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County Commissioners approve sheriff's pay raise

Citizens question salary, benefits

Runnels County Commissioners approved the 1997-98 fiscal year budget for the county with one dissenting vote last Tuesday. Commissioner Ricky Strube voted against approval of the budget because of the salary increase included for Sheriff Bill Baird.

if and when they are sick. Duggan's next point was the increase in salary for Sheriff Bill Baird. Duggan said, "The proposed increase of \$5,000 is a 19.2% increase in salary for the sheriff. I would like to ask why?" Commissioner Skipper Wheeler

and Jim Cook, took the floor to speak in support of the increase in pay for the sheriff.

Duggan's next question addressed the proposed increase in pay for the janitor at the courthouse. The proposed budget increased the pay for the position from \$13,752 to \$15,984 per year, the same as the longest tenured deputies in several county offices. County Judge Marilyn Egan suggested the title should really be maintenance rather than janitor, since the person in that position presently does much of the maintenance in the courthouse and all county buildings, both in Ballinger and Winters. She said, "Junior is now a certified jailer and we adjusted his salary because he is doing a job which used to have two people doing it. He has saved the county money."

The budget for the 1997-98 shows total revenues of \$3,313,073.00 and expenditures of \$3,716,541.00, a deficit of \$403,468. Duggan and others present questioned the practice of deficit budgeting. County Auditor Darlene Smith said, "There will be a \$1,124,116.80 carryover from the present fiscal year to handle the deficit."

Other business handled at the meeting included:

- Approval to submit a direct purchase of service application to West Central Texas Council of Governments Area Agency on Aging for the benefit of Runnels Aging Service.

- Judge Marilyn Egan appointed Commissioners Skipper Wheeler and Thurman Self to meet with Mueller Supply, Inc. to discuss water right-of-way for the new jail.

- Approved the purchase of a new Snapper riding lawn mower for \$2600 from Brunson Feed Mill.

- Discussed replacing the floor covering in the sheriff and justice of the peace office in Winters. No

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"I'm an elected official and if I can't take dissent and disagreement, then I need to quit."

Bill Baird
Runnels Co. Sheriff

During the public hearing on the budget, Strube told those present he voted against the line item during preparation of the budget because he didn't want to give one employee an increase in pay and not the rest of the county's employees. He said a second reason for voting against the increase was because he believed the county should do everything possible to present a balanced budget.

Approximately 15 citizens were present in the meeting room during the public hearing. Dale Duggan, apparently speaking for a group questioning several items in the budget, began his questioning by getting a clarification of how the tax rate is calculated from County Tax Assessor-Collector Robin Burgess.

Duggan's next point of question was the cost of health insurance for county employees. He asked if he understood correctly, that the county pays for employees and dependents insurance. Darlene Smith, County Auditor, told Duggan that several years ago, when the county could not give a raise to county employees, the county agreed to pay dependent health insurance. Commissioner Keith Collom said he felt paying the dependent health insurance helps an employee, by being sure they do have insurance coverage and the employee will be a more productive one because he has less worry for dependents

less said he was the one (commissioner) who pushed for the raise for the sheriff. He said since the state legislature had raised the judge's salary, the sheriff's salary had always been kept equal to the judge's.

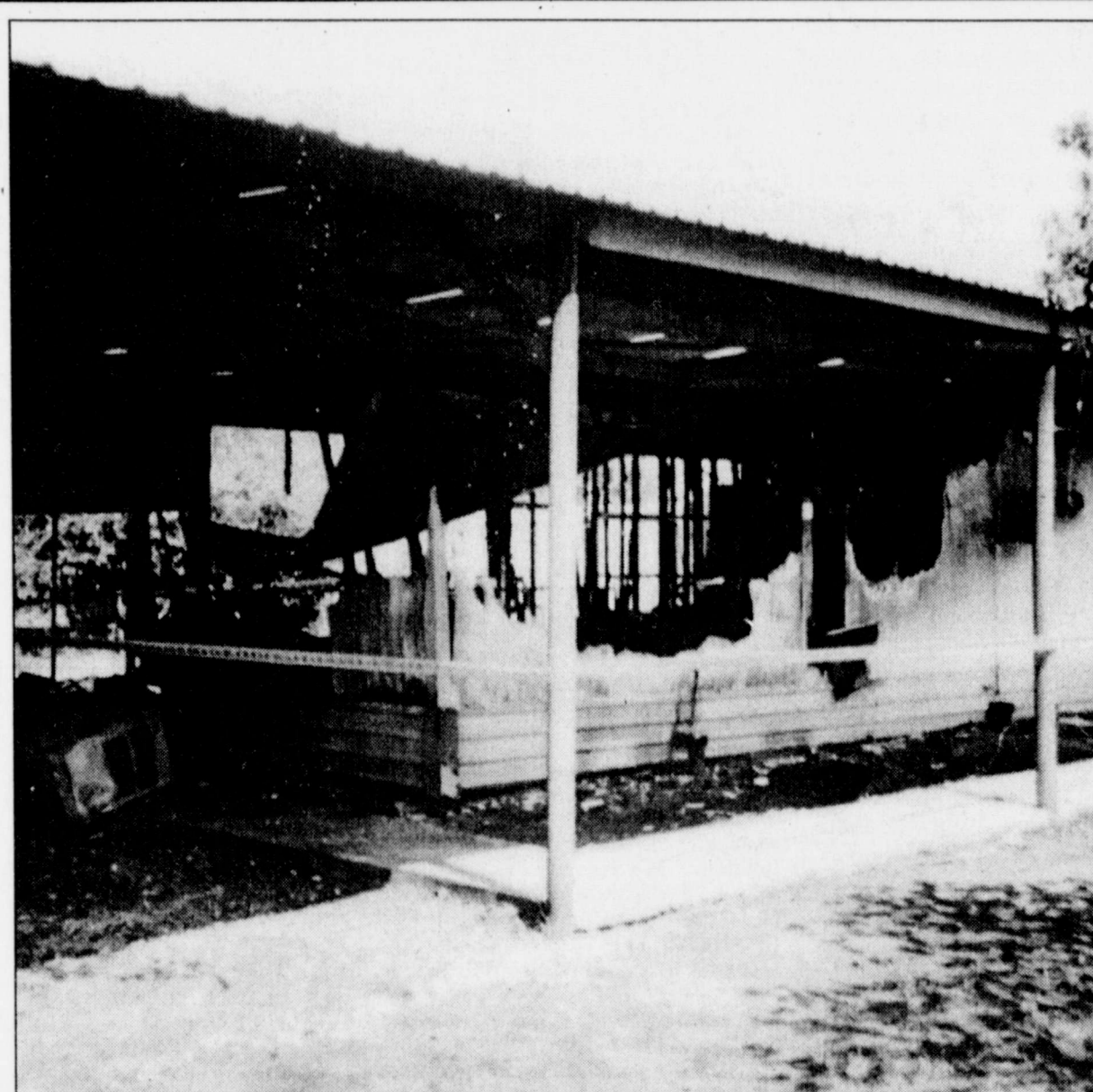
Commissioner Thurman Self said, "Bill works a lot of hours and does a good job in my area. Not everyone knows when he's working."

Commissioner Keith Collom said, "Bill does have more employees than any other county department, and because of his job, is not able to work part-time at another job like many of the rest of us do. He has the ability, through the use of inmates, to give construction assistance on the new jail and save the county a tremendous amount of money."

Duggan commented that he still felt the increase, in his opinion was too much.

At that point, Sheriff Baird began speaking, saying, "I'm an elected official and if I can't take dissent and disagreement, then I need to quit. I answer to the people and I really believe the majority of the people back me. I haven't asked for any more than is brought in by the jail." He continued, citing the DARE program, the toys program at Christmas and other programs of the Sheriff's Department. He ended by asking the question, "How much is all that worth?"

Jennie Fulton, Charles Hens-



CHARRED FRAME is all that remains of the trailer house belonging to Agapito Tamez which was completely destroyed in a fire on Saturday afternoon. No one was home at the time and the cause of the fire is still under investigation. Friends of the family are hosting a benefit dance on Saturday, September 6, at the Community Center.

Secondary School to host Open House for parents on September 15

Winters Secondary School will host Open House for the parents of students in grades 7-12 on Monday, September 15, at 7:00 p.m.

Each parent will follow his/her child's schedule through the five period day, spending 15 minutes in each class. Each teacher will provide the parents with an overview of the class and will be happy to schedule individual conferences for future dates.

Parents will need to bring their students' class schedules with them so they will know which classes to attend at which time.

Methodist Church to host community singing Sunday

An afternoon of community singing will be this Sunday, Sept. 7, beginning at 3 p.m. and hosted by First United Methodist Church of Winters.

In addition to congregational singing, vocalists, instrumentalists, drama compositions, and professional storytelling will be presented in a Festival of Praise to God.

Presenting specials from local churches will be: Church of Christ Choir; William, Cristin, and Jessica Corley; FUMC Children's Ensemble; FUMC Youth Handbells; instrumentalists Justin

Kaczyk, Josh Lincycumb, and John Morris Edwards; Fran Kidwell; Audine McBeth; Leslie Northrup; Millie Northrup; Roy and Noleta Rice; Valerie Summerlin; Suzanne Tischler; Alice Torain; and Dr. Gary Torian.

A nursery will be provided and a reception will follow the service in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring a staple food item for the Winters Food Pantry.

Everyone is welcome. Plan now to attend this special "Festival of Praise." Dr. Gary Torain is pastor of First United Methodist Church, Winters.



SIMPLY A-MAIZE-ING says Chris Kraatz (left) as he and his partner, Kirby Meyers, cut maize heads under the watchful eye of Chad Coburn, Assistant Runnels County Extension Agent, during an outdoor classroom session on grain sorghum production. About 30 students from the 7th and 8th grades visited the test plots on the Gary Jacob farm Thursday morning.

Baked Potato Luncheon to be served Sept. 11 at Rock Hotel

The Friends and Board of Directors of the Z.I. Hale Museum cordially invite you to attend a Baked Potato & Salad Luncheon on Thursday, Sept. 11, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Baked potatoes chock-full of a variety of toppings, vegetable salad, Robert Redford cake, and your choice of tea or coffee will be served.

Plates, including take-outs, are available at the cost of \$4 each. Proceeds benefit the Hale Museum and the restoration of the Rock Hotel.

Come and enjoy a delicious meal in the fellowship of friends!

WHAT'S HAPPENING ?

- Sept. 4-9:30-Noon & 1:30-3 p.m., Immunization Clinic, TDH
- 11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
- 6:30 p.m., JV vs. Jim Ned, There
- Sept. 5-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
- 5-7:30 p.m., Cheerleaders Hamburger Dinner, School Cafeteria
- 8 p.m., Varsity vs. Jim Ned, Here
- Dove Hunt for Rehab
- West Texas Fair & Rodeo Begins, Abilene
- Permian Basin Fair, Odessa
- Sept. 6-6 a.m. Rotary Club Dove Hunt, Colorado City
- 4:30 p.m., Stenholm's FUNDay, Stamford
- 8 p.m.-12 midnight, Tamez Benefit Dance, Community Center
- Dove Hunt for Rehab
- Cross Plains, ACU, Abilene
- Sept. 7-3 p.m., Singing, First United Methodist Church
- Sept. 8-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
- 2 p.m., Retired Teachers, First United Methodist Church, Ballinger
- 6 p.m., City Council
- 7 p.m., VFW & Auxiliary
- 7:30 p.m., School Board
- SCHOOL PICTURES
- Sept. 9-7:30 a.m., Grounds Maintenance Conference, ASU, Abilene
- 10 a.m., Commissioners Court, Courthouse, Ballinger
- 11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
- Noon, Lions Club
- 1:30 p.m., Keffer at Main and Dale Street, Old Bank Bldg.
- 7 p.m., WVFD
- 7 p.m., Athletic Boosters, Blizzard Stadium
- 7:30 p.m., Elm Creek Water Control Board
- Woman's Club
- Winters Squares, Bronte
- Sept. 10-11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
- Sept. 11-11 a.m.-1 p.m., Baked Potato and Salad Luncheon, Rock Hotel
- 11:30 a.m., Senior Citizens Meal
- 5 & 6:30 p.m., Jr. High vs. Merkel, There
- 6:30 p.m., JV vs. Merkel, Here

Oil Bidness

By Reg Boles ©1997

Published reports have indicated that oil patch activity has been on the upswing, recently, but how do I know this is really happening?

Well, one might urge me to look at rig counts, employment levels, equipment use surveys, etc. Those indicators are all fine and good, but I have my own ways of confirming this trend.

Here is my checklist for increased oil patch activity:

1. Fewer boat repossessions; this is a good indicator that oil field hands can keep up the payments on their toys.

2. Chicken fried steak lunch special at the local cafe is increased by a buck; no explanation necessary.

3. Dirt work contractors are asking for and getting a three-hour minimum on use of their equipment, again; not long ago, many dozer operators would plow your garden for fifteen minutes if they could put their equipment to good use.

4. Tool pushers for workover rigs are down to one pack a day; when times are tight, tool pushers are so afraid of not working that they would wash your car if that would get you to hire their rig or tools—that kind of tension leads to chain smoking.

5. The local pool hall puts the "Oil Field Workers Welcome" sign back in the window; when times got tough, a roustabout might have all day to spend at the pool hall with only enough money to play one game of pinball.

6. The local service company finally puts that roof on the building they started in 1983; when the oil field money dried up, there was no money to finish the expansion project.

7. The corner store can't keep enough cotton gloves in stock; favorites of frugal roustabouts and roughnecks, these gloves gathered dust because no one did enough work to wear out a pair.

8. The business section of the paper begins putting oil prices back in their statistics page; when the bust came, no one wanted to admit they cared what oil prices were doing.

9. The local oil field service company sponsors something at school; during low times, even oil patch companies save every penny they can and donations are the first to go.

10. The Chamber of Commerce is no longer afraid to list "oil and gas production" as a contributor to the local economy; during the bust it was considered detrimental to say the local econ-

omy had any dependence on petroleum.

There you have it. Not at all humorous, but realistic, I believe. Ask anybody that works in the oil patch and they will say they use at least one of the indicators I've listed above for determining the current level of activity.

I'll admit it could be a little unscientific and most certainly many people note these indicators almost subconsciously. But, there is no substitute for knowing what is going on down in the trenches to know where we are headed.

HIGHLIGHTS OF AREA DRILLING ACTIVITY COMPLETIONS

Coleman County

Marjac Oil has completed the C.V. Evans Tract #1 in the Snavo Field (4 miles W of Valera) at an initial rate of 15 BOPD & 40BWPD in the Jennings (perfs 3040-44). Loc. is 431 FNL & 1991 FNL of Sec. 60, Blk. 1, GH&H Sur., A-1153.

Runnels County

Hopewell Operating has completed the Schaefer #1 in the North Norton Field (12 miles W of Winters) at an initial rate of 710MCPD (AOF) in the Capps (perfs 4307-16). Loc. is 5050 FSL & 897 FEL of W.H. Smith Sur. No. 599, A-719.

STAKINGS

Coke County

Heart Land Petroleum has staked the Boecking #1 in the Fort Chadbourne Field, 7 miles NE of Bronte (Depth 5800). Loc. is 1950 FSL & 467 FNL of Sec. 347, Blk. 1A, H&TC Sur.

Coleman County

Delray Oil has staked one well and applied to plug back another. The R.G. Brookshier -B- #3 is in the Rachel Field, 4 miles SE of Talpa (Depth 2600) and is loc. 467 FSL & 1630 FNL of Sec. 107, Blk. 4, ETRR Sur. The J. Thompson #1 is a plug back in the County Regular Field, 1 mile N of Talpa (Depth 3650) and is loc. 850 FNL & 600 FEL of ETRR Sur. No. 117, A-171.

Concho County

The Pickens Company has staked the Fritz #1-339 in the West Millersview Field, 4 miles W of Millersview (Depth 3700). Loc. is 700 FSL & 360 FNL of Sec. 339, Blk. 72, T&NO Sur., A-545.

Ultra Oil & Gas has staked four wells in the Dare I Field, 7 miles SW of Eden (Depth 2700). The B.W. Pfluger #2 is loc. 123 FSL & 1609 FNL of J. Mahr Sur. No. 2050, A-633. The B.W. Pfluger #3 is loc. 2417 FSL & 1267 FNL of J.M. Young Sur., A-1003. The Price-Lockett #1 is loc. 2002 FSL & 1900 FEL of Sec. 166, Blk. 72, T&NO Sur., A-1723. The Troglin #2 is loc. 467 FSL & 467 FNL of Sec. 161, Blk. 72, T&NO Sur., A-908.

Nolan County

Gruy Petroleum has applied to plug back the Chinquapin Strawn Unit #28 in the Chinquapin Field, 3 miles SE of

Hemdon (Depth 5790). Loc. is 467 FSL & 2148 FEL of Sec. 48, Blk. 20, T&PRR Sur., A-1221.

Hallwood Petroleum has staked two wells in the North Dora Field, 5 miles NE of Nolan (Depth 5900). The McReynolds #1 is loc. 1236 FSL & 1338 FSL of Sec. 68, Blk. 5, T&PRR Sur. The Morrow Unit #2 is loc. 751 FNL & 2299 FEL of Sec. 47, Blk. 5, T&PRR Sur.

Pioneer Exploration has applied to re-enter the B. Hanks -A- #7 in the NW Hylton Field, 6 miles S of Nolan (Depth 6300). Loc. is 1613 FSL & 2107 FSL of Sec. 28, Blk. Z, T&PRR Sur.

Walter Exploration has applied to re-enter the Robtann -B- #1 in the Sprague Field, 12 miles SE of Sweetwater (Depth 4000). Loc. is 2200 FSL & 2242 FNL of Sec. 4, Blk. X, T&PRR Sur., A-1304.

Runnels County

Pioneer Energy has staked the Jennings #2 in the Winters Field, 4 miles S of Winters (Depth 5600). Loc. is 3636 FEL & 7324 FSL of R. Clever Sur. No. 521, A-77. RULE 36.

Taylor County

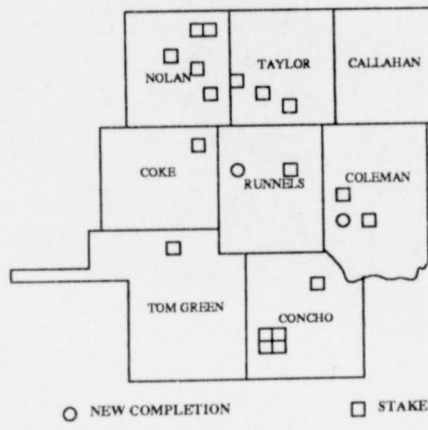
Clear Fork has staked the Welch #1 in the Hrubetz Field, 5 miles S of Trent (Depth 3800). Loc. is 1452 FSL & 256 FEL of Sec. 68, Blk. 19, T&PRR Sur.

Heart Land petroleum has amended the location of the West Ovalo Gardner Lime Unit #21 in the County Regular Field, 4 miles W of Ovalo (Depth 4471). Loc. is now 330 FEL & 2813 FSL of T.J. Strotes Sur.

Sojourner Drilling has staked the Baack #1 as a Wildcat, 3 miles W of Blair (Depth 4750). Loc. is 1400 FSL & 330 FSL of Sec. 60, Blk. 19, T&PRR Sur.

Tom Green County

Byrd Operating has staked the Schuch -B- #1 in the Schuch Field, 18 miles N of San Angelo (Depth 6500). Loc. is 1680 FEL & 1930 FSL of J. Whitaker Sur. No. 5-1/2, A-738.



Tamez home destroyed by fire
Benefit dance planned

A trailer house belonging to Agapito Tamez, located at 508 Broadway Street, was completely destroyed by fire around 5 p.m. on Saturday, August 30.

No one was home at the time of the fire. All items were lost.

A fund has been established at First State Bank.

A benefit dance is also scheduled Saturday, Sept. 6, from 8 p.m. to 12 midnight at the Winters Community Center. Admission is \$10 per person. Freewill donations will also be accepted.

Come, have a good time and help a friend in need!

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Tuesday, Sept. 9: Mexican cornbread, pinto beans, Spanish rice, crackers, and chocolate cake.

Wednesday, Sept. 10: Baked chicken & dressing, mashed potatoes, green beans, rolls, and dump cake.

Thursday, Sept. 11: Salmon croquettes, coleslaw, pinto beans, cornbread, and rice pudding.

Friday, Sept. 12: Stew, vegetable sticks, Jello salad, cornbread, and cobbler.

Runnels County Retired Teachers to meet Sept. 8

The Runnels County Retired Teachers Association will meet Monday, September 8, at 2 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church in Ballinger.

This will be the first meeting of the 1997-1998 year.

The program will be by Mary Stames, District XV President.

All RTA members are urged to attend.

Card of Thanks

The Winters 4-H Club would like to thank everyone for supporting the Dog Dip and Rabies Clinic, sponsored by the 4-H'ers, on Saturday, August 30. It was a big success.

A special thank you goes to Alderman Cave Mill for donating supplies and for letting 4-H members use their parking lot to have the Dog Dip.

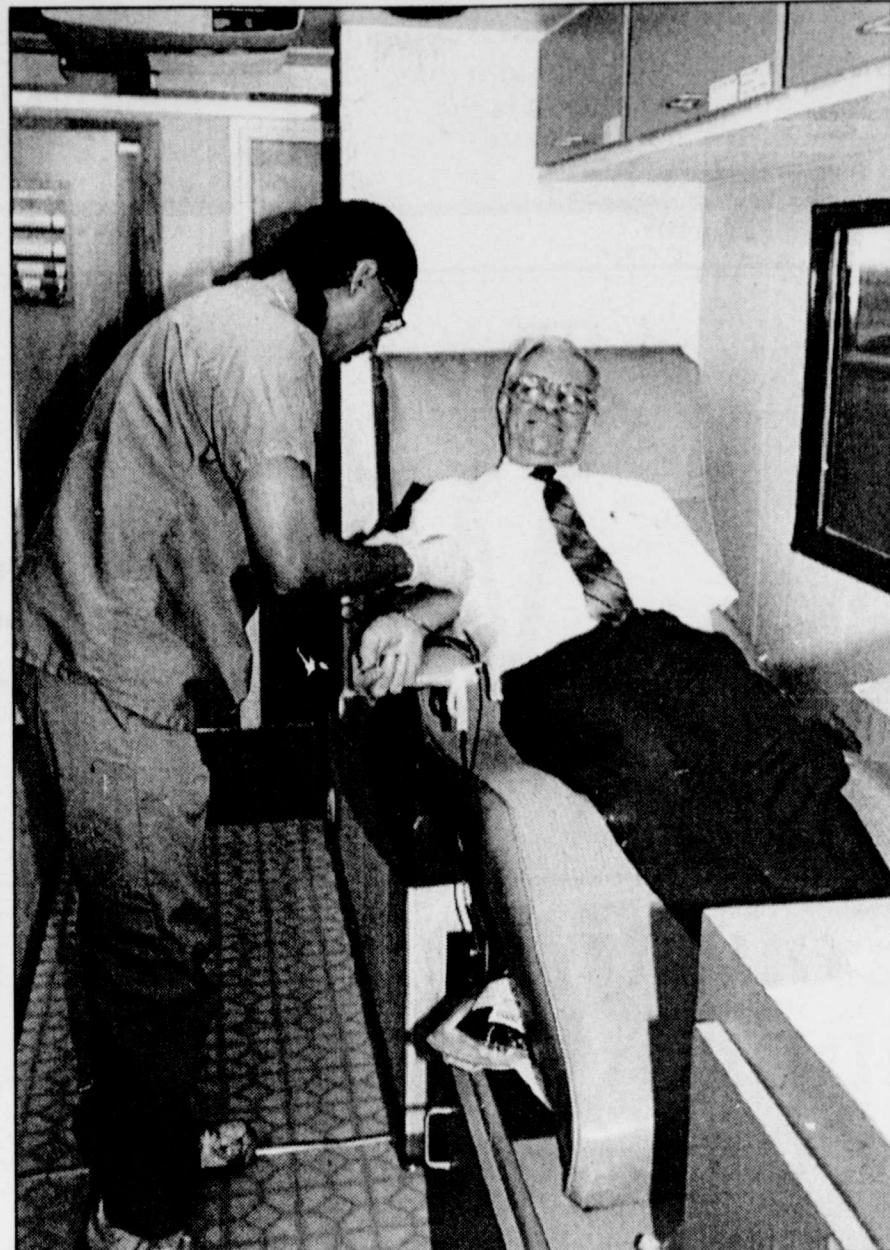
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Obituaries

