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Because of Illness

School Dismissed This Week



FIRST DIVISION — Winning first division, or superior, rating at the UIL Solo and Ensemble contest in Abilene Saturday were, from left, Sandra

Stroebel, Dee Ann Percifull, Kathy Kiker and Dixie Versyp. Director Louis Thornton said the performance of all his entries was outstanding.

Band Members Get High Contest Ratings

Bronte Longhorn Band members received exceptionally high ratings at the Region VI Solo and Ensemble Contest held last Saturday at Abilene Christian College.

A clarinet trio made up of Dee Ann Percifull, Kathy Kiker and Sandra Stroebel received a first division rating, as did the solo performances of Miss Percifull with her clarinet and Dixie Versyp with her trombone.

Division II ratings were received by the following for their solo performances: Kathy Kiker, alto saxophone; Lois Reeves, tenor sax; Debra Brevard, cornet; Andra Cooper, cornet; and Clois Versyp, trombone. Dana Lee received a Division III rating for her alto sax solo.

A Division I rating means superior performance; a II rating means above average performance and a III rating is for good performance.

Band Director Louis Thornton said he was "real pleased" with the showing made by his students.



Miss Sharon Hollon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Hollon of Abilene was one of three juniors of Central Catholic High School in Abilene chosen as a member of the National Honor Society. The students were selected on the basis of being outstanding in leadership, scholarship, character and service.

She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Wrinkle of Bronte. Her mother is the former Loretha Wrinkle.

Most of the students of Bronte School have been enjoying a holiday this week, but for many others it was a time to try to get over the flu or other illness.

Classes were held Monday, and

so many students were absent, the administration decided to dismiss school for the remainder of this week. Friday was already set up as a holiday for teachers to attend a meeting, so actually

only three days of instruction are being missed.

A large number of absentees was reported last Friday, then on Monday the number swelled to about 80.

Supt. C. B. Barbee said it was difficult to get a completely accurate count on the number absent "because they kept getting sick and going home all through the day." Approximately 25 percent of the student body was absent.

The superintendent said classes will be resumed at the regular hour Monday morning. He added, "I hope this flu or whatever it is will have run its course by then."

Barbee said it will not be necessary to make up the days missed, since the school had 179 days of instruction on the calendar and only 175 are required.

Omega to Build Gas Plant Here

Announcement was made last Saturday that Omega Gas Co. of Abilene will construct a gasoline plant one mile west of Bronte. James P. Dunigan, president of Omega, made the announcement.

The plant will be constructed in the Bronte Field and gas to be used will come from wells operated by Humble Oil & Refining Co. Plans call for a plant designed to use 6,500,000 cubic feet of gas per day, with a daily recovery of 32,000 gallons of propane, butane and natural gas. Operations are scheduled to begin May 1.

Truck loading facilities will be installed to service propane and butane dealers of West Central Texas. Omega Gas Co., which

has its offices in the First State Bank Building in Abilene will be the owner and operator of the plant.

Richard Miller, vice president, handled negotiations with Humble, and Jim Taylor is in charge of construction and operations of the new plant.

Joe Harrell, vice president and general superintendent of all Omega operations, stated that products would be marketed by Omega Marketing Co. under supervision of Richard Dumas, managing partner for the firm. The trade name, Omega Gas, will be used for all products produced.

Omega Gas Co. already operates gasoline plants and gas gathering systems in Coleman, Taylor, Callahan, Haskell and Yoakum counties, as well as in Richland and Sheridan counties in Montana.

4-Hers to Sponsor Rabies Inoculation

The Coke County 4-H Clubs will sponsor a rabies vaccination program on Wednesday, March 12. A veterinarian will make stops in both Robert Lee and Bronte as a convenience to pet owners with pets they would desire immunized against rabies.

A licensed veterinarian from San Angelo will be in Robert Lee next Wednesday from 9 until 10 a.m. He will be located at the county show barn in Robert Lee. He will move to Bronte and be there from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. He will be in the County Park in Bronte.

This public health preventive measure is sponsored annually by the Coke County 4-H Clubs. In order to help control the incidence of rabies, annual inoculations of pets with rabies vaccine is suggested.

REALLY, THEY ARE CO-CHAMPS

It has been brought to the attention of the publisher of the Bronte Enterprise that we pulled a serious boner last week.

It was stated in last week's paper that the Bronte Longhorn basketball team won second in the district.

Such is not the case, Coach James Raughton informed us. The Longhorns were co-champions, with Forsan.

The teams wound up district play with identical records and the game at Roscoe was merely to determine who would represent the district in the playoffs.

Forsan won the right to represent the district, but the Longhorns are still the co-champions. Sorry about that, coach!

HEART FUND NEEDS DONATIONS IN BRONTE

Donations are needed from the Bronte area residents for the annual Heart Fund drive, which is now in progress in Coke County.

