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NEW POSTMISTRESS--Travis Morgan of Midland SCF installs Mrs. Coe Lewis as new postmistress of the Robert Lee Post

Office. Mrs. Lewis took over her new duties Tuesday afternoon, Feb. 23.

Coe Lewis Named Postmaster

Coe Lewis has been selected by the Postmaster General to serve as postmaster for the Robert Lee Post Office effective Feb. 20. Coe has served as office staff assistant in the San Angