and Earl Cooper. Arnold Norman came Thursday from Sonora. Miss Clara McKissack and her sister Marie Wood of Fort Worth came on Friday to see Mrs. Effie Dietz. Blaine and Zane Barnes and Clarence Hambright came during the week.

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The meeting was opened

with Mrs. Lucille Tierce giving the devotional; How different countries celebrate Christmas.

David Spiegel, with his wife, Jerry at the piano, sang three beautiful songs; "Sweet Little Jesus Boy," "I Wonder as I Wander under the Sky" and "Oh Holy Night." Then a lovely candle lighting service.

"Because Jesus came, we have Joy, Peace, Salvation, Christian Homes and Christian Churches." Myra Darsett said the closing prayer. Gifts were exchanged from a beautifully lighted tree. Everybody having a wonderful time. Benediction was said in unison. A delicious meal was enjoyed by Inez Mills, Marguerite Russell, Lucille Virden, Billie Whitlow, Vivean Foster, Marian Blackman, Jo Olive Hancock, Pinkie Irvin, Opal Hamilton, Hortelle McCaughan, Lucille Tierce, Nina Bedford, Margaret Favor, Ethel Mae Clark, Jimmie Davis, Myra Dorsett, Myrtle Duncan, Lorene Moreland and Guest, Mrs. Aviel and Spiegel and Mr. Bud Davis.

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Gordon Brookshier returned home from St. John's Hospital on Wednesday. He wished to thank everyone for their cards and visits.

On Friday night visitors in the Gordon Brookshier home were Louise's niece Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hart of Kerrville and her nephew Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Littlefield of San Antonio.

Patsy Hudgins of Forsan visited Orby and Thelma Sikes this weekend. LSkipper, Shorty went to Houston over the weekend to visit their children and grandchildren and doctors check up for him.

Weldon, Lajuan Joyce of Fort Stockton visited Ray, Alma Norris this weekend. Debbie Priddy, Julie, Matt and Mrs. Roy Routh of Ballinger spent Tuesday and Wednesday in Mullin with her grandmother.

Harold Warren of Dallas recently spent this weekend with Mrs. Ollie Warren. The election on Saturday stirred up a lot of interest. A lot of people voted the results was 177 voted against the bond, and 94 for it. This was the vote at both schools Centennial and Talpa boxes.

Ralpheve Davis and I were in Abilene Tuesday

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Dennis of Buchanan Dam visited over the weekend with Mae, Mickey Horton. Mr. and Mrs. Gene Evans of Columbus visited the Steve Evans, Everett Evans from Saturday until Wednesday.

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### Eastern Star meeting

Winters Chapter No. 80 order of the Eastern Star will meet Monday evening Dec. 19th at 7:30 for a stated meeting in the Masonic Lodge Hall on West Dale St.

The Worthy Matron's report on the Grand Chapter will be given. An exchange of Christmas gifts and refreshments will be enjoyed in the dining room following the meeting.

The Immanuel Baptist Church will have their Christmas program next Sunday night the 18th of Dec. It will follow a six o'clock pot luck supper. On Christmas day the Immanuel Baptist Church will have their morning church service at eight thirty. There will be a 30 minute service with no Sunday School that day. The night service will be dismissed.

Dayton Earl McClare went to Muleshoe pheasant hunting over the weekend. Christi McClare stayed with Mrs. Kelsey and her daughter while her daddy was gone.

Julian "Mickey" Horton retired from 31 years of teaching at Sabial, moved to Talpa this summer to his mother's Mrs. Mae Horton's. He has built a new home near her. It is a very pretty Swiss Chalet, Gambrel Roof home. He has two ground floor rooms for a photography business. It is named "World of Color" photography. He develops pictures in one room. We welcome him to our small community.

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### Friendly Ladies party

The Friendly Ladies Sunday School Class of the United Methodist Church had a nice Christmas party Dec. 10th in the Fellowship Hall. Program started by singing a number of Christmas songs led by Onita Williams. Cora Petrie led the prayer. The group then ate all kinds of Christmas goodies furnished by the hostess. After all had their fill of goodies, Margaret Bell introduced Bill Middlebrooks. She gave a beautiful story about "Mary, Mother of Jesus."

Hazel Mae Bragg led the installation of new officers for the coming year. It was now time for the xmas tree. All enjoyed opening our gift.

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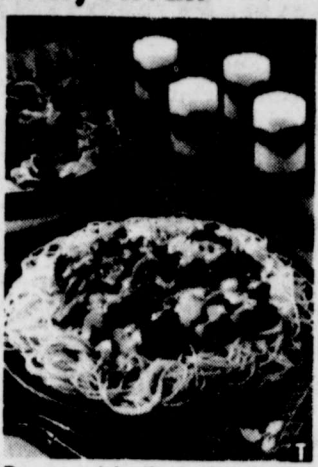
### Holiday Season Hassle-Free Meal Can Be A Family Affair

Amidst the shopping, wrapping, caroling and visiting, time for family meals is at a premium. During the hectic holiday season, cooks welcome good-tasting and easy-to-fix dishes.