Mrs. Kenneth Lackey of Robert Lee is in charge of the campaign, and reported that she had been unable to secure any workers in Bronte to conduct the campaign on the east side of the county.

She said anyone who wishes to contribute may mail a check to her or to Mrs. Jesse Parker in Bronte.

Barely Enough Candidates File For April Voting

Enough candidates had filed for school trustee and city alderman before the deadline to fill vacancies which will exist in April. Two members of the city council go off this year and two candidates have filed, while three candidates are running for the three vacancies on the school board.

Jerry Mack Parker and Ben D. Snead Jr. will be on the ballot for city alderman, and Joe Rawlings, R. T. Caperton and D. R. Coalson will be on the school ballot. Rawlings is the only one who is presently serving.

Horace Grigg and Marvin Bryant will go off the council, and terms of board members, Rawlings, Horace Taylor and Bill Thomas expire this year.

Both elections will be held Saturday, April 5. Voting will be in the city hall for the city election, and in the city hall and Green's Store in Tennyson for the trustee election.

School Program Well Attended

A good crowd of Bronte Masons and Lions and their wives, and Bronte School faculty members, were on hand Tuesday night for a special dinner and program in observance of Public Schools Week.

Officials of the organizations said they felt the crowd was some lighter than usual due to the great amount of illness in the community.

Following the dinner in the school lunchroom, the crowd moved to the auditorium where a short program was presented. Speakers of the evening were Conner S. Scott of Brownwood, district governor of Lions International, and James A. Scott, Jr. of San Angelo, past master of Lodge 1260.

Public Schools Week's usual visitation program was hampered this week due to the fact that classes were dismissed because of a large number of absentees.



NEW PASTOR — Rev. Kenneth Whitten is new pastor of Central Baptist Church. He came to Bronte from Plainview and also has served as pastor of a church in Lincoln, Neb. The new pastor has a wife, Jodie, and a two year old son, David.

We're Proud of BRONTE SCHOOL

Bronte School has made an enviable record in the last several years — local students have excelled in academics as well as athletics. Their fine records and many accomplishments have brought much credit to them, to their school and to their community. There's no doubt about it — Bronte School is a good school, and its record for turning out outstanding students would be hard to match, even in schools that are much larger.

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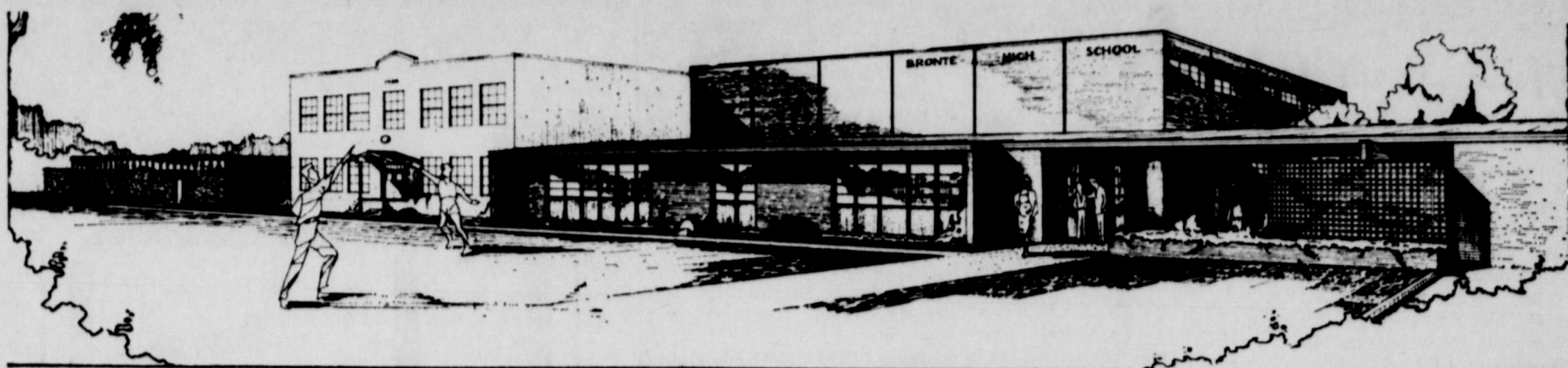
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Modern and Complete Facilities . . .

A school plant with modern equipment valued in excess of three-quarters of a million dollars has been furnished by the citizens of this district for the use of students of Bronte Schools. Beautiful and practical buildings plus the latest in teaching equipment are put to use by the teachers to give as much as possible to every student of the school. The elementary school plant is still in top condition; the new air conditioned high school, gymnasium and vocational agriculture building are the pride of everyone in the community; and the completely remodeled homemaking department and band hall provide all the facilities needed to house a well-rounded school program.

Qualified Teachers and Staff

Bronte School administrators and school board members seem to have a unique ability to select outstanding young teachers on the faculty. Many young teachers have commenced their teaching careers in Bronte Public Schools. Perhaps it is the association with some of the old timers who have served this school for many years that makes outstanding teachers out of these young college graduates. At any rate, the old stand-bys, the young teachers, the teachers aides, the library staff, the secretarial staff, the maintenance men, the lunchroom staff, and the bus drivers are able to deliver a program for our children that is the envy of most schools in this area.

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Profile Of A G.I. In Vietnam

(Editor's Note: The following article was written by a young soldier on a flight T2B3 from Travis AFB, Calif. to Bien Hoa, Viet Nam. It was submitted to this newspaper by Sgt. Richard Sprenkle, who was also on the flight, obtained a copy of it and sent it here to his wife, Bernice, the daughter of Francis Seltz. We believe it will be of interest to our readers.)

The G. I. in Viet Nam Is Quite a Guy

Feeling in Viet Nam is that most back homers including lawmakers, do not understand, nor accept the truth, that the conflict in Viet Nam is war. The bully of America considers Southeast Asia with confusion and contempt.

A soldier returning home from Viet Nam finds that people can't yet point the country out on a map, can't guess the number of weekly casualties there, can't understand what it is all about except, they guess, freedom is involved.

"You think Viet Nam's bad," a statesider will grin, "Brother, you should have been in New York during the blackout." A second "Too bad your home traffic is terrible." Then the third "You should have seen the Battle of the Bulge. Now that was a real war."

Viet Nam is still a pop art oddity 12,000 miles away. The public worries more about living with a possible tax increase, officials worry about living with world opinion, the G. I. worries only about living."

In his world there are nightly blackouts and mortar traffic. It's alive with booby traps that can blow his legs or even his life to shreds. It is occupied with an enemy and an ally that look exactly alike. He would give a month's pay for a sound sleep or ten years of his life for a night at home.

He is not a bit player in a comic open conflict, nor the trump in an international card game, and not 12,000 miles away, but as near as the muddy and bloody pictures that are in the newspapers. More over he is usually a very young citizen in a hell of a fix. The average age of a combat G. I. is not even old enough to vote. The age is 19½ to 21½ years. But what a man he is. A pink-cheeked, tousled-haired, tight muscled fellow, who under normal circumstances would be considered by society as half-man, half-boy, not yet dry behind the ears, and a pain in the employment charts.

But right now, more and more each day, he is the hope of Free Man. He is, for the most part, unmarried and without material possessions, except for possibly an old car at home and a transistor radio here.

In most cases he has just gotten out of high school, within the past year, received so-so grades, played a little football, basketball, baseball, and might even have been good enough to be on a track team. He has a girl who either broke up with him when he went overseas or who swears she is still faithful to him, yet he is half the world away. He has learned to like beer because it is about the only thing that will take the thirst away over here.

He smokes because he gets free cigarettes and it helps his nerves. He never cared much for work and preferred washing his own car to his father's. He is 10 to 20 pounds lighter than before because he is working or fighting from dawn to dark, often longer. He still has trouble spelling and writing letters is a painful process. But he can break a rifle down in 30 seconds and put it together in 29 seconds. He can describe the nomenclature of a Fragmentation grenade, explain how a machine gun operates and use either if the need arises.

He obeys now without hesitation, but he is not broken. He has seen more suffering than he should have in his short life. He has stood among hills of bodies and he has helped to construct those hills. He has wept in public and in private, and is not ashamed in either place, because his pals have fallen in battle and he has come close to joining them.

He has become more self-sufficient. If he is fortunate to have two pair of fatigues to call his own, he wears one and washes the other. He sometimes forgets to brush his teeth, but not his rifle. He keeps his canteen full, but has almost given up trying to keep his socks dry. He can cook his own meals, fix his own hurts and mend his own rips, material and mental. He will share his water with you if you are thirsty, break his rations in half if you are hungry, split his ammunition with you if you are fighting for your life. He can do the work of two civilians, draw half the pay of one, and find ironic humor in it all.

He has learned to use his hands as a weapon and his weapon as his hands. He can save a life or most assuredly take one.

ZETA DELTA CLUB BUYS NEW FLAGS FOR SCHOOL

Zeta Delta Club, Bronte women's organization, has purchased new United States and Texas flags and presented them to the Bronte Schools. The three by five feet banners will be flown from the flagpole in front of the school.

Club members discussed and inspected the flags at their meeting Tuesday night in the home of Mrs. James Koenig. Mrs. Bob Wrinkle was co-hostess. The program was given by Mrs. Cecil Toliver on "The White House and the Presidents."

Members voted to have a bake sale April 5 to raise money to buy one new band uniform.

Present were Mmes. Glenn Skelton, Elroy Butler, Harold Moon, Noel Brevard, Vernon Jackson, Fred Alley, James Lee, Martin Lee, Toliver, Koenig and Wrinkle.

BRONTE HD CLUB MEETS WEDNESDAY MORNING

Mrs. Wormock Hipp was hostess at a meeting of Bronte Home Demonstration Club Wednesday morning in the city hall.

