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PUTTING HISTORY IN PLACE at the Rock Hotel are (left to right) Joe Prather, Cecil Self and Gerry Snuffer, who have been laying the engraved bricks at the entrance to the historic landmark. Approximately 770 bricks were purchased as part of the fundraising project to help with renovation expenses of the Hotel. Project chairman, Randall Conner, said that an Open House and unveiling of the bricks is scheduled for Sunday, August 16, from 2-4 p.m. Details will be forthcoming in *The Winters Enterprise*.

City council studies proposed increases, duplex housing project

For the second time in as many years, taxes, water and sewer rates may be increasing.

Monday evening, members of the Winters City Council discussed during budget workshop a new proposed tax rate increase of \$0.05 per \$100 valuation, an increase in water rates of \$.05 per thousand gallons, and \$1.00 customer service charge for sewer services.

The present tax rate is \$0.6554 per \$100 of market value. The rate set in 1997 was the first increase in four years by the City.

The present water rates per thousand gallons are as follows:
 Inside city limits—\$2.61 (base fee \$6.00)
 Outside city limits—\$3.93 (base fee \$9.00)

Prior to 1997, the last change in water rates occurred in September, 1994, when rates were lowered by 3¢ per thousand gallons.

City Administrator Aref Hassan reported to the Council that the revenue to cover the needed proposed expenses was requiring a 34¢/\$100 appraised value in the General Fund, \$1.00 per customer in the wastewater service, and 16¢/1,000 gallons in water sales. However, he said, he "started cutting, pasting, chopping and lowering the expenses not to go over a 5¢ increase in tax rates and water rates, and \$1.00 per customer sewer rate."

Hassan stated he cut all the new requirements for equipment in addition to cutting expenses in other line items.

Council Joe Gerhart asked what salary increases were in the budget, and Hassan stated that a 2.5 percent cost of living increase and a 2.5 percent increase for merit was included in the proposed budget.

The next regular meeting of the City Council will be August 31 at City Hall at 6 p.m.

Aldermen Tommy Russell and Steve Esquivel voted to have Hassan proceed with the next required steps on the drafted proposed budget. Aldermen Joe Gerhart and Jimmy Butler voted against. Mayor Dawson McGuffin voted for the motion, which broke the tie.

During the budget workshop, Alderman Esquivel questioned why Winters is being asked to pay the same amount for 911 services as Ballinger pays, and why not all
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Blizzard News

Two-a-days to begin

Football practice for varsity and jr. varsity Blizzards will kick off Wednesday, August 5.

Varsity players will practice twice a day — at 8:30 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. Junior varsity will meet only at 8:30 a.m.

Physicals needed prior to practice and games

All 7th graders, freshmen, and first time sports participants who plan to participate in athletics must have a physical.

Physical forms can be picked up at the WISD Administration Office or the field house.

Forms should be turned in to Coach Byrd or Coach Whittenburg.

Booster Club to meet

The Athletic Booster Club will meet Thursday, Aug. 6, at 8 p.m. at Blizzard Stadium.

Officers will be elected and the annual "Meet The Blizzards" Ice Cream Supper will be scheduled.

All members are encouraged to attend. New memberships are always welcomed at a minimal fee of \$5 per family.

Disaster declaration made for Texas

Drought crisis the worst in years

Low interest emergency loans will be available throughout Texas for agriculture producers suffering losses as a result of drought and excessive heat, according to 17th District Congressman Charlie Stenholm. Secretary of Agriculture Dan Glickman designated the entire state of Texas as a disaster area during a press broadcast on July 23.

The Secretary's announcement also means that small businesses and small agricultural cooperatives that have suffered substantial economic injury, resulting from the agricultural production disaster in Texas, may be eligible to participate in the Small Business Administration's (SBA) Economic Injury Disaster Loan Program. This program is designed to help small businesses meet necessary financial obligations that the business could have met if the disaster had not occurred.

"Disaster declarations are usually made county by county, but the situation in Texas is so serious the entire state has been declared a disaster area," said Stenholm. "We have an economic disaster on two levels; many producers are without a crop and, for those who do have a crop, they are receiving a lower price than they have in several years. Both situations are having a devastating impact on rural communities."

Under the disaster designation, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Farm Service Agency (FSA) makes available low-interest emergency loans to eligible farmers who have suffered a loss of 30 percent or more on any single crop. In order to qualify, producers must be creditworthy, unable to obtain credit elsewhere, and have adequate col-

lateral to secure the loan.

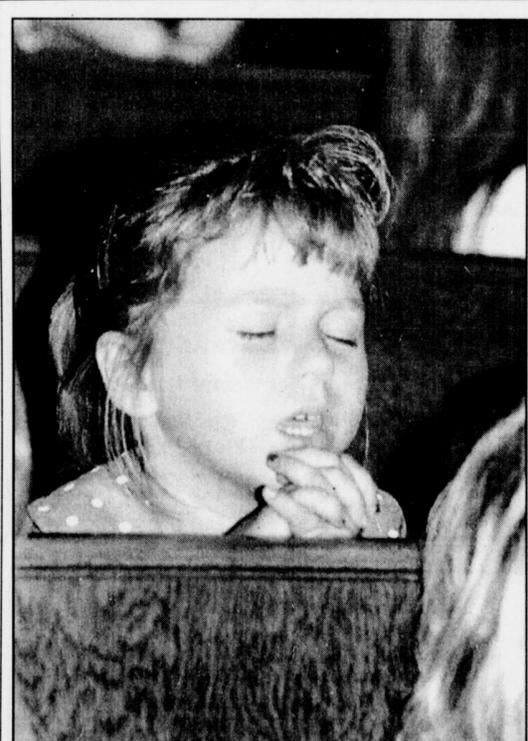
"In addition to his trip to Texas A&M University July 28, Secretary Glickman will be doing a tour of the 17th District in early August in order to assess the impact of the drought," said Stenholm. "Until folks see it first hand, they cannot imagine just how tough the times are for our farmers and ranchers."

The USDA is expecting a large number of requests for assistance under the Noninsured Assistance Program (NAP). This program, which is administered by FSA, provides payments to growers of crops, including forages, damaged by a natural disaster when crop insurance is not available.

"In order to handle the heavy load of NAP requests, FSA has approved a Critical Loss Designation for Texas," advised Stenholm. "This designation allows the agency's county office employees to carry out preliminary inspections to clear pending notices of loss under the program. This should allow for quicker response time."

The FSA also authorized emergency haying and grazing of Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) acreage in counties with significant losses in hay and pasture production. Producers cannot both hay and graze the same CRP land. The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) is providing haying and grazing plans for producers.

Farmers and ranchers can request that the NRCS State Conservationist give them an emergency waiver for Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) cost share contract applications before they are approved
See DISASTER, pg. 2



"THANK YOU, LORD," says 5-year-old Haley Kaczyk as she pauses for prayer time during Vacation Bible School at St. John's Lutheran Church. Approximately 60 children attended the week-long celebration.

Little League to present awards Friday evening

The Winters Little League will hold its end of the season awards ceremony on Friday, July 31, 1998, at 7:00 p.m. at the softball field.

All players, from tee ball to Senior League divisions, will need to be at the field by 6:45 p.m.

Players must bring their uniforms prior to award presentation: **NO EXCEPTIONS.** Coaches should bring their equipment to be turned in to Belinda Schwartz, equipment manager.

If you cannot make the ceremony, please contact your coach after Friday's ceremony to receive your medal.

WHAT'S HAPPENING ?

- July 30-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
- 6-7 p.m., Ladies Swim Night, City Pool
- 6:30 p.m., Game Night, American Legion
- Band Practice Begins
- July 31-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
- 7 p.m., Little League Awards, Softball Field
- Band Practice
- Aug. 3-9 a.m.-4 p.m., WIC, Winters Housing Authority
- 11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
- 7 p.m., Knights of Columbus
- 7:30 p.m., Ballinger Masonic Lodge
- Band Practice
- Ranch Management Course, Texas A&M, College Station
- Aug. 4-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
- Noon, Lions Club, Community Center
- 4 p.m., Friends of the Museum
- 5 p.m., Hale Museum Directors
- 6-7 p.m., Ladies Swim Night, City Pool
- 7 p.m., American Legion
- 7 p.m., WVFD
- Band Practice
- Ranch Management Course, Texas A&M, College Station
- Aug. 5-8:30 a.m., Football Practice Begins
- 11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
- 1 p.m., 12th Grade Schedule Pickup, WHS Auditorium
- 1:30 p.m., 11th Grade Schedule Pickup, WHS Auditorium
- 2 p.m., 10th Grade Schedule Pickup, WHS Auditorium
- 2:30 p.m., 9th Grade Schedule Pickup, WHS Auditorium
- 5:30 p.m., Chamber Directors
- Hearing Services, Biddix's Office
- 4-H Fishing Skills & Outdoor Fun Day, Ballinger City Park
- Band Practice
- Aug. 6-9:30 a.m.-Noon & 1:30-3 p.m., Immunization Clinic, TDH
- 10 a.m., 7th Grade and New Student Orientation, WHS Auditorium
- 11 a.m., 8th Grade Schedule Pickup and New Student Registration, WHS Auditorium
- 11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
- 6:30 p.m., American Legion Game Night
- 7 p.m., Winters Squares, Community Center
- 8 p.m., Athletic Booster Club, Blizzard Stadium
- Band Practice

Oil Bidness

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It's "Oil Patch Basics" time, and, this month, our topic will be 'farm-ins' and 'farm-outs.'