Nettie Lee Makowsky

BALLINGER—Nettie Lee Makowsky, 88, died at 8:00 p.m. Thursday, August 28, 1997, at Heritage Oakes Estate in Ballinger. She was born on October 3, 1908, in Harper, Texas, to Willey Boatright and Perilia Foley Boatright. She married John A. Makowsky on August 12, 1940, in Ballinger.

Mrs. Makowsky was a homemaker. Survivors include her husband, John A. Makowsky of Ballinger; one daughter, Sherry Makowsky of Ballinger; two nephews, Ruben Gann of Ballinger and W.E. Powell of San Antonio; and two nieces, Katherine Brunson of San Angelo and Martha Arrott of Ballinger. Graveside services were held at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, August 30, at Miles Cemetery with Reverend Winford Gore officiating.

Evelyn Murman

BALLINGER—Evelyn Murman, 84, died at 1:05 a.m. Thursday, August 28, 1997, at Heritage Oaks Estate Nursing Home in Ballinger. She was born November 26, 1912, in Kirvin, Texas, to Oscar T. Richardson and Annie Shumate Richardson. She married Carl Fred Murman on October 19, 1940, at Dallas.

Mrs. Murman was a homemaker and a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Ballinger. Survivors include her husband, Carl Murman of Ballinger; one son, Joe Don Murman of Ballinger; one daughter, Carla Campbell of Ballinger; four grandchildren, Brian and Brent Campbell, and Chris and Cory Murman, all of Ballinger.

Services were held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, August 30, at the First Presbyterian Church in Ballinger with Reverend Henry Chisholm officiating. Burial was in Evergreen Cemetery, Ballinger, directed by Rains-Seale Funeral Home.

Avis Rainwater

SAN ANTONIO—Avis Rainwater, 73, formerly of Ballinger, died at 10:35 a.m. Thursday, August 28, 1997, at San Antonio. She was born January 25, 1924, in Crews and attended Crews High School. She moved to San Antonio in 1976.

Ms. Rainwater was a homemaker and a Methodist. Survivors include three sisters, Ouida Morrison of Ballinger, and Venita Taylor and Norene Aten, both of San Antonio; and one brother, Troy Rainwater of Weslaco. Graveside services were held at 10:00 a.m. Monday, September 1, at the Crews Cemetery, Crews, Texas.

Community singing hosted by First United Methodist Church

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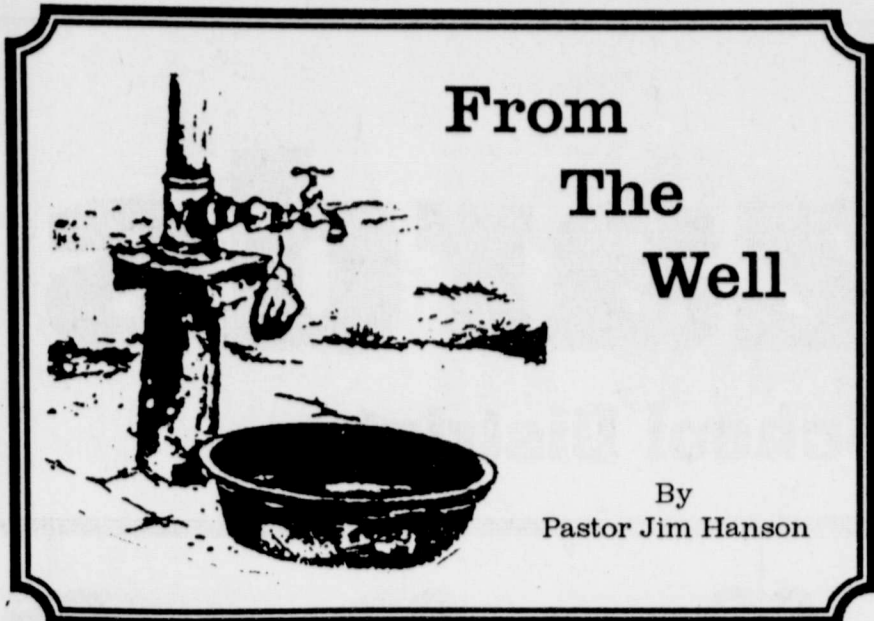
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From The Well

By Pastor Jim Hanson



Pastor Jim Hanson

"Unspoken Wisdom, Truths My Father Taught Me" is the title of a book written by Ray Anderson and published by Augsburg Fortress, Minneapolis, Minnesota. I've been reading this book off and on. It's not the kind that one devours. Rather, if you are like

me, it's like an old friend. One that you reach out to, ever so often, just to get your bearings in this frenzied hurry-up time that we live.

I did so last night. I was tired. I had had a full day — a good one, but it involved a couple hundred miles of driving, a six-hour meeting, and back home for some more. Ramona is up north, helping our daughter-in-law Julie get ready to deliver her fourth child and our thirteenth grandchild.

So, I was alone in the house. Not ready for T.V. and its jumpy, violent, wild, zany, silly stuff. You name it. It is not good for the soul. But I was ready for some down-to-earth solid stuff. The kind that opens you up to serenity and spirituality and puts you in touch with the deepest part of you, way down in the well.

It wasn't long into the book that I found it — a section entitled "A Once-In-A-Lifetime Gift." Here's what it said: "It happened only once. There was no suggestion that it was planned or premeditated. We were sitting on the edge of a furrow behind the plow, facing the freshly turned soil over which sea gulls swooped in search of worms. It was second-cup-of-coffee time. A newly lit cigarette had loosened his tongue.

"Stick your hand down into the soil, son," he suddenly said, breaking the rules by looking into my face and talking directly to me. As I did, he said softly, 'Son, this soil is part of your life, you take care of it and it will take care of you.'

"No response was expected, of course. Nor did I give one — I knew the rules and lived by ritual as well. He said no more and he never spoke of it again. I never questioned him about its meaning. It may have been a premonition on his part, of his own transition from a tiller of the soil into a part of the soil itself. Or it may have simply been the only gift that he knew how to give me: the wisdom of desire being fulfilled in destiny. It was, you might say, my once-in-a-lifetime gift."

Now that is quite a phrase — "desire being fulfilled in destiny." And Ray Anderson tells us what it came to mean, based on the simple action of placing his hand into the soil and hearing the words "you take care of it and it will take care of you."

For at least seven years after graduating from college, the boy now become father and man thought his destiny was in the good earth. He had a passion for the soil and worked hard at his farming. And, he had his share of successes as well as sufferings on the farm.

But, it wasn't enough. He started to sense another call to another soil. He was sensing a call to become a pastor and teacher. He had heard his father say after noticing a limp in Star's walk, "I think we had better look at his hoof tonight."

"Might have a stone in it." Or, "We will plant corn in this field next year." Now he was beginning to hear what the Father in heaven was saying, "Tomorrow we will go to those who are like sheep with out a shepherd and bring them to a safe place." It was the "we" in God's words that reached out and included him.

So, he and his family left for another state and another life. And discovered that what he had expected to be a painful uprooting turned out to be a transplanting — roots and all — from one soil to another.

He goes on to write, "What my father had discovered, but left for me to learn on my own, was that there was neither mystery or magic in the soil. The mystery and magic, if we dare to use such words, lie in the connection of the heart to the hand. There is no place or task on earth satisfying to the restless hand that is not attached to the heart. On that day long ago, my father had not attached my hand to the soil of a farm... Rather he had attempted to attach my hand to my heart... My father's once-in-a-lifetime gift was the ability to grow in any soil, the ability to be not only transplanted but transformed — by loving what I do."

Having so refreshed my soul, I closed the book, closed my eyes, said "Amen," and fell sound asleep. Some books are worth reading. Anytime.

Angela Simpson completes Navy basic training

Navy Seaman Recruit Angela R. Simpson, daughter of Richard R. Simpson of Winters, recently completed U.S. Navy basic training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Illinois.

During the 8-week program, Simpson completed a variety of training which included classroom study and practical instruction on naval customs, first aid, fire fighting, water safety and survival, and shipboard and aircraft safety. An emphasis is also placed on physical fitness.

Simpson and other recruits also received instruction on the Navy's core values — honor, courage, and commitment — and how to apply them in their military performance and personal conduct. Simpson joins 55,000 men and women who will enter the Navy this year from all over the country.

Simpson is a 1996 graduate of San Angelo Central High School of San Angelo, Texas.

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HEAD START CHILDREN recently toured the North Runnels Hospital ambulance and learned basic first aid facts from local health professionals. Pictured (standing, left to right) are EMT Marsha Smith, Head Start Instructor Valerie Summerlin, Alex Brown, Christian Lincoln, Cheyenne Smith, Jesse Butler, Jarred Briley, Megann Willborn, Caroline Rodriguez, Justin Bryson, Tyler Potter, Head Start Aide Patsy Staggs, Registered Nurse/Paramedic Jeanene Laird, (sitting) Amber Blackshear, Andrew Chavez, Paige Diaz, Paul Reyna, Riley Ripley, and Sara Perez.

Letters to the Editor

A response to a previous letter to the editor

Dear Editor:
This apology goes out to Lisa Poindexter and her parents for the article written by a parent of the flag corps.

Lisa was at work when the letter was written and delivered.

As a Senior, Lisa will once again represent the Blizzard Flag Corps.

The letter sent to the editor on Aug. 28th should have included Lisa. Lisa deserves recognition along with the other members of the flag corps.

Considering that the flag corps members had no idea the letter was being written, the parents involved should apologize to the community as well as the girls.

Sincerely,
Anonymous Writer
Name withheld upon request

Credit where credit is due

It has come to our attention that an unnamed person is confused as to why Lisa Poindexter's name was omitted from the Letter to the Editor in last week's *Winters Enterprise*.

The reason was due to the fact that she and her mother elected not to participate in the Flag Corps Luncheon.

As for her name being omitted from the picture, that was simply a mistake beyond our control.

We are in agreement with you that Lisa is an outstanding Flag Corps member and her experience has been invaluable.

We also want to thank those who have so generously donated monetarily in the past week.

