Folklorist says redneck rock may soon disappear

Redneck rock, that music that seemed to bring cowboys and city kids together for a little mutual fun, is probably on the way out, largely a victim of its own acceptance, says a Tarleton State University folklorist. Willie Nelson, Waylon Jen-

nings and others are attempting a rebirth, said Dr. Sue McGinity of TSU, part of the Texas A&M University System. But their primary direction seems to be putting old wine in new bottles

"The fresh, seemingly healthy handful of extremist songsters defiance Nelson and family initially brought to country music has all but disappeared or been perverted," explained McGinity, who has traced the progress of country music and wants to document some of the redneck rock phenomenon before it

Although Nelson, Jennings, Jerry Jeff Walker, Asleep at the Wheel and others are putting new twists to old standbys, only a

such as the irreverent Kinky

Friedman and the Texas Jewboys hold firm "radical innovation, she says.

When outlaw musicians declared Austin the new Nashville the movement produced a spate of imitators. Soon, a movie on outlaw musicians was made and the term became a household word, McGinity said.

Zoning Board grants variances

By FLAVIA KRONE

of Adjustment granted two var- interest. iances and denied a third at a meetg Tuesday night at City Hall. compliance with a city ordinance. The Zoning Board of Adjustment will cause him "undue hardship." ing Tuesday night at City Hall. is a quasi-judicial body that rules on "By and large, undue hardship citizen appeals concerning zoning means what the board says it ordinances, "non-conforming" means," said Lewis. building use permits and variances, says City Attorney Neeley Lewis. A variance is any exception to the

city ordinances which govern such things as lot size, building setbacks and building permits.

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change the characteristics of an area Joe McNabb of 1302 Angelina Ct. The College Station Zoning Board and if the variance is in the public

A person must also show that

The board denied a variance re-

Building Inspection Department like an apartment complex. official Bill Koehler said his office Cyrus said he was not aw In granting a variance, the board had received a complaint about the

McNabb said Cyrus built the patio cover without a permit in violation of city ordinance. He also said he could see the cover over his backyard fence and considered it an

reduced my utilities \$10 amo "I don't think not filing a permit is the hottest months. I think it I don't think it poses a prob an excuse to let a structure stand that reduces the value of my propan aesthetic viewpoint." During the patio cover a tion, building inspectors as covered that Cyrus' house wa quest for a patio covering from Abe Cyrus, 1303 Augustine, College Station. erty, McNabb said. "I didn't pay the money I paid to move into this area to look at something that looks

17 feet from the rear proper also in violation of the city Cyrus said he was not aware that he was in violation of any ordinance requirement of 25 feet. considers whether or not it will patio cover from Cyrus' neighbor, until a building inspector came to

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Cyrus said he was not a the violation when he book house. "It is obvious that it be a great hardship to do ava one third of my kitchen and my family room in order to with the ordinance," Cyrus

his house to investigate

complaint. "If I had been advised I

have been in here much s

get a variance," Cyrus said Cyrus added, "The patio

Board members agreed granted him a variance house

The board also granted ava to Timothy Keneipp, 203 College Station for an additio carport.

Bryan man, l robbery susper

BY ANDREA VALLS

Bryan police arrested la Hitesman, 18, of Bryan M night as the suspect in a r robbery of U-Tote-M, 44010 lege Road.

Vera Infanti, a U-Toteployee, said she saw a manent store at approximately 8:40 M night and linger at the back w customers left. She added walked to the counter, poin volver at her and said, " hold-up. Put your money

bag." Infanti said she gave them approximately \$30 from the ter, and that he stuffed then a crumpled paper sack. "My phone was out of ord

time, so a customer called after he left," she said. Bryan police arrested

approximately 45 minutes robbery in the 4100 bloc Texas Ave. "He didn't have any licens

lights and his license platew of state, said Detective Riggs. He added that Li Orozco and Patrolman Bill Ri ognized the car from description the automobiles used in two store robberies this month

A Bryan woman found w suspect also was arrested, b released.

Police said Hitesman is held in Brazos County J \$50,000 bond. He faces cha three counts of aggravate bery of three stores in Bryan past month, police said.

Doctor believes coca leaves are sound medicine United Press Internation

WASHINGTON - A H doctor believes coca leaves legal only for medical use in a





and for the coca flavor in Coce - could be a beneficial stim anti-depressant and stomad remedy

Andrew Weil, a physician ing at the Harvard Bot Museum, hopes-to win goven approval to develop a pres ewing gum as a safe and addition to the medical cabin not addictive.

The leaves of the South Am shrub are illegal in the b States except for limited as cocaine used illegally is 30 percent pure.

Coca leaves contain only o of 1 percent cocaine. Whe leaves are chewed, the littled they contain enters the blood slowly through the stomac through membranes of the and throat.

"That's very different from ing cocaine or injecting of when ther's a sudden rise in

level," Weil said. Coca — which is differen cocoa powder made from seeds — has been chewed for turies by the people of Peru ombia, Bolivia and Equador

"Coca is one of the most tant medicinal and stimular in the world and is also one oldest crops cultivated by hu Weil told an American Ass for the Advancement of So symposium last week. But little basic research h done on the plant's medicina

erties, he said. Once cocaine was isolated coca in the 1870s, work with itself stopped; Weil said. Scie incorrectly assumed the prop of coca would be the sam cocaine.

But cocaine is only one number of alkaloid compo coca, and Weil believes the modify and may act with it be duce therapeutic results who whole leaf is used.

Weil has spent many mon South America studying cod said coca leaves taste good kind tastes like green ter another resembles wintergree