Definitions are a good place to start.

A **farm-in** is the process by which an entity (individual, company, etc.) takes a lease on a property from another party other than the mineral owner.

A **farm-out** is the process by which an entity other than the mineral owner gives a lease on a property. It is the other side of the farm-in. For every farm-in, there must be a farm-out.

For example: suppose Oil Company A has leased 640 acres from Farmer Brown. For one reason or another, Oil Company B wants that lease. If Oil Company A has reason to **farm-out** the lease (either they don't think it is a good prospect or they are short of money or whatever the reason), then Company B **farms-in** the lease after negotiating the terms with Company A.

In any farm-in or farm-out, the mineral owner (the 'farmer' in the above example) is not involved in the transaction. It is purely a business arrangement by which the two oil companies are trading money (or other consideration) for assets (the lease). The mineral owner (except in very rare cases) has given the rights of the lease (for a price) to the Company A. Company A has the right to do whatever good business sense dictates, assuming it does not violate the original lease agreement between mineral owner (farmer) and Company A.

Compensation for farm-ins and farm-outs varies widely, but there are some standard remunerations.

Usually there will be some cash up-front. This is, in theory, to compensate the original Company A for any bonus money it might have paid the mineral owner. In reality, the market value of the lease will determine the cash requirement, and it very likely will have no connection to the original bonus paid.

There is the matter of 'burden' that must be agreed upon. The burden is the amount of any product sales proceeds (oil, gas, etc.) that will not go to the operating company and/or its partners. This burden includes the royalty promised to the mineral owner in the original lease agreement between Company A and the mineral owner. It can also include some compensation to the company farming-out the lease (Company A in our example).

This compensation is usually termed an 'override.' An override is a percentage of the income from the lease, now and in the future, that will be paid to the original leasing company (Company A). The override is exactly like a royalty in that it is only an income interest and it carries no responsibility for the expenses of operating the lease.

A working interest, you may remember, *does* include operating costs as well as a share of the income.

A 'back-in' working interest is sometimes promised to the original leasing company as compensation for the farm-out, in addition to the cash payment and the override or as a substitute for one or the other (it is all negotiable). A back-in working interest is an interest that the original leasing company will get at some point in the future if there is profitable production from the lease.

The amount of the back-in can vary from 5 to 25 percent (more or less in rare cases). It is usually triggered by the payout (point at which all expenses of developing the lease have been recouped by production income). The back-in can occur when there is 100 percent payout or when there is 300 percent payout. Again, it is all negotiable.

The advantages to a back-in for the company farming-out the lease is that it can share in some of the upside of the lease. The farming-in company is still protected by the payout provisions, so this type of arrangement is not all that uncommon. Usually the farming-in company will try to avoid agreeing to such provisions because it obviously leaves more for them.

The farming-in or-out of leases is a healthy outgrowth of profit-driven oil patch development. It allows for leases, stagnant due to the original leaseholder's disinterest, to be developed by someone else with the interest and the money to do it now. This is good for all concerned—mineral owners and oil companies.

HIGHLIGHTS OF AREA DRILLING ACTIVITY

Not Available This Week

DISASTER, continued

by the FSA committee. This waiver will allow specific farmers to start their conservation practices such as livestock water pipelines, irrigation systems, etc. immediately to save crops or livestock, without becoming ineligible for the contract.

"Secretary Glickman has indicated that USDA employees will do everything they can to serve agricultural producers in Texas with speed and effectiveness," noted Stenholm.

Farmers and ranchers who have suffered damages are encouraged to contact their FSA county offices or local USDA Service Centers for further information.

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and Noleta Rice for the use of the main school building.
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Ronny Burns

Card of Thanks

To those who came to my 95th birthday celebration, I will always be grateful. Thanks so much for the beautiful flowers, cards, and gifts. I appreciate my sweet family who planned the party.
In all of my years, I've never enjoyed anything so much. Thanks to everyone who contributed.
With Love,
Stella Moore

Election judges appointed

County Commissioners appointed new election judges for Runnels County at their regular July meeting early this month.

Because of Texas House Bill 331 which became effective September 1, 1997, the appointment procedure had to be changed. The new law requires election judges and alternate judges must be affiliated with different political parties. County Clerk Elea Ocker explained, "The new law requires that the election judge must be affiliated with the party which carried the precinct in the last gubernatorial election. The alternate judge has to be affiliated with the other party."

Appointments made become effective August 1, 1998, and run to July 31, 1999. Following is a listing of Runnels County elec-

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Aug. 3-Aug. 7

Monday, Aug. 3: Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, corn salad, cornbread, and peaches.
Tuesday, Aug. 4: Beef casserole, coleslaw, pinto beans, chips, and cookies.
Wednesday, Aug. 5: Chicken spaghetti, tossed salad, English peas, rolls, and strawberry shortcake.
Thursday, Aug. 6: Ham & gravy, lima beans, beets, cornbread, and muffins.
Friday, Aug. 7: Hamburger, French fries, pea salad, cookies, and ice cream.

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Obituaries

Bill Hoppe

WINTERS—Bill Hoppe, 90, died Sunday, July 26, 1998, at his residence.

He was born December 11, 1907, in Runnels County and lived here all his life. He married Josie Spill on January 11, 1931, at St. John's Lutheran Church in Winters.

Mr. Hoppe was a farmer, stockfarmer, an avid supporter of the West Texas Rehab Center, and a livestock brand inspector for Runnels, Taylor, and Coleman counties for many years. He was a member of Odd Fellows and a lifetime member of St. John's Lutheran Church.

Survivors include his wife, Josie Hoppe of Winters; one daughter, Elaine Miller and husband Dan of Winters; three brothers, Wilkins Hoppe and wife Fay of Ballinger, Calvin Hoppe and wife Mamie of Crews, and Glenn Hoppe and wife Melba of Winters; one sister, Leona Voss of Sweetwater; three grandchildren, Dawn Bryan and husband Brent of Winters, Francine Miller of San Angelo, and J'Dan Miller of Ferryville, Wisconsin; one step-grandson, Carl Miller of Clyde; and two great-grandchildren, Scott and Clint Bryan of Winters.

Family visitation was held at 6:00 p.m. Monday, July 27, at Winters Funeral Home. Services were held at 3:00 p.m. Tuesday, July 28, in the Winters Funeral Home Chapel with Reverend James Hanson officiating. Burial was in Lakeview Cemetery, directed by Winters Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were Carl Miller, Roy Matthews, Bud Henniger, Billy Holland, John Carter, and Charles Ludwick.

Memorials may be made to the donor's favorite charity.

Maurine P. McCuin

CROSS PLAINS—Maurine P. McCuin, 87, died Monday, July 27, 1998, at Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene.

She was born May 22, 1911, in Runnels County, Texas. She married Alvin "Ted" J. McCuin on November 27, 1935, in Winters.

Mrs. McCuin was an insurance salesperson. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Cross Plains and the Eastern Star. She served on the Cross Plains Cemetery Association Board and was a charter member of the Cross Plains Garden Club.

She was preceded in death by her husband on December 27, 1967. Survivors include one son, Jay Frank McCuin of Austin; one daughter, Cynthia Newton of Stephenville; two grandchildren, Angela Barraclough of Euless and Jon Newton of Arlington; three great-grandchildren, Brandon Barraclough, Allison Newton, and Paige Burk.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, July 30, at Higginbotham Chapel in Cross Plains with Joe Coppiner officiating. Burial will be in Cross Plains Cemetery to be directed by Higginbotham Funeral Home.

WHS Band practices scheduled

Winters Band Director Darrington White announces the following schedule for band practices prior to the beginning of the 1998-1999 school year:

JULY 30-31 & AUGUST 3-7

7:00 a.m. to 8:30 a.m.

Full band outside for marching fundamentals

8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.

Section rehearsals for all flutes, clarinets, alto saxophones, trumpets, and French horns

10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Section rehearsal for all bass clarinets, tenor saxophones, baritone saxophones, trombones, baritone, tubas, and percussion

1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Full band indoors for music rehearsal.