Sincerely,
D'Ann Perrie and Shelia Paschal

Stenholm's FUNDay Saturday, Sept. 6

Congressman Charlie and Cindy Stenholm will host FUNDay on Saturday, September 6, 1997, at the Ericksdahl Picnic Grounds east of Stamford. Festivities will begin at 4:30 p.m. and continue into the evening.

The annual event draws people from throughout the vast 17th Congressional District, which includes Runnels County.

The program includes barbecue, entertainment, and a drawing for flags flown over the U.S. Capitol. Entertainment will be provided by the Cooper Fiddlers from Cooper High School in Abilene.

"Cindy and I want to invite everyone to come and spend the day in Ericksdahl," said Stenholm. "FUNDay is a great time to meet new people and visit with old friends. In addition, a few of my colleagues from Washington will be visiting, and they need to know the concerns of the people here in West Texas."

Christmas in April house applications available early

North Runnels Christmas In April announces that applications for houses to be repaired in April 1998 are available at the following Winters locations:

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- Persons interested in having their home repaired by Christmas In April should fill out an application completely and return it to any of the businesses listed above.
- Christmas In April would like to thank the above businesses for helping with this project.
- Questions may be directed to Mark Goetz at 754-4152 or Terry Wyatt 754-5783.

The deadline to turn in applications is October 30, 1997. Applications received after the deadline will not be considered.

Two roads diverged in a wood and I — I took the one less traveled by, And that has made all the difference.
—Robert Frost

Interested in joining service academies?

Congressman Charles W. Stenholm has announced that he is currently seeking applicants for nomination to the United States Service Academies.

Applications for nomination to the U.S. Military Academy in West Point, New York; the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colorado; the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, Maryland; and the United States Merchant Marine Academy in Kings Point, New York, may be obtained by writing to Congressman Stenholm's San Angelo office.

Nominations are available to young men and women who will be at least 17 years of age, and not past their 22nd birthday, upon entry into the academy in July. Nominees are selected by a competitive process, judged on scholastic aptitude, moral character, leadership ability, and community involvement.

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Any persons who may be interested in applying for a nomination, or who would like to obtain additional information, should write to Congressman Charles W. Stenholm, 33 East Twohig #318, San Angelo, Texas 76903.

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Tuesday-Sept. 9
Blueberry Muffins
Cream of Wheat
Apple Juice
Wednesday-Sept. 10
Biscuits
Sausage
Orange Juice
Thursday-Sept. 11
Breakfast Burrito
Cereal
Sliced Peaches
Friday-Sept. 12
Toast
Scrambled Eggs
Orange Juice

Lunch
Monday-Sept. 8
Fish Wedge
Macaroni & Cheese
Green Beans
Hot Roll
Fruit Salad
Tuesday-Sept. 9
Hot Dog/Chili/Cheese
Tater Tots
Sliced Pickles
Pineapple Chunks
Peanut Butter Cookie
Wednesday-Sept. 10
Oven Fried Chicken/Gravy
Mashed Potatoes
June Peas
Hot Roll
Pineapple Pudding
Thursday-Sept. 11
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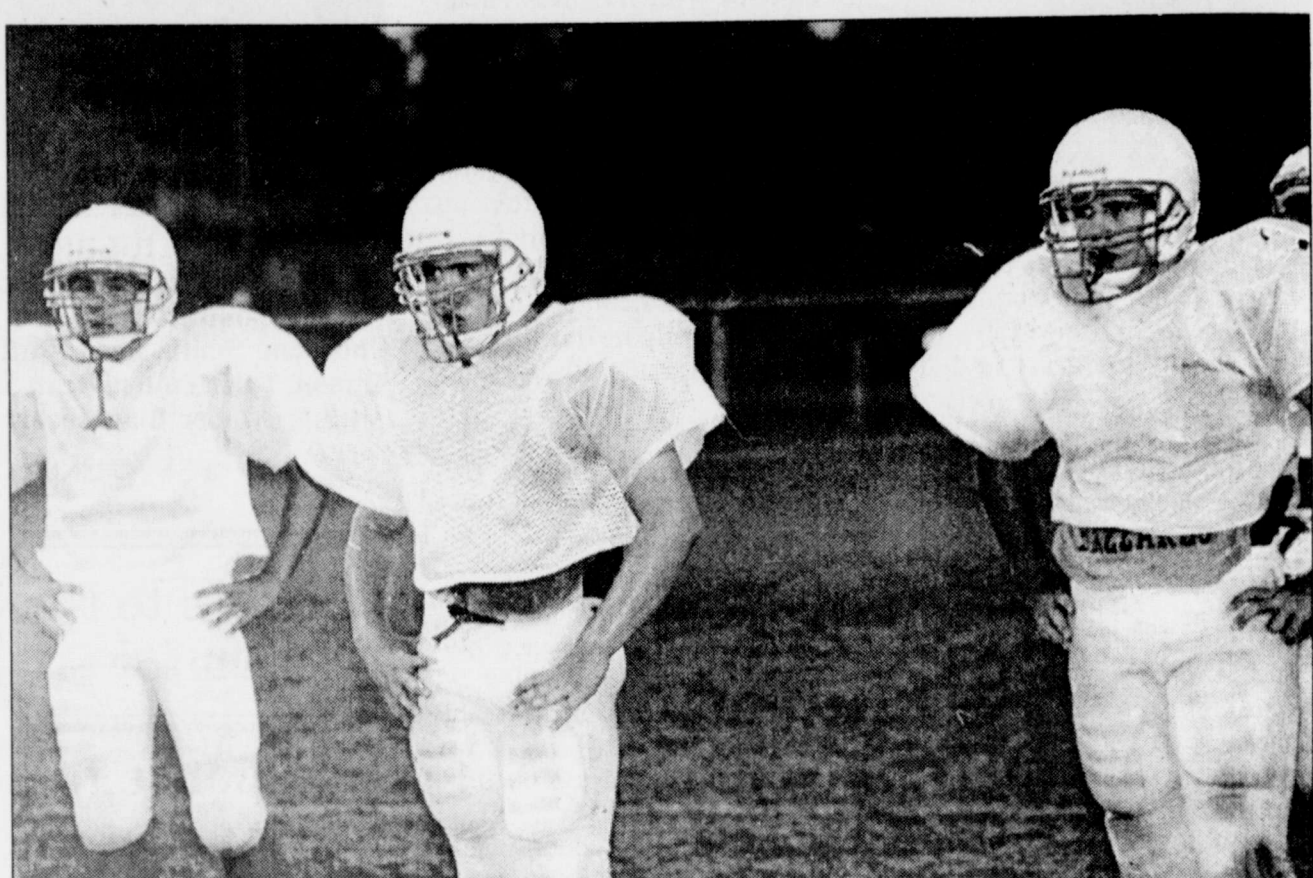
Individuals who are no longer enrolled in high school and who still need to pass one or more sections of the TAAS to receive a high school diploma must register for the next administration of the TAAS test if they plan to participate.

Registration packets can be picked up in the WHS counselor's office. Packets need to be mailed by September 19 and must be received in Iowa City, Iowa, no later than September 26.

The October TAAS test will only be for those who are out of school and for the 11th and 12th grade students who have not yet passed all sections of the TAAS.

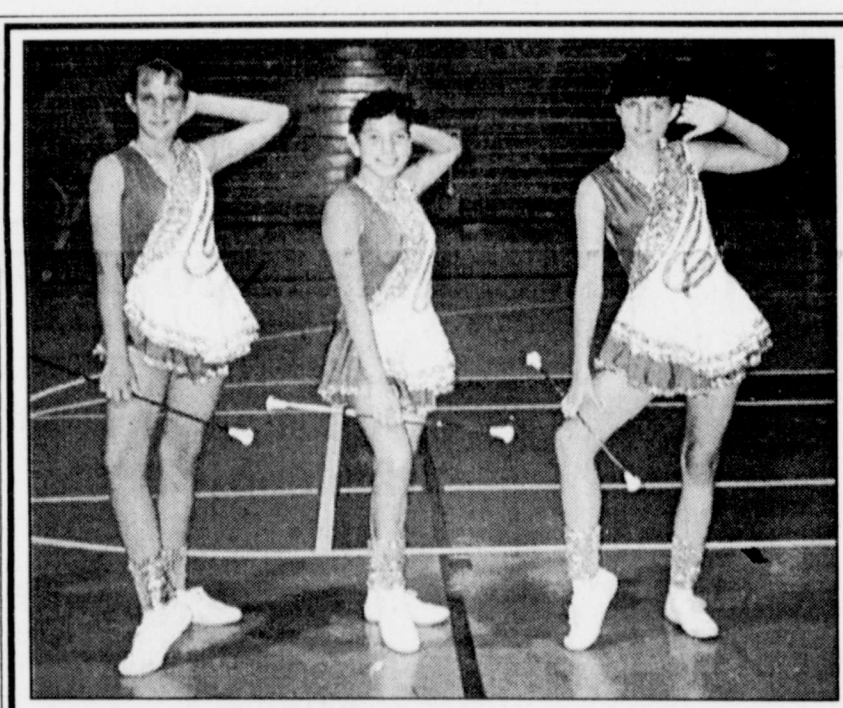
The writing test will be October 28; math will be October 29; and reading will be October 30.

Eleventh and twelfth graders who are currently enrolled in Winters High School do not need to complete a registration packet.



BLIZZARDS STAND READY as (left to right) Josh Lincycomb, Craig Conner and Greg Evans size up the opposition during the varsity scrimmage last Thursday. The Big Blue face the Jim Ned Indians in their season opener on Friday at 8:00 p.m. in Blizzard stadium.

Wear BLUE & WHITE on Friday



AT CAMP

KEMARI HALE, MONICA HICKS, and KAREN WIMBERLEY (l to r) attended Twirling Camp at Angelo State University in San Angelo July 6-11, 1997. Monica (pictured on the left) was named Outstanding Twirler in the Jr. High Division.

Kemari is a first year twirler and is in the 7th grade. Both Monica and Karen are 8th graders twirling for their second year.

The Jr. High Twirlers will perform at pep rallies and football games on Thursdays.

