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RL Girls Win Second Half, Playoff Friday at Ballinger

The Robert Lee High School girls basketball team left no doubt that they were the second half champions of District 9-A when they whipped Junction 77-49. The win gave the

SPECIAL PROGRAM AT NURSING HOME

A special program will be presented at West Coke County Nursing Home at 3 p.m. today (Friday) when Bob Hendley, director of Children's Outreach Ministries makes an appearance.

Hendley and his dummy, Amos Matthews, will present a program billed as Ventriloquism and Magic for Jesus.

The program will be especially for residents of the nursing home but everyone else who wishes to attend is invited. Hendley is conducting a four-day series of programs this weekend at Central Baptist Church in Bronte.

Residents Help in Paper Collection

The paper collection sponsored by the '64 Study Club Feb. 20 received good response and members of the club expressed their appreciation to everyone who donated waste paper or helped with getting the paper together.

A trailer load of paper was delivered by Frank Allen, and the women said they are especially grateful to him for his generosity in letting them use his trailer.

An official at J.B. Allman Waste Paper Co., buyer of the paper, explained that only one kind of paper in a load is easier to grade than mixed cargo. Consequently, club members will ask that only one type of paper be delivered to them on a specific date. Separate dates will be used for newspaper, magazines and feed sacks. They plan to have a collection twice each month.

Everyone is urged to watch the Observer and the Lions Club bulletin board on the Courthouse square for information as it becomes available.

girls a perfect second half and tied them up with Wall for the district title.

Last week the girls downed Wall by a decisive 84-65 score to overcome their main challenger for the second half championship. Their defeat by Wall in the first half of district play is the only blemish on their season record.

The playoff game to decide the district championship has been scheduled for 7:30 p.m. tonight (Friday) in Ballinger.

Vicki Gartman was high scorer for the girls in the game with Junction with 40 points through the hoop; Lisa Devoll sank 20 points; Stella Bickley had 13; and Karen Rasco 4.

All fans of the girls team are urged to travel to Ballinger tonight and back the Robert Lee team.

MEETING OF PAGEANT ASSOCIATION FEB. 27

Coke County Pageant Association will have a meeting at 7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 27, in the Robert Lee-Silver Lions Club building in Robert Lee.

Everyone interested in the association's program is invited to be present.

Mrs. V. Koerner Dies at Ranger

Veoma A. Koerner, 65, of Ranger died at 12:45 p.m. Tuesday of last week in Ranger General Hospital following a short illness. Services were at 2 p.m. Thursday in Killingsworth Funeral Home Chapel.

Burial was in Olver Springs Cemetery near Gorman.

Born Veoma Sawyer Oct. 14, 1912, she married Rubin C. Koerner Nov. 10, 1940, in Breckenridge. She was a member of the Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband; a daughter, Betty Gilbert of San Angelo; a brother, R. C. (Buzz) Sawyer of Robert Lee; three grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Deadline Nears for Local Candidates To File Names

Robert Lee area voters have some decision making to do between now and April 1 when they go to the polls to vote in four different elections.

Elections will be held on that date for city officials, Robert Lee School trustees, West Coke County Hospital District directors and a county school trustee.

Deadline for filing in all the elections is Wednesday of next week, March 1, 30 days in advance, except for hospital district directors, who have until 25 days before the election to file.

CITY ELECTION

City officials whose terms expire this year are Mayor S.E. Adams and Councilmen Wilson Bryan and Ben Cook. City Secretary Mrs. Edna Havins said this week that Wilson Bryan has filed for the mayor's position and Larry Anderson

has filed as a candidate for city councilman. Candidates may file at the City Hall

Terms Extended For Principals, Athletic Director

Contracts of principals and the athletic director of Robert Lee Schools were extended for one year when the board of trustees met Thursday night of last week.

Principals Jerry Gibbs of Robert Lee High School and William Hood of Robert Lee Elementary School were extended through the 1980 school year.

The board also extended the contract of Jerry English, athletic director and head football coach, through the 1980 school year.

Contracts of classroom teachers will be considered at the March meeting of the board.

or mayor's office.

SCHOOL BOARD

Trustees of Robert Lee School whose terms expire this year are Joe Ash and Phil Ray. Candidates may go by the office of Supt. Jimmy Bickley to file for a spot on the ballot. Bickley said this week that Ray has filed for re-election but Ash has indicated he will not be a candidate. W.L. (Dub) Metcalf also is a candidate for trustee.

HOSPITAL BOARD

In the election for director of West Coke County Hospital District, terms of Fern Havins, Foy Askins and Conrad Millican expire this year. Holdover members are Joe Ash and Earl Lindsey. A check Wednesday morning showed that Fern Havins is the only person who has filed as a candidate. Filing deadline is March 7 and candidates should file with Administrator Robert Vernor at the hospital.

COUNTY TRUSTEE

A county school trustee-at-large will be elected this year. W. D. McAdams is presently serving in the position. Candidates for the job may file at the office of the county judge. County trustees will be elected this year in Precincts 2 and 4, with trustees from Precincts 1 and 3 having another year to serve.