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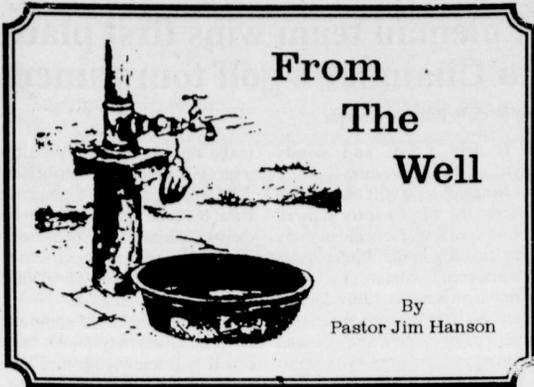
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From The Well

By Pastor Jim Hanson



Pastor Jim Hanson

July 21 we started Vacation Bible School at St. John's. It's a good thing to do, and I suppose I've participated in V.B.S. for at least 60 of my 68 years. Of course, in the early days, we didn't have "overhead projectors," videos, and audios, and all the technology of today. But then, as now, we had faithful dedicated teachers, Kool-aid and cookies, and most important, the Bible. For sure Bible School taught me the Bible, and that I can rely on God's Holy Word. There were parts of the Bible then that seemed somewhat "far out" for me...and for others. But, even in this scientific age, and age of information and technology, the Bible keeps coming up as being reliable and true. Like the story I read that originally appeared in the Spencer, Indiana *Evening Star*. It's a piece about how one of those "far out" stories in the Old Testament, actually two of them, helped our space program solve a problem. The stories are found in Joshua 10 and II Kings 20:1-11. Here's the story.

Did you know... that the space program is busy proving that what has been called myth in the Bible is true? Mr. Harold Hill, president of the Curtis Engine Company in Baltimore, Maryland, and a consultant in the space program, relates the following development:

"I think one of the most amazing things that God has for us today happened recently to our astronauts and space scientists at Green Belt, Maryland. They were checking the position of the sun, moon, and planets out in space where they would be 100 years and 1,000 years from now. We have to know, so we don't send a satellite up and have it bump into something later on its orbit. We have to lay out the orbits in terms of the life of the satellite, and where the planets will be so the whole thing will not bog down. They ran the computer measurement back and forth over the centuries and it came to a halt. The computer stopped and put up a red signal, which meant that there was something wrong either with the information fed into it or with the results as compared to the standards. They called in the service department to check it out and they said, 'It's perfect.' The head of operations said, 'What's wrong?' 'Well, we have found there is a day missing in space in elapsed time.' They scratched their heads and tore their hair. There was no answer.

"One religious fellow on the team said, 'You know, one time when I was in Sunday School, they talked about the sun standing still.' They didn't believe him, but they didn't have any other answer, so they said, 'show us.' He got a Bible and went back to the Book of Joshua, 'Fear them not, for I have delivered them into your hand; there shall not a man of them stand before you.' Joshua was concerned because he was surrounded by the enemy and if darkness fell, they would overpower them. So Joshua asked the sun to stand still. That's right—"The sun stood still and the moon stayed and hastened not to go down about a whole day."

"The space men said, 'There is the missing day.' They checked the computers going back into the time it was written and found it was close, but not close enough. The elapsed time that was missing back in Joshua's day was 23 hours and 20 minutes — not a whole day. They read the Bible and there it was 'about (approximately a day).' These little words in the Bible are important. But they were still in trouble because if you cannot account for 40 minutes you'll still be in trouble 1,000 years from now. Forty minutes had to be found because it can be multiplied many times over in orbits. This religious fellow also remembered somewhere in the Bible where it said the sun went BACKWARDS. The space men told him he was out of his mind. But, they got out the Book and read these words in II Kings. Hezekiah, on his deathbed, was visited by the prophet Isaiah who told him he was not going to die. Hezekiah asked for the sign of proof. Isaiah said, 'Do you want the sun to go ahead ten degrees.' Isaiah spoke to the Lord and the Lord brought the shadow ten degrees BACKWARD. Ten degrees is exactly 40 minutes."

Twenty-three hours and 20 minutes in Joshua, plus 40 minutes in II Kings (II Kings 20:1-11) make the missing 24 hours the space travelers had to log in the log book as being the missing day in the universe. Isn't that amazing!!!"

Yes. Amen. Like the song we sing in Bible School —one line — "I put my trust in your Holy Word."

Immunization Clinic set for Thursday, August 6

The Winters office of the Texas Department of Health has scheduled their July Immunization Clinic.

The clinic will be conducted Thursday, August 6, 1998, from 9:30 a.m.-12:00 noon and 1:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

Location is in the Professional Building, Suite 108, on Grant Street Entry.

For more information, call 754-4945 between the hours of 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Monday-Friday.

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Help Nadine "get all dolled up for Christmas"

by Jean Boles

With temperatures soaring over the century mark, Christmas might seem a million miles away right now.

But for one local lady, Christmas is just around the corner and she's busy, busy, busy with her gift-giving. And as the mother of six children, a foster parent for many years, and a day care manager at the present time, this kind-hearted woman has special insight to the need for all kids to have a Christmas present.

In response to a plea in a magazine ad in May, Nadine Bedford of Winters has been working to make Christmas a little brighter for some underprivileged children in Kentucky. Nadine answered the request and immediately received a letter from a woman in Ohio, who is directly involved in The Henderson Settlement — a Mission of the United Methodist Church.

With a goal of "Meeting Basic Human Needs in Appalachia," the organization offers several areas of outreach including emergency housing and food, a library, GED classes, transportation services, recreational activities and Christmas toy distribution.

The mission gives over 4,000 boys and girls a year from ages 0-16 a few Christmas gifts in a discreet and loving way. The mission area covers ten counties in Kentucky, and the number of needy children continues to rise.

Nadine and her "elves" sent 36 dolls and stuffed animals in June, and are planning to send 60 more the first part of August. She said that all contributions are needed by October in order to be distributed in time for Christmas.

According to Nadine, new and used dolls and doll clothing, stuffed animals or any type of useable toys in good condition are accepted. Anyone willing to share in this ministry is asked to call Nadine at (915) 754-4593.



NADINE BEDFORD has turned her kitchen and dining room into a workroom to make doll clothes and to repair dolls and stuffed animals which will be sent to children in Appalachia, Kentucky, for the Christmas holidays. Anyone willing to donate new or used dolls or stuffed animals, or help sew clothes or make repairs should call Nadine at 754-4593.

7th-12th grade students to pick up schedules Aug. 5 & 6

Secondary School Principal Charles Kidwell has announced schedule pickup and orientation for junior high and high school students.

Students in grades 9-12 will pick up schedules on Wednesday, August 5, in the high school auditorium at the following times:

12th grade 1:00 p.m.
11th grade 1:30 p.m.
10th grade 2:00 p.m.
9th grade 2:30 p.m.

Seventh through 12th grade students who are NEW to the Winters School District, as well as ALL 7th graders, will meet Thursday, August 6, at 10:00 a.m. in the high school auditorium for orientation. Seventh graders will be given schedules at this time.

Eighth grade students will meet August 6 at 11:00 a.m. in the auditorium for schedule pickup. New student registration will also be completed at 11:00 a.m.

Please contact the high school office at 754-5516 for more information.

WORTH THINKING ABOUT

By using 1/4 the energy in an incandescent light bulb, one compact fluorescent bulb in the home saves an average of 260 pounds of carbon dioxide every year.

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John McGallian, new animal control officer

The Winters Police Department announces the hiring of John McGallian as new animal control officer.

John is a 1995 graduate of Winters High School and is the son of Wesley and Karen McGallian of Wingate.

The position of animal control officer will now fall under the supervision and control of the police department, and the officer will be in uniform.

Current hours are Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Phone 754-4424 for assistance.

The police department has received several complaints of dogs constantly running loose and animals being neglected.



Everyone is reminded that it is a violation of city ordinance for animals to run at large. For those who neglect their animals, charges may be filed for cruelty to animals.

These ordinances will be more strictly enforced so that the Winters Police Department may curb the animal problem in the city.

Girl Scouts to host swim party for registration

To kick off the upcoming Girl Scout year, a swimming party for recruitment will be held on Tuesday, August 11, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the City Swimming Pool.

Any girl between the ages of 5 and 17 interested in becoming a scout is invited.

Girls may swim from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. free of charge. Sign-up will be completed from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Refreshments will be served during the event.

Program age levels of Girl Scouting are as follows:

	Ages	Grades
Daisies	5-6	K or 1
Brownies	6-8	1-3
Juniors	8-11	4-6
Cadettes	11-14	7-9
Seniors	14-17	10-12.

Each Girl Scout **renewing membership** is asked to bring \$7 for yearly registration fees. She must also provide her social security number.

Young women desiring to become a first-time Girl Scout should also bring social security numbers. These girls will be contacted at a later date for registration fee payment and troop identification (pending leader assignment).

Volunteer troop leaders are needed. If you are interested, please contact Troop Organizer D'Ann Perrie at 754-4105 or Service Unit Chairperson Shelia Paschal at 723-2697.

For more information, contact Mrs. Perrie, Mrs. Paschal, or any Girl Scout leader.

Fourty-three attend annual Hambright Reunion

The twenty-seventh annual Hambright Reunion was held on Sunday, July 20, 1998, at the Winters Community Center. There were 43 family and friends in attendance. The reunion was hosted by the families of the late Bessie Baldwin.

Those attending were Amanda, Hannah, and Trish Olvera, Donald Hambright, Samie, Donna, Colby, Whitney, and Bazzel, all of Fort Worth; Dennis, Jacque, Greg, Clint, and Carrie Lange of Kerrville; Troyce and Carol Hambright of Arkansas.

Also attending were Gene and Carlyn Baldwin of Bracketville; Patsy and Aubrey Faubion, Cliff, Milissa, Cody, Courtney, and Cameron Faubion, all of Ballinger; Outia Awalt of Albany; Benn and Kay Hambright of Bronte.

Also attending this year were David, Michelle, and Rebecca Lange of Lubbock; Debra, Skeeter, and Kayla Tucker of San Angelo; Jesse Heathcott of Coleman; George and Geraldine Lange of Talpa; Scott Lange of San Angelo; Jackie and Betty Baldwin of Amarillo; Cecil and Pat Hambright and Clarence Hambright of Winters.

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Crews News

By Hilda Kurtz



Hilda Kurtz

There are two kinds of people—those who make a mountain out of a molehill and others who make a molehill out of a mountain.

Margie and Erhard Fisher of Kerrville and Marilyn Mints of Harden were Hopewell Church visitors at Sunday's services.

To the Hoppe families, we extend our sympathy due to the death of Bill Hoppe on Sunday. His funeral was Tuesday afternoon at the Winters Funeral Home Chapel.

Melvena and Marvin Gerhart and their families attended the Barker Reunion in Menard. Around 70 attended.

Margie and Erhard Fisher of Kerrville visited the Marvin Gerharts. After church service, all ate out before visiting with Sally Mae and Wilmer Gerhart.

Visiting Helen Alexander during the week were the Fishers, cousin Reba Grosham, and Bernal Nichols of San Angelo.

Many thanks for all the birthday cards and phone visits this past week.

On Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, Margie Jacob and her families attended the Andrew and Louise Michalewicz Reunion—the Mic-Nic at Hord's Creek. About 170 attended.

Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Weishuhn

of Andrew came the farthest. Herbert Jacob was the oldest, and the youngest was Kolten, son of Pat and Lori Kohl. The scholarship in memory of Andrew and Louise Michalewicz was awarded to Amy Heathcott. A handmade quilt made and donated by Sandra Michalewicz was won by Mrs. Nathan Halfmann. Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Weishuhn won the flight ticket to Hawaii.

After Sunday morning community services, all said goodbye until next year.

Sharon Engler and Brenda Jacob enjoyed seeing their school friends at a reunion held Saturday in Garden City.

Selma and Viron Wilkerson came Sunday and brought pictures of their Germany trip to show to Margie.

Rodney Faubion spent the weekend with his parents, Harvey Mae and Noble Faubion.

Joe and Carolyn Webb, Gene and Linda Webb traveled in a mobile home to Santa Fe, New Mexico, then on to Durango, Colorado. Next, they rode the train from Durango to Silverton to Pagosa Springs. Then they went on to Colorado Springs and Longmont to visit a couple of days with Gene Webb, son Steven, and family. From there, all went to Estes Park, Colorado, then came home last week.

While Carolyn was on her trip, her mother, Edith Everett, spent three weeks with a son and his family in Grandfalls. She came home Saturday.

The Doris Wood families cel-

brated three birthdays Saturday night: Larry and Darla Cameron and Jim Calcote. After a potluck supper, they finished eating the birthday cake.

Darla, Jana, and Stephen Cameron spent several days last week with Doris Wood and Frances Mincey.

Ricky and Patsy Grissom of Winters visited Adeline Grissom on Saturday.

Brenda Chambliss of Blackwell and her granddaughter Elisha Schultz of Bronte visited with Pat and Earl Cooper during the week.

Juanita Shields' friend, Macey Imel of Oklahoma City, spent the weekend.

Jarrell and Mary Jane Giles of Brownwood spent Sunday with Fairy and Wilbert Alcorn.

Visiting with the Dennis McBeths on Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday were Micki, Mandie, and Mollie Fullage of Midland. Roy McBeth spent several days with his little friend, Rygh Fullage. The McBeths had the Bill Mathis family over for supper Tuesday night. It was a kind of a farewell supper before moving to Bryan, Texas.

The mission study ladies met with Nila on Monday morning. Present were Juanita Shields, Melvena Gerhart, Selma Wilkerson, and Ramona Akins.

The Dennis McBeth family spent Friday in Fort Worth and attended the Southwestern Seminary to ViDon Ora's 50th anniversary. Afterwards, they visited with friends, Lenville and Cathey Phillips in Duncanville.

Ruth Pape's sons, Lee Ueckert and Mike Craig of Houston, spent Tuesday through Thursday here. On Friday, Garland and Debbie Horn of Hondo came. Eileen and Kenny Cartwright of Hawley came Sunday afternoon.

Nila Osborne is home for her second week after having surgery and is doing nicely. Why not? All she has to do is sit in her easy chair with her feet propped up. Friends calling and coming to see her were Melvena and Marvin Gerhart, Leona Matthies, Sam Faubion, Bro. Ferris and Ramona Akins, Karen and Stefanie McGallian, Doris Wood, Louise Osborne, and myself. We are keeping the house clean.

Karen and Stefanie carried Therin for his checkup. He was released from the doctor's care. Karen also carried Nila to her doctor for a checkup. So far so good.

My daughter Hildegard and

her husband Calvin of San Angelo spent Saturday with me. They found some odd jobs to do. Calvin put up a banister on my patio steps. Now I can hold on as I enter the house.

Official Records

County Court Criminal July 20

Jonathan Murphy Patterson, Ballinger, filed for possession of marijuana

Dewey Ray Whately, Jr., San Angelo, filed for driving while intoxicated and driving while license suspended

Don Dwayne Jones, Ballinger, filed for assault

Louis Vasquez, Jr., Ballinger, filed for making alcohol available to a minor

Robert Torrez Nieves, Ballinger, filed for making alcohol available to a minor

Ubaldo Ramirez Sanchez, Ballinger, filed for driving while license suspended

Douglas Wayne Cole, Ballinger, filed for displaying fictitious registration sticker

Kyle Richard Winchester, Ballinger, filed for driving while intoxicated

Frances Mendez, Laredo, filed for driving while license suspended

Randel Dale Fontenot, Winters, filed for driving while intoxicated

Johnny Joe Valles, Winters, filed for assault

Jasper Lynn Childers, Abilene, filed for assault

Paul Escobar Jalomo III, Ballinger, filed for possession of marijuana

Marriage Licenses July 20

William Edwin Duggan and Leslie Rene Pruser

District Court Divorces Granted July 13

Edward Adolf Vasut and Ester Vasut

Divorces Filed July 20

Susie Reyna and Epifania Reyna

Joyce Hartley vs. Patric Hartley

Justice of the Peace Court Precinct #1 Civil July 22

Texas DPS vs. Bryan Scott Watkins—administrative hearing for drivers license suspension, negative finding

July 24 J. C. Hudson vs. Glen and Julie Richardson—forcible detainer

Small Claims July 10 Alderman-Cave Feeds vs. J. T. Thompson—account

Alderman-Cave Feeds vs. Tommy Ruddy—account

Alderman-Cave Feeds vs. J & D Ranch c/o Tommy Ruddy—account

Coleman team wins first place in Chamber's golf tournament

by Brenda Burton, director

It was a hot and windy day.....but they came!

Nineteen avid golf teams from around the Big Country showed a true sportsman's dedication by participating in the Winters Area Chamber of Commerce golf tournament on Saturday, July 25. Despite the 100+ degree temperature with a dry wind howling and sand from a local farmer plowing, most of the golfers said they were looking forward to next year's tournament.

First place winners in the first flight were from Coleman and included Kenny Moore, Cody Chambers, Wesley Baxter, and Bruce Pittard.

Taking first place in the second flight were Paul Tharp, Dub Davis, Benny Corely, and Mack Baker of Winters.

First and second places in each flight receive cash prizes.

While tabulations were being conducted, a drawing was held for door prizes. Over 68 donations, contributed by local businesses and merchants, were distributed to the lucky door prize winners. Four coveted prizes were the pickup truck tool boxes donated by John's International of Winters.

The Chamber directors would like to thank Charles Bahlman Chevrolet and the Big Country Chevrolet Dealers for helping

make the tournament possible with their generous contribution.

Many thanks to Lawrence Bros. IGA and Terry Loehman for their donation of food for the tournament concession stand, and to all the merchants who contributed door prizes and/or cash.

A special thanks to Ronnie and Jo Anne Humphrey for all their expert golf knowledge and help they gave the directors in preparing for and during the tournament.