1997-1998 Varsity Football Schedule

| DATE | OPPONENT | SITE | TIME | SCORE |
|----------|----------------|------|------|-------|
| Aug. 22 | Clyde* | H | TBA | |
| Aug. 28 | Colorado City* | H | TBA | |
| Sept. 5 | Jim Ned | H | 8:00 | |
| Sept. 12 | Merkel | T | 8:00 | |
| Sept. 19 | Coleman | T | 8:00 | |
| Sept. 26 | Roscoe▲ | T | 8:00 | |
| Oct. 3 | Coahoma▲ | H | 8:00 | |
| Oct. 10 | Wall▲ | T | 8:00 | |
| Oct. 17 | Forsan▲ | H | 8:00 | |
| Oct. 24 | OPEN | | | |
| Oct. 31 | Eldorado▲ | T | 8:00 | |
| Nov. 7 | Ozona▲ | H | 8:00 | |

▲ Scrimmage Games
★ Homecoming
▲ District Games

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1997-1998 Jr. Varsity Football Schedule

| DATE | OPPONENT | SITE | TIME | SCORE |
|----------|----------------|------|------|-------|
| Aug. 22 | Clyde* | H | TBA | |
| Aug. 28 | Colorado City* | H | TBA | |
| Sept. 4 | Jim Ned | T | 6:30 | |
| Sept. 11 | Merkel | H | 6:30 | |
| Sept. 18 | Coleman | H | 6:30 | |
| Sept. 25 | Roscoe▲ | H | 6:30 | |
| Oct. 2 | Coahoma▲ | T | 6:30 | |
| Oct. 9 | Wall▲ | H | 6:30 | |
| Oct. 16 | Forsan▲ | T | 6:30 | |
| Oct. 23 | Grape Creek▲ | H | 6:30 | |
| Oct. 24 | OPEN | | | |
| Oct. 30 | Eldorado▲ | H | 6:30 | |
| Nov. 6 | Ozona▲ | T | 6:30 | |

▲ Scrimmage Games
▲ District Games

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1997-1998 Jr. High Football Schedule

| DATE | OPPONENT | SITE | TIME | SCORE |
|----------|--------------|------|----------|-------|
| Sept. 11 | Merkel | T | 5 & 6:30 | |
| Sept. 18 | Coleman | T | 5 & 6:30 | |
| Sept. 25 | Roscoe▲ | H | 5 (8th) | |
| Oct. 2 | Coahoma▲ | H | 5 & 6:30 | |
| Oct. 9 | Wall▲ | T | 5 & 6:30 | |
| Oct. 16 | Forsan▲ | H | 5 & 6:30 | |
| Oct. 23 | Grape Creek▲ | T | 5 & 6:30 | |
| Oct. 24 | OPEN | | | |
| Oct. 30 | Eldorado▲ | T | 5 & 6:30 | |
| Nov. 6 | OPEN | | | |

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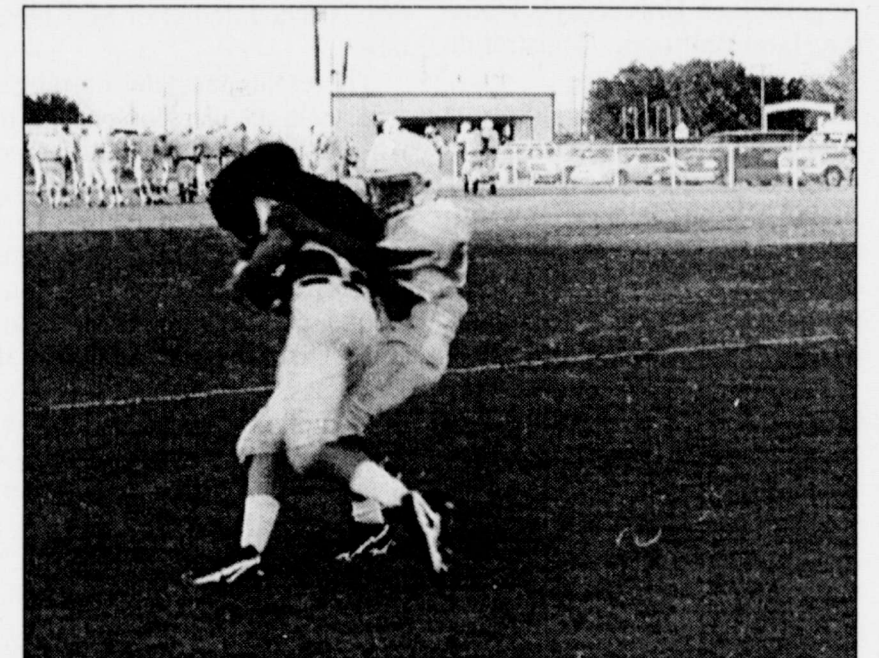
Rhonda Cook
Special Ed Aide

She started working with the Winters Independent School District in 1995. Prior to assuming the position of aide, she worked in the cafeteria. Mrs. Cook and husband, Robert, who is employed by Mueller's Supply Company, live in Winters. The Cooks have two boys, Aaron, 10, and Kevin, 7. They are members of St. John's Lutheran Church. She is also a Cub Scout Leader. Mrs. Cook says, "I'm really excited about this position and look forward to a great year."

Rhonda Cook graduated from Somerville High School.

Blizzard Cross Country Schedule

| Date | Place |
|----------|--|
| Sept. 6 | ACU, Abilene, Sherrod Residential Park |
| Sept. 13 | Water Valley, Carlsbad, Hwy. 87 between Grape Creek and Water Valley |
| Sept. 20 | Cross Plains, Hwy. 36 East |
| Sept. 27 | Coleman, Hords Creek Lake |
| Oct. 4 | Cross Plains, Hwy. 36 East |
| Oct. 11 | ACU, Abilene, Sherrod Residential Park |
| Oct. 18 | Cooper High School, Abilene, TBA |
| Oct. 24 | Blizzard Run |
| Oct. 27 | District, Carlsbad, Hwy. 87, Water Valley Course |
| Nov. 8 | Regional, Lubbock, Mae Simmons Park |
| Nov. 15 | State, Round Rock, Old Settlers Park |



AN UNIDENTIFIED BLIZZARD brings down the Colorado City runner during junior varsity action last week. The JV will travel to Tuscola Thursday evening to meet the Jim Ned Indians. Game time is 6:30 p.m.

MY FAVORITE FOOTBALL GAME

Editor's note: The following story was submitted by a former Blizzard in response to my request for memories of a special game, season, play or player. If you would like to participate, please send your story in 500 words or less to The Winters Enterprise, 104 N. Main, Winters, Texas 79567. Stories submitted become the property of The Winters Enterprise.

Blizzard football - how it began

It was a great game! It was the first football game Winters had ever won. What's more, Winters (we were not yet known as the Blizzards) beat Ballinger. The climax was Jim Fields' 52-yard run that won the game.

In the fall of 1923, we had a new Superintendent of Schools, A. H. Smith, and a new Principal, "Shorty McComb." A group of the high school boys thought it would be a good time to start football. Mr. Smith acquiesced if the boys could get someone on the staff to coach. McComb agreed although he had dubious qualifications to be a coach.

Football fever mounted quickly. The Lions Club bought the uniforms, and someone else built a shack on campus to serve as a locker and shower room. The team played and practiced on the hill just north of the old rock high school building.

The first game was with Ballinger at the Runnels County Fair. Winters was leading 7 to 6 when the referee ruled that Ballinger made a safety. Ballinger won 8 to 7.

People (including referees) were not knowledgeable about football in those days, but by Monday word had gotten around that the play that was ruled a safety was actually a touchback, which had it been so ruled would have made Winters the winner. The feeling, "We wuz robbed," was running high.

A string of 50-0 and 65-0 losses followed. These were disappointing but the team and their fans did not give up. Besides, there was good news. Ballinger had agreed to a return engagement in Winters.

The day came. There was a big crowd from both Winters and Ballinger. Cars were parked solidly along the sidelines with people running up and down the sidelines to get a better view. I suppose that if you were a neutral football fan you would say it was a dull game. Most of the action was in the middle of the field -- three runs and a punt type of action.

But there was the tremendously exciting moment in the third quarter when Fields broke loose for his 52-yard run and the only score of the game. Victory was what we wanted and victory was what we got.

Earlier in the season there was some doubt about the future of football in Winters, but not after that victory. The next year the school board hired a coach with professional qualifications, and no longer must the team depend on the Lions Club for equipment.

We adopted the name "Blizzards" for our teams, and we organized a pep squad.

Moreover, we won two games that year including a 33 to 13 victory over Ballinger. Furthermore, we could take solace in the fact that several games that we lost were by close scores. There may have been more exciting games, but I doubt that any had more impact on Winters football than that game where Jim Fields made the 52-yard run for the touchdown that ensured Winters football future.

*Leslie Melburn Curry
Fl. Worth, Texas*

WHS Cheerleaders to serve Hamburger Supper Friday

1997-'98 WHS Cheerleaders Jeanna, Monica, Heather, Misty, Alison, and Candi with Blizzard Mascot Jennifer Davis invite everyone to their Hamburger Supper on Friday, Sept. 5. Serving will begin at 5:00 p.m. and conclude at 7:30 p.m. at the School Cafeteria. Items on the menu include a hamburger, French fries, tea, and dessert. Cost of the plate is \$4.00 each. Take-outs will be available. Proceeds will be used to offset miscellaneous expenses. Enjoy your meal and support the team that backs the Blizzards all the way!

Dress for school pictures Sept. 8

Students of the Winters Independent School District will have their pictures made Monday, September 8. All elementary, jr. high, and high school students should dress accordingly. Wear bright colors and put on that happy face!

Reminder to all varsity football players, cheerleaders, mascot and their parents. Pictures will be made Friday, Sept. 5, at 6:30 p.m. by the field house.

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Engagement



Mr. and Mrs. Steven Allen Scrivener

Hamilton, Scrivener united in marriage

Frances Ranea Hastings Hamilton and Steven Allen Scrivener were united in marriage on August 16, 1997, at the Mary Sykes Auditorium of the Carnegie Library. Mike Riley performed the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Roy Hastings of Lake Brownwood. She was given in marriage by her father.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Gully of Rowena and Mr. and Mrs. James Scrivener of Ballinger.

The bride wore a champagne brocaded jacket, with champagne colored pearls outlining the sleeves, over a satin and chiffon skirt. She carried a bouquet of cascading English ivy with peach colored roses, carnations, doves, pearls, and baby's breath.

Maid of honor was Jennifer Hamilton, daughter of the bride. Matron of honor was Ginger Scrivener, sister-in-law of the groom. Flower girl was Jessica Hamilton, daughter of the bride.

Best man was Bryon Scrivener, brother of the groom, and Patrick McMillian of San Ange-

lo, was a groomsman. Ringbearer was Jason Gully, cousin of the groom, of Rowena.

Serving as ushers were Scott Gully of St. Lawrence (cousin of the groom), and Chris Powers of Winters.

Lance Gully of Rowena and Brent Gully of St. Lawrence served as candelighters (cousins of the groom).

A reception was held in the auditorium of the Carnegie Library. The bride's table was decorated with an angel fountain surrounded by English ivy and candelsticks on each side. The bride's cake was two large white hearts, joined by peach colored cascading roses, and topped with a porcelain western-styled bride and groom.

The bride is a graduate of Abilene High School and also graduated from the Aladdin Beauty College in Abilene. She is employed by Buddy's Plant Plus.

The groom is a graduate of Ballinger High School. He is employed by Gerber Childswear.

After a honeymoon trip to Santa Fe, the couple will reside in Ballinger.

Official Records

County Court
Criminal
August 22

Sherry Ann Fields, Midland, filed for driving while intoxicated, subsequent offense

Robert Lynn Shaw, Ballinger, filed for assault

August 25

Ubaldo Ramirez Sanchez, driving while intoxicated, subsequent offense

Santo Garcia, Jr., Ballinger, filed for theft of cash by check

Beverly Pearson, San Angelo, filed for theft of merchandise and/or cash by check

Tomas Garcia, Houston, filed for theft of merchandise by check

Charlotte N. Crain, Bronte, filed for theft of merchandise by check

Estrella Vara, Wingate, filed for theft of cash by check

Kenneth H. Kline, Jr., Winters, filed for theft of service by check

August 26

Betty Martinez, Winters, filed for theft of merchandise by check

Gidget Plumley, Brady, filed for theft of merchandise by check

Marriage Licenses

August 25

Kenneth Ray Gray and Alicia Kaye Waldrop

August 26

Howard Morgan Bramley and Johnnie Jones Gallagher

District Court

Civil

August 27

Alderman-Cave Milling and Grain Co. vs. C. E. Renfro, Jr.—account

Divorces Filed

August 27

Sandee Lensea Holland and Billy Holland

August 28

Darrell M. White and Linda S. White

Extension plans area's first grounds maintenance conference

Professional grounds keeping is big business in West Texas.

To meet the growing informational needs of the industry, the Texas Agricultural Extension Service is sponsoring the "West Texas Grounds Maintenance Conference."

The program is September 9 in Angelo State University's Houston Harte Ballroom. Registration starts at 7:30 a.m.

An added attraction is a special trade show featuring equipment and products targeting the professional grounds keeper, horticulturist, and landscaper.

Five CEUs are available for pesticide applicators needing credits.

John Begnaud, Tom Green County Extension horticulturist and a program coordinator, said the morning agenda offers topics of general interest to anyone in the business. He said the afternoon is more specialized with the program being broken into the two concurrent sessions: "Athletic Fields" or "Landscape Management."

"We've had a real need for this type program in West Texas for the past two or three years," said Begnaud. "More people than ever are spending big dollars on landscaping, plant materials, and maintenance. Until now there has been no single place available to gain information on new technology or products."

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The morning program starts at 8:00 a.m. with introductions and comments followed by "Pest Con-

trol Laws and Regulations," by Benny Mathis, executive director, Structural Pest Control Board, Austin.

Morning topics continue with "Turfgrass Weed Control," with Dr. James McAfee, Extension turfgrass specialist, Dallas. A mid-morning break and exhibit visitation is scheduled after McAfee's talk.

The remainder of the morning's topics and speakers include: "Fire Ant Management," Charles Barr, Extension entomology associate, College Station; "Managing Turf Pests with Plant Vigor," Dr. Sam Feagley, Extension soil environmental specialist, College Station; and "Disease Management of Turfgrass," Dr. Janell Johnk, Extension plant pathologist, Dallas.

Two concurrent sessions start at 1:00 p.m. The "Athletic Field" session speakers and their topics include: "Turfgrass Irrigation," McAfee; "Diseases of Ornamentals and Trees," Johnk; and "Golf Course Turfgrass Renovation," Tom Werner, grounds superintendent, Ridgewood Country Club, Waco.

The "Landscape Management" session speakers and their topics include: "Turfgrass Maintenance," Tinker Cliff, Agronomy department head, Texas State Technical College, Waco; "Shade Tree Care and Pruning," Nick Harrison, urban forester, Texas Forest Service, Abilene; and "Correcting Iron Deficiencies," Feagley.

The program's formal presentations end with a 3:00-3:30 p.m. break and exhibits tour followed by an informal insect identification presentation entitled "Good Bugs-Bad Bugs," by Dr. David Kattes, professor of Golf Course Technology at Western Texas College, Snyder.

Pre-registration, including lunch, by September 8 is \$15. Late registrants and those registering at the door will be charged \$20.

For further information, contact Jeff Ripley, Tom Green County Extension agent, at (915) 659-6524 or John Begnaud at (915) 659-6528.



Margaret Pruser

Margaret Pruser honored upon retirement from local hospital

Margaret Pruser was honored Thursday, August 28, with a retirement reception at North Runnels Hospital.

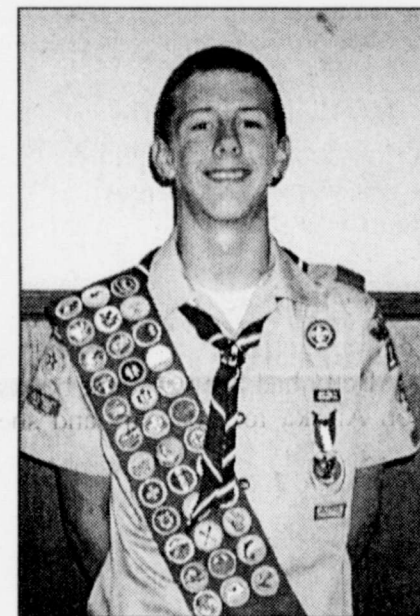
She began employment in 1979 after working as an Optometric Assistant for Dr. Z.I. Hale, but resigned for a two-year period in the early 1980s before returning to the hospital.

Margaret is a native of the Win-

ters area, having attended schools here and graduating from Winters High School. She and husband George have two children, Howard and Laurie.

While Margaret is looking forward to retirement, her immediate plans will be directed to recovering from the storm damage to her home which occurred two weeks ago.

Kevin Patton becomes an Eagle Scout



Eagle Mountain Jr. Leader Training. He is also a Brotherhood member of the Order of the Arrow.

In addition, Kevin has regularly attended summer camps at Tonkawa and Sid Richardson.

This summer, along with 35 other Scouts from the Chisholm Trail Council, Kevin attended the National Boy Scout Jamboree in Virginia. For this event, he held the position of Quartermaster.

To complete the requirements for Eagle Scout, Kevin planned and supervised the construction of park benches for the Haskell City Park.

With the assistance of fellow scouts, benches were constructed of treated lumber, routed with the donor's name and permanently installed around the city's popular walking path. A total of 88 man hours were needed to construct the benches.

Kevin is a member of the Haskell Science Olympiad team and Haskell Band and participates in tennis and track.

He is the recipient of a second place medal at the State Science Olympiad and was recognized as one of the 9th Grade Highest Average Students. Kevin will be a sophomore at Haskell High School this fall.

The rank of Eagle Scout is a very prestigious award. Only 2% of the boys entering Boy Scouts ever achieve this rank. Eagle Scouts are an elite group of men recognized throughout the world.

Kevin would like to express his thanks to the local individuals and civic groups who supported his project, his fellow scouts for their hard work and cooperation, and his current and past Scoutmasters for their continuous encouragement and support.

Kevin Patton, son of Kenneth and Judy Patton of Haskell and grandson of Jack and Carolee Patton of Wingate, received his Eagle Scout rank on Saturday, July 5, at the First United Methodist Church of Haskell.

Ceremony participants included local Scout representatives, First UMC Pastor and Eagle Scout Shane Brue and District Advancement Chairman and Eagle Scout Samuel Ferguson. The Eagle Charge was bestowed upon Kevin by his uncle and Eagle Scout Joe Brookman of Houston. A reception followed the ceremony where keepsakes and pictures of Kevin's scouting career were displayed.

Kevin began scouting as a Tiger Cub and advanced through Cub Scouts to earn the Arrow of Light, the highest award in Cub Scouting. He entered Boy Scouts in February of 1993 and has since earned 37 merit badges. He has held positions in the troop of Patrol Leader and Sr. Patrol Leader. He was also Den Chief for a Webelos den for a year.

Kevin has attended Den Chief training, Jr. Leader Training and

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- 9 San Antonio parade: "Fiesta _____"
- 17 pickup sound
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- 21 "yes" south of TX
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- 23 citrus drink
- 24 in Hill Co. on 81
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- 35 TXism: "medicine man"
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- 43 TXism: "get your ducks in _____"
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- 45 TXism: "he ain't _____ spring chicken (old)"
- 46 stats for Rangers Will "The Thrill"
- 48 TXism: "_____ sleeping dog lie"

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- 20 rattlesnake homes
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- 25 TXism: "he could sell sheep shears cattlemans" (persuasive)
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- 29 C&W music label
- 31 TXism: "I'm gonna _____ your eyes!"
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- 50 TXism: "cold as an outhouse _____ in January"
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Solutions for this puzzle appear in this issue.



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Poe's Corner

By Charlsie Poe

A patient man is handy

Keith Thomason is a patient man and I can prove it. Although genealogy is his field, he joined the Abilene Writers Guild so that he could drive his wife and friends to the night meetings once a month. He was rewarded by being placed on the board.



Charlsie Poe

One night we were returning home from a Guild meeting. Daphne Simpson was with us. Keith had just crossed the Winters city limits when a patrol car with flashing lights and blaring siren fell in behind us.

Keith pulled to the side of the highway and stopped the car. The officer stopped his patrol car directly behind us. Keith got out and stood beside the drivers door waiting to see what he wanted.

"Let me see your license," the officer said as he approached. Keith pulled the drivers license out of his billfold and handed it to the man. "May I asked why you stopped me?"

"You went over the white line." It was hard to see through our darkened windows, so the officer looked through Keith's open window and saw three three passengers inside.

"Where were you headed for this time of night?"

"I'm just taking these old women home," Keith replied.

"In that case, carry on," the officer said as he handed Keith back his license. Then he turned and walked to his patrol car.

Perry Thomason, father of Keith and Joe, worked for the railroad from 1920 to 1934 as a clerk in depots, and often filled in for others as a telegrapher. Express trains stopped at each town. He worked all the way from Kansas down through Texas and Oklahoma.

Families of the employees traveled along with the trains and lived in boarding houses at each town. The family was living in Cleburne when the depression came on. Thomason was bumped

in 1932. The family lived across the railroad and his wife took in boarders in the boarding house.

In June the boys were enrolled in school at Fairview, Oklahoma. A house was built with trees planted around it. "We became share croppers from there to Oak Ridge, Oklahoma, and everybody from kids to grandparents chopped and picked cotton," Keith said.

When their parents moved to Houston to work in the ship yards, their two sons started to Corpus Christi Jr. College. Keith went on to Texas A&I, Sul Ross, Angelo State, Cisco Jr. College, North Texas State and Sitka Community College in Alaska. He received three degrees, B.S., B.A., & M.A. at Kingsville. While there he was National Guard Commander in 1958.

Betty worked for Western Union in Kingsville. That's where she met Keith. He had been working in the Celanese Plant for 20 years while he was going to school.

The couple married in 1949. Their daughter was born in October of 1950. Keith went into service in January of 1951 and was sent to California. Betty came later when they found an apartment in military housing. They spent 16 months in California.

On their 20th anniversary, Keith quit the Celanese company and began teaching in Blackwell, then Eola and San Angelo.

He had a day off from teaching to take a real estate test. While there he received a telephone call from Larry Welch in Alaska wanting him to come and teach drivers ed.

Betty had been reading books on Alaska for 20 years and she

said, "Let's go!" They went and stayed from 1978 to 1982. The federal government closed the school system down in 1982.

While in Alaska, Keith taught in a boarding school at Mt. Edgecumbe, located in the Inside Passage across the bay from Sitka. One of his duties each semester was to meet incoming students from outlying villages as they arrived by commuter plane at the Anchorage airport. He acted as their chaperone until they boarded a jet to the school.

Many of the students arrived at the airport with delicacies from home; such as frozen fish, smoked salmon and homemade bread. Keith grouped the baggage in a pile in the corner of the lobby. One pasteboard box felt so cold, he decided it must contain frozen fish. He asked the attendant to put the package in their freezer.

When the Alaskan boy missed his box, Keith told him proudly that he had put his fish in the freezer.

"Fish!" the boy exclaimed. "That was my stereo equipment!"

He was instructor for the university of Alaska in the summer of 1981 and was sent to Angoon on the Admiralty island. While there he learned to eat fish for three meals a day. He held some babies on his lap while he taught their parents to drive.

Keith has spent a lifetime searching his family, mostly English. He is a lifetime member of American Legion and V.F.W. Also, he belongs to the Methodist Church, Z.I. Hale Museum and Library Board in Winters. Other organizations are the Runnels County Historical Commission and the Edward Plateau Historical Association. He continues to chauffeur the "old ladies."

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Please write your name and address on the letter and include a phone number for verification. Letters submitted without signatures will not be published.

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Classifieds Get Results



LIONS CLUB HONOREES recently recognized for their years of service are (from left) Dr. Y. K. Lee, 20-year member; Biff White accepting for his late father, Wade White, a 30-year member; Mike Meyer, 20-year member; Joe Gerhart, 10-year member; Jimmy Butler and Charles Kidwell, past presidents.

City-wide garage sale scheduled in Ballinger Sept. 20

Ballinger is gearing up for its 5th annual "City-wide" Garage Sale, sponsored by the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce, on September 20, 1997. The Chamber is asking for your participation to succeed in this event.

This would be a great opportunity for a fund-raiser for your club or organization.

Each participant will be given the choice of using his home, yard, garage, or being furnished a central location in the downtown area. Tables and chairs will be the individual's responsibility.

The Chamber will be responsible for advertising, furnishing maps, marking each location and coordinating the event.

There will be no charge, and each individual will receive the proceeds from his own sales.

To be included on the "garage sale map," please contact the Chamber office at 365-2333 or 365-5611 no later than September 12.

Individuals and organizations are welcome to participate the morning of the 20th at the downtown location, covered parking Ballinger National Bank, 108 9th Street.

For more information, please contact the Chamber office.

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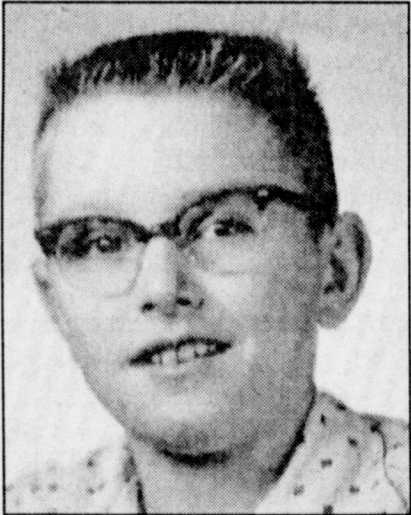
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Here's a little tale 'Bout a boy on Valley Creek— He's 'bout to be an old man... He turns "50" this week!



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"Over the hill".....

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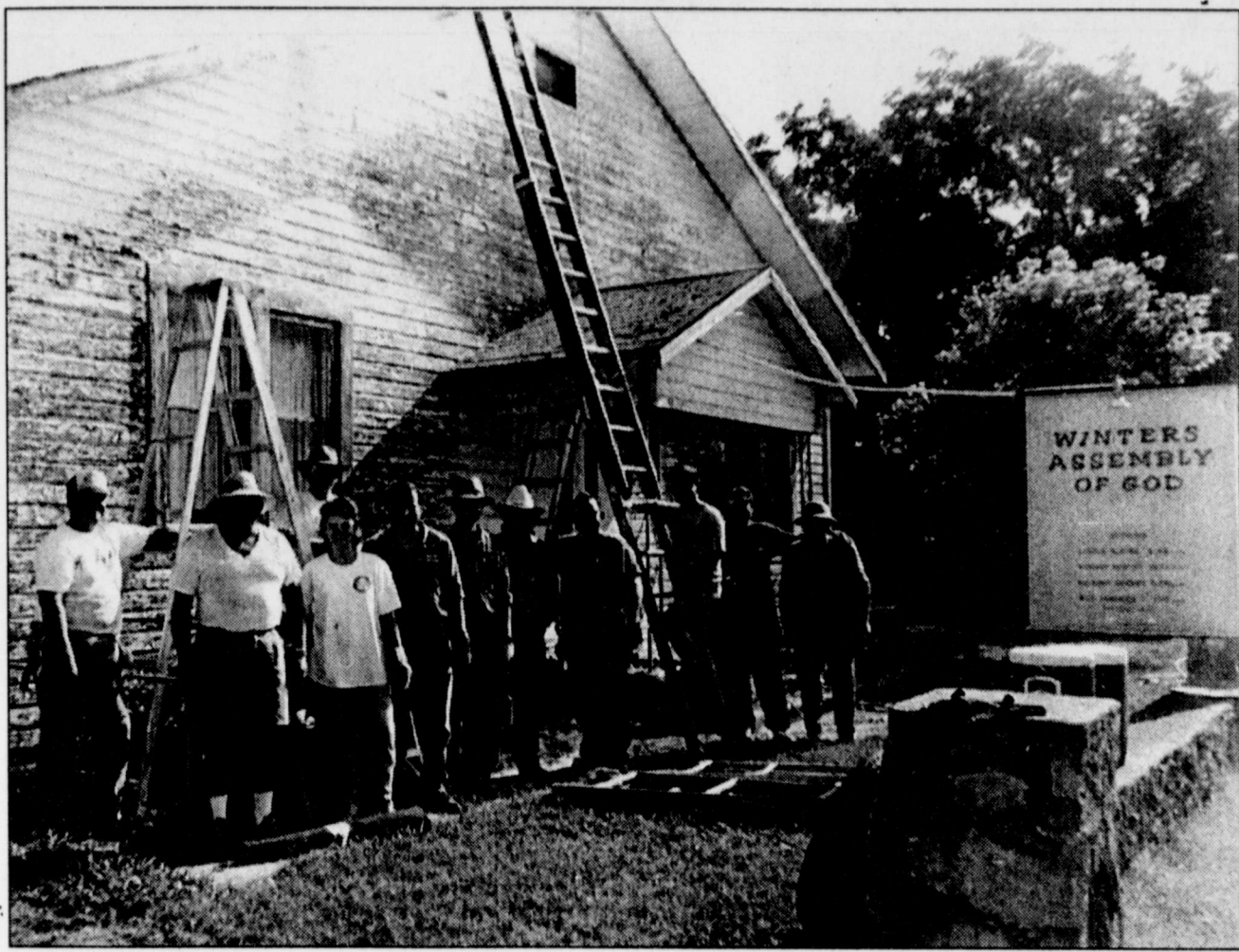
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VOLUNTEERS DONATED MONEY, SUPPLIES, AND TIME to give the Winters Assembly of God Church a new look. Volunteers came from the Abilene section of the Assemblies of God. The complete workover is expected to be finished by the end of the first week in September.

Winters Assembly of God Church receives much needed work from volunteers of area churches

Winters Assembly of God Church, 304 Wood, was selected for missions work by ministers of the Abilene section of the Assemblies of God.

The Abilene section of the North Texas District of the Assemblies of God encompasses Haskell to Sonora, Sterling City to San Saba, and includes Abilene, San Angelo, and Brownwood.

Workdays were scheduled in Winters Monday and Tuesday, August 25 & 26.

Work included roofing, scraping and painting, repair of electrical wiring, disposal of trash, and general cleanup.

Volunteers came from the following churches/locations:

First Assembly of God-
Abilene
Cisco
Eastland
Goldthwaite
Haskell
Santa Anna
Winters

Abundant Life Assembly of God-Merkel

Agape Assembly of God-Eldorado

Glad Tidings Assembly of God-Abilene

New Life Assembly of God-Sonora

Victory Assembly of God-Robert Lee.

Donations of money for supplies and materials were also provided by some of the volunteers.

The church now has a primer and is awaiting its final painting to be completed the first week in September.

Reverend Bob Jones of Winters Assembly of God would like to thank Rev. Darrell Sanderlin, Abilene section missions director; Rev. Jack Vaughn, Abilene section presbyter; and the many volunteers who gave so freely of their time and effort in ministering to the needs of the local church.

Randall Conner to serve as Runnels County chairman for Cattlemen's Round-Up for Rehab

Community leader and ranching partner Randall Conner is serving as Runnels County chairman for Cattlemen's Round-Up for Rehab — a program through which ranchers donate cattle, sheep, goats, and horses to be sold at special auctions during September and October.

Proceeds from these sales help West Texas Rehabilitation Center provide out-patient services to more than 17,000 disabled children and adults each year.

The first Big Country area sale is a cattle sale September 30 at Abilene Auction. A sheep and goat sale will be conducted October 27 at Junction Stockyards, and specialty sales (all animals) will be held during October at auction houses in Coleman, Stephenville, Ranger, and Stamford.

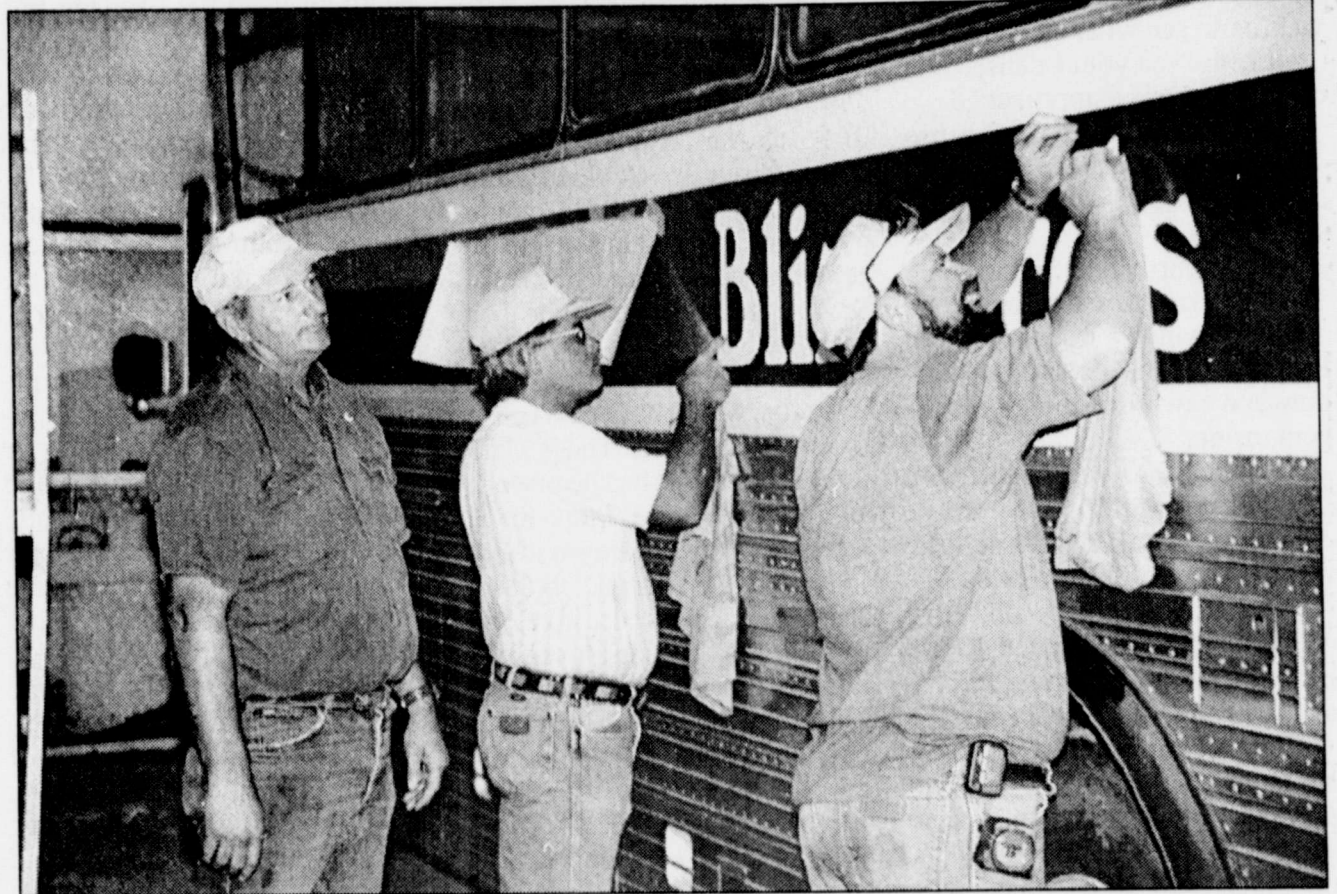
Approximately 150 volunteers, including Mr. Conner, Big Country Chairman Mike Alexander of Abilene, Concho Valley Chairman Carter Behrens of San Angelo, and Honorary National Chairman Rex Allen are assisting this 38th annual Round-Up by promoting sales and asking their neighbors to join them in donating to this year's drive which has a goal of \$280,000.

"We're especially proud to announce that Federal Land Bank and Texas Production Credit Associations already have stepped forward as the \$10,000 underwriter for the Round-Up and Wrangler has added a \$5,000 contribution to the effort," said West Texas Rehabilitation Center President Jim Pethis.

"Their leadership gets the event off to a great start, and we're hopeful area ranchers will help maintain the momentum by donating an animal or writing a check — thus helping ensure that everyone who needs Rehab's care will be able to get it."

Interested persons wanting to donate livestock or those needing to arrange for hauling of animals may contact Conner at 754-5373 or the Rehab Center at 691-7290.

Now in its 44th year of operation, West Texas Rehab Center has a staff of approximately 200 trained professionals providing physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech pathology, audiology, orthotics, industrial rehabilitation, and numerous support services at facilities in Abilene and San Angelo.



ADDING A SPECIAL 'BLIZZARD' TOUCH to the "new" commercial school bus are Mark Goetz, middle, and Dale Montgomery, right, of the WISD maintenance department. Watching closely at left is Mark Briley who spent approximately 30 hours painting the 48-passenger pre-owned bus which is now ready for use.

Woman injured in car accident

One woman was transported to North Runnels Hospital by ambulance following a two-vehicle accident Saturday afternoon about 3 p.m.

Maria Campos of Winters was held overnight at NR Hospital and dismissed on Sunday. She was the driver of a Pontiac 6000 headed south on Magnolia Street when she collided with a Chevrolet pickup driven by Katherine Wilborn, who was travelling east

on Majestic Street.

The accident occurred at an "uncontrolled intersection" which has been the site of several accidents.

Campos was cited for failure to yield right of way.

Both drivers were wearing seat belts and no other injuries were reported.

The accident was investigated by Sergeant Alfredo Sanchez of the Winters Police Department.



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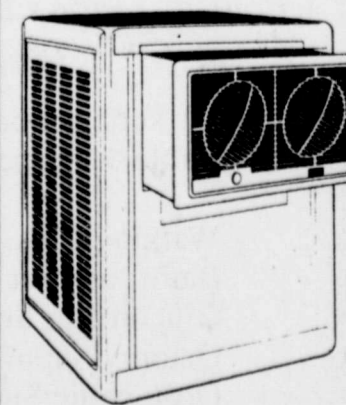
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Yep, it's gonna be one of those great days.

My wife is shopping with her friend, no kids, all-day football and pizza. Lots and lots of super supreme pizza.

I make my little pallet on the floor in front of the TV—five or six folded blankets that envelope you like some kind of giant cocoon.

Our twelve-year-old daughter calls it my "baby bed." And to top it all off, my twin overstuffed "wallowin'" pillows.

My attire today will be the ultimate in comfort, compliments of Les Britton, my neighbor across the alley. Les throws what I consider some pretty good stuff into the trash dumpster, specifically his worn-out Dockers pants.

While not church clothes, they're plenty good enough to lounge around in. And being pre-owned, they've already been broken-in and washed about a million times.

Les is a big man, so the best thing about them is that they're spacious, with stretchy velcro waist bands and plenty of room to move around in. Team that up with a generous, worn-out T-shirt, and you're set for the day.

"And take off those trash clothes, they're obscene," were the last words my wife had spoken that morning.

I think she's talking about the broken zipper, which is probably why Les threw them away. But hey, you can just pull together a little more velcro and nobody knows the difference.

Yes, siree, it was one fine day.

I watched three football games in a row while looking forward to the Sunday night game that night. I ate a whole, large, super supreme pizza and drank a bunch of frothy Dr. Peppers, all the while laying flat on my back.

"Hope you're descent, Charlene's here," my wife says as she and her friend burst through the door. I stood up to try and be a good host to my wife's new friend. I blame what happened next on the pizza.

When I got up, I guess the heavy-duty load of super supreme pizza shifted or something. When the resulting pressure hit the velcro waistband, it popped like a fire-cracker at a fourth of July picnic.

Just as Charlene rounds the corner into the den, my pants dropped to my ankles and "Hello Charlene" is already out of my mouth!

"Not cute," my wife says later, with a space for emphasis between both words, looking at me with that look she saves for lunatics and people who steal her parking space at the mall.

"I would imagine Charlene thinks I'm married to some kind of pervert now. I hope you're happy, totally embarrassing me in front of my friend like that."

"I don't know her quite well enough that I feel comfortable bringing her into our home and the first thing she sees is my naked husband standing there in a pile of pizza crust and Dr. Pepper cans with the pants he got out of a trash bin draped around his ankles."

"I guess there's something to be thankful for," she moaned, "at least you had on some underwear this time."

"I'm sorry, Honey, the velcro broke," I said, glancing out the back window.

"You better pay attention," she fumed. "I may not talk to you again for a long time...what do you keep looking at through that window?"

"Sorry Honey, we'll have to talk later. Les is carryin' somethin' out to the trash can..."

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KATY DUGGAN (left) and AMY RILEY competed at the District 7 Miss Texas Farm Bureau and Talent Find Contests in Brownwood on August 12. Katy won the Miss Texas title and will advance to State competition in November in Arlington. Amy represented Runnels County in the Talent Find Contest.

Duggan and Riley compete at District Farm Bureau Contests

Katy Duggan and Amy Riley participated in the District 7 Miss Texas Farm Bureau and Talent Find Contests in Brownwood on August 12. Six counties participated.

Katy won the District Miss Texas Farm Bureau title and now advances to the State Farm Bu-

reau Contest to be held in November in Arlington.

Amy represented Runnels County very well in the Talent Find Contest.

Katy is the daughter of Dale and Linda Duggan of Ballinger. Amy is the daughter of Mike and Suzann Riley of Ballinger.

Dove Hunt for Rehab, Sept. 5 & 6

The first annual Dove Hunt for Rehab is scheduled for September 5 and 6. There will be two hunts each day—with registration for the morning hunt from 5:30-6:30 a.m. and for the afternoon hunt from 2:00-3:00 p.m.

Registration and hunting location assignments will be at the Holiday Inn Express, 1625 E. IH 20 at Albany Highway.

The participation fee will be \$75 per gun per day in advance. Lunch will be provided. Bird cleaning services will also be available.

Landowners from Callahan County have donated use of their land for the hunts. Dove Hunt committee members include Gladys, Mac, Steve and Scotty Goldsmith; Billie Bob Hogan; Vance Wallace; and Morris Snyder.

A valid Texas hunting license will be required from all hunters and each should provide his/her own hunting equipment.

To register for the hunt or for more information, contact John Thomas at West Texas Rehabilitation Center, (915) 691-7291.

Miles to celebrate 20th anniversary of Cotton Festival

Residents of Miles are getting ready to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the Miles Cotton Festival. The annual fun-filled event will be held Saturday, September 13, in the Miles City Park.

Festivities begin at 8 a.m. with the opening of the arts and crafts booths, followed by a parade through downtown Miles at 10 a.m.

Pork-ribs and brisket cookoffs will be held in the Miles Preservation Authority Park beginning at 9 a.m. Entry fees are \$30 for both the pork-ribs and brisket cookoffs or \$25 to enter just one.

A noon meal of "country cooking" will be served at the historic Miles Opera House and fast food booths will be located in the City Park.

Throughout the afternoon, entertainment by area musicians and a variety of games for children and adults will be available, including a \$200 winner-take-all tug-o-war contest in the men's and women's team divisions.

The Knights of Columbus will serve a barbecue supper from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., followed by the Miles Cotton Queen Contest.

Buddie Hrabal and his Memory Lane Band will provide music for a street dance under the stars from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Tickets are \$5 per person.

Miles is located on U.S. Hwy. 67 between San Angelo and Ballinger.

For more information, contact the Miles Opera House at 915-468-3001 or the Miles Messenger at 915-468-3611.

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The Winters Enterprise

Extension News & Views

By Mike Mauldin, Extension Agent-Ag

Runnels County pecan entries win at state show in Austin

Several entries from Runnels County recently placed at the State Pecan Show held July 6, 1997, in Austin.

Taking a first place honor was Charles Dankworth with his Comanche entry. David Harvey placed 2nd with his Barton entry, and Woodward Farms placed 3rd in the Chickasaw category.

Ballinger FFA, Robert Kensing, and Joe Vancil each had entries that advanced to state competition but did not place.

Everyone is reminded to enter their pecans in the upcoming Runnels County Pecan Show to be held in early December. You could have a state winner next year!

San Antonio and Houston broiler orders due

The time is fast approaching for ordering broilers for the upcoming San Antonio and Houston stock shows. Broilers for both shows will be ordered at the same time.

Fifty broilers will be ordered per exhibitor at a cost of \$55.

Any Runnels County 4-H'er who wishes to exhibit broilers at San Antonio or Houston must contact the Extension Office by Friday, October 10, 1997.

Support your Band Booster Club

Runnels County 4-H'ers place at state with record books

State 4-H record book judging was held the second week of August on the campus of Texas A&M University. Ten senior record books from Runnels County competed at the state level and three placed in the top three.

Placing third in Plant & Soil Sciences was Shane Halfmann of Norton. Shane is an active member of the Norton 4-H Club, currently serving as president. Cody Cook of the Rowena 4-H Club also placed 3rd with his Safety record book. Placing third in Fashion Revue was Jessica King of Ballinger. Jessica is also serving as president of the Ballinger 4-H Club this year.

Kayla Jansa placed 5th with her Health record book. A sixth

place ranking was earned by Angela Jacob with her Housing record book. Amy Travis placed 8th in Foods and Nutrition. Ninth place rankings were earned by Brett Halfmann in Family Life and Amy Heathcott in Swine. Shelley Meyer placed 10th in Vet Science and Chanda Hoppe placed 11th in Home Economics Achievement.

In order to compete at State, each record book must win first in their respective categories at the district level. At the state level, 4-H'ers compete with eleven other district champions from across Texas.

Congratulations to all these 4-H'ers.

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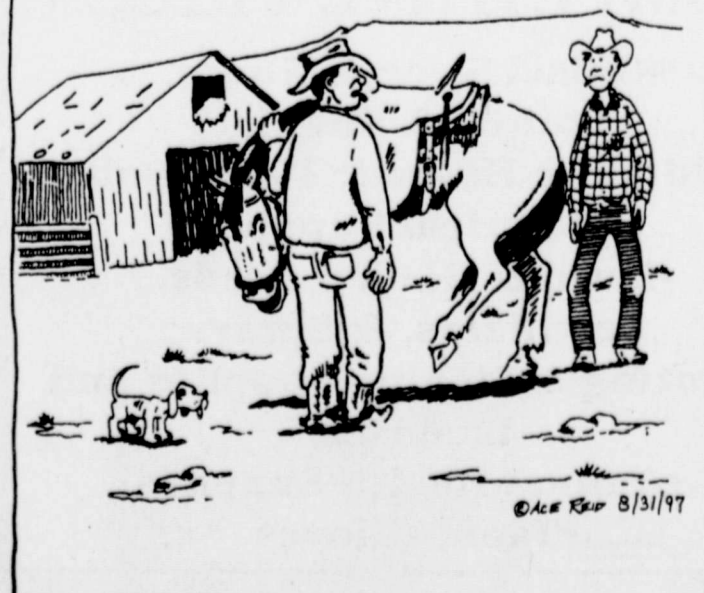
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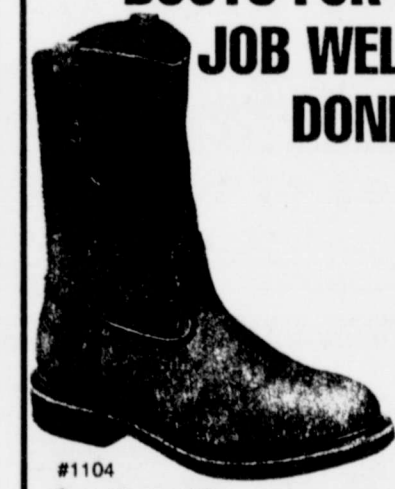


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