Mrs. Hipp gave the opening exercise, entitled "A Child Learns What He Lives." The program was given by Mrs. C. E. Arrott on "How to Deal with Your Tensions."

Others present were Mrs. O. R. McQueen, Mrs. Charles Ragsdale and one visitor, Mrs. Helen Kirkland.



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Chambers Endorse Texas Water Plan

The multi-billion dollar Texas Water Plan has received the endorsement of the four regional chambers of commerce, according to an announcement last week by Beverly King, Graham, president of the Texas State Chamber of Commerce and the West Texas Chamber of Commerce.

The four organizations commended the Texas Water Development Board for the flexibility of the plan whereby the rights of all affected areas would be adequately protected.

Under the plan, as announced in December, adequate supplies of water will become available at the times needed by the various areas of the State. The schedule provides for water supplies adequate for a population triple the present population in the State. It is anticipated that by 2020 Texas will have a population of approximately 33 million people and the plan will, when completed, provide the needed water for this spectacular growth.

The Texas State Chamber of Commerce is composed of the West, East, South and Rio Grande Valley chambers of commerce. It works on matters of general interest to the entire State.

King said, in speaking for the entire State Chamber, "The endorsement of the plan by the four regional chambers is a progressive step in the realization of adequate water for our anticipated growth within the next 50 years."

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Herron returned last weekend from Odessa where he was hospitalized for two weeks and they also spent some time with their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Gathings.

Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Walker and daughter of San Angelo and Mr. and Mrs. Dwayne Walker of Oklahoma City spent the weekend here with their mother, Mrs. Mary Walker.

Trustees Work Hard For Local School

By C. B. Barbee
Superintendent, Bronte Schools

During Public Schools Week it is proper to pay tribute to a group of men who have had as great an influence on public education in the local community as has any other group or individual, that is, the board of trustees.

Members of the board of trustees are elected by popular vote of the qualified voters in the school district the first Saturday in April of each year. In the event, for any reason, a member fails to fill his term of office a replacement is named by the board to fill the unexpired term. The board is comprised of seven

members who serve three year terms.

The greatest qualification that a board member can have is that of being dedicated to the improvement of education and to the welfare of the school-age boys and girls of the community. Some board members possess other qualifications to a greater degree than do others; however, in the pooling of the knowledge, skills, training and experience of seven men there is a wealth of knowhow in the board functions of the local district.

The responsibilities and duties vary and are not always well defined; however, the chief function of the board is that of being a policy making body and the employing of administrators and teachers who can see that the policies are carried out. A board should devise ways and means to provide adequate financing for an effective program geared to present day needs.

It should be remembered that there is no financial reimbursement for these services rendered to the community. Regular monthly meetings are held the second Thursday and additional special meetings are held as needed. Sessions sometimes last until the morning hour. The attending of district, area and state meetings are an important aspect of board members' keeping abreast of changing times. All of these meetings leave the individual board members with less time for their personal affairs.

A great number of good men have served the Bronte School community during the many years of its existence and the reporting of the names of those who have served in recent years

is confined to the last ten-year period, only, because of the accuracy of record keeping and the limitation of reporting space.

When the present superintendent of schools was elected, in March, 1959, the members of the board were: Hurlin Lee, president; L. F. McCutchen, vice president; Allen D. Sherrod, secretary; Jacob Morrow, Edward Cumbie, Joe Rawlings, and Conda Richards. In April, 1959, Edward Cumbie and Hurlin Lee were reelected so there was no change in the board membership and officers for the 1959-60 school year. The school board for the 1960-61 school year was composed of the following: President Hurlin Lee, Vice President Conda Richards, Secretary Allen D. Sherrod, and members Joe Rawlings, J. B. Morrow, Edward Cumbie and Bob Wilson who replaced L. F. McCutchen via the trustee election in April 1960. Also reelected at this time were members Joe Rawlings and Conda Richards.

The board for the 1961-62 school year: President Hurlin Lee, Vice President Conda Richards, Secretary Allen D. Sherrod, Bill Thomas, Bob Wilson, Joe Rawlings, Edward Cumbie. Reelected to office that year, April, 1961 were Allen D. Sherrod and Bill Thomas. Leaving the board was J. B. Morrow.

In 1962-63 the board members were Conda Richards, president, Joe Rawlings, vice president, Allen D. Sherrod, secretary; Bill Thomas, Bob Wilson, Edward Cumbie and A. E. Bell Jr. Reelected in April 1962 was Edward Cumbie and elected was new member A. E. Bell, Jr. who replaced Hurlin Lee.

1963-64 —Elected as new board

members were Horace Taylor and James Wells who replaced Conda Richards and Bob Wilson. Reelected was Joe Rawlings, president. Other members were A. E. Bell, Jr., secretary, Bill Thomas, vice-president, Allen D. Sherrod and Edward Cumbie. In July, 1963, J. B. Morrow was appointed to fill the unexpired term of Allen D. Sherrod, who moved to Midland.

For the 1964-65 school year board members were: Joe Rawlings, president, Edward Cumbie, vice president, A. E. Bell Jr., secretary, James Wells, J. B. Morrow, Horace Taylor and Conda Richards. Richards was elected in April, Morrow was reelected and Bill Thomas left the board.

The 1965-66 board: Conda Richards, president, J. B. Morrow, vice president, A. E. Bell, Jr., secretary, Joe Rawlings, James Wells, Horace Taylor, Wayne Arrott. Arrott was elected in April, 1965, Bell was reelected and Edward Cumbie left the board.

1966-67, Conda Richards, president, Horace Taylor, vice president, Bill Thomas, secretary, A. E. Bell, Jr., Wayne Arrott, J. B. Morrow, Joe Rawlings. Rawlings and Taylor were reelected in April 1966 and James Wells left the board.

1967-68: Conda Richards, president; Horace Taylor, vice president, A. E. Bell Jr., secretary, Joe Rawlings, Bill Thomas, Harold Moon, Wayne Arrott. Richards was reelected, Harold Moon was elected in April 1967 and J. B. Morrow retired from the board.

The present board, 1968-69, is Conda Richards, president, Joe Rawlings, vice president, Harold

Moon, secretary, Wayne Arrott, Horace Taylor, Bill Thomas, Dale Thompson. Thompson was elected in April 1968, Arrott was reelected and Bell left the board.

The only member, having served during the 10-year period, who is deceased is J. B. Morrow. Those who have served and moved from the community include Allen D. Sherrod, Bob Wilson and James Wells. Joe Rawlings is the only member who has served continuously for ten years and Conda Richards has served for nine years, having had a one year interruption.

The highlight of the services of these men has been their ability to work together, compatibly, as is borne out by their congeniality toward one another following the voting on important decisions on which they hold opposing views. It is not the responsibility of any citizen, who gains a position on the school board, to crusade for any particular cause, to endorse nor censor any individual, but to openmindedly and considerately serve the best interest of the entire school community.

The current boards and the patrons of the community have always seen that the names of the most capable citizens appear on the ballot each April. April 5, 1969 should be no exception and the qualified voters of the school community should, again, go to the polls to elect those men who are willing and most capable of helping to preserve the Bronte School, which is among those of the small schools that are doing a good job of educating our youngsters.

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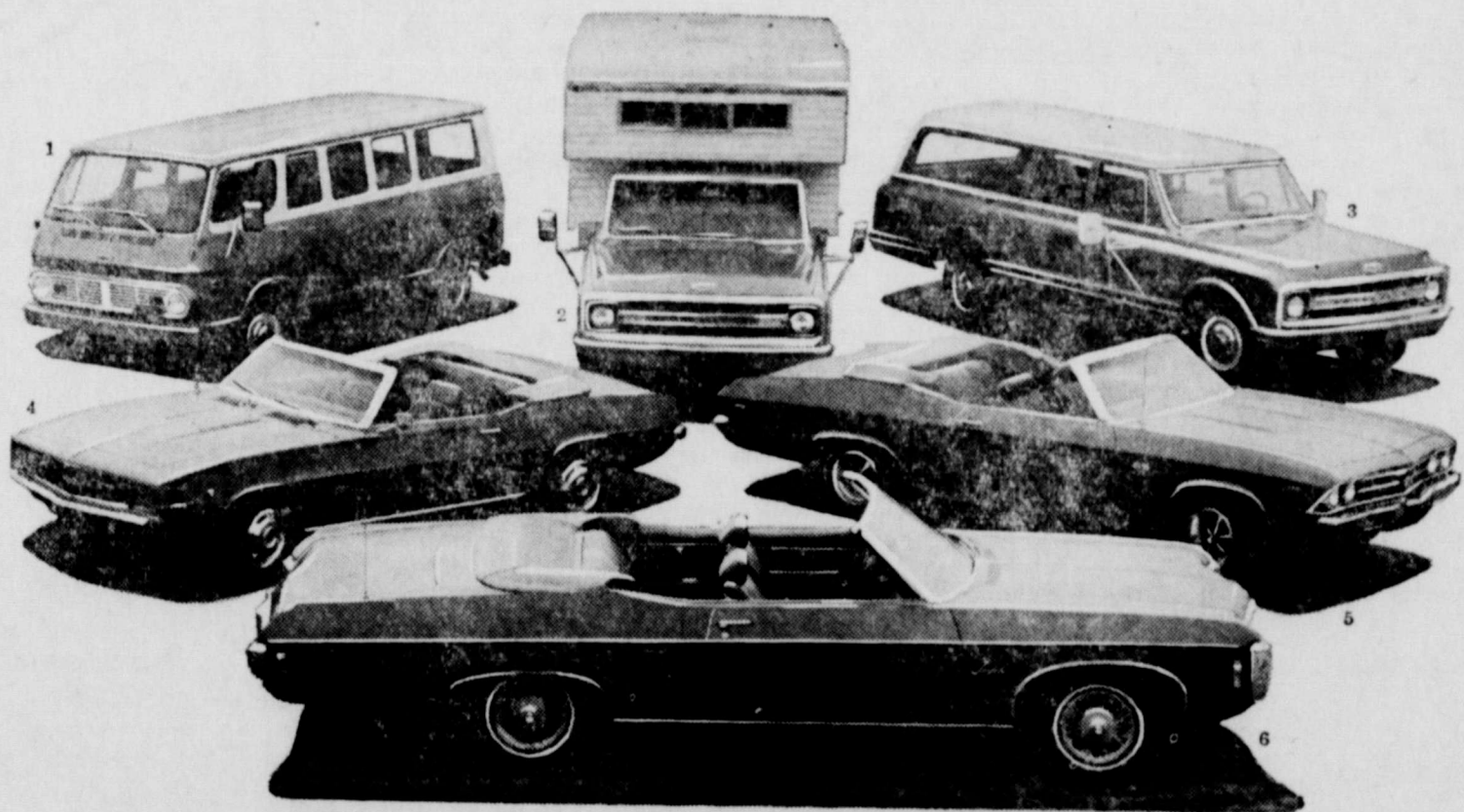
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HERE'S BLACKWELL