Pasta with Broccoli Sauce is a timely new way to serve spaghetti. Shredded Cheddar cheese and condensed cream of chicken soup are the base for a sauce that includes broccoli flowerets, sliced carrots and chopped parsley. Lemon juice and garlic heighten the flavor of a sauce that looks garden fresh served over cooked spaghetti. Eat and be merry!

Pasta with Broccoli Sauce when served with a tossed salad, crusty bread and a dessert of cherry vanilla parfaits is a tasty way to take a break from the hectic holiday pace.

1/2 teaspoon lemon juice  
Cooked spaghetti  
1. In 1 1/2-quart saucepan over medium heat, in hot butter, cook garlic 2 to 3 minutes.  
2. Add remaining ingredients except spaghetti. Heat, stirring occasionally. Serve over spaghetti. Makes 5 cups or 4 servings.



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## Causes of the Holiday 'Bah-Humbugs'

You feel like Scrooge. Everyone around you is rushing about, laughing and smiling, actually enjoying the holiday spirit. But even though you can't put your finger on it, you know December is proceeding with more drudgery than excitement.

It could be you are suffering from the holiday "hum-bugs," a feeling of depression and emptiness, which is surprisingly common this time of year.

Bill Fraser, program manager of the Hendrick Medical Center StressCenter and a holiday "blues" expert, says the causes of holiday blues are as numerous as the people who experience it.

"For many, the reasons are obvious. Death, divorce, or simply being away from the ones you love at Christmas can be

painful," Fraser says. "Christmas magnifies our loneliness."

There are physical causes for depression too. "There is more drinking during the holidays," he says, which lowers resistance to crisis situations. There are more pills taken. Diets are cast to the wind. And sleeping patterns are totally disrupted.

But, says Fraser, the most overwhelming cause of holiday blues are our own expectations. "We all try to do too much, to please too many people, and make everything perfect."

"We spend more on gifts than we can afford. We go to too many obligatory parties. We try to cook, decorate and buy presents that we know will please our loved ones. Then, when

the pressure to be all things to all people becomes too much, we become depressed, resentful, frustrated and terribly disappointed with ourselves and others."

Women most often fall prey to the holiday blues reports Fraser. "Even though women have earned equality, many still feel it's their job to make sure everyone is happy, that the house is decorated and that the meal is gourmet."

There are ways to lift yourself from the Christmas doldrums, says Fraser. "We need to learn to say 'no.' Let someone else trim the tree, hang the decorations, write the Christmas cards, help with the shopping and gift wrapping. Allow time for yourself—whether it means going out to lunch with friends or spending all day at the health spa."

The staff of the Hendrick Medical Center StressCenter have found the following suggestions helpful in making the holiday's more enjoyable:

-Do something special for someone else, someone you don't even know, like visiting an older person at a nursing home.

-If you are of a religious nature, be sure to allow time to attend church services and activities.

-Call a friend you haven't talked to in a long time.

-Work off stress. Physical activities like tennis, running or walking provide an outlet for mental stress.

-Realize that the most expensive gift is not necessarily the one most appreciated by the recipient.

-Take one day at a time. Rome wasn't built in a day and neither are Christmas traditions. Tackle the most urgent jobs first and set the others aside for another time.

"Most importantly, Fraser says, "Don't even attempt to live up to other people's expectations of you. Set your own priorities."

"Loss of appetite and difficulty in sleeping are two early signs of unresolved stress. Be aware of those signs and do something about it."

If these stress signs persist after the holidays, seek professional help. It may be the best gift you can give yourself and your family.

The gardenia was named after a Scottish naturalist, Alexander Garden.

Many years ago, the U.S. Mint accidentally printed on a run of its gold coins: "In Gold We Trust."



By Dr. George Purvis  
VP-Nutrition Sciences  
Gerber Products Company

Q. How can I be sure my infant is getting enough iron?

A. It's good that you recognize the importance of iron as a nutrient in your baby's diet. The body uses iron in forming hemoglobin, which carries oxygen in the bloodstream to all body tissues. Iron is needed throughout life, but the need is strongest during times of rapid growth, such as the first years of life.

Most babies are born with stores of iron received from the mother that usually are sufficient for the first months after birth. By three or four months of age, though, these iron reserves begin to diminish, and additional iron is needed. Premature infants need supplemental iron even earlier; supplementation should begin no later than two months of age.

For breast-fed babies, the best source of additional iron is iron-fortified infant cereal. Infant cereals are designed to be easily digested, and provide a form of iron that is readily absorbed by babies. For formula-fed infants, parents should select a type of prepared formula that is iron-fortified. Iron-fortified infant cereals may be used as well.

For both breast-fed and formula-fed babies, two portions of iron-fortified, dry infant cereal per day, of about two or three tablespoons each, provide a sufficient amount of iron to meet growth needs. Cereal may be mixed with a variety of liquids—mother's milk, formula, fruit juice or water. Mixing the cereal with Vitamin C-fortified infant fruit juice is a particularly good idea, as the Vitamin C in the juice aids in iron absorption.

To help ensure your baby receives adequate iron in those crucial first years of life, iron-fortified infant cereals should remain on baby's menu through at least age two. Also, as your baby grows and is introduced to other foods, be sure to include iron-rich baby foods such as egg yolks, meats and vegetables.

## Potential New Drug

By Robert L. Haney  
TAES Science Writer

Human beta interferon—known in the medical profession to have anti-tumor, antiviral, and antiproliferative properties—is being produced in unusually large amounts by insect cells in the laboratory, through a new method developed by scientists at Texas A&M University.

Investigators in the Department of Entomology, Drs. Max D. Summers and Gale E. Smith, recently reported on the development of a baculovirus expression vector that can be used for the production of medically important products from cloned genes.

In simplest terms, these scientists have genetically altered a virus that ordinarily produces a disease in insect cells, so that it now causes the insect cells to manufacture human beta interferon. Beta interferon is a part of the disease-defense mechanism of the human body.

This research, supported by the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station and the National Institutes of Health, is expected to have widespread application in both agriculture and medicine. The same technique of genetic engineering developed by these scientists should work in producing a number of highly desired medically important products, insecticides, and other proteins from cloned genes.

One potential use of the human beta interferon, manufactured by such a method, would be in treatment of cancer. Thanks to the cloned gene, genetically redesigned

by the TAES scientists, the virus has been reprogrammed to produce interferon in the insect cells and in far more copious quantities than do human cells.

Other scientists have produced interferon in animal cells and yeast, but in far lesser amounts; interferon inhibits the replication of vertebrate viruses in vertebrate cells and therefore inhibits the production of interferon. The replication of baculoviruses is not inhibited by interferon.

The insect cells found to work best were from the ovaries of the fall armyworm. The interferon has only

been produced experimentally in the university laboratory, Summers cautions, and has not yet been used on human patients. Such testing will come next while plans and methods are developed for its commercial production by industry.

For those of you who need the details of this scientific achievement, Summers explained, "Using recombinant DNA techniques, the sequences for human beta interferon were cloned into bacterial plasmids, and linked to the promoter from a baculovirus gene called polyhedrin. The promoter is that part which turns on or off and regulates the expression of a gene."

Polyhedrin is a protein produced by baculoviruses and is probably the most highly expressed animal virus protein known. The coding sequences for interferon were directly linked to the polyhedrin promoter to construct a hybrid gene consisting of a baculovirus polyhedrin promoter-interferon gene coding sequences.

The hybrid gene was transferred to the infectious baculovirus DNA of *Autographa californica* by substituting the hybrid gene for the natural polyhedrin gene, thus producing a recombinant baculovirus.

"In cells infected with recombinant virus, biologically active interferon was produced at unusually high levels, some of the interferon is glycosylated, and more than 95% of the interferon was secreted into the culture medium."

"Baculoviruses are insect pathogenic viruses with large

circular DNA genomes," Summers said. "The host range for the virus used in this study is limited to a few species of Lepidopteran insects and cultured insect cells."

"Historically, the most attention for these viruses has been given for their development in agriculture as viral pesticides for insect pests affecting agricultural crops and human health."

"As mentioned earlier, human beta interferon is known to have antiviral, antiproliferative, and anti-tumor properties, and should prove important in a variety of medical applications. The B-interferon gene has been expressed in *Escherichia coli* cells by fusing interferon protein-coding sequences to a bacterial promoter on plasmids or lambda phage vectors."

"The interferon has also been produced by recombinant DNA in non-human cells (bacteria and yeast) under the control of its own or other genetic regulatory signals."

"An average of 5 x 10<sup>6</sup> units of interferon per ml of insect-cell-culture medium was obtained after infection of insect cells with the recombinant *Autographa californica* baculovirus containing the insect baculovirus-interferon hybrid gene."

"This is the highest level of expression reported for B-interferon, using any eucaryotic expression vector and as high as the best that has been reported for prokaryotic vector systems."

"Furthermore, preliminary data suggests that the interferon protein is glycosylated and that during secretion, the

signal peptide was removed, thus showing that post-translational processing of this foreign gene product occurs in insect cells.

"The development of efficient cloning and expression vector-host systems is a highly competitive area in vertebrate virology and recombinant DNA research."

"As a result of the preliminary research by the Texas A&M and Agricultural Experiment Station scientists, modified baculovirus genomes or selected baculovirus genes such as the polyhedrin gene, show exceptional promise as new vectors for the cloning and expression of foreign DNA sequences in cultured insect cells."

"This is because certain baculoviruses replicate efficiently in insect cells and contain certain non-essential genes that are highly expressed, such as the polyhedrin gene."

"The baculovirus expression vector system offers good potential as a new and safe invertebrate system to complement those developed with bacteria, yeast, and vertebrate expression vectors, and has potential applications for recombinant DNA technology and genetic engineering in the areas of public health and agriculture," Summers concluded.



The common cold is most communicable two days before to two days after symptoms appear.

**BAILEYS CHRISTMAS ANGEL**  
1 fully-baked angel cake  
1/2 to 2/3 cup Baileys Irish Cream  
3 cups heavy whipping cream

1/2 cup confectioners sugar  
2 teaspoons vanilla  
Sliced toasted almonds

Slice top off cake horizontally about 1-1/4" down. Remove inside of cake, leaving wall 1" thick. Whip the cream until stiff. Blend in vanilla, sugar and then slowly mix in the Baileys. Fill cake with two-thirds of the cream mixture. Set top in place and frost with remaining cream mixture. Sprinkle toasted almonds on top. Freeze until firm. If storing cake in freezer, freeze first and then wrap tightly in moisture-proof wrapping.

**BAILEYS CINNAMON SWIZZLE**

1/2 cup hot coffee  
1/4 cup Baileys Irish Cream,  
warmed

Cinnamon stick  
Lemon peel strip  
2 teaspoons superfine sugar  
Place sugar, cinnamon stick and lemon peel in eight-ounce cup or mug. Add coffee and Baileys. Serve immediately.

These recipes are from chef Carol Brownson, who suggests that a great twist for traditional eggnogs is using 2 teaspoons of Baileys Irish Cream.



## SHERIFF'S SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF RUNNELS  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That by virtue of a certain Writ of Execution issued out of the Honorable 119 District Court of Runnels County 13th day of October 1983, by Loretta Michalewicz, Clerk of said 119th District Court of Runnels County for the sum of \$3,711.12—Dollars With interest thereon from the 13th day of October 1983, at the rate of 10 percent per annum, and costs of suit, under a Judgement, in favor of Rebel Energy Services, Inc. in a certain cause in said Court, No. 10,006 and styled Rebel Energy Services, Inc. Plaintiff vs. RKP, Inc. Defendant, placed in my hands for service, I, William Baird as Sheriff of Runnels County, Texas, did, on the 12th day of December 1983, levy on certain Real Estate, situated in Runnels County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit: The Assignment of Oil, Gas and Mineral Lease dated March 15, 1982 of record in Volume 530, Page 177, Deed Records of Runnels County, Texas; Covering 100.05 acres of land in Runnels County, Texas, in two surveys, vis: 57.65 acres in the H&TC R.R. Co. Survey No. 337, Abstract No. 309, and 42.4 acres in the GC&SF R.R. Co. Survey No. 1, Abstract No. 615 and levied upon as the property of RKP, Inc. and that on the first Tuesday in January 1984, the same being the 03 day of said month, at the Court House door, of Runnels County, in the City Limits of Ballinger Texas, between the hours of 10 A.M. and 4 P.M., by virtue of said levy and said Writ of Execution I will offer for sale and sell at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, all the right, title and interest of the said RKP, Inc. in and to said property.

And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Winters Enterprise, a newspaper published in Runnels County.

Witness my hand, this 12th day of December 1983.  
William Baird  
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### Senator Lloyd Bentsen Watching Washington



No one claims our country is trouble free. I spend most of my time in the Senate, in fact, wrestling with a host of problems ranging from budget deficits to bilateral trade, from the high cost of medical care to higher education. In spite of all our problems, though, we as Americans have a lot to be thankful for.

This is the season when we pause to reflect on what's right with our country and to give thanks for our many blessings.

In 1621 the Pilgrims of Plymouth Colony faced far more formidable obstacles than we do today. They were grateful for just surviving their bitter first winter on the continent and for harvesting their first corn crop, so they took time out to observe our first Thanksgiving. Three days of feasting were declared, with the neighboring Indians invited to share in the rejoicing.

The custom of setting aside a Thanksgiving Day spread throughout the colonies. It was observed at various times down through the years.

President George Washington proclaimed in 1789 that November 26 would be observed as a day of national Thanksgiving, but observations were sporadic, varying from state-to-state.

In 1863, President Abraham Lincoln declared that the last Thursday of that November would be a national Thanksgiving Day. Each year for the next 75 years succeeding Presidents formally proclaimed the holiday. In 1939, President Franklin Delano Roosevelt moved the observance up by one week.

It wasn't until 1941 that Congress finally took action to set aside the last Thursday in November as a national, legal holiday. It has become a time for families to gather and give thanks, each in its own way, for the good things we as Americans are blessed with.

Even though we are just emerging from one of the bitterest recessions in the history of our country, we should remember, during this season especially, that for nine out of 10 people on this planet, our problems would be their solutions.