Thank you, Carolyn Scarborough, for all your hard work beyond the call of duty. You really helped to make the tournament a huge success.

All the Chamber directors solicited donations. Those in attendance at the tournament were Bill Spiller, Kay Sharpes, Glenda Matthews, Brenda Burton, Lavelle Killough, Saam Geistmann, Julie Springer, Gail Williams, and Steve Esquivel.

With the tournament behind us, we directors now turn our attention to improving the Chamber to more benefit the community and toward the Arts and Crafts Show coming in November.

We are here to serve, and we welcome ideas from Chamber of Commerce members or prospective members. Call any of the directors or call the Chamber office at 754-5210.

Hunter education course at Ballinger

A hunter education course will be conducted at the Ballinger Fire Department training room on August 15 and 16 from 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Every hunter (including out-of-state hunters) born on or after September 2, 1971, must successfully complete a hunter education training course. If you were born on or after that date and you are:

•age 17 and over, you must successfully complete a hunter education course.

•age 12 through 16, you must successfully complete a hunter

education course or be accompanied by a licensed hunter 17 years of age or older.

•under 12 years of age, you must be accompanied by a person 17 years of age or older licensed to hunt in Texas.

Minimum age of certification is 12 years and cost of certification is \$5.00. Proof of certification is required to be on the hunter's person while hunting; it is not required to purchase a license.

For course information and/or to pre-register, contact Game Warden Lane Pinckney at 365-5039.

Financial Focus

By Jimmy Newsom

Thousands of workers will retire this year with little more than a Social Security check to see them through their golden years.

People spend their entire careers envisioning years of retirement filled with family, hobbies or travel. Unfortunately, many of these dreams go unfulfilled because of inadequate planning during the working years.

Due to inflation, the cost of living continues to rise. At the same time, advances in technology and medicine, as well as a more health-conscious society, are increasing life expectancy.

In fact, according to the internal Revenue Service's current life expectancy tables, a corporate employee who retires at age 65 can look forward to 20 years of retirement. A small-business owner retiring at age 62 has a life expectancy of 22.5 more years.

Complicating these trends are mergers, discontinued retirement plans, forced early retirement and more. A recent study of employee pension programs revealed that U.S. corporations are using billions of dollars from employee pension plans to finance outside corporate maneuvers.

Rising inflation, increased life expectancies and the uncertainty of corporate and federally-funded retirement programs, such as Social Security, mean that not only must retirees cope with a more costly future, but they must also plan carefully to fund more retirement years.

Why do people fail to plan for retirement? The excuses begin early in life. Here are some of the common reasons.

Age 18 to 25: "I'm too young. I have too many other things to be concerned with. Once I'm out of college, I'll begin."

Age 25 to 35: "I've just gotten

started in life. The cost of living is outrageous. When I get a little older my income will increase and things will ease up. There's plenty of time."

Age 35 to 45: "Invest now? I'm married and have children in school—I've never had so many expenses. I can start when the children are older."

Age 45 to 55: "I wish I could invest. The children are in college, and tuition, room and board take all I earn. I've had to go into debt to meet expenses. But, when they graduate I can begin."

Age 55 to 65: "I know I should

start an investment program, but it takes all I make to pay the bills. I should have started earlier, but there's still time."

Age over 65: "It's too late. All I have is Social Security, and I sure can't invest from that."

Financial security in the 1990s is less predictable than ever, and most of us face a much longer retirement than did our ancestors who retired in the 1950s and 1960s. With intelligent planning, you can be rewarded with a comfortable 21st century. Rely too much on others, and you could be caught short.

Happy 30th Anniversary



From Your Daughters

Identity of anniversary couple is revealed elsewhere in this issue.

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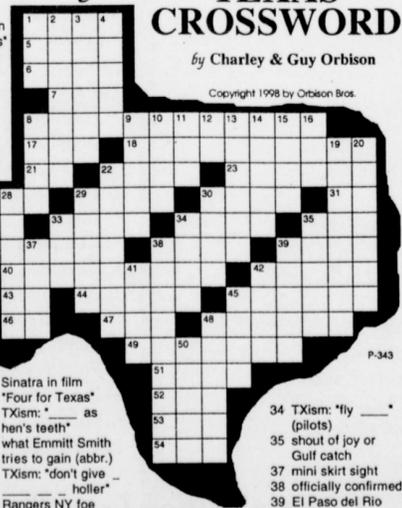
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- Oklahoma town
- TX-based Alan Ladd film: "The Big"
- architect of Dallas City Hall: I.M.
- TXism: "busier than"
- cook in a truck stop
- TX singer Orbison (init.)
- cowhand pay on early TX trail drives (3 wds.)
- this Eastwood was Rowdy Yates on "Rawhide" (init.)
- highest point in TX: Guadalupe
- this Sharp coached Tech BB women to NCAA title in '93
- TXism: "later"
- Cowboy coach Galley
- many TX grocers sell beer &
- TXism: "raisad concrete" (city boy)
- Travis line in the dirt at Alamo
- SMU's Doak Walker was a Detroit
- TXism: "wet a" (drink)
- stir fry pan
- TX Strait's "All My" in Texas
- TXism: "rough as a cob"
- Cowboy Newton
- TXism: "he shoots bullets" (good aim)
- TXism: "tough row" (difficult)
- "for example" (abbr.)
- TXism: "more of them than there are" in Texas
- TX courtroom fact finders
- Gov. Ross (1886-1890)
- once a giant TX ranch
- TXism: "attracted like a" light
- it's needed to drive in TX
- this Peter was "Columbo"
- TX Willie's father
- TX Wallach
- U.S. patriotic society (abbr.)
- TXism: "bought a pig"
- TXism: "all watermelon"
- this Rabbitt played at TX Willie's
- Farm Aid V
- TX chemical co.
- UT VIP (2 wds.)
- horse color
- this black leader's birthday is a TX holiday (init.)
- Campo, TX
- founder of 1st TX Span. mission: Fray Massanet
- Sinatra in film "Four for Texas"
- TXism: "as hen's teeth"
- what Emmitt Smith tries to gain (abbr.)
- TXism: "don't give"
- Rangers NY foe
- "By the Time I Get to"
- Gov. Price (init.) ('56-'62)
- City, TX
- State Fair feature: "Big"
- hold in wonder
- it hangs on the caps of TX grads
- the last land battle of the War was in TX
- TXism: "eye to eye"
- TX Sharon Tate was killed by Manson
- TXism: "let sleeping dogs"
- famous TX Borden
- boats that pull ships
- TXism: "meaner than a yard dog"
- Calif. town where TX Sharon Tate was killed by Manson
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Poe's Corner

By Charlsie Poe

To be a good wife

Mercy, there is no greater turning point in anyone's life than marriage, especially a town girl marrying a country boy when she is 18 years old and he is 19.

George and I were not strangers. We finished the same high school in 1925. I spent one year in college and was working in a dry goods store. George went to college, but stayed two weeks only. He wanted to farm so he went to work on his father's place, which included a three-room "hand house."

We were soon dating. The youngest of ten children and a great talker, George began to mention marriage. He told me of his plans before he let me see where we would live. The house had one corner knocked off by a wagon and runaway team. He wanted to get married when the crop was laid by late August. He could borrow money for the honeymoon. When we returned at harvest time, there would be funds to pay bills and buy furniture.

It all sounded plausible. He was driving a Model A Ford roadster. It had a rumble seat and was very modern. His father had given him a farm, but we couldn't live there because it was rented.

To cap his argument, George said he was afraid his money would be spent chasing around if we waited. This coincided with my dream of being a "good wife," so we were married.

The marriage ceremony was performed at a preacher's house in Abilene. We drove to Weatherford to spend the night.

I didn't eat all of my dinner; George took my plate and finished it. He said it was a rule at home to eat all the food on your plate or it was put up to be eaten the next meal.

We drove to Fort Worth to visit George's sister, Eva. My parents' wedding gift was a Bible, a pearl-handled revolver, and \$10.00. We spent the \$10.00 buying "what-nots" for our new home.

The house was repaired, painted, and papered by the time we came home. We did some scrubbing with soap and hot water before we added the furniture: three linoleum rugs, a bedroom suite, a daybed, and two rockers for the living room; a three-burner oil stove, a cabinet, table and chairs. We had a path and running water. We ran out and got it.

My sister Gladys helped us all day, and while taking her home, we had visitors. Our groceries were scattered: beans on the dresser, potatoes on the bed — you name it! We were looking wearily at the havoc when three



Charlsie Poe

of George's brothers and their wives marched in laughing. They brought a freezer of ice cream and cake. After cleaning up the mess, we had a great time visiting and eating. Ice cream was the family's favorite food.

I couldn't sleep at night for the strange noises made by the animals stomping, grunting, chewing, and nickering. After settling down, I was awakened one morning by a lot of chattering. It was sounding like Mexico. The cotton pickers had moved in. Since we had no buildings, they camped in the yard. As they came and went to the field, there was always something to beg, buy, or borrow.