By Mrs. Rocky Thompson

School Dismissed

Blackwell School was dismissed at close of classes Monday afternoon because of illness among the students. Classes will not be resumed until next Monday.

The Rev. Milton Jochetz was the guest speaker at the evening service at the Methodist Church Sunday night. He was accompanied by Mrs. Jochetz and Mr. and Mrs. Nunn, all of Sweetwater.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Hendry of Silver visited Monday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Hendry.

The Omega Coterie met Monday in the home of Miss Bertha Smith. Mrs. James Ware presided. Mrs. Walter King gave the program on making flowers from wool pelts. Fudge cake, spiced tea, coffee, punch and cookies were served to Mmes. W. F. Stout, Ernest Ware, B. R. McCarty, Joe Smith, Ross Tipps, Rocky Thompson, Ware, King, Miss Smith and two visitors, Mrs. Austin Jordan and Mrs. James L. Clark. The next meeting will be April 7 for a covered dish luncheon in the home of Mrs. Clois Versyp.

The WSCS met at the Methodist Church Monday. Mrs. Josie Hipp presided and gave the devotional. Mrs. Lee Alderman gave the program on "Vietnam, Cambodia and Laos." Attending were Mmes. T. A. Carlisle, R. Q. Spence, L. W. Sweet, Bobby Sanderson, Ross Tipps, Abe Lanier, Austin Jordan, Fannie Mae Wilson, Rocky Thompson, Hipp, Alderman, Juanita Rogers and Miss Lucy Patton.

Mrs. Sarah Alsip is visiting her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Alsip in Wenden, Arizona.

Mrs. Fannie Mae Wilson spent Sunday afternoon in Merkel with Mr. and Mrs. Will Butman. She spent Tuesday and Wednesday of last week in Sterling City with

Mrs. Lovie Parker and Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Wilson, Larry and Pat.

The WMU met at the Baptist church last Thursday for a Royal Service program. Mrs. R. D. Nabors was in charge of the program. "Reclamation in Jesus Name." Assisting were Mmes. L. L. Johnson, E. K. Finley, James L. Clark and Gordon Montgomery. Others present were Mmes. Vera Bryant, Bill Johnson, Willie Burwick and Ninnie Kinard.

Mrs. Vera Bryant attended the State Vacation Bible School Clinic at Mt. Lavanon with Sweetwater Bible School leaders Monday and Tuesday. As she returned home her sister, Mrs. Mattie Rogge of Nolan came for a visit.

Wilma Sissom of Cedar Hill was a Sunday guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Les Sissom.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Walker of Robert Lee visited Tuesday with her sister, Mrs. Antie Walls.

Weekend visitors of Mrs. M. L. Barnes were her granddaughters and families, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gilbert and baby of San Angelo and Mr. and Mrs. Dink Lanier and children from Roscoe.

Mr. and Mrs. Granville Henderson and sons of Crane visited her brother and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Holland last weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Lee spent Tuesday in Brownwood with her sisters, Mmes. Paul Snow and Carlton Land, and their families.

SGT. SPRENKLE IN VIETNAM

WITH U.S. COMBAT FORCES, Vietnam — Technical Sergeant Richard E. Sprengle, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Sprengle, Neosho, Mo., is on duty at Bien Hoa AB, Vietnam.

Sergeant Sprengle, an aircraft maintenance technician, is assigned to a unit of the Pacific Air Forces. Before his arrival in Vietnam, he served at Dover AFB, Del.

The sergeant is a 1954 graduate of Nevada, Mo. High School. His wife, Bernice, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Seltz of Bronte.