Our country remains the biggest, most important, freest market in the world. At a time when half the world goes to bed hungry, the American farmer can feed about 78 people and some of our best-selling books are on how to lose weight.

Here we can live and worship and work as we please. We are committed to peace, but none should ever doubt that we have the will and the means to defend our freedom.

Sometimes we worry about the quality of our educational system—and with cause—but we should also remember that year after year we win more Nobel prizes than all other nations combined.

For the rest of the world, America still shines as the dream of a better, brighter future. We who are privileged to be living that dream have an obligation to preserve and defend it.

This is a time for each of us, in the midst of our problems and worries, to pause and look at the other side of the coin. It is a time to count our blessings and to Give Thanks for them.

ries, extending their contracts from nine to 11 months, and providing more incentives for the brightest students to enter the teaching profession.

Texas' school children cannot wait for better economic times to get a quality education, and teachers cannot meet their challenge in the classroom if they have to moonlight at a second job to make ends meet.

The Texas Education Agency expects more than 4,000 teaching positions will go unfilled this year. When a teacher with a bachelor's degree and 23 years' experience makes the maximum state-appropriated pay scale of \$19,620 per year, it is no wonder that high-paying industries are luring the brightest college graduates away from careers in education, leaving acute shortages of math and science teachers.

A bipartisan Congressional task force reported last month that paying teachers based on merit is worth an experiment but offers no real solution to the problem of attracting more qualified people into the teaching profession.

Teachers' exodus from the classroom is not a problem unique to Texas. Teachers in all but eight states experienced a loss of buying power in the past decade, forcing many to enter different lines of work.

Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching reported this summer that the average amount spent per student increased 182 percent nationwide from 1972 to 1982. Teachers' salaries, as a portion of total school expenditures, dropped from 49 to 37 percent during the same 10-year period.

Polls have shown that the public is willing to accept some form of tax increase to support improvements in education but objects to paying more for the same programs packaged in fancy new labels.

I am confident the Select Committee on Public Education will recommend a far-reaching package of education reforms—one that will improve state aid to poor school districts, achieve a balanced curriculum, and significantly increase teacher pay. I look forward to signing a bill which recognizes, in tangible dollars and cents, the contributions and dedication of Texas teachers.

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### The Consumer Alert

by Jim Mattox Attorney General

AUSTIN—If you're one of the approximately 41,000 Texans who will buy a mobile home this year, here are some things you should consider when planning for your home:

- Where will you locate the home?
- What kind of foundation do you want?
- How much will it cost?

Our Consumer Protection Division's Housing Section says that mobile and modular homes account for about 30 per cent of the housing market in Texas. Even though mobile homes are extremely popular, especially with first home buyers, many cities restrict the placement of mobile and modular housing to mobile home parks and areas far from other residential areas.

So, you should have a definite location picked out before buying your home. If you are counting on a loan through the FHA or the VA, one of those agencies must approve the location before they will give you a loan.

The federal lenders will be looking at availability of utilities, especially the water and sanitation systems, on any lot you choose.

Remember, if you want a VA or FHA approved loan, the process can take up to 45 days longer than it would to obtain a conventional loan. If you are renting an apartment or house, you will want to consider the length of time it takes to get loan approval before giving notice that you're moving.

Once you have found the location, it is best to put the home on concrete "runners". Depending on the size of the home, the concrete foundation will cost between \$300 and \$800. According to the attorneys

who deal with mobile home warranty and repair problems, a good foundation and proper leveling at the time the home is delivered could eliminate up to 75 per cent of consumers' problems with mobile homes.

If you are unable to put in the concrete runners, a second alternative is installation of crushed stone or caliche runners. Either way, you will need to spend some money on the foundation in order to prevent major problems later. (These include leaks, doors not shutting, and general deterioration of the home because it is not level.)

If you choose to put your home on an established lot, you will not be responsible for the septic system. However, if you just buy or lease some land, you will need to find out how long it will take to put in a septic or other sewer system, as well as the availability of electricity and telephones.

Some consumers have bought homes and placed them in new subdivisions only to learn that electric and phone service would not be available for three months or more.

If you are responsible for installation of a septic tank, the costs will be between \$1,500 and \$3,000, depending on where you live. Other hook-ups also vary in cost with location.

As with any other purchase, you should make sure all promises and guarantees made to you about the home are in writing. When your home is delivered, make sure it is exactly as promised before you sign the acceptance of delivery. If you have any problems we can help you with, please call one of my Consumer Protection Offices in Austin, Dallas, El Paso, Houston, Huntsville, Lubbock, McAllen, or San Antonio. The Attorney General's Office is here to help you.

### TIPS FOR HOMEOWNERS

**Time for Safety Check**  
Changing seasons can signal the time to do all those jobs put off for a "rainy day."

This simple checklist can help you save energy and make your home safer:



- Check your heating system. Have you installed an automatic temperature thermostat?
- Is your furnace area litter-free?
- Are pilot light filters clean?

Some good tools for

these jobs are adjustable wrenches, pliers and screwdrivers, such as those made by Crescent. Important, too, is to make sure the tools you use are in good condition.

This is also the time to take a look at storm doors and windows. Replace and add weatherstripping where needed. Caulk air leaks. Strong, sturdy shears are necessary to cut weatherstripping. Good steel blades, hardened to hold an edge.

are those from Wiss, makers of the "edge of excellence" since 1848.

Check lampcords and wiring. If there's a need for soldering, choose a reliable soldering gun such as a Weller. Before working with connected wiring, remove fuses or switch circuit breakers to "off."

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### Governor Mark White REPORTS

AUSTIN—Texas teachers, who began their classroom careers back in 1973, earned the same \$6,000 starting salary as a state prison guard.

Today, those teachers with a decade's experience on their resumes have learned a bitter economic lesson.

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### Entertaining Ideas

Whip up something special for a company dinner. One way to get a party off to a good start is with some unique hor d'oeuvres before dinner.

- DOWNEAST BACON ROLL-UPS**
- 1 can (3 3/4 oz.) Port Clyde or Holmes fish steaks, drained (any flavor)
  - 3 tablespoons finely chopped green onion
  - 1/4 cup fine fresh bread crumbs
  - 1 pound sliced bacon, cut in halves
  - 1 can (8 oz.) water chestnuts, cut in halves or thirds
  - 1/3 cup soy sauce
  - 1/3 cup sherry

Chop fish steaks and mix with onion and bread crumbs. Spread a slightly rounded teaspoonful on each half slice bacon. Roll around a piece of water chestnut. Secure with wooden pick. Combine soy sauce and sherry. Brush on bacon rolls. Broil 4 to 6 inches from heat three minutes on each side until bacon is crisp. Serve hot.

For more ideas, write to Entertaining, P.O. Box 1769, Portland, ME 04104.

### Message to Washington

#### LUGGAGE LOSS REIMBURSED

**MESSAGE**—In June I traveled from Houston to New York City on business and the airline lost my luggage. This in itself was hard enough to deal with, but the subsequent inefficiency of the airline in reimbursing me for my loss—which was considerable—has been even worse. Could you please run some interference for me on this? I've about had it with the airline. I.V.—Houston

**SENATOR BENTSEN RESPONDS**—Civil Aeronautics Board officials investigated your claim and agree that it was handled poorly. They have made certain that all documents were re-examined and the check reimbursing your losses has been authorized. They also assure me that the airline involved has apologized to you in a separate letter.

#### DISEASED BIRD DESTROYED

**MESSAGE**—My fiancé recently returned from Bolivia excited about the abundance of beautiful and exotic birds in South America, so we decided to buy a parrot. It acted all right at first but began acting listless. When the veterinarian saw the parrot he said it had "exotic Newcastle disease" and must be put to sleep as required by the Department of Agriculture. What is this disease that the vet can't give our parrot some antibiotics, but must kill it? D.K.—Austin

**SENATOR BENTSEN RESPONDS**—I am advised by Department of Agriculture officials that Newcastle disease is highly contagious and, if allowed to spread, could devastate our poultry industry. USDA and poultry industry groups agree on the need to destroy identified carriers. Owners of birds suspected of having Newcastle disease usually have the option of quarantining and testing their birds. Your bird, unfortunately, was already exhibiting clinical evidence of the disease indicating the illness was in an advanced stage. You may, however, qualify for a refund of the cost of your bird since you took it to be treated. Your veterinarian can provide you with the details.

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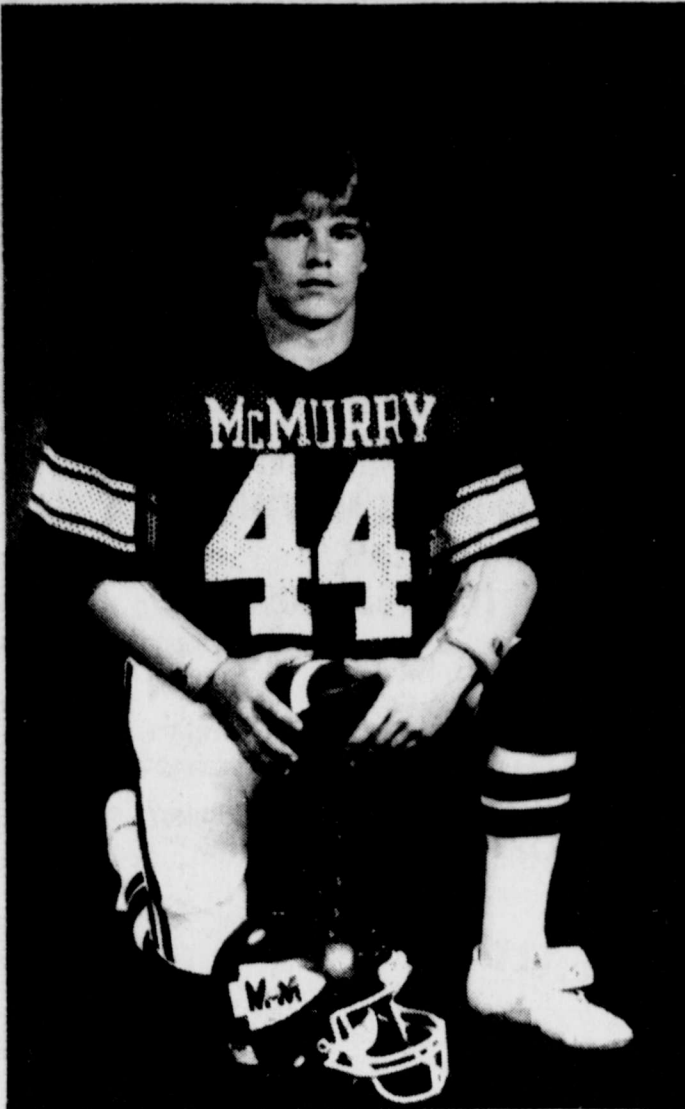
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## Toby Gerhart wins college honors