Cotton-picking turned out to be my favorite time of the year; it was the only time when the money came rolling in. George left early every morning on a wagon piled high with fluffy cotton bales pulled by big Missouri mules — he swore he'd never use a tractor — and returned home with an empty wagon.

I was busy learning to cook. George said he didn't like light bread and I knew he wouldn't eat cornbread — so I was making biscuits for every meal.

One night, he came in excited. He had paid all his bills including \$90 to brother Fred for nine months rent. He was carrying a portable Victrola; one that was wound by hand, since we didn't have electricity. He played it constantly: such tunes as "Wabash Cannonball," "Down Yonder," and "Buffalo Gal."

A steady diet of those tunes was hard on a girl whose mother was a music teacher.

We had little time to visit during harvest but managed to eat Sunday dinner with his parents or mine, as they both lived in town. One day at his mother's, I noticed he was eating light bread. From then on, he was served whatever kind of bread I wanted to prepare. He said he was afraid I wouldn't learn to cook.

After we went home in the evening, George always called for pork and beans with bacon. He said, "This is the best meal I've eaten today." We had this dish real often.

After the cotton was gathered, before the crisp, clear days of autumn turned into winter, there was preparation for the planting of a

new crop in the spring. This was a more leisurely time.

If it rained, there was no work in the field. George was an expert driving through the ooze, sliding hither and yon. He always made it to town, but sometimes it was too bad to go home, so we stayed in town for the night.

I could handle my parents' Model T, but had to learn to drive the roadster. My lord and master showed me how to shift gears and sent me to brother Fred's house on an errand.

"But I've never driven this car — what if I can't stop it?" "You've got this whole farm to drive around on until you run out of gas," was his reply.

However, one thing that did concern him was our grocery bill.

Daddy gave us until the end of the year to pay it. This was not unusual for wholesale companies collected from the retail grocer only twice a year.

After the grocery bill was paid, George scanned each one of them word for word, asking questions, "Do you know how much these olives you bought cost?"

"No, I didn't look. Anything in the store that I want can be mine by telling the clerk to charge it."

"Well, Daddy's not paying the grocery bill now, I am! Look at the cost of what you buy."

I didn't promise, but I began observing the cost of things.

To be continued next week

Leslie Smith on ACU's Dean's Honor Roll

Leslie Smith of Winters was named to the Dean's Honor Roll for the spring 1998 semester at Abilene Christian University.

To make the Honor Roll, a student must complete at least 12 semester hours for grades and earn a 3.45 or higher grade point average.

Mrs. Smith is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rick Cobb and a 1995 graduate of Winters High School. She is classified as a sophomore, and is majoring in secondary education.

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Will home health care disappear?

The tragedy that was written in the remote halls of Congress last summer has begun to unfold with frightening clarity in the homes of thousands of elderly and disabled Texans. "However well-intentioned its decisions, Congress' passage of the Balanced Budget Act (BBA) of 1997 — and the drastic cuts to Medicare home health care benefits that attended it — now are beginning to ravage the lives of thousands upon thousands of Texas' most vulnerable population," says Registered Nurse Doris Spicak, president of the Texas Association for Home Care and owner of a health care agency in Victoria, Texas.

"The so-called 'money-saving' measure now is becoming a devastating reality to patients who are finding that their home health benefits are being cut off. Up until this point, home health care has enabled these patients to maintain their dignity and independence — precious commodities that they now are losing, as they are forced into hospitals and nursing homes," adds Spicak.

Do the cuts really save money? "Hardly," says Spicak. "Home health care is a far more cost-effective way to care for the elderly and sick than institutional care. In fact, largely because Texas has more elderly living below the poverty level than any other state, the Medicare home health cuts will actually cost Texas taxpayers \$81 million per year in additional state taxes to cover the cost of alternative care for our elderly."

"I doubt that most members of Congress realized the severity of the cuts they made last summer," stated Spicak, "but the fact is that Congress went far beyond cutting the 'fat' from the system. The BBA imposes a new reimbursement system for Medicare home health care called the Interim Payment System (IPS). The payment for each visit to a patient's home has always been capped in order to hold down costs, but the IPS puts a cap — an absolute maximum — on the total that Medicare will reimburse the agency for each of its patients. And it sets that cap at less than average patient cost in 1993 — five years ago."

According to Spicak, that means most Texas home health care agencies are limited to an aggregate payment of from \$2,600 to \$3,400 per year per patient. Stephanie Burleson, registered nurse and director of North Runnels Home Health Agency (NRHHA) in Winters, says they are allotted near minimum aggregate payment per year per patient. One reason for this is that the agency was not established in 1993 at the time of the national census and, therefore, falls under the guidelines for the national average allotment. Established

agencies in cities such as Dallas with a large number of patients at the time of the census are receiving much more allotment per patient per year and are not feeling the full impact of the Interim Payment System, says Burleson.

Ms. Burleson and Ms. Spicak agree that the IPS has caused problems. When considering that the average cost of annual care per patient in Texas in 1996 was \$8,200, you begin to see why about 60% of home health care agencies in Texas will be forced to close their doors, prematurely forcing patients into hospitals or nursing homes.

"Those agencies that do manage to stay in business will be unable to afford any patients with severe or chronic needs; they will be forced to accept only those

like telling a hospital, 'We'll pay you the same amount to treat a broken arm as to perform a quadruple bypass.' Ridiculous! The outlook is frightening for the elderly and disabled across the nation, as well as for Texas taxpayers and the more than 3,000 home health care agencies in Texas."

In a last ditch effort to avert this crisis, on March 31, 1998, the Texas Association for Home Care (TAHC) filed suit in federal district court seeking an injunction to stop the federal Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA) from implementing the Interim Payment System. In June, the Court rejected the plea, allowing the IPS to go forward. Spicak announces that in his ruling, Judge Barefoot Sanders made it clear that the issue is Congress' problem and that he did not have the authority to nullify the law, even if it is "unwise."

"All of us believe in fiscal responsibility with federal taxpayer dollars, and Congress can fix the problem without breaking the bank," states Spicak. "Home health care grew only 4% in 1997, rather than the 14% growth anticipated by Congress when it passed the BBA; therefore, less severe cuts are needed to accomplish the same savings. In order to keep expenses down even more, Congress should repeal the IPS and direct HCFA to move quickly to implement a payment system for home health care similar to the reimbursement system for hospitals — a system that sets strict limits, but recognizes the varying needs of patients."

"The most important thing that all of us can do now is to make sure our U.S. Senators and Representatives are keenly aware that Texans value home health care and want it to be an accessible part of their health care system," concludes Spicak. "Congress needs to hear from the folks back home that they demand the opportunity to maintain their dignity, independence, and quality of care with home health care."

And this is one step that North Runnels Home Agency has taken. Multiple letters have been written by both the employees and the patients to send to Senators and Representatives. "This is probably the 'only way' we can save ourselves; local government must be involved to the point they feel the cuts are truly in their backyard," exclaims Ms. Burleson.

To express concerns, please write to The Honorable Charles W. Stenholm, United States House of Representatives - District 17, 1211 Longworth House Office Building, Washington DC 20515-4317 or fax your letter to (202) 225-2234.

...because Texas has more elderly living below the poverty level than any other state, the Medicare home health cuts will actually cost Texas taxpayers \$81 million per year in additional state taxes to cover the cost of alternative care for our elderly. —Doris Spicak, R.N. & President of Texas Association for Home Health Care

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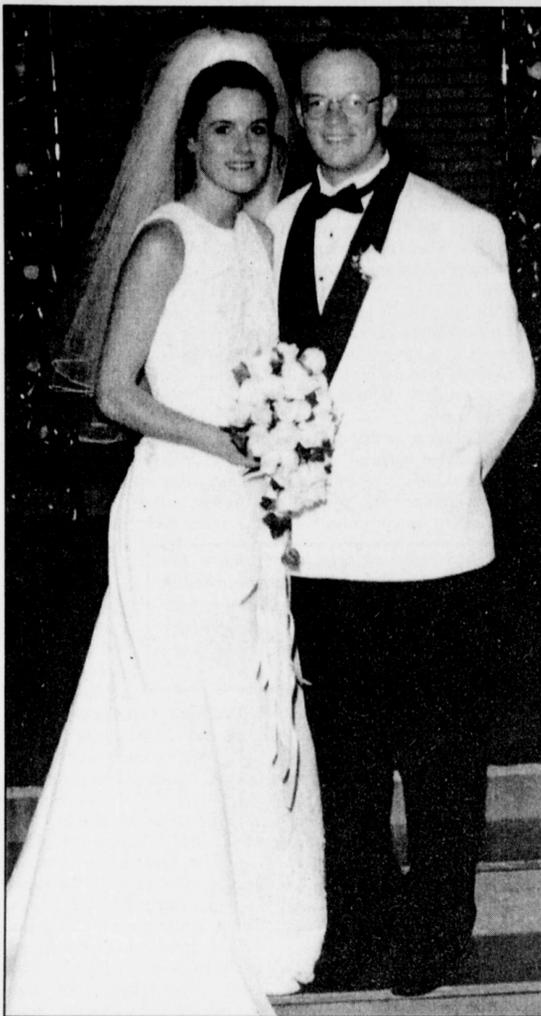
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Mr. and Mrs. Brent Green

Killough, Green exchange wedding vows in double ring ceremony

Brooke Lea Killough and Brent Lee Green were united in holy matrimony at 6 o'clock in the evening Saturday, June 27, 1998, at First Baptist Church of Winters. The double ring ceremony was performed by Reverend Glenn Shoemaker.

