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Landowners questioning legality of Lipan-Kickapoo election; circulating petition for recall

Some Runnels County landowners are not pleased with the election to include the county in the Lipan-Kickapoo Water Conservation District.

Bill Murray of Miles is spearheading a drive to petition for a recall of the May 5 election which annexed rural areas of the county into the District. According to Murray, the petition for annexation into the district was invalid, the election had no clearance from the United States Justice Department and some landowners could

not vote in the election because their residence was not within the proposed annexation area.

Murray asserts that voters were not told the district would levy a tax on landowners. He also says voters were not aware the water district could regulate pumping.

Land in the Lipan-Kickapoo District allows for one well per 40 acres, excluding house wells, livestock wells, and wells which pump less than 17.5 gallons per minute. Murray and others are circulating

a petition asking for qualified voter signatures protesting the legality and propriety of the election. If the petition is successful, Murray says his group will file a lawsuit against the water district for "fraudulent information given to voters." Hopes are that a judge will declare the May 5 election invalid and order a new election.

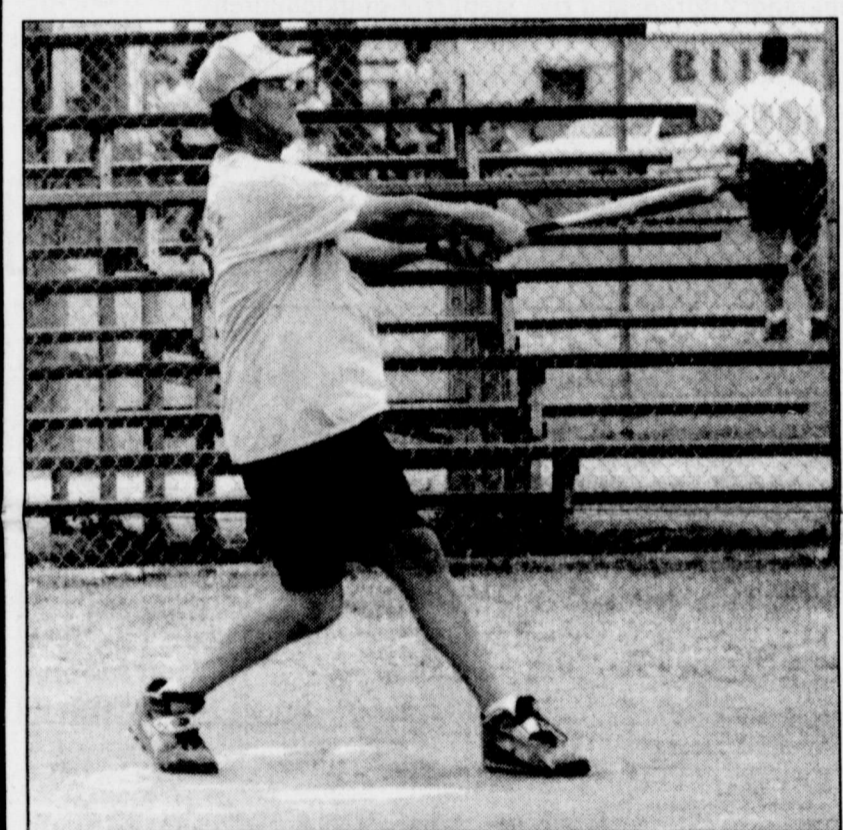
"We don't want someone coming in and telling us what we can do with our water," Murray said. "It is our land and we should be able to do what we want with our water. I think the voters should understand what they are voting for."

Officials with Lipan-Kickapoo said several informational meetings were held in the areas to be

annexed and the voting procedures were explained. The district also put notices in local newspapers concerning the election. According to officials, landowners outside the original district petitioned the district to be annexed.

Murray said he would comply with any outcome from a new election. However, he says he will not pay the tax levied for the water district if a new election is denied. Murray said he knew of about 60 other landowners who would refuse to pay the tax also.

Murray also says the water district "chose who was eligible to vote in the election and where they could vote. Some people never did find the correct place to vote."



RICKY DAVIS of the Young Guns team from Winters grimaces as he puts a full-body swing into his batting attempt. Eight teams entered the Winters High School 2002 Project Graduation fund-raising event held Friday and Saturday, June 29 & 30, in the Winters City Park. Triple Threat of San Angelo won the championship.

Commissioners activate burn ban for county

In a special called meeting of Runnels County Commissioners on Thursday afternoon of last week, an order prohibiting outdoor burning in the county was passed unanimously.

The "burn ban" was effective July 1, 2001, and specifically prohibits burning any combustible material outside an enclosure which will contain all flames and/or sparks which could result in a fire. The order is also violated if anyone engages in any activity which could allow flames or sparks which could result in a fire or orders such activities by others.

Persons violating the outdoor burning ban, if convicted, could

face a fine of up to \$1,000 and/or up to 180 days in jail.

The "burn ban" does not prohibit a controlled burn provided the nearest fire department is notified in advance of the burn.

The ban will be in force until such time as commissioners vote to lift the ban.

Other business on the special meeting agenda included a redistricting workshop. The county officials are working to redraw commissioners' precinct lines in accordance with results of the 2000 census. After working for approximately two hours and 15 minutes on the redistricting issue, no action was taken by the court.

You don't have to tell me twice!



JOHN ORTIZ of North Main Street doesn't actually threaten trespassers with rattlesnakes. He just happened to hang this dead rattler on his fence for the purpose of this picture. Ortiz said he killed the 3 1/2 -ft. snake with 10 rattlers in his backyard where his kids had been playing. The snake was trying to eat a caged rabbit. Local snake hunter Freddie Grohman said everyone should be extremely cautious about watching for snakes which are moving closer to homes looking for water.

Winters Enterprise wins top awards from Texas Press Association

The Winters Enterprise has once again been named an award-winning newspaper in the 2001 Better Newspaper Contest sponsored by the Texas Press Association.

Taking first place honors for feature story writing were Deb Pritchard, assistant editor, and Jean Boles, editor.

Deb's story, "Not Your Average WHS Graduate," about Arthur Martinez and his appointment to the U.S. Naval Academy, was judged as "definitely the 'feel good story of the year' and well done."

Jean's story about Calvin and Ginny Jackson winning \$21 million in the Publisher's Clearinghouse Sweepstakes was described as a "fun story with a good picture of the winners' character."

Also taking first place in the editorial division was Jean's story titled, "It's Nobody's Business If I Smoke - Or Is It?" Judges said this was "an excellent commentary about a deadly practice through the eyes of someone who has experienced certain tragedies."

Reg Boles, author of a weekly column, "Oil Bidness," also placed first in the editorial division with "very good writing," according to the judges.

The Winters Enterprise tied for third place with 200 points in the Sweepstakes Award. The Enterprise entered ten categories in the TPA contest which tallied points earned in each for an overall Sweepstakes Award winner. Judges said, "This paper has a good sense of community news

and covers it thoroughly."

Editor Jean Boles said, "We are very proud of our awards. It's always nice to be recognized by one's peers, especially in a profession of pretty picky folks who understand the constant demands of producing a top-notch publication."

"We also want to thank our readers and our network of caring people who call us with ideas and who take the time to thank us. Your contributions and comments are always welcome."

"Every employee at The Winters Enterprise takes a great deal of personal pride in producing the best weekly newspaper possible. We consider it a privilege to be the heartbeat of this wonderful community."

WHS Class of '71 to host reunion this weekend

The Winters High School Class of 1971 will host their 30th class reunion this weekend.

Classmates will gather at the Mt. Carmel Catholic Church Fellowship Hall in Winters on Friday for an informal social.

They will tour Winters High School on Saturday morning before returning to the Catholic Fellowship Hall for a potluck lunch. There will be an afternoon tour of the Z.I. Hale Museum, The Rock Hotel, and the Gus Pruser Agricultural Exhibit. The class will enjoy a catered meal from The Shed on Saturday night at the fellowship hall.

Friends from other WHS classes, faculty, and staff are invited and encouraged to join the fun and fellowship of any and all of the weekend's events.

WHAT'S HAPPENING ?

- July 5-10 a.m. - Noon & 1:30-3 p.m., Immunization Clinic, Dept. of Health
- 11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- 6 p.m., Chamber Directors
- July 6-11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- WHS Class of 1971 30th Reunion, Mt. Carmel Catholic Church
- 7:30 p.m., Cowboys for Christ, Drasco
- July 7-WHS Class of 1971 30th Reunion, Mt. Carmel Catholic Church
- July 8-5 p.m., First Baptist Church Vacation Bible School registration, FBC
- July 9-8:30 a.m.-Noon, Vacation Bible School, First Baptist Church
- 11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- 7 p.m., VFW & Auxiliary, Post Home
- 7 p.m., Project Graduation 2002 Meeting, Elementary Library
- 7 p.m., Winters Athletic Booster Club, Fieldhouse
- Deadline for Entering Runnels County Farm Bureau Contests
- July 10-8:30 a.m.-Noon, Vacation Bible School, First Baptist Church
- 10 a.m., Commissioners Court, Courthouse, Ballinger
- 11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- Noon, Lions Club, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- 3 p.m., Summer Reading Club, Winters Public Library
- 7 p.m., AA, First United Methodist Church
- 7 p.m., WVFD, Fire Station
- 7:30 p.m., Elm Creek Water Control Board, Sr. Citizens Center
- Woman's Club
- July 11-7 a.m., Industrial Board, Chamber Office
- 8:30 a.m.-Noon, Vacation Bible School, First Baptist Church
- 11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- July 12-8:30 a.m.-Noon, Vacation Bible School, First Baptist Church
- 10 a.m., Triple L Club, First Baptist Church
- 11:30 a.m., Sr. Citizens Meal, Sr. Citizens Activity Center
- 8 p.m., Summer Gospel Meeting, Old Norton Church of Christ

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Oil Bidness

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I'm sure it happens to a lot of people, but, somehow, I feel picked on.

I read something in a newspaper or magazine about the oil and gas business and, only because of my familiarity with the industry, realize something has been totally misrepresented or even misrepresented. Now, I never assume it is intentional, but sometimes I suspect it can be illuminating as to the leanings of a writer or a publication.

As I said, this probably happens to a lot of people who work in industries that are reported upon in the news. But, because any article or report on the oil business catches my eye, I tend to gravitate toward that writing when I see it. Usually, I read the entire article to see what it's all about.

Many times, I critique the articles' subject matter. When I complete my mental review, more often than not, I find several oversimplifications, lack of depth of understanding, and outright misinterpretations of basic information.

Recently, I saw an article in a widely-read overseas financial publication mentioning that a large oil conglomerate's chief executive had "repudiated the proposed U.S. energy policy." The article then provided a review of the major points of the policy, characterizing each point of the policy in a manner that leads the reader to the idea that the pieces of the policy are somehow extreme.

Case in point: instead of saying that the policy "advocates maximizing development of resources", it says that the policy "pushes drilling on protected lands". Note the subtlety of the words used such as "pushes" and "protected."

While one can argue the point of whether the policy does or does not threaten the environment, balanced reporting would preclude the use of editorial language and state both sides of the argument. An example might be: "the policy advocates maximizing supply to moderate shortages and prices, but some observers feel that parts of the plan may promote damage to the environment."

But, it turns out that the language and syntax was the least of my concerns. The real problem was that the article's headline and lead-in paragraph were totally misrepresentative of the situation reported on. The oil executive quoted had said he disagreed on one part a statement in the policy, but, in fact he never said he disagreed with the policy as a whole or even on the key concepts of the policy.

The point of disagreement was very subtle but very pertinent. The policy states in the preamble that there is a "shortage of refining capacity." The policy proposes building more refineries for that purpose. The oil executive said he believed there was actually a problem with the U.S. rules that require so many

varying blends of auto fuels. These rules prevent transport of fuels around the country because the rules are based on geography and each region may have different fuel composition requirements. He said that there were probably enough refineries in total but that they had to worry about making so many types of fuel that they could not be utilized to meet the needs across regional boundaries when local shortages developed.

That was it. He never mentioned another word about the policy. But, the publication ran a big headline saying that the U.S. policy had been trashed by a big-time oil executive.

It is no wonder the industry has such a tough time with their public image when things like this go on. It just goes to show you. One has to be very careful before believing everything one reads.

Present company excepted, of course.

HIGHLIGHTS OF AREA DRILLING ACTIVITY COMPLETIONS

Nolan County

Cottonwood Petroleum Co. has completed a re-entry of the Davis #1 in the County Regular Field (6 miles E of Maryneal) at an initial rate of 28 BOPD & 8 BWPD in an unidentified zone (perfs 3902-06). Loc. is 2218 FSL & 467 FWL of Sec. 165, Blk. 1A, TCRR Sur., A-153.

STAKINGS

Coleman County

Delray Oil has staked the T. Sneed #3 in the County Regular Field, 4 miles SW of Glen Cove (Depth 3850). Loc. is 2634 FNL & 3500 FWL of D. McClean Sur. No. 757.

Concho County

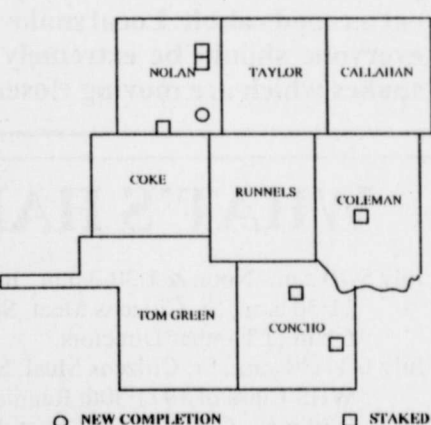
Daubert Operating has staked the Green #1 as a Wildcat, 8 miles SE of Eden (Depth 2600). Loc. is 461 FWL & 1496 FSL of Sec. 777, Blk. 71, W. McCutcheon Sur., A-1026.

LeClair Operating has amended the loc. of the Sorrell #2 in the Money Pit Field, 11 mile N of Eden (Depth 3900). Loc. is 2300 FEL & 1600 FSL of Sec. 58, Blk. 70, H&TC Sur., A-1369.

Nolan County

Enrich Oil has staked the S. Phillips 31 in the Big Silver Field, 5 miles SW of Maryneal (Depth 7500). Loc. is 1200 FWL & 467 FSL of Sec. 135, Blk. 1A, H&TC Sur.

L.C.S. Production has amended the loc. of one well and staked one new well in the Mulberry Canyon Field, 6 miles NE of Nolan (Depth 3999). The Brooks #1 new loc. is 50 FEL & 955 FSL of Sec. 76, Blk. 5, T&PRR Sur. The Brooks #4 is loc. 50 FEL & 2647 FSL of same Sec.



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Winters Athletic Booster Club to meet Monday

The Winters Athletic Booster Club will meet on Monday, July 9, at the Blizzard Field House. The meeting is set to begin at 7 p.m.

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Obituaries

Virgil Wesley McDaniel

SAN ANGELO—Virgil Wesley McDaniel, 80, died Tuesday, June 26, 2001, at his residence.

He was born October 31, 1920, in Ballinger and lived in Euless most of his life. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II working as an airplane mechanic.

While in Euless he managed an apartment complex. He moved to San Angelo in 1991 and was a member of the Methodist Church.

Survivors include a sister, Mozetta Mills of Winters; and nieces and nephews.

Graveside services were held at 10:30 a.m. on Friday, June 29, 2001, at Lakeview Cemetery with Reverend Georgia Orr of the First United Methodist Church in Winters officiating. Services were under the direction of Winters Funeral Home.

Serving as pallbearers were Jerry Mills, Allen Mills, Joe Fisher, Joseph Fisher, Butch Bundas, and Kenneth Mills.

Bertha "Betty" Holubec Bubenik

SAN ANGELO—Bertha "Betty" Holubec Bubenik, 79, formerly of Rowena, died at 4:44 p.m. Saturday, June 30, 2001, in Community Medical Center in San Angelo.

She was born July 12, 1921, in Taylor, Texas, to Jim and Annie Rose Dusek Hejl. She married Arnold E. Holubec on February 24, 1938, in San Angelo. He preceded her in death on July 11, 1988. She married Albert Bubenik on October 5, 1991.

Mrs. Bubenik was a homemaker and a member of SPJST Lodge #49 in Rowena.

She was also preceded in death by her parents and a brother, Jerry Hejl.

Survivors include her husband, Albert Bubenik of San Angelo; two sons, Arnold Holubec Jr. and wife Mary of Terrell and Edward Ray Holubec and wife Brenda of Rowena; one daughter, Loretta McAlister and husband John of Ballinger; seven grandchildren, Robert Holubec, Beverly Burnett, Sherri Salinas, Kristie Holubec, and Jason, Brandon, and Kristin Boggess; six great-grandchildren; nine brothers and sisters, Annie Wanoreck, Elsie Moeller, Sadie Havlak, Ruby Bryant, Dorothy Harmon, Mary Ann Harmon, Stanley Hejl, Ervin Hejl, and Lorene Leggett; one stepson, Ronnie Bubenik and wife Gloria; three stepgrandchildren; and five stepgreat-grandchildren.

Services were at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, July 3, in the Rains-Seale Funeral Home Chapel in Ballinger with burial following in the Evergreen Cemetery in Rowena. Arrangements were directed by Rains-Seale Funeral Home.

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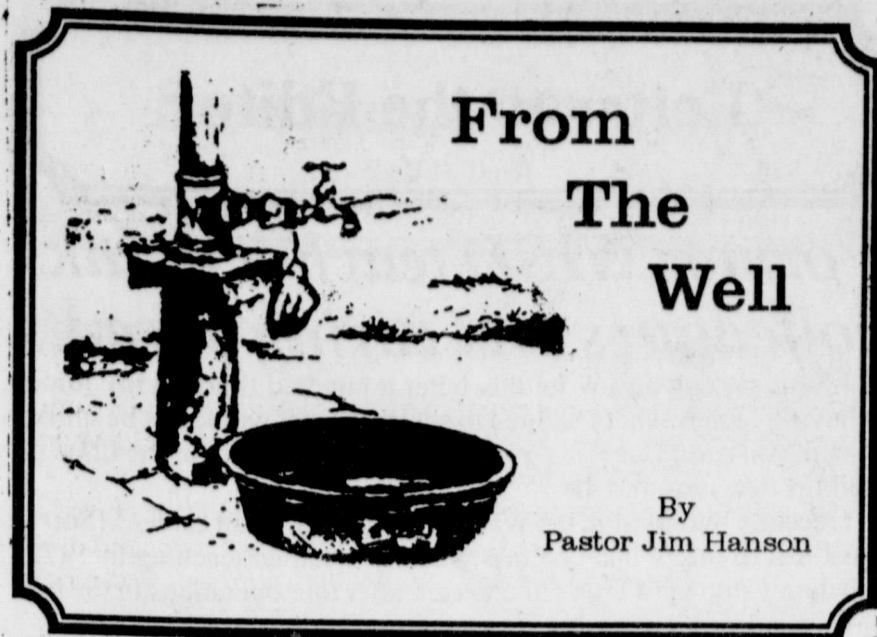
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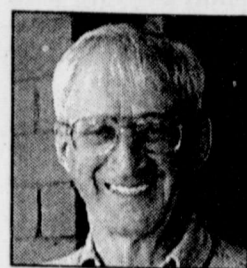
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From The Well

By Pastor Jim Hanson



Pastor Jim Hanson

I was taught from an early age, that food was a gift, from God. And to make sure that I learned this great truth, I was taught a prayer. A table prayer...one we prayed before every meal. We still do. Even when out in public. Like today when Ramona and I had lunch with two of our grandchildren...Joey and Maria. We were at "Wendy's." And the place was crowded. But before we got into our food, we got into the presence of God. By inviting Him to be our guest. And asking Him to bless our "gifts" of hamburgers, french fries, chicken nuggets, and soft drinks.

Many of you who are readers remember this prayer. It goes like this:

Come Lord Jesus, Be our Guest.
And let these gifts to us be blest. Amen"

This practice of offering thanks before eating goes way back. The Old Testament people of God prayed before every meal something like this:

"Blessed be the Lord our God
Who gives bread to the world."

And then the host would literally "break bread" and pass a portion to all at the table.