McMurry College linebacker Toby Gerhart, a native of Winters, couldn't have had a better season for the McMurry Indians. And, though he was disappointed at only finishing as a runner-up in the Texas Intercollegiate Athletic Association's (TIAA's) Defensive Player of the Year voting, he did have some consolation in being named in a unanimous first-team all-conference member and a part of the NAIA District 8 team.

Gerhart, a 6-0, 200-pound junior, led the Indians in tackles this season, averaging 10.5 per game. He was also credited with four quarter-back sacks and seven broken-up passes.

He was one of seven players chosen for the TIAA team from McMurry, which finished 6-3 and won a share of the TIAA league championship.

Gerhart finished behind Sul Ross' safety Frank Fryer for the league's defensive MVP award, but was one of four unanimous choices at linebacker.

Gerhart is not only a standout in the field for the

Indians. His classroom achievements have landed him a nomination for the NAIA Academic All-America Team. He was also named to the TIAA's Academic Team.



## Clarification basin

Council members climbed to the top of the basin which now contains some structural faults and may see limited use in the future.

## Fluoride —

year period, the liquid fluoride will cost about \$2,200 per 4,000 gallons, or \$.55 a gallon. It will be added to the water in the amount of one part per million (ppm), a very small amount but the correct level for the maximum benefit. It will be carefully monitored and checked periodically by the State Health Department.

Most notable among proven benefits of fluoride is a drastic reduction in the number of cavities in children and teens. According to a Texas Department of Health booklet, "Fluoride at optimum level [1 ppm] reduces tooth decay by 65 per cent when children drink it from birth—12 years."

It also "reduces decay by 40-50 per cent when drunk by children 10-16 years of age," the study continued. Some children in fluoridated towns go into adulthood completely cavity-free, about six times more than in non-fluoridated cities. Also, fewer teeth are lost in adulthood.

Consequently, dental bills fall. An administration report to Congress stated, "If most people were drinking fluoridated water regularly, it could save an estimated \$350 million in the cost of restorative dental services."

Another benefit of

fluoride is a reduction in cases of osteoporosis, a bone degenerative disease that causes serious breaks in minor accidents, chiefly in older people.

A North Dakota study proved that residents of high fluoride areas, especially women, had less osteoporosis than others in low fluoride areas. Also, less calcification of the aorta was noted.

Fluorine itself is a natural element in soil, water, and food. Its effect on teeth was discovered by a Colorado dentist, Dr. Frederick S. McKay, who in 1902 noticed dark stains but few cavities in his patients' teeth. The stains were caused by higher levels of fluoride, above 2 ppm.

Quite a few Texas towns have natural fluoride in their water. About 65 per cent of the Texas population already drinks fluoridated water, either natural or controlled.

Studies on the safety and effects of fluoride have been conducted since 1902. All claims that it causes cancer, birth defects, poisoning, mutations, and allergic reactions have been proven false in carefully conducted, scientifically sound experiments performed by reputable organizations both here and in Great Britain.