Brooke is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donny Killough of Winters. Brent is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Green of Winters.

Grandparents of the bride are Mrs. Audrey Parker of Abilene and the late John H. Parker, and Mrs. Faye Killough of Winters and the late Cletes C. Killough.

Grandparents of the groom are Mrs. Louise Reding of San Angelo, Mrs. Ora Green of Winters, and the late O.H. Green Jr.

A swag of tulle, ivy, and white lights adorned the baptistry. Two ivy-adorned spiral candelabra sat beside a heart-shaped archway decorated with ivy, white ribbon, and fresh white roses.

Pianist was Fran Kidwell. Organist was Carolyn Slaughter. Vocalists were Carol Stephens and Dwayne Grun. The couple's chosen songs were "The Gift," "The Rose," "Parent's Prayer," "From This Moment On," and "The Lord's Prayer."

Given in marriage by her mother and father, the bride wore a white duchess satin wedding gown by L'Amour.

The sleeveless sheath featured a jewel neckline and sleeve edges bordered with a wide band of clusters of pearls in a starburst design

and crystal sequins. A single strand of pearls edged this decoration.

The front and back of the bodice was covered with Alencon lace in a floral design. The lace was heavily embellished with miniature pearls, clusters of crystals, and strands of pearls.

The basque waist fell into a slim, fitted skirt. The bottom of the skirt was heavily appliqued with Alencon lace trimmed with pearls and crystal sequins.

A cathedral length detachable train was attached at the back waistline. The train also featured Alencon lace appliques, pearls, and sequins.

The bride carried a nosegay of two dozen fresh white roses and English ivy. The bouquet held a miniature Bible.

Matron of honor was Ginger Killough, sister-in-law of the bride, of Ballinger. Bridesmaids were Kadee Barnes, college roommate, of Lubbock; LisAnne Smith, friend of the bride, of Waltham, Maryland; Teri Vogler, cousin of the bride, of San Angelo; Julie Green, sister-in-law of the groom, of Brenham; Brenna Mikeksa, friend of the bride, of Lubbock; and Jamie Sims, friend of the bride, of Lubbock.

Flower girls were Kelsey Bates of Albuquerque, New Mexico, and Tori Proffitt of Goldthwaite. Both are cousins of the groom.

The bride's attendants wore tuxedo-style dresses with rhinestones and black bead work on the bodice. They carried nosegays of fresh white roses and English ivy.

Bryan Green of Brenham served as his brother's best man.

Groomsmen were Craig Slaughter, friend of the groom, of Ballinger; Brandon Killough, brother of the bride, of Ballinger; Brandon Boles, friend of the groom, of Savannah, Georgia; Paul Page, college roommate of the groom, of Rule; Craig Auldridge, friend of the groom, of Goldthwaite; and Brad Jones, college roommate of the groom, of Coahoma.

Ring bearer was Allan Green, cousin of the groom, of Winters.

Sherry Calcote of Winters registered guests. Alisa Presley and Rachel Edwards, both of College Station, handed out programs.

Ushers were Chad Decker, cousin of the groom, of Houston; Doug Wheat, friend of the groom, of Winters; and Greg Proffitt, cousin of the groom, of Goldthwaite.

Candlelighters were Jake Proffitt of Goldthwaite and Amber Green of Winters, cousins of the groom.

Reading Scripture was Elizabeth Parker, aunt of the bride.

A rehearsal dinner, hosted by the groom's parents and catered by Janet Cason, was held in the First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall on Friday night.

The bride's table was dressed with a white tablecloth and silver candelabra. A five-tier basket-weave white cake featured three dozen white roses, babies breath, and greenery.

Serving at the bride's table were Angela Bryan of Lubbock, Jenni-

fer Gilbreath of Abilene, and Tammy Thorpe of Winters.

The groom's table held a two-layer chocolate cake with strawberries and grapes, and was covered with a white cloth and an arrangement of fresh white roses.

Attending the groom's table were Heather Brown of Hamlin and Karen Marshall of Lubbock.

The reception was hosted by Donny and Lavelle Killough.

The tables at the reception were dressed with white tablecloths with a six-inch wide black ribbon down each center. White rose toppers flanked by white candles adorned the tables.

Members of the house party included Christeen Collins, Kay Thompson, Dody Barnes, Cheryl Bryan, Karen Thorpe, Scarlotte Mikeska, Dorothy Farmer, Marqué Mathis, Jan Sims, Jeanie Wheat, Glenda Matthews, Linda Killough, Carlene Vogler, and Sherry Calcote.

Brooke is a 1995 graduate of Winters High School. She received an associate's degree in nursing from Angelo State University in May 1998. She is employed as a registered nurse by Lamb County Healthcare in Littlefield.

Brent is a 1990 graduate of Winters High School and 1994 graduate of Angelo State University where he received his bachelor of science in kinesiology. He is employed by Littlefield Independent School District.

After a wedding trip to Las Vegas, Nevada, the couple will reside at Littlefield.

Miss Denise Ann Hunter and Mr. Douglas Wayne Mitchell united in marriage

Miss Denise Ann Hunter and Mr. Douglas Wayne Mitchell were united in marriage on Saturday, July 18, 1998, at seven o'clock in the evening at River Oaks Baptist Church in Houston.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Ann Denise Sinclair and Mr. David John Hunter, and the granddaughter of Mrs. Alexandra Donn McRobbie, and Mrs. Mary Ellen Trainer Hunter, all of Glasgow, Scotland. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Audra Luther Mitchell, Jr. of Houston, and the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Norman Monroe of Dallas, and Mr. and Mrs. Audra Luther Mitchell, Sr. of Winters.

The candlelight double ring ceremony was performed by Reverend Kevin Eugene Sullivan of Second Baptist Church. Music was provided by organist/pianist Mrs. Kathleen Wilkins; guitarist, Mr. Michael Anthony Kopfer; vocalists, Miss Dee Yvonne Morales, Miss Belinda Ruth Morales, and Dr. and Mrs. Paul Magyar. A buffet dinner and dance followed at The Forest Club with music by "Off The Record." On the eve of the wedding, a rehearsal dinner was hosted by the groom's parents at The Plaza Club.

Given in marriage by her parents and escorted by her father, the bride wore an elegant silk

gown designed by "Christos." The bridesmaids were gowned in floor length periwinkle blue crepe dresses by "Waters and Waters."

Serving as the bride's maid of honor was Miss Dorothy Alyne Lanier of Houston. The bridesmaids were Miss Stephanie Ann Dorsh, Miss Karen Lynn Peeler, Mrs. Jane Abernathy Richard, all of Houston; and Miss Amanda Christine Kramer of Fort Worth.

Serving as the groom's best man was Mr. David Carl Mullins of Houston. Groomsmen were Mr. Scott Henderson Elmore and Mr. Alvaro Javier Maygundter, both of Houston; Mr. Brian Vincent Dameris of Dallas; and Mr. Jonathan Lee Bayles of Orlando, Florida.

Serving in the house party were Miss Wendy Millen, cousin of the bride of Glasgow, Scotland, and Miss Audra Elizabeth Wells of Conroe. Flower girls were Miss Katy Scott and Miss Hazel Scott,

cousins of the bride of Glasgow, Scotland.

Ushers were Mr. Charles Bradley Goldmeyer and Mr. Jason Todd Muckelroy, both of Houston; and Mr. Jason Owen Mitchell, cousin of the groom of Winters. Ring bearer was Master Gainer Riley of Tulsa, Oklahoma.

The bride is a 1992 graduate of St. Agnes Academy in Houston and a 1996 graduate of Baylor University in Waco, and is currently an intern with The Honorable Ted Poe while attending South Texas College of Law, affiliated with Texas A&M University.

The groom is a 1989 graduate of Cypress Fairbanks High School in Houston and a 1993 graduate of Baylor University and is currently in sales with Boise Cascade.

Following a honeymoon to Maui, the couple will reside in Houston.

Lasting friendships

by Nita McLeroy Hammons

Attending the Class of 1953 Reunion was a joyous occasion for Ketta London Casey, Bette Mapes Bowman, and I, Nita McLeroy Hammons, for more than one reason.

In conjunction with seeing old classmates, we also met with our three best friends from high school days. Claudine Coward Badgett, Ouida Lewis DePetrilla, and Gladys Bedford Awalt spent two days with us at the Embassy Suite in Abilene.

The six of us were constant companions in high school. In 1991, Claudine and Wayne Badgett hosted the group in Lake Jackson. That was the first time all six of us had been together in 38 years. We had such a great time together, we decided to make a concerted effort to spend time together soon.

Claudine and Wayne Badgett had four children and lived in various parts of Texas until they settled in Lake Jackson. Ouida DePetrilla had seven children and

now lives, with her husband Al, near the Badgetts in LaPorte.

Gladys and Dalvin Awalt have resided in Midland for 16 years. They had three children. Bette and Vernon Bowman lived in Rome, Georgia, until his death in 1995. She recently had a home built in Acworth, Georgia, where the youngest of two daughters lives.

Ketta and David Casey have resided in Hamlin for 30 years. They were blessed with 4 children and celebrated Mrs. London's 90th birthday this month.

I have three children and have lived in Sallisaw, Oklahoma, for 25 years. I recently joined the Awalts and Caseys by my retirement.

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The City of Winters is holding the First Public Hearing concerning the annexation of 18.88 acres, more or less, of the M. Fitzpatrick Survey 492, Abstract 195, of land owned by the Winters Independent School District on August 10, 1998 at 6:00 p.m. at the City Council Chambers.

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4-H to install officers

by Tamara Grohman, Reporter

The Winters 4-H officers met recently to plan the activity calendar for the coming school year. Many fun and interesting programs and activities as well as community service projects have been planned for each month.

The first activity will be the installation of officers at a Family Fun Night on August 10, 1998 from 6:30 to 7:30 at the city swimming pool. A hotdog supper will follow the swimming party.

The 4-H club will provide the hotdogs, drinks and paper goods. Each family is asked to bring a bag of chips and one dessert along with lawn chairs. Anyone interested in joining the 4-H club is encouraged to come.

The community service for the month is a school supply drive. Each family is asked to bring school supplies to be given to Winters Elementary. All types of supplies are needed, but three-hole pocket subject folders in various colors are usually greatly needed.

Lamb & goat validation orders due

Time is fast approaching for livestock exhibitors to order lamb and goat tags for 1998-99 validation.

Lamb and goat validation will take place during the month of October. However, tags must be ordered during August. If you are planning to show lambs and/or goats with Runnels County 4-H, you must contact the Extension Office at 365-2219 before August 21 with the number of animals you must validate.

All FFA exhibitors should contact their local Ag Teachers before August 21 with the number of animals they plan to validate. All lambs and goats to be shown at local and major stock shows must be validated.

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PARTICIPATING IN THE SENIOR MISS FARM BUREAU PAGEANT were (from left) George Flickinger, KTXS meteorologist and master of ceremonies; Casey McDonald; Lori King, Amy Riley, Talent Find Winner; Angela Jacob; Brooke Tounget; and Jessica King, Runnels County Farm Bureau Queen.



AT THE RUNNELS COUNTY FARM BUREAU JR. MISS CONTEST were (from left) George Flickinger, KTXS meteorologist and master of ceremonies; Meagan Galvan-Nitsch, contestant; Holly Englert, Jr. Miss; and Kayla Niehues, contestant.

Englert, King, and Riley take Farm Bureau contest titles

The Runnels County Farm Bureau Queen and Talent Find Contests were held on Sunday, July 26, 1998, in the Runnels County Farm Bureau Office at 809 Hutchings Ave., Ballinger.

Holly Englert, daughter of Robert and Rose Englert, was crowned Junior Miss Runnels County Farm Bureau Queen.

Lori King, daughter of Michael and Sandra Halfmann and Wendell and Wanda King, is the Miss Runnels County Farm Bureau Queen for 1998.

Talent Find winner was Amy Riley, daughter of Mike and Suzanne Riley.

Each contestant was presented a gift and the winners were given

cash awards.

Lori and Amy are eligible to compete in the District VII Miss Texas Farm Bureau Queen and Talent Find Contests to be held at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 11, 1998, at the Mabee Center on the campus of Howard Payne University, 1200 Center Ave., Brownwood.

Extension office to host first 4-H "Fishing Skills & Outdoor Fun Day"

This year, the Runnels County 4-H is holding its first "Fishing Skills & Outdoor Fun Day" for those 4-H'ers interested in wild-life projects. This fun-filled day will be held on August 5 at the Ballinger City Park, with registration from 7:30 to 8:30 a.m. and activities immediately following.

There will be a small registration fee of \$5, and the camp is open to the first 30 4-H members who sign-up.

Tamara Trail, District Extension Associate for Conservation, will be leading the day.

Fishing skills will be the main emphasis. The program will begin with several sessions over basic fishing skills such as lure selection, tying lures, casting, setting hooks, and even filleting fish.

The youth will also participate in a fishing relay and fish wrestling. The kids will get a chance to implement their new skills when they are given the rest of the morning to simply "fish."

There will also be other wild-life activities such as Habitat Lap Sit, Run for Life, and Web of Life.

Following all of the day's activities, the kids can swim in the Ballinger City Pool. The cost of the swimming is included in the registration fee. The day will end at 3:00 p.m.

Members of the Runnels County Extension Office and county leaders will serve as instructors and assistants in the sessions and will cook lunch for everyone.

CITY COUNCIL, continued

towns in the county have to pay. "If this is a county-wide service, then everybody in the county needs to pay," said Esquivel.

Gerhart expressed his view that "the county should fund 911 completely since we already pay county taxes."

Esquivel also presented the board with the prospect of needing a new computer system to cover the "Year 2,000" problems. No action was taken.

Council members voted to approve the hiring of Heather Tubbs as accountants payable/accounts receivable clerk, Rachel Esquivel as part-time clerk "upon approval of the city attorney on the legality of her employment with the city," and John McGallion as animal control officer, convenience center, and code enforcement officer, making him a full-time employee of the Winters Police Department.

Present for Monday night's meeting were Councilmen Esquivel, Russell, Gerhart, and Butler, City Attorney Kenneth Slimp, City Manager Hassan, and Mayor McGuffin.

Also present were approximately 25 citizens who again spoke about their concerns over a proposed housing project being considered by the City Council.

Many of these same residents had spoken before the Council at their meeting on July 13, followed by a meeting with the Housing Finance Corporation on July 14. Present at that meeting were HFC board members Doug Wheat, Melanie Wade, Jimmy Butler and Joe Gerhart.

During the meeting of July 14, residents were told that HFC member Manuel Esquivel had resigned and that another member could and would be appointed by the City Council. Four residents volunteered to serve on the HFC board.

However, at the Council meeting on July 27, this appointment had not been listed as an agenda item; therefore, no action could be taken by the City Council.

When the HFC board met on Tuesday night, July 28, Mr. Esquivel was present, serving on the board.

HFC chairwoman, Melanie Wade, explained to the confused crowd that Mr. Esquivel had not "officially resigned" and that he would be able to serve on the board.

The majority of the crowd of approximately 50 concerned citizens again expressed their disapproval of the proposed project which had been tentatively moved from a proposed site east of Hunters Glen Street to property along Highway 83, just north of Laurel Drive.

Water and sewer problems were questioned as were concerns about the credibility of the overall project.

Some residents said they have traveled to San Saba and viewed the property at the housing project there, and voiced concerns.

The HFC took no action concerning approval of this site for the housing project, and plan to meet again on Tuesday, August 4, at 6 p.m. at City Hall.

West Texas fair entries due

The 1998 West Texas Fair and Rodeo will be held September 5 in Abilene. Livestock entry deadlines are coming up quickly.

The entry deadline for swine, market lambs, meat, goats, Junior and Open breeding cattle, steers, Junior and Open breeding sheep, and rabbits is August 15. Any Runnels County 4-H'er who will be exhibiting steers, Junior breeding sheep or Junior breeding cattle at the West Texas Fair must complete their entry forms through the County Extension Office before August 14.

Entry forms for other livestock can be obtained through the Extension Office but do not require a County Agent's signature.

Police Beat

The information below is taken from reports on file with the Winters Police Department. Some of the information is provided to police by citizens, and in some cases, police have not finished investigating the reports. These reports make up a small percentage of the total calls the Department receives and responds to each week.

- Winters Police Department reports received and/or investigated from Sunday, July 19, 1998, through Saturday, July 25, 1998. Winters Police Officers:
 - received a report of a theft in the 500 block of W. Pierce.
 - arrested John Sanford Thralls, 30, of Winters, for possession of drug paraphernalia after a traffic stop on S. Main.
 - arrested Jimmy Rudy Sanchez, 37, of Menard, for outstanding DPS warrants after a traffic stop on N. Main.
 - received a report of a burglary of a habitation in the 800 block of W. Parsonage. This case is still under investigation.

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