When Jesus gave us "The Lord's Supper," or "The Sacrament of the Altar," or "Holy Communion," "He took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His disciples, saying, "Take and eat."

It was this way for a long, long time. But, in our age, when many seem to think, "We've come a long way," we don't see much "giving thanks" in public any more. And according to a number of polls fewer and fewer families pray before meals.

We really take food for granted. We don't see it as a gift from God. And we forget the farmers and food producers. Food has become a commodity, rather than a gift. And the farmer's share of the product has become woefully low.

To illustrate this fact, at the Rally for Rural America in Washington, D.C., March 20, 2000, a handout was given at the Farmer's Share Lunch. The price of the meal was \$8.00. The farmer's share was 39 cents. Here's how it was shown:

Menu Item	Farmer's Share
Sliced charcoal cooked top round of beef	27 cents
Bun	1 cent
Western Style baked beans	4 cents
Red potato salad	1 cent
Country slaw	2 cents
Milk	3 cents
Cookie	1 cent
TOTAL FARMER'S SHARE	39 CENTS

What's so fair about that? And how about this fact? A box of Wheaties, a 14.75 ounce box retails for about \$3.71. Tiger Woods got 10 cents a box for letting them put his picture on the face of the box and the farmer got 4.6 cents. Something has gone haywire here. I must have missed a connection. What on earth has Tiger Woods got to do with producing food for my table?

When food becomes a commodity, both God and the farmer are short changed. God is cut out of the deal, and the farmer, even when he has a good crop, can barely make expenses. In my book, that's a sin.

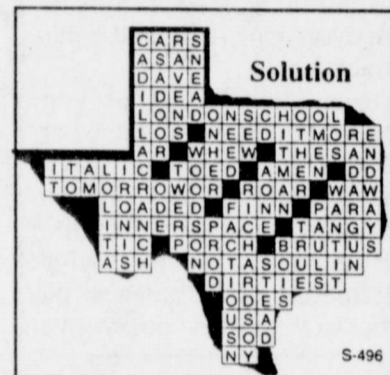
The other day I received some literature. I ordered it from the National Catholic Rural Life Conference. It was a set of six cards...The Ethics of Eating was the general title. One of them is entitled Member's Creed.

Here are some of the statements: "I believe that feeding people is an honorable and socially just endeavor; that farming is a noble vocation that gives great pride to those involved in it; that farmers can feed the world safe, healthy, nutritious food...I believe that agriculture needs a just marketing system that works for all people; that it is just and fair to have wide distribution of land and resources...I believe that I have the personal and political responsibility to stay on the land; creating and maintaining sustainable communities for future generations; and the creation of a sustainable, safe, and self reliant food system...I believe in God, the source of all life. Amen."

So, give thanks to God for daily food, pray for farmers, and support them in their concerns. And check out "Ethics for Eating." Call the NCRLC at 1-515-270-2634.



THIRTY-ONE CLASSMATES ATTENDED THE 44TH REUNION of the Winters High School Class of 1957. Pictured are (front, l-r) Barbara (Hand) Danford, Noleta (James) Rice, Darlene (McWright) Smith, Eva Leta (Wright) Smith, Patsy (Wilkerson) Watkins, Janice (McCaughan) Merrifield, Beverly (Lawson) Andrae, Ginger (White) Helm, Janice (Frick) Pruser, Raymond Lindsey, Bill Bridwell, and Carolyn (Gerhart) Roach. Also are (middle) Judith (Dietz) Harrison, Emma (Shott) Brown, Juanell (O'Dell) Lange, Marthelia (Dobbins) Sikes, Ann (Frierson) Bryan, Jimmy Glenn, Donald Casey, Sylvia (Schroeder) Richie, (back) Ronnie Wade, Kermit Foster, Norma (Best) Morgan, O.J. Murray, Donald Roach, Dwayne Williams, John Johnson, Darrell Compton, Weldon Andrae, Bud Busher, Jimmie Hoppe, and Billy Jacob. Not pictured were Marvin Gerhart, Gayland Robinson, Jackie Baldwin, and J.N. Clark.



Revisions made to ASU's 2001 spring semester Dean's List

Note to the Editor: A computer coding error resulted in an incorrect list of names being submitted to you for the 2001 Spring Semester Dean's List at Angelo State University. We have submitted a corrected list and we apologize for any inconvenience. (from the Office of News and Information at ASU)

Nine Winters students attending Angelo State University in San Angelo are included on the Dean's List for the 2001 Spring semester. They include Jaime Lynn Bahlman, interdisciplinary studies; Mincy L. Briley, interdisciplinary studies; Brandi M. Gray, nursing; Amy M. Heathcott, animal science; Robyn Renee Parramore, interdisciplinary stud-

ies; Susan A. Grenwelge Ripple, accounting; Kathy Jean Torres, interdisciplinary studies; Perla Noemi Vega, Spanish; and Kenny Mark Whittenburg, kinesiology. To be eligible for the Dean's List, a student must be enrolled as a full-time student and have at least a 3.25 grade point average on a 4.0 scale.

Gospel singing set for July 22 at Lutheran Church

A gospel singing for all denominations will be held at St. John's Lutheran Church in Winters on Sunday, July 22. The program will be held from 2 to 4:30 p.m. with J.D. Taylor of Blackwell conducting the singing. The public is encouraged to attend.

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Crews News

By Hilda Kurtz

I've learned when packing for vacation you should take half as much clothes and twice as much money.

Visitors at Hopewell Church on Sunday were Amanda and Ashley Webb of Round Rock and Stephanie Webb of Austin.

Carolyn Webb enjoyed her trip to California and visiting with her son Richard and family.

Nila and Therin Osborne enjoyed the Ballinger fireworks at the lake on Saturday.

Those having lunch after church services with Melvena and Marvin Gerhart on Sunday were Nila and Therin Osborne, Ramona and Bro. Ferris Akins, David and Viane Talbott, Jackie Wright, and Sally Mae Gerhart.

On Wednesday, Leslie and Will Duggan had their baby boy and named him Hunter. Visitors during the week with Dale and Linda Duggan were Danny and Juanita Duggan and Roy Brown of New Mexico.

Spending Saturday with Georgia Gibbs were Lynda and Travis



Hilda Kurtz

Ford of Rising Star. Connie Mac Gibbs of Winters came during the week.

Doris Wood spent Thursday in Abilene and enjoyed the day with Mr. and Mrs. Maloey Bryant.

Chris and Kim came with Kim's mother of St. Louis, Missouri, to see Wanda and Wendall King. On Friday night, Sharon Grissom came out with Bill, Kenny, Steve, Vicki, and Paula.

My daughter, Hildegard Schovajsa of San Angelo, spent Wednesday with me. She washed my windows and took the drapes home to wash. Just could be they needed washing!!

Louise Osborne of Winters visited the Therin Osbornes on Sunday evening.