Services at Brady For Mert Donley

Funeral services for Merton Wayne (Mert) Donley, 62, of Voca, were at 2 p.m. Friday, Feb. 17, in Wilkerson Memorial Chapel Southside at Brady. Burial was in Rest Haven Cemetery.

Mr. Donley died at 8:10 p.m. Tuesday in Heart of Texas Memorial Hospital after suffering a sudden heart attack at his home.

He was born May 22, 1915, in Cestos, Okla. He and Pauline Burwell

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JUNIOR FAVORITES--Karen Rasco and Buddy Wallace were selected by their classmates as class favorites for the 11th grade. Karen is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Rasco and Buddy is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Wallace Jr.



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By
**U. S. Representative
Bob Krueger**
Cut Taxes
and Spending

WASHINGTON—As we all know, President Carter has proposed a major tax cut.

I agree with the need for it, but feel it should be coupled with a limit on government spending in order to stimulate growth in the private sector.

I will introduce legislation during this spring's congressional budget discussions to achieve that end. I will propose an amendment to the First Budget Resolution which will limit increases in the federal budget for fiscal year 1979 to those required by inflation or brought about by national emergency.

If our government follows this policy this year, and continues it for several more, we will find that net increases in our gross national product go to the people, not to the government.

Establishing that new trend would, in my judgment, be strongly supported by the American people and is achievable without any direct cuts in overall government spending.

And, coupled with a realistic, across-the-board tax cut for businesses and individuals, it would place an increasing share of disposable income in private hands.

We must encourage growth in the private sector. During the past seven years, an ever-larger share of spending has come not from the individual decisions made by private citizens, but by government—federal, state and local.

In fact, the direct share of government spending has risen so that now one in three dollars is directly spent by the government.

Statistics compiled on the economic problems of the northeastern portion of the United States substantiate the theory that an imbalance between spending in the public and private sectors triggers negative economic impact. During the years 1966-69, employment in the private sector in 30 northeastern cities rose 5.9 per cent while government employment rose only 1.8 per cent.

The trend changed during 1972-75, however, years of economic regression in these cities, and government employment began outdistancing employment in the private sector.

There are indications the same situation could develop in Texas.

Private sector employment in six Texas cities (San Antonio, Dallas, Fort Worth, Austin, El Paso and Beaumont) grew more than 12 per cent in 1966-69 while government employment grew at 3.4 per cent.

But from 1973-75, the balance between public and private sector employment began to close, with employment in the private sector increasing only slightly more than government employment.

My travels around Texas make two things clear: (1) People want to decide for themselves how to spend their money; they prefer not to delegate those decisions to government; and (2) they do not want to see federal budgets and deficits continue to increase.

One important stimulus for investment is business confidence. Establishing the principle that future real growth in the economy would go to private individuals rather than government programs would help to create that necessary confidence for such investment.

Investment, after all, only reflects our confidence in our future. And America urgently needs that confidence at this time.

A package that limits growth in government spending to inflationary increases, and that guarantees Americans that as they work more, they will be able to enjoy more, would further that end.

President Kennedy, in introducing his tax cut years ago, said that nothing is more fundamental in the United States than the principle that if one works hard, he should enjoy the fruits of his labor. That statement holds true today as well.

Farm Bureau Conducting Drive for New Members

Coke-Sterling Farm Bureau is joining with other groups in Texas this month in a membership drive. Members have been working at signing up other persons as members of the organization.

According to Mrs. C. E. Arrott, secretary-treasurer, the Coke-Sterling FB had 508 members at the end of October 1977. She said the number has increased since that time and she expects it to increase some more during the present drive.

It was pointed out that farmers and ranchers cannot individually work with legislative and other governmental groups, but that Farm Bureau can represent them as a group with a powerful voice.

One of the main services of the Farm Bureau is providing insurance protection of all kinds for members. Waldon Millican of Robert Lee is manager of the Coke-Sterling insurance office and his assistant is George Demere of Sterling City.

Local officers are L. W. Duncan of Bronte, president; James Bird Pentecost of Robert Lee, vice president; Mrs. C. E. Arrott of Bronte, secretary-treasurer.

Directors and the locality they serve are:

Donnie Thompson and Don Edmiaston, Bronte; Jack Mathews, Robert Lee; Crowley Harmon, Robert Lee and Edith; Don Mauldin, Edith and Friendship; Jack Cervenka, Blackwell; Alonzo Robbins, Hayrick and Fort Chadbourne; Melvin McCabe, Divide and Valley View; Bobby Roberts, Sanco and Silver; Mike Arrott, Juni-

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Accumulate a full load before running your washer.



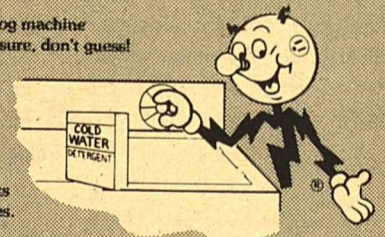
BE SELECTIVE

Choose the cycle that is precisely appropriate for the clothes you are washing. Is a "hot" temperature setting really necessary? Except for heavily soiled items, most loads will come clean in either a cold or warm wash. Look into cold wash detergents.

Too much detergent can clog machine and drains... always measure, don't guess!

Follow the manufacturer's recommendations for your type equipment.

Mixing brands of detergents can cause graying of clothes.



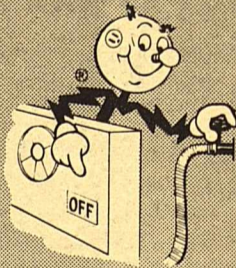
FOR SAFETY SAKE

Be sure control is "off" before reaching into your washer.

If one is necessary, use only a heavy duty extension cord.

Be sure your washer is grounded.

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Mrs. Opal Jacoby Seeking JP Job In Precinct 1

Mrs. Opal I. Jacoby, Justice of the Peace for Precinct 1 of Coke County, has authorized The Observer to announce her candidacy for re-election to the office. She issued the following statement to the voters of the precinct in making her announcement:

I take this opportunity to announce my candidacy for my first full term for Justice of the Peace of Precinct #1. It has been my privilege to serve in this capacity for the past 2½ years. I hope I have been of service to the people of this precinct and am worthy of your continued confidence and trust.

I respectfully solicit your vote and support on May 6th.

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Mrs. Jacoby is running on the Democratic ticket and her candidacy is subject to action by the voters in the Democratic Primary May 6.

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MERT DONLEY--

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were married July 10, 1938, in Vici, Okla. He and his family moved to Silver in 1959 when he was transferred from Gainesville, where he was a plant superintendent, to become superintendent of the Union Texas Petroleum Plant at Silver. They later moved to Robert Lee and he continued as superintendent of the Silver plant until his retirement five years ago. He had lived in Voca since his retirement. He was a veteran of World War II and was a Methodist.

Survivors include his wife; a daughter, Mary Alice Donley of Austin; his mother, Mrs. Lena Donley of Alva, Okla.; two brothers, Woodrow Donley and Stanley Donley both of Tahlequah, Okla.; a sister, Meredith Haswiger of Alva, Okla.

Pallbearers were Bobby Roberts, Truman Hines, Bill Matlock and Teddy Pitcock, all of Robert Lee; M.C. Hendry of Sterling City and Harold Snell of Winters.

Honorary pallbearers included Ernest Clendennen and Bill Casey of Silver, J.A. Weatherbee of Rankin, Bill Brown of Cross Plains, Jim Taylor of Abilene, and Clyde Quinn of Oklahoma.

ATTEND FUNERAL

Among those who attended funeral services for Mert Donley in Brady last Friday were Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Roberts, Bill Matlock, Mr. and Mrs. Teddy Pitcock, Mr. and Mrs. Truman Hines, Mrs. Frank Hearn, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Prentice, Mrs. James Deen, Kathy Deen and Allan Rowoldt, all of Robert Lee.

Also Bill Casey and Ernest Clendennen of Silver; Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Hubbard, Tonya Wojtek and Chester Wilson of Bronte; Mr. and Mrs. M.C. Hendry, Tommy Hendry and Debbie Bynum of Sterling City; Mr. and Mrs. Rex Snell of San Angelo; J.A. Weatherbee and Johnny Kohutek of Rankin; and Harold Snell of Winters.

MEETING AT SANCO CALLED MARCH 2

A community meeting has been called for residents and friends of the Sanco community for 7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 2. The meeting will be held at the Sanco store building and everyone is invited to attend.

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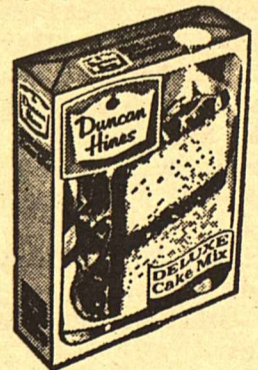
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Bahlman-Benfer Wedding Held at Winters Church

Tonya Gayle Bahlman and Noel Keith Benfer, both of Abilene, were married at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 17, at the Ninth Street Church of Christ in Ballinger. Max Pratt, minister, performed the double-ring ceremony.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Nelan Bahlman of Winters and Edwinna Herron of Fort Worth. The Bahlmans are former residents of Robert Lee.

The bride is a graduate of Winters High School and Hendrick Medical Center School for medical record technicians. She is an employee of Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene.

Her husband graduated from Brewer High School in Fort Worth, attended Tarrant County Junior College and graduated in December from Abilene Christian University with a bachelor of science degree in industrial management. He is employed by Abtex Beverage Company in Abilene.

Attending the ceremony from Robert Lee were Mr. and Mrs. Francis Jeffries, Mrs. Evah Mahon and Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Wallace Jr.

'64 STUDY CLUB HAS BOOK REVIEW

The '64 Study Club held its regular semi-monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. Cumbie Ivey Sr. on Feb. 14.

Following the business meeting, Mrs. Fred Beaty presented a book review of "Nineteen Steps to Heaven" by Joseph Blank.

Mrs. Ivey used a Valentine theme in decor and refreshments served to 17 members.

Co-hostesses for the Valentine Day meeting were Mrs. Earl Bradley and Mrs. John T. Stewart.

The next club meeting will be held Feb. 28 with Mrs. Lyle Pierce as hostess. Mrs. Charles Sims will be program leader and Supt. Jimmy Bickley of Robert Lee School will be featured speaker.



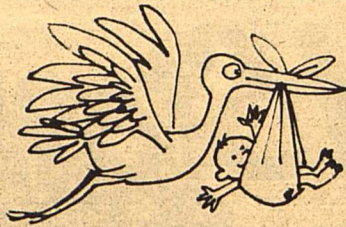
LIONS CLUB MEETING

1 - 3rd Tuesday of each month - 7 P.M. Lions Club Community Center

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WORSHIP11:00 A.M. WED. BIBLE STUDY 7:00 P.M.

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LOOK WHO'S NEW

Frank Damon Box was born Friday, Feb. 17, at 5:24 p.m. in West Coke County Hospital. He is the new son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Box of Robert Lee. The baby weighed 7 pounds, 4 ounces and measured 21 inches long.

His grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. J.D. Harmon and Mr. and Mrs. V. M. Box, all of Robert Lee. Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. T.R. Harmon and Mrs. Bessie Caston, also of Robert Lee.

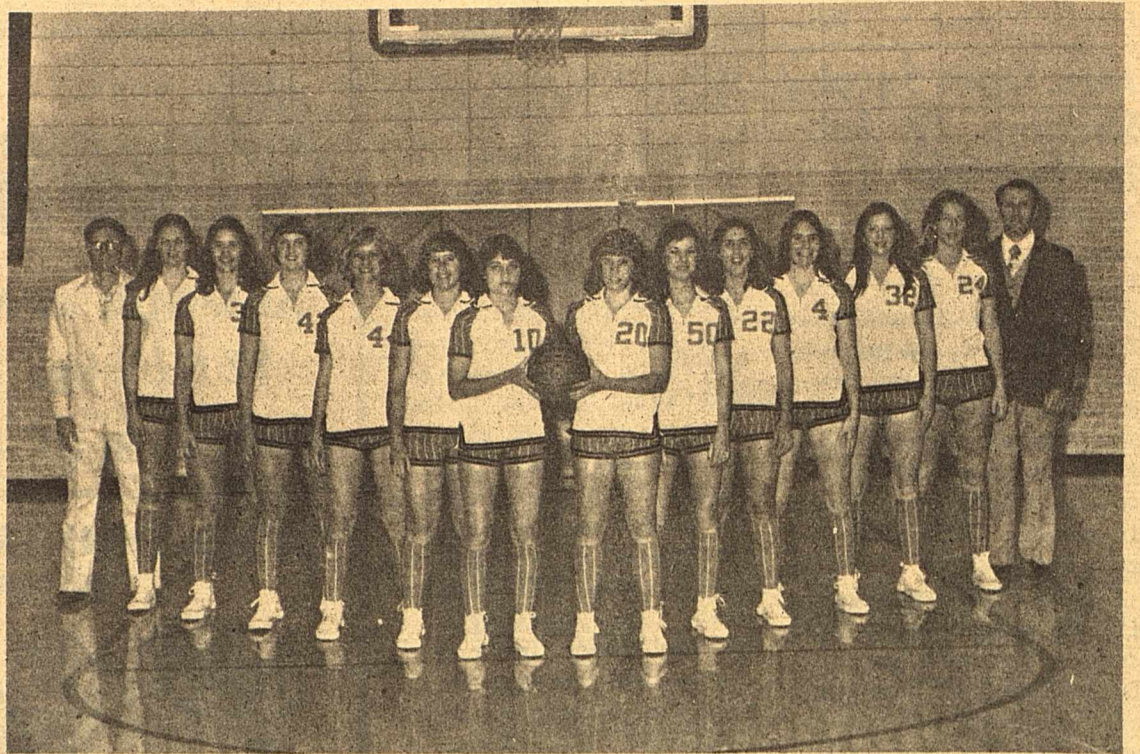
More Donors of Cross Ties Listed

Coke County Pageant Association's drive to sell cross ties is still creating interest. Construction Committee members are experimenting with seating at the amphitheatre site to determine the best plan for comfort, durability, and economy. Equipment is being collected this week and construction will begin soon.

Those interested in donating labor are urged to get in touch with Wilson Bryan, Robert Vaughan or Fern Havins.

Names of donors for cross ties this week (Feb. 15-21) follow: Bill Allen, Mrs. Bill Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Bagwell, Zeddie Beal, Ruth Beal, Otis Watson, Ruth Watson, W.E. Burns, Lois Burns, Eunice Olson, Bill Casey, Dwala Casey, F.K. Meadows, Norma Ruth, Pansy, Bloodworth, Bob Fields, Dale Fields, Leon Russell, Jessie Faye Russell, Ruth Bradley, Add Davis, Joan Davis, Jerry Mathews, Laura Mathews, Jack Mathews, Betty Mathews, Dawn Floral, Victor Wojtek, Rhonda Wojtek, Maurine Vosburg, Selma Cowart.

Last week's story listing donors for purchase of cross ties for the proposed amphitheatre listed a donation in memory of Mrs. G.A. Beeman. It should have read in memory of Mr. and Mrs. G.A. Beeman.



THE POWERHOUSE--Robert Lee High girls basketball team finished at the top of the pile in the second half of District 9-A competition and will play Wall, first half winner, Friday night for the title. From left, team members are: Coach Clyde Dukes, Cindy Walker, Cindy Ash Bessent, Karen Rasco, Renea Flanagan, Betty Ann Flowers, Debbie Askins, Karen Flowers, Jana Hood, Vicki Gartman, Stella Bickley, Carla Wojtek, Lisa Devoll and Coach Ronnie Ruff.



COMPLETE SEASON--The Robert Lee Steer basketball team completed the 19-78 season last week in a game with the Wall Hawks. The team had a 17-10 season record. Team members are, from left, front row: Coach Roddy McIver, Danny Abalos, Brett Clark and Mitch Gibbs; back row: Micky Baker, Kerry Gartman, Wes Sawyer, Vic Conner, Richard Long, Mark Riley, Jimmy Munoz and David Lackey.

Bronte Theatre To Be Opened

Mr. and Mrs. Luis Charles of Bronte have purchased the Texas Theatre from Wojtek Brothers and are doing some repair and redecorating prior to opening of the movie house.

They said this week that they have not been able to set a definite opening date, but they hope to be open in about three weeks.

Present plans call for the theatre to be open three days a week with Friday and Saturday night shows and a matinee Sunday afternoon.

The Charleses said they hope to attract customers from the Robert Lee area as well as Bronte, and invited everyone in Robert Lee to watch for their opening announcement.

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and Milk.
Tuesday, Feb. 28:
Spanish Rice with Meat;
English Peas; Carrot
and Cabbage Salad; Hot
Biscuits and Butter;
Mixed Fruit and Milk.
Wednesday, Mar. 1:

Corn Dogs; Pinto Beans;
Mixed Greens; Corn-
bread and Butter; Fruit
Cobbler and Milk.
Thursday, Mar. 2:
Sloppy Joes; Corn; Lime
Jello; Potato Chips;
Cookies and Milk.
Friday, Mar. 3:

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Fish Sticks with Tar-
ter Sauce; Cream Potat-
toes; Green Beans; Hot
Rolls and Butter; Apple
Crisp and Milk.



Sauce originally meant salted food.

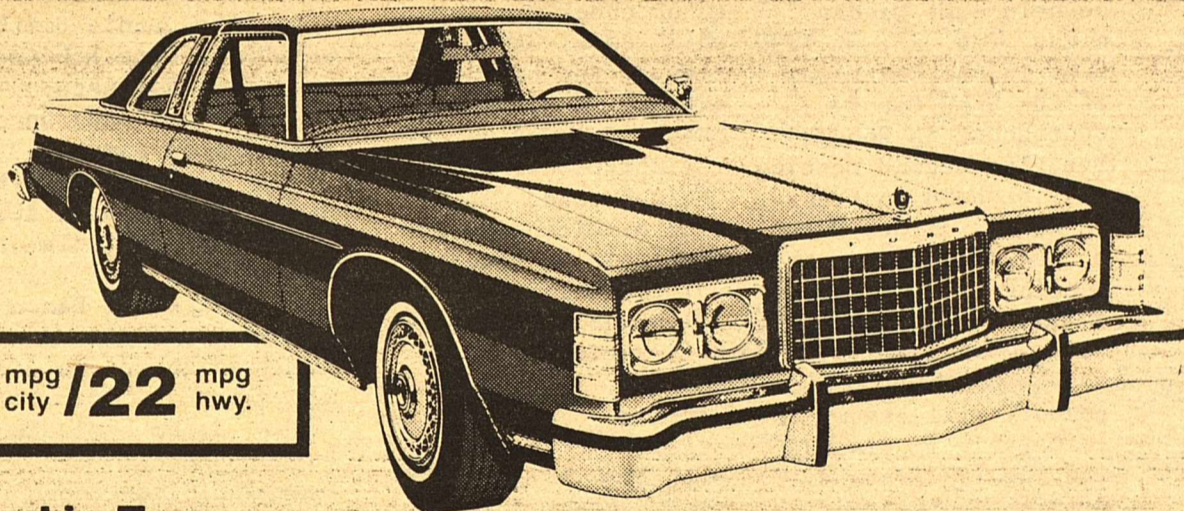
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Annual Meeting Is Set for Water Group Members

The Coke County Water Supply Corporation will hold its annual membership meeting Tuesday, Feb. 28, at 7 p.m. in the Coke County Courthouse. All members are urged to attend, as the group has some important business matter to come before the membership.

Three directors will be elected and, following the election, the board of directors will be reorganized.

Directors whose terms expire this year are Johnny H. Service, Royce Fancher and J.W. Robertson. Remaining on the board of directors are Floyd Harmon, Horace Scott, Wayne McCabe, Don Fields, LeDrew Arrott and Martin Lee.

It was reported that the water group is making some progress in its program of providing water to rural areas of the county. Presently members are working on Phase I of the program which is designed to provide water for an area west of Robert Lee. The line will follow Highway 158 to a site below the divide near the Sterling County line.

The group is now in the process of obtaining easements for the line.

Other phases of the water program will be studied and decided upon at a later date. Decisions as to where lines will be placed will depend to a great extent on the number of applications received from various areas.

City Sales Tax Checks Arrive

State Comptroller Bob Bullock said Wednesday that his office has mailed checks totaling \$13.7 million to Texas cities and towns as their February rebate of the one-cent city sales tax.

Bullock said 1978 city sales tax rebates to date total \$32.2 million, compared to \$30.4 million during the first two months of last year.

The biggest February check--for \$2.8 million--went to Houston. Dallas followed with \$1.4 million, San Antonio with \$795,972.

Bronte's rebate check was for \$969.00, while Robert Lee drew a return of \$1,027.68.

SS REP. DUE IN COKE

Garland Gregg, representative for the San Angelo Social Security office, has scheduled his March visit to Coke County. He will be at the City Hall in Bronte from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. and at the Courthouse in Robert Lee from 1 to 2 p.m. on Thursday, March 2.

Anyone who wants to file a claim for benefits, get information, or transact other business with the Social Security Administration may contact him at this time. Persons who are unable to meet with him are encouraged to call the office in San Angelo at 949-4608.

Persons who earned in excess of \$3,000 in 1977 and received social security checks for any part of 1977 may need to contact social security about filing an annual report of earnings for 1977.

New Farm Bill To Be Discussed

Two meetings during which information on the 1977 Farm Bill will be held in Coke County during the next two weeks. The 1977 Farm Bill is a four-year bill and will be in effect for the 1978 crop year.

The first meeting will be held next Monday night, Feb. 27, at 7:30 p.m. in the courtroom of the Coke County Courthouse in Robert Lee. The second meeting will be held in Bronte on Monday night, March 6. The location of the meeting will be announced at a later date.

J.E. Quinsenberry, County ASCS Office Director, will assume the leadership in discussing the 1977 Farm Bill. He will be assisted by County Extension Agent Sterling Lindsey.

How the new law will apply to Coke County operators will be discussed. Also, the normal crop acreages and set aside schedules will be discussed along with target prices and loans.

All Coke County operators are invited to attend one of the meetings and hear the various aspects of the 1977 Farm Bill discussed.



In 1783, Noah Webster published his "American Spelling Book." Its estimated sales in the next 100 years were 70 million.

Car Registration Time Approaches

Texas motorists were advised today that the deadline for renewing 1977 motor vehicle registrations by mail is March 1.

R.W. Townsley, Director of the Motor Vehicle Division of the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation, pointed out that it is taking longer to register vehicles this year because of the new staggered registration system.

As a partial offset of slow moving registration lines, county tax offices began accepting registration applications January 1 this year instead of February 1, as in previous years. Many motorists have taken advantage of the earlier registration date to avoid waiting lines.

Renewal by mail offers a very convenient method of obtaining registrations without waiting lines or personal visits to the tax offices. Mail applications must include \$1 for each registration to cover handling and postage.

Some metropolitan counties are offering BankAmericard/Visa Card and Master Charge service for registration payments. Others have a "no check" policy which requires taking cash to the tax offices, although most accept checks for mail-order registrations.

Neighborhood substitution service also is available in some metropolitan areas.

Although deadline for mail registration is March 1, final date for affixing new validation stickers to existing plates is April 1 this year, as usual.

Farmers' Income Tax Due March 1

Farmers may have to file their 1977 Federal income tax return and pay any tax due by March 1, the Internal Revenue Service said today.

Farmers who did not file a declaration of estimated Federal individual income tax and pay the amount of estimated tax by January 16 must file their 1977 tax return and pay all tax due by March 1 to avoid a penalty, according to the IRS.

By definition, farmers are those persons who earned at least two-thirds of their 1977 gross income from farming.

HOSPITAL NEWS

The following admissions and dismissals were reported by the West Coke County Hospital:

Feb. 7: Beulah Edwards, Gary Edwards, James Sanders and Carrie Palmer admitted. Kent Bridges dismissed.

Feb. 8: Buster Pierce, Linda Jones, Darla Kay Jones, Vida Peays, Roy Wyatt, John Adams, Dola Wood, Lena Russell and Dana Robinson admitted. Presley Smith and Melvin Tickle dismissed.

Feb. 9: Cory Gene Robinson born, Melissa Streng and Jonathan Torres admitted. Dona Marie Bell, Alice Lara, Opal Crabb, Gina Bell and Roy Wyatt dismissed.

Feb. 10: Eunice Mumford admitted. Pete Smith, James Sanders, Melissa Streng, Lou Dismore and Buck Duncan.

Feb. 11: Elsie Latham admitted. Linda Jones and Darla Kay Jones dismissed.

Feb. 12: No admissions or dismissals.

Feb. 13: Clarence Mitchell, Inez Mayfield, Jan Frazee and Myra Nelle Craig admitted. Buford Elkins, Velma Denman, Carrie Palmer and Jonathan Torres dismissed.

Feb. 14: Ronald Walton admitted. Raymond Prossise, Beulah Edwards, Gary Edwards and Myra Nelle Craig dismissed.

Feb. 15: Dannie Smith admitted. Dana Robinson, Cory Gene Robinson, Elsie Latham and Jan Frazee dismissed.

Feb. 16: Terry McCarty and Mandy Box admitted. John Adams and Dola Wood dismissed.

Feb. 17: Frank Damon Box born and Linda Boone admitted. No dismissals.

Feb. 18: No admissions. Buster Pierce, Lena Russell, Linda Boone and Jonathan Torres dismissed.

Feb. 19: No admissions or dismissals.

Feb. 20: Franklin Thomas, Alta Bilbo, Randy Parker, Gene Hinard and Truda Service admitted. Mandy Box, Frank Damon Box and Inez Mitchell dismissed.

SORORITY TO HELP WITH TELETHON

Alpha Omicron Nu sorority met for its regular meeting, Wednesday, Feb. 15 in the home of Debbie Shaffer, with nine members present. In the absence of the president, Sheri Millican conducted the business meeting. A work schedule was set up for Sunday, Feb. 26, when the members will help with the West

STATE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS AND PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION NOTICE TO BUILDING CONTRACTORS STATE PROJECT MC-7-Q-9 COKE COUNTY, TEXAS

Sealed proposals addressed to the State Engineer-Director for Highways and Public Transportation, for the construction of a Rest Area and Comfort Station located on U.S. Highway 87 fifteen miles southeast of Sterling City on the north side of the highway in Coke County, Texas will be received at the office of the State Engineer-Director, Room 501, 11th and Brazos Streets, Austin, Texas, until 2:30 p.m. local time, Thursday, March 9, 1978, and then publicly opened and read.

Plans and specifications including minimum wage rates as provided by law will be furnished to any Contractor desiring to submit a bid and must be secured from the Chief Engineer, Maintenance Operations, (File D-18, Room 501), State Department of Highways and Public Transportation, Austin, Texas OR from Mr. Durward R. Watson, District Engineer, State Department of Highways and Public Transportation, Loop 306 and Knickerbocker Road, San Angelo, Texas 76901.

Usual rights reserved. NOTICE: MARCH 7, 1978. A public hearing on the budget for the City of Robert Lee shall be held at 8 p.m. in City Hall for the fiscal year April 1, 1978-March 31, 1979. Also to be considered will be the proposed use of approximately \$4,000.00 Revenue Sharing Funds to be received during the same fiscal year. Citizens attending the hearing shall have the right to provide written and oral comments and ask questions concerning the entire budget and the relationship of entitlement funds to the entire budget.

S.E. Adams, Mayor Texas Arthritis Telethon. The members decided to have a salad supper before their next meeting, with each member bringing enough recipes of her salad for the other members. Sheri Millican gave the program on "Diets". She explained the Weight Watchers Diet to the members, and also Dr. David Reubens "Save Your Life Diet". The next meeting will be March 1 in the home of Peggy McCutchen.

Jury Called for District Court

A 51st District Court jury panel has been called for duty at 9 a. m. Monday in the district courtroom in Robert Lee. A total of 100 names are on the list.

It is expected that a compensation insurance case will be heard by the court. The case is styled Granite State Insurance Company vs. Jerry W. Gilbreath.

There are a number of other cases on the court docket and some of them possibly may be heard.

Called for jury duty are: Joyce Rives, Martha Havins, Roy P. Ross, B.F. Jeffries, Donald S. Robertson, Ernest Agüero, Conrad J. Millican, Jeanette Weathers, J.R. Minnick,

Doyle R. Murphree, Frances G. Pierce, Sammie Joann Baker, Juanita Torres, A.L. Burson, Eula Maud McCutchen, Mary Eads, Minnie Ola Wrinkle, David C. Denman, Bessie Ferne English, Leona Crandford Cupp, Leah Anne Barbee, George McCaleb, Irene Johnson, Beatrice Phillips, Jessie Edwin Templeton.

Also Robert Craig Bessent, Kenneth Clifton Webb, Katherine P. Thomas, Twala Pearl Timmons, Charles T. Timmons, Katy Bell Chambers, Jesse Eads III, Henry Edward Maples, Jay Clyde Dukes, H.H. Brunson, Elmer Hurley, Sybil Henry, Neva Bruton, Winifred Pitcock, Carl Cummings, Ona M. Hughes, Frank Demere Jr., Lois Dixon, Glenn S. Easley, Jessie Harmon, Bobbi Lee, Charles C. Lee, Nathlee Ensor, Dale Fields, Frances Forehand.

Also, Ruby Robertson, A.V. Hughes, Jessie N. Yarbrough, Jeanette Jacobs, David Balderas, Carroll Ray Jones, Eliseo Sanchez Jr., Emma R. Cumbie, G.A. Braswell, Brady Mills, Luther Lara Jr., Jack Lee,

Douglas Gartman, Lorene Cummings, C.L. Hallmark, John Page, L. C. Ivey, Jannie Walker, Fred McCabe Sr. Lillian Middleton, Landis O. Clark, Arch Mathers, Charles Sims, J.M. Adams, Jeffrey N. Eubanks.

Also, Javan M. Vosburg Sr., Jerry Mathews, Jewel Walker, Rosa M. Sanchez, Alma McGallion, Ruby Roberts, Verdie D. Angel, Otho K. Long, S.E. Adams, Ruby Swisher, Eulalia Torres, Jewel Turner, Geraldine McCutchen, Douglas McPeek, Joyce N. Flowers, Alfredia B. Hart, Edna M. Carlile, Maxine Clinton Percifull, Sherrie Yvonne Coalson, Roy Walker, Cecil Earl Brewer, Wayland Joe Drennan, Audrey Angilee Duncan, Mary Lou Pruitt, Earl Davidson (deceased).

Angelo Rodeo Tickets on Sale

Tickets for the 45th Annual San Angelo Rodeo are on sale, at Hemp-hill-Wells Downtown, San Angelo. This year's combine stock show and rodeo is on tap for March 8-12 at the San Angelo fairgrounds and coliseum.

Rodeo performances are scheduled for March 9-11 at 8 p.m. and March 10-12 at 2 p.m. All seats will be reserved except for the Friday, March 10 matinee will be \$1.50 for students and \$2.50 for adults.

Scheduled to perform at the Thursday and Friday rodeo shows is Miss Jody Miller, Grammy award country singer from Oklahoma. Appearing at the Saturday and Sunday performances will be Rex Allen Jr., the man who is said to have "put the Western back in Country Sound".

Other events slated during the five-day extravaganza include a horse show, March 8, 9; a parade, March 10; commercial and women's exhibits, March 8-12; stock show, March 8-12; and carnival, March 8-12.

REPORT YOUR NEWS!

Telethon to Aid Arthritis Fund

Dennis Cole, star of television and theatre, enjoys working in front of a live audience. Cole will be in San Angelo on Feb. 26 to be star master of ceremonies for The Arthritis Foundation's mini-telethon. The telethon will be from 12 noon to 6 p.m. at KCTV television studio and aired for local viewers.

Donna Bailey, Coke County chairperson, has organized volunteers to assist with the fund raising and educational event. Arthritis is the nation's number one crippling disease. State and local chapters exist first and fore-

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most to answer people's questions about arthritis, and to assist them. The Arthritis Foundation supports a great variety of local services for arthritis victims.

The Sunday telethon is one special event to explain more about The Arthritis Foundation to communities. Local volunteers will provide information and seek contributions for the telethon. Anyone not contacted prior to the telethon may phone 453-2388, Robert Lee and 473-6861, Bronte during the telethon to pledge your support.

Nationally known star performing in support of The Arthritis Tele-

thon include: Mary Tyler Moore, Ed Asner, Lawrence Welk and band, Allen Ludden and Tom Kennedy. Also, Joan Fontaine, Wayne Rogers, Bob Hope, Henry Fonda, Robert Wagner, Natalie Wood, Mike Douglas and many others.

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Notice is hereby given by the Parks and Wildlife Department that a public hearing will be held at 2 p.m. on March 15, 1978 at the County Courthouse at Robert Lee for the purpose of gathering information concerning proposed hunting, fishing and trapping regulations for Coke County.

As the result of action by the Texas Legislature, the Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission is responsible for the setting of seasons, bag limits, and means and methods of taking the wildlife resources in Coke County. All interested persons are urged to attend and comment upon the proposed regulations.

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THANK YOU, DEAR FRIENDS, for your thoughtfulness while I was in the hospital. Your visits, cards and your concern have meant so much to me. A special thanks to Dr. Do and the wonderful nurses.
Buster Pierce

Political Announcements

The Observer has been authorized to announce the candidacy of persons listed below for the offices and in the elections indicated:

DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY MAY 6, 1978

For County Judge—
W. W. (BUD) THETFORD
D. W. (DUB) SIMS

For County and District Clerk—
MRS. WINNIE WALDROP

For County Treasurer—
MRS. JERRY THOMASON

For Constable, Precinct 1—
HARRY PALMER

For Justice of the Peace, Precinct 1—
MRS. OPAL I. JACOBY

For Justice of the Peace, Precinct 3—
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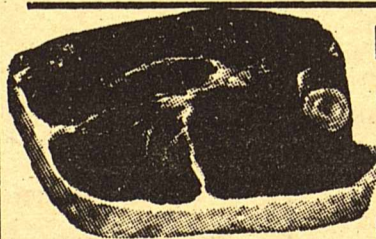
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