One interesting study in

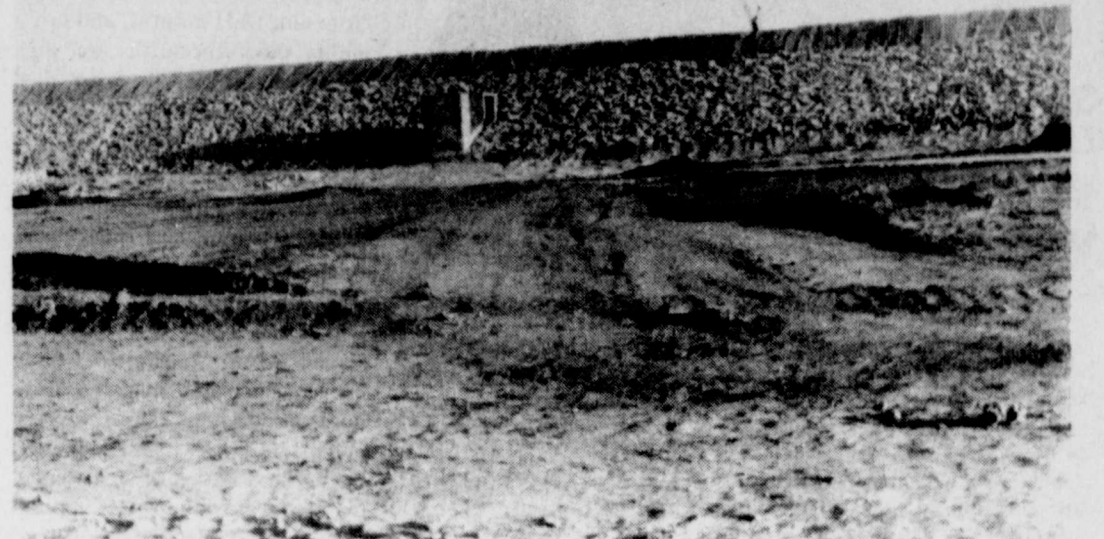
the 1940's involved two cities, Newburgh and Kingston, New York. They were about 35 miles apart, had populations of around 30,000 and were similar in other ways. The water supplies of each town were lacking in fluoride.

Both cities agreed to participate in a study on the effects of fluoride. Newburgh would fluoridate its water to the level of one ppm. Kingston would leave its water as it was.

Over 700 children in each town were studied for 10 years, with extensive regular checkups to watch for side effects of fluoride.

At the end of the study, the Newburgh children had 60 per cent fewer cavities than the Kingston children. No other difference attributable to fluoride was discovered. No side effects were noted. As the Health Department's booklet put it, "There has never been a clinically substantiated case of harm to anyone from drinking optimally fluoridated water."

Because of these facts, many cities are heeding the advice of the Health Department: "For every dollar spent for fluoridation there is an expected savings of \$35 to \$65 in dental health costs."



## Looking up

Work on the new Ballinger Lake is now over 75 per cent completed according to officials.

The new lake will provide an adequate

water supply for the southern part of Runnels County. Both the contractor and Ballinger officials expect the project to be ready to hold water by early January.

## Foreign Dairy Trade

U.S. exports of dairy products for the first six months of 1983 totaled \$122,168,000, compared to \$139,528,000 during the first six months of 1982.

U.S. dairy products imported during the first six months of 1983 totaled \$180,451,000, compared to \$150,463,000 during the first six months of 1982.

"Things not understood are admired." Thomas Fuller



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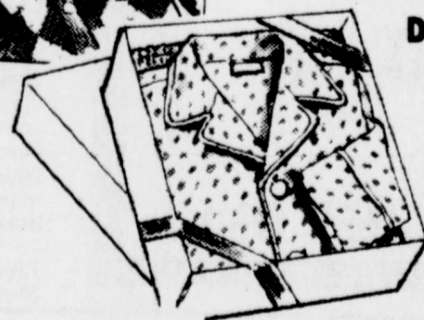
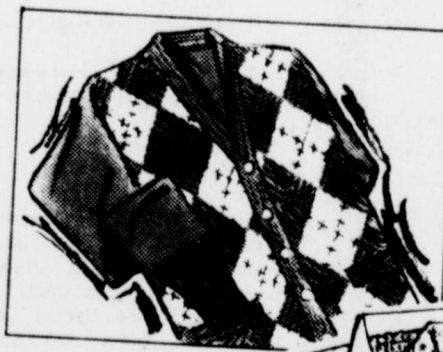
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## WISD Board —

year's playoff brought the school over \$2,000, since more fans from the opposing team went to the game than did this year's opponents.

Bill Colburn spoke to the board on the need for two new members for the Runnels County Appraisal District Board of Review.

action necessitated by the refusal to serve of Pat Pritchard and Jimmy McGuire.

The board voted to buy a new Toro lawn mower from Goldthwaite's of Texas, noting that this particular machine has the mower out in front for cutting under overhangs and fences. Price will be \$4,995.

Property purchased for \$8,000 from Van Whittenburg south of the school may be used for a parking lot, but the board is still undecided.

The school has opened a new money market account and is receiving tax payments more steadily now as the end of the year approaches.

Smith stated that about \$100,000 of disbursements have not been made up with funds taken in. However, this amount will shortly be taken care of by tax money.

The board appointed a textbook committee to recommend books for adoption for the next school year. Among new books to be considered are: English as a second language, English language arts for grades one through eight, marketing and distributive education, algebra, geometry, trigonometry, Latin, French, world history, vocational agriculture, building construction, and metal trades.

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