Continuing education courses to begin in July

Short courses of Basic Computer, Conversational Spanish, and Basic Computer in Spanish will be available in Winters through Western Texas College beginning in mid-July. Courses will be held at Winters High School and will utilize local teachers.

The Jobs Training and Continuing Education Program is a cooperative effort of Western Texas College, Texas State Technical College, the Texas Workforce Commission, the Winters Independent School District, and the Winters Area Business and Industrial Corporation. Its purpose is to meet the needs of local

businesses and area residents for additional education.

A variety of other courses will be available starting in the fall. The most requested courses are genealogy, basic computer, conversational Spanish, air conditioning repair, GED, and computer maintenance. Almost any course can be arranged if there are at least 8 people interested.

Additional information on the times and dates of the courses will be available soon. If you are interested in the three summer courses or other courses, please contact Randall Conner at 221 West Dale or 754-4542.

Coleman to host CCEC Annual Meeting, July 20

Coleman County Electric Cooperative's 63rd Annual Membership Meeting will be in Coleman this year — on July 20, 2001. The meeting will be held in the auditorium at the Coleman High School.

Homemade ice cream, cookies, and punch will be served in the cafeteria before the meeting.

Travis Williams, a one-man band from Lubbock, will be the entertainment for this year's meeting. He has performed at the Coleman Hunter's BQ, plus numerous other places.

Available as well will be a health fair by Abilene Heart and Vascular Institute in conjunction with Abilene Regional Medical Center. West Texas Rehabilitation will be here again this year for the hearing screens. The hearing people will be set-up out front

in the Rehab truck.

There will be the usual prize drawings for adults and children and one major prize. Each member registering will receive an attendance gift. Attendance gifts will also be given for the children.

Coleman County Electric Cooperative is looking forward to a good attendance at the meeting this year. The meeting will be inside where it will be nice and cool, and attendees can enjoy the homemade ice cream and entertainment.

Please mark July 20 on your calendar and make plans to attend this year's Annual Membership Meeting in Coleman. Come and enjoy the fellowship with your fellow members while participating in the business activities of your own cooperative.

Letter to the Editor

Former WISD teacher thanks colleagues and caring parents

I have sat down to write this letter a hundred times in my mind, believing I knew what I wanted to say and that it would not be unlike a thank you card. But I find myself totally unprepared for the flood of feelings that surround me.

I recently retired from the Winters ISD after a "short career." (Sorry, I just had to throw that one in). Actually, I started teaching in 1972, and didn't stop until I ran out of steam after four operations in the last three years.

But I wanted to say thanks to all of the people, short and tall, who made my stay as a Blizzard very memorable.

Thanks to Karen Colburn who gave birth to a daughter and in turn gave me a job. (Sorry, Kayla).

Thanks to Landa Grohman for showing me what a compassionate teacher was like.

Thanks to Cindy Cathey for not having me fired when I "stole" her high school dyslexia class and hid them in my room.

Thanks to Ann Shackelford for sharing her special son, Derek, with me.

And thanks to Gail Traylor for too many things, some even legal. (Talk your way out of that one, Gail).

I know this letter may be too wordy (Remember, I will always be a teacher and can still give you an "F" Jean Boles if you drop one word of this).

But I really want to thank each parent who sits down with their child and helps with homework. Each parent who makes the effort to come to a music program or a ball game. Each one who teaches their child it's more important to do the hard things in life than to go the easy route.

And one more thing . . . I AM NOT SHORT! I AM HEIGHT-CHALLENGED!!!

Bette Raymond

In Appreciation

Card of Thanks

We would like to thank all of our friends for your prayers, phone calls, and concern during Gilbert's recent illness.

It was very encouraging to know you were behind me, and after the first day when they got my fever down, it was very nice to talk to many of you on the phone.

We appreciate each one of you—and we love you.
Gilbert & Orita Smith

Card of Thanks

We thank each friend and every member of our family for their kind deeds, the food, the flowers and plants, the cards, and each word of sympathy and comfort given us in our recent sorrow.

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Museum receives grant for Rock Hotel

The Z.I. Hale Museum recently received a \$10,000 grant from the Summerlee Foundation of Dallas for The Rock Hotel Heritage Center. The Summerlee Foundation concentrates on providing funds for historical projects in Texas.

The grant is designated for use in completing the restoration of the second floor of The Rock Hotel. These funds, along with those raised in the computer raffle, should be enough to finish the project, except for the elevator.

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2002 Project Graduation set to meet Monday

Project Graduation 2002 will meet on Monday, July 9, to discuss and organize upcoming fundraising events.

The meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. in the Winters Elementary Library. Parents of all seniors are encouraged to attend.

Mitchell Reunion to be held Sunday

Descendants of David and Lydia Mitchell will hold a reunion on Sunday, July 8, 2001, at The Rock Hotel Heritage Center in Winters.

Activities will begin about 9:30 a.m. and a barbecue lunch will be served.

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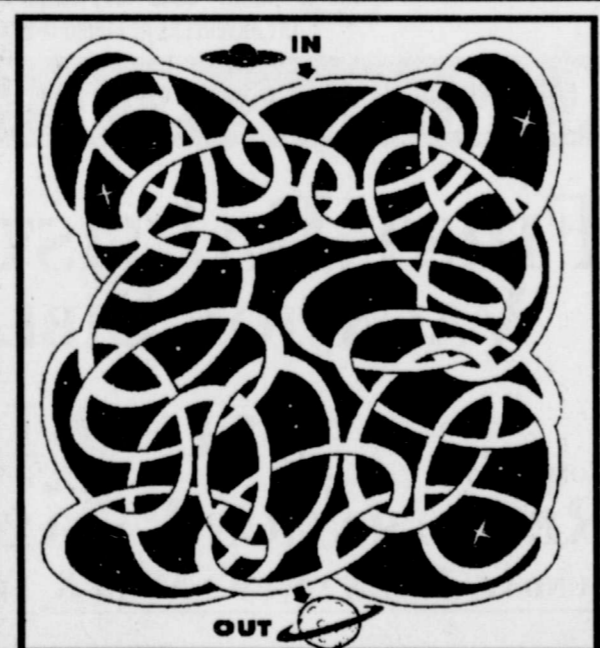
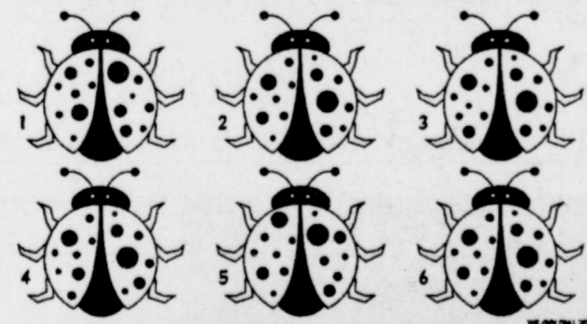
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Local couple enjoys Alaskan cruise "dream vacation"

Mike and Betty Gray of Bradshaw recently returned from an Alaskan cruise "dream vacation" which included stops at White Pass Scenic Railway, Mt. McKinley, and Anchorage.

After a flight from DFW Airport to Seattle, Washington, the Gray's enjoyed a cook-out with Betty's sister Dollie Post and her family, and their Aunt Mary and Uncle George Coder.

Upon arriving in Alaska, the couple enjoyed beautiful weather in addition to an authentic Alaskan Salmon Bake, a visit to the Alaskan Native Heritage Center, a glacier landing on Mt. McKinley, and a jetboat safari.

The Grays were thankful to Joy Awalt Bishop with Enzor Travel in Abilene for arranging the "dream vacation."



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Stewards of the Soil

By B.D. Davis
Biologist/Land Manager

New rig on the road...

ATVs (all-terrain vehicles/four wheelers) have been around for quite a while. A list of their usefulness in various farm and ranch operations is a long one. However, one thing you could not do was travel down a road—it was not legal.

You could legally walk down a road. You could legally ride a bike down a road. You could even legally ride a horse down a road. But you could not ride a four-wheeler down a road.

All the above is about to change. Governor Rick Perry recently signed into law House Bill 651. This bill will soon allow four-wheelers to travel on public roads. The bill does not take effect until September 1, 2001, and applies only to four-wheelers used for agricultural purposes.

Several things about the bill must be done to meet various criteria. (1) The use must be in connection with the production of agricultural products. (2) The four-wheeler must be equipped with an eight-foot-long pole with an orange flag on top. (3) The vehicle's lights must be on. (4) The operator must have a valid drivers license. (5) The four-wheeler must be used only during daylight hours. And (6) the operation cannot travel more than 25 miles from home.

A four-wheeler can do most of the things for which we use a pickup plus many things a pickup cannot do. It is particularly useful in handling cattle. It cannot

quite turn with a horse, but, on the other hand, it does not get tired.

Soil compaction is minimized when compared with the use of a 5,000-pound pickup. Gene and I use a four-wheeler in our stocker operation to move cattle from one pasture to another. We have moved cattle in this manner over 600 times. There are occasions when a horse is needed but not often.

Rancher Lynn Billups and I have been friends for over 60 years. I told him in Sunday School the other day he needs to get him a four-wheeler before he gets too old and feeble. Billups is not one to take advice so the jury is still out—we'll see.

Come September you may notice some old country looking guys riding a four-wheeler. The first thing you'll probably see is a big fishing pole with a flag on top. Chances are they will have the look on their faces that they don't really know "what's happening." Be patient and don't run over them—hopefully they will soon have things figured out.

There is a story going around about a meeting between God and a scientist who had recently cloned an animal. In the story, the scientist challenged God saying, "I can create life." According to the story, God replied, "Go ahead and try." With that the scientist reached down and picked up a handful of soil. God replied, "Wait a minute. Get your own soil."

Pest Management News

By Richard Minzenmayer, Extension Agent-Entomology (PM)

General Situation

Heavy insect pressure continues in area cotton and to a lesser extent in grain sorghum. Grasshoppers and cotton fleahoppers remain the insect pests of concern. False chinch bugs can be found in some sorghum fields. The Concho Valley continues to wait patiently on much needed rainfall. Cotton is holding up well under these hot dry conditions but the weather is taking its toll on sorghum fields.

Scouts are on a regular schedule now and reports are being left at area gins. Stop by your gin and look at the reports in your area. You can also call 365-2642 and get a daily insect update.

Cotton

Irrigated cotton looks great and is progressing right on schedule. Most fields have required an insecticide application for fleahoppers and in some situations thrips as well. Cotton ranges in growth

from the cotyledon stage to 1/3 grown square stage.

There is a wide variation in growth stages this year and this will have an impact on insect scouting and management decisions as the season progresses.

Early spring rains, lots of early weed hosts, coupled with hot, dry conditions throughout June have caused heavy fleahopper infestations in cotton. Cotton is the only host plant green and fleahoppers are taking advantage of it. Expect problems to continue for the next several weeks.

Fleahopper numbers ranged from 9 to 68 fleahoppers per 100 terminals this week and square rates ranged from 53 to 82 percent. Average square rates were somewhere around 65 percent. It should be 90 percent the first week, 85 percent the second week, and remain above 75 percent the third week of squaring under optimum conditions.

Some dryland cotton fields have reached matchhead square and fleahopper numbers are high and square rates are well below 70%. A two-inch rain would certainly help make a decision on whether to load the cotton plant or wait. If you have sufficient irrigation water to set and maintain a good fruit load, then it's important to save these early squares.

If you don't have sufficient moisture, then it's questionable on protecting the early fruit that will shed later due to moisture stresses or other environmental factors. Pray for rain.

Insecticides labeled for fleahopper control include Orthene, Address, Bidrin Dimethoate, Provado, Stewart, Lorsban, and several others. Check TAEX publication E-6A for recommended rates or give me a call.

Conservation Tillage Tour
There is a Conservation Tillage Tour scheduled and sponsored

by the Southern Rolling Plains Cotton Growers Association on Monday, July 9, 2001. Dr. Billy Warrick and Charles Stichler will be present to discuss the various conservation programs and answer any questions you may have on the practices. They will also have an equipment demonstration. The schedule is as follows:

8:30 a.m.-Richard Pelzel Farm (South of Hwy. 67 between Miles and Rowena)

9 a.m.-Depart for Fred Wilde Farm (Bethel)

9:30 a.m.-Arrive at Wilde Farm, then depart for Ken & Billy Halfmann Farm (south of Ballinger airport)

10:30 a.m.-Arrive at Halfmann Farm, then depart for Dennis Minzenmayer Farm (Hatchel) at 11 a.m.

11:30 a.m.-Arrive Minzenmayer Farm, final stop of tour. Conclude program by noon.

Pests by nature: False chinch bugs cause relatively small damage in comparison to other insects

I have recently found a large number of chinch bugs around the office and have started seeing high numbers in producer fields, especially in reduced tillage fields and along edges of roads with high weed populations. False chinch bugs occur as pests in two different situations.

For home dwellers, the insects can be a nuisance invader or cause alarm when they mass on sides of buildings or in lawns. Growers may be concerned with injuries caused by the insect to crops. They are generally seen by the thousands, moving from waste areas to crops.

Despite their large numbers, very little damage seems to be done—at least compared to many other insects. Wilting and death of new growth can occur from the feeding of massed insects on a plant. However, it takes a lot to cause serious plant injury. An exception is tender seedlings, which may wilt from a single feeding wound of a passing insect.

Damage is usually insignificant on crops and landscape plants although exceptions do occur. High numbers can wilt seedlings and young, developing plants because of the insect's sucking mouthparts and the high numbers. Products containing

dimethoate, dicofol, permethrin, bifenthrin, or cypermethrin perform well in crops.

The false chinch bug can become a nuisance by moving inside homes during migration. Control tactics should focus on

minimizing weeds and taking away host plants. Good sanitation practices around the home; keeping grass short, removing hiding places such as stones and boards, will help reduce numbers.

Residual insecticides should be

targeted outside the home. Look for products containing diazinon, permethrin, bifenthrin, or cypermethrin. If the insects move inside the home, the vacuum cleaner will provide quick, effective control.

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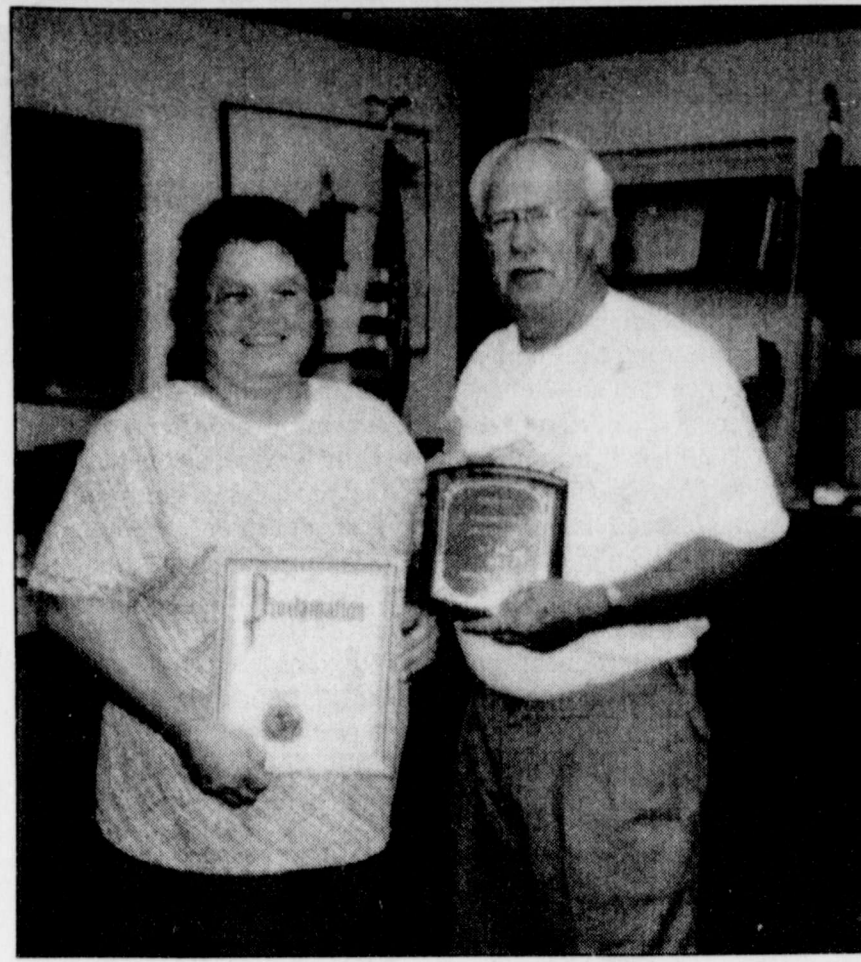
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VIRGINIA PARR (left) was presented a proclamation and plaque by Mayor Dawson McGuffin for her dedicated service to the City of Winters as Municipal Judge. Mrs. Parr held this position from February 1997 until June 22, 2001. She has taken a full-time position as dispatcher for Runnels County 9-1-1.

Z.I. Hale Museum workday set to move Blue Gap Post Office

The Z.I. Hale Museum will have a workday on Friday and Saturday, July 13-14, to dismantle and move the old Blue Gap Post Office to Winters. The log cabin building has been donated to the museum, and plans are to restore it to its original look. Workers will leave from the museum at 8:00 a.m. each day and work until noon. A couple of flatbed trailers and several workers are still needed. Bring plenty of drinking water, gloves, and basic tools. Anyone who can work is invited. Please call Randall Conner at 754-4542.



FELIX GONZALES (left) was honored as Employee of the Quarter and presented a proclamation by City Manager Dr. Aref Hassan at the City's quarterly staff meeting held on Wednesday, June 27, 2001. Felix has worked for the Street Department since October 1975.

Official Records

County Court Dispositions
 June 28
 Michael Todd Helms and Jodie Kay Schwertner
 June 29
 Glenn Deal Billbrey and Stacy Sue Henderson Pyburn
District Court Divorces Filed
 June 27
 Kenneth D. Dickson vs. Alice Dickson
 June 29
 Leland Rex Bevers vs. Connie Diane Bevers
Divorces Granted
 June 28
 Gabriel C. Hernandez and Maria Hernandez
 Roger Lee McCandless and Margie Juanita McCandless
Justice of the Peace Precinct 1 Criminal Cases Filed
 June 26
 Nicholas A. Rodriguez, filed for theft by check
 Gary Scott Curtis, filed for issuance of a bad check
 George Villa, Jr., filed for issuance of a bad check
 Rolando Gonzales, filed for issuance of a bad check
Small Claims Cases Filed
 June 27
 Runnels County Ag Mart & Pest Control vs. Cindy McCormick, services rendered
Criminal Cases Filed
 June 25
 Juan Daniel Sanchez, filed for driving while intoxicated (subsequent offense)
 Tommy Reyes Rodriguez, filed for driving while intoxicated
 Bryan Sanchez, filed for minor in possession of alcohol (appeal from City Court)
 June 26
 Michelle Leanna Valles, filed on two counts of making alcohol available to a minor
 Frank Rangel Antu, filed for driving while license suspended
 Phyllis Rodriguez, filed for theft by check
 June 27
 Robert Earl Mikula III, filed for theft
 Roger Wayne Williams, Jr, filed for theft
 Patsy Ann Boone, filed for theft
 Rafael Vasquez Vara, filed for driving while intoxicated
 Rickey Lee Smith, filed for possession of marijuana
 June 29
 Kenneth Ray Anderson, filed for resisting arrest
Marriage Licenses
 June 25
 David Raymond Zertuche and Shana Ann Sonnenberg

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, June 24, 2001, through Saturday, June 30, 2001. Winters Police Officers:

* officers observed and stopped a 1985 Chevy S.U.V. on North Rogers Street for several traffic violations. An odor of alcohol was detected on the driver who exhibited signs of intoxication. The driver was offered and subsequently failed several field sobriety tasks. The driver, Juan Delgado of Ballinger, was arrested for driving while intoxicated and taken to Runnels County Jail.