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BROOKSHIRE BROWSINGS

By Mrs. Herbert Holland

Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Balkum visited his brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. John Balkum, in Ballinger, Thursday night and with his mother, Mrs. E. T. Balkum at Veribest Sunday. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Helwig of San Angelo visited the Balkums on Tuesday.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. James Holland and Tony during the weekend were Cap Holland, senior student at Sul Ross College in Alpine, Vicki Holland, Angelo State College, John Diggins, of Windsor, Ontario, Canada, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Allen and Ronny and Mr. and Mrs. John Bryan, all of Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernie Smith visited Mr. and Mrs. Herman Smith in Miles Saturday. Others visiting there were Mrs. Tom Sissell and John of Big Lake. Sunday, the Smiths visited Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Johnson of San Angelo.

Ona Mae Lee, senior student at Texas Tech in Lubbock spent last weekend here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alto Lee.

Mrs. A. B. Morgan, Mrs. Ted Herrin, Brenda and Sally spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Keeney in Stephenville.

Mrs. Alton Bradberry and sister, Mrs. Becky Poe of Winters were weekend guests of their sisters, Mrs. Margurite Burchard in Avoca and Mrs. I. N. Howarton of Electra.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Smith recently spent the weekend with relatives in Fort Stockton.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernie Smith hosted the domino party Friday night. Progressive dominoes were played and refreshments served to Messrs. and Mmes. Herman Miller, George Coleman, Rob Springer, Herbert Holland, Smith and Mmes. Bert Hester and Cora Busby. The group will meet with the Springers March 17.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Lott of Dallas spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ogilvy and Mrs. Tommy Weatherby.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Thomas during the weekend were Mrs. Elton Gilliland, John and Chloe of Odessa, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Thomas and girls of Bronte and Mr. and Mrs. Leland Carlton.

Mrs. Gene Honea and Sherry of Odessa visited Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Holland Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dwayne Hardy of Borger spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Hurt, at Maverick.

Mrs. Vernie Smith, Mrs. Lee Brown and Mrs. Bethel Yoes went to San Angelo and got their cousin, Jo Ray Lammass and gave a birthday party for her. Mrs. Smith baked and decorated a cake for her. After the party they took her for a ride and out to dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ben Lee of Dallas spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Lee. His grandmother, Mrs. Charlie Lee returned with them to visit her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. James Lee.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Lee were here from Waco for a weekend visit with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Kiker and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Lee.

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NEWS FROM TENNYSON

By Janet Thomas

Mrs. Ed Hoekendorf of Midland, Mrs. H. L. Stewart of San Angelo and Mrs. C. E. Hageman of Bronte made a trip to East Texas. They visited Mrs. Josie Bell and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Morris and family and Nannie Hawthorn in Marshall. In Fort Worth they visited Mattie Parks and in Hallsville with the Tom Browns, Mattie Garner, Kathryn Haggard and Lana Henderson and with the Rev. and Mrs. Lance J. Maloney at Glenrose.

The Rev. and Mrs. David Kimberly of Fort Worth visited Tennyson friends recently. He is the former pastor of Tennyson Baptist Church.

The John Clarks visited last week in Odessa with Mrs. Mary Helen Garrett, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Clark and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Clark, and with her niece, Polly Selkins. On Wednesday they visited his aunt, Mrs. Ella Clark, 91, at the Clark Brothers Ranch. Effie Clark of Crane also was a recent guest in the John Clark home. The Clarks attended a singing in San Angelo Sunday.

The Clarks hosted an 88 party recently. Present were Messrs. and Mmes. W. G. Loudney of Miles, T. G. Gleghorn, Preston Davis and J. F. Gibson.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Baker Sr. visited Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lee Baker and Lee in Iran recently. They also visited in Mertzon with Roy Boadbaz.

Otis Rolls was dismissed from

the Balingor Hospital Monday.

Saturday guests in the W. H. Thomas home were Mr. and Mrs. Pete Thomas and boys and Mr. and Mrs. Cornell Thomas and girls, all of San Angelo.

Visiting the Louis Bakers last week were their three granddaughters, Margie, Cindy and Sherryl Baker of Sweetwater. They visited the E. J. Tucker family Sunday in Blackwell.

Other recent guests in the John Clark home were Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hartman of Brownwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Gene Graves and Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Graves Sr. of Fort Worth visited last week with Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Graves Jr. and family. Mrs. Graves underwent surgery in St. Johns Hospital in San Angelo on Tuesday.

Weekend guests of Mrs. G. H. James were May Mitchell and Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Deans and girls of Big Spring. Vicky and Alanda Deans returned home with their parents. James Chambers and Melvin James of San Angelo also visited Mrs. James during the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Wrinkle of Cottonwood visited the Robert Browns last Wednesday. Their Saturday visitors were Mr. and

Mrs. Charles Westbrook, Audrey and Brent of Lubbock.