* observed and stopped a 1993 Toyota car on East Highway 153 for several traffic violations. An odor of alcohol was detected on the driver who was offered and failed several field sobriety tasks. The driver, Guadalupe Flores Jr. of Seminole, was arrested for driving while intoxicated and making alcohol available to minors. There were several underage girls in the vehicle. A passenger, identified as Tomas McWhorta of Seminole was also arrested for making alcohol available to a minor. Mr. McWhorta exited the vehicle on the stop and refused to remain seated. He was also charged with public intoxication. Both subjects were taken to Runnels County Jail.

* observed and stopped a 1993 Mercury car on South Main Street being driven by a 16-year-old Winters male. The driver is known to not have a drivers license. After contacting the driver an odor of marijuana was detected from within the vehicle. All of the juvenile occupants were searched for illicit narcotics and two 16-year-old males were found in possession of under two ounces of marijuana. Both suspects were detained and later released into their parent's custody. They will be charged with Class B possession of marijuana.

* received report of a domestic disturbance in the 400 block of South Rogers Street. A Winters female alleged being struck about the head and body by a Winters male after an argument over alleged infidelity. Injury was observed to the female. The male was located a short time later and after mirandising him admitted to striking the female. The male, Gary Huffman of Winters, was arrested for assault causing bodily injury and taken to Runnels County Jail.

* received report of a domestic dispute in the 600 block of Roberts Street. A 28-year-old male of Winters alleged being slapped in the face and struck in the chest with a beer can by his girlfriend. No injury was observed. Witnesses confirmed the victim's story and the victim wished to file charges. This has been referred to the Winters Municipal Court for review.

* received report of vandalism in the 700 block of South Main Street. A 17-year-old Winters male alleged that an 18-year-old Winters male struck his vehicle several times with rocks as he was driving down Main Street. Damage was observed to the complainant's vehicle. There are witnesses to the incident and this is under investigation as criminal mischief.

Runnels County Crimestoppers offers a cash reward for information which leads to the grand jury indictment or conviction of offenders and the caller does not have to give his or her name. To give a Crimestoppers tip, call your local law enforcement agency at:

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1 output of Arlington GM plant

5 TXism: "sneaky" egg sucking dog

6 ex-Cowboy coach Wannstedt

7 TXism: "a neon light" (inspired)

8 site of '37 gas blast that killed 293 TX kids and teachers

17 Frenos, TX

18 TXism: "than a dry land farmer needs rain"

21 "Cowpokes" artist Ace (init.)

22 expression of relief

23 Highlands, TX: "Pearl of Jacinto"

24 right-slanted letter

29 cowboy boots often are point-

30 TXism: "the camps out in the corner" (religious)

31 ex-Astro Drabek (init.)

32 TX Gilley's "A Headache Tonight"

34 sound at TX Motor Speedway

35 Bigfoot, TX named for frontier scout Wallace (init.)

36 TXism: "equipped" for

37 Huckleberry

38 prefix for chute, graph, or medic

39 TX Quaid film ('87)

41 some sf

DOWN

1 near Amarillo,

10 Caddies buried face down

2 TXism: "dead" nail

3 novel about Sam Houston & his wife Eliza Allen: "The Bride"

4 this Sam won the Dallas Open in '45

9 TXism: "no files" (attractive)

10 TXism: "I that like a duck needs an umbrella"

11 TXism: "she'll take a button and a vest on it" (speculates)

12 savior of the Alamo, Clara (init.)

13 with "The," film by TX rancher Norris

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15 prophetic sign

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24 TXism: "keep under your hat"

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28 TXism: "strikie while the hot"

29 old Dallas TV "Slam Bang Theater" host lcky

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34 Dallas suburb

35 TXism: "so bad I could spit"

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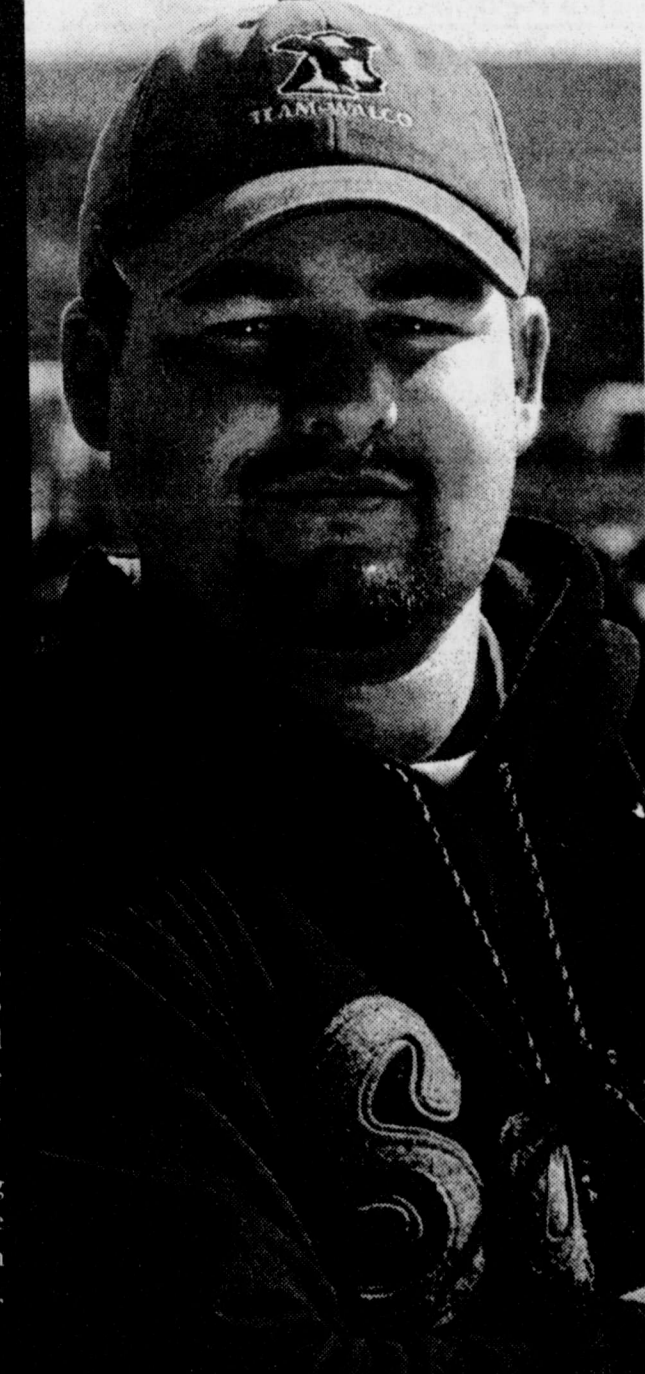
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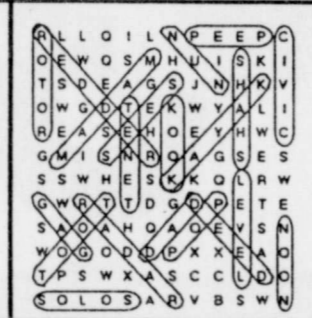
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