The Quilting Club met Feb. 27 in the home of Mrs. Robert Brown. Present were Messrs. and Mmes. Tom Williams, J. C. Boatright, J. P. Arrott, Gene Halamick and John, Charlie Brown, Wallace Montgomery, and D. T. Wrinkle of Cottonwood; also Mmes. Louis Baker, William Carper and Bill, Bill Feil, George Wrinkle of Bronte, Lorena and Lula Bell Brown of Blackwell, Lola Walters and W. A. Holley of San Angelo. The next meeting will be March 13 and Mrs. Charlie Brown will be hostess.

Mrs. Curtis Dyess was honored at a bridal shower given at the community center March 1. Present were Messrs. and Mmes. Buddy Dyess, Jake Scott, Dean Dyess, Clifford Hageman, Allan Brown of Wichita Falls, Robert Feil of Fort Stockton, Leon McCarty and family of Brownwood, Charles Westbrook of Lubbock, H. L. Stewart, W. G. Hegwood of San Angelo, Ben Tischler and family of Winters, Douglas Dittmore of Robert Lee and Mmes. Mable Dyess, B. R. Davis and Wanda Terry of San Angelo.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Boatright and Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Arrott were Friday night supper guests

The Bronte Enterprise

in the J. B. Arrott home in Bal-Linger.

Rev. A. C. Donath of San Angelo and Mr. and Mrs. Osa Goble of Grape Creek were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Arrott.

MRS. LABENSKE TO HEAD THE PROGRESSIVE CLUB

Mrs. J. W. Labenske was elected new president of the Woman's Progressive Club when they met Feb. 27 in the home of Mrs. Annie Wilkins.

Other new officers, presented by the nominating committee and elected are: Mrs. R. E. Cumble, vice president; Mrs. A. N. Rawlings, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. J. D. Leonard, reporter; Mrs. L. E. Smith, parliamentarian.

Program for the meeting was "Alaska, America's Jet Age Frontier" and was given by Mrs. Leonard.

A refreshment plate of chicken salad, party crackers, potato chips, pickles, orange cake and spiced tea was served to Mmes. Cumble, F. S. Higginbotham, Olive Keeney, Leonard, J. Madera, M. Russell, Smith, Rawlings and Wilkins.

March 6, 1969

SINGING SATURDAY AT BLACKWELL

There will be a community gospel singing Saturday night at Blackwell. It will begin at 7:30 in the city hall. Everyone is invited to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. Benny Ragsdale of Buffalo Gap spent Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ragsdale.

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Accreditation Team Recommends Bronte Public School Be Continued

An accreditation team from the Texas Education Agency visited Bronte Schools early in 1967, and made a report on conditions under which students receive instruction.

Overall the report was very complimentary, and only a few

minor corrections were suggested, and most of them already have been effected.

The final recommendation of the team was: "It is recommended the Bronte Independent School District be continued as a fully accredited 12-grade system."

The team was particularly impressed with the buildings and facilities of the school district and the report stated, "The district has liberally provided school buildings and facilities."

A letter to Supt. C. B. Barbee dated Sept. 3, 1968 stated that the team's report and recommendations were presented to the State Board of Education Aug. 24, 1968, "and that both were formally approved."

Junior Play to Be Given Next Week

The junior play, "Creeping Shadows," which was scheduled for production last Friday night had to be postponed because of illness among the cast.

Supt. C. B. Barbee said Wednesday, that he is hopeful the play can be re-scheduled next week. "As soon as we get back in school Monday, we will start working on a new time for the play," he said.

"Creeping Shadows" has a cast of 23 and is a three-act comedy-mystery. Class Sponsor Clint Low is director. Admission prices will be 75 cents for adults and 50 cents for students. Tickets may be purchased in advance or at the door.

Mr and Mrs. J. F. Hughes visited Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Baugh at Stanton.

OIL NEWS

Humble Oil & Refining Co. has filed application to plug back it's No. 23 Sallie Odom to 5,400 feet. The well is in the Fort Chadbourne Field, and is a former producer in the Fort Chadbourne (Odom Lime) Unit.

MRS. CLIFFORD CLARK GIVES DIVERSITY PROGRAM

Mrs. Clifford Clark presented the program for members of the Diversity Club last Thursday night in the home of Mrs. Collins Sayer. She spoke on "Is it time to change our attitude toward cancer?"

Party sandwiches, cake, coffee and spiced tea were served to Mmes. Clark, D. K. Glenn, H. M. Kirkland, R. C. Lasswell, Charles Ragsdale, Carroll Robbins, Sayer, Otis Smith and George Thomas.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER TO BE OBSERVED FRIDAY

A World Day of Prayer program will be conducted at First United Methodist Church beginning at 2:30 p.m. Friday. Every woman in the area is invited to attend.

Sponsored by the Women's Society of Christian Service, the program is designed for all women of the community. Theme of the program will be "Growing Together in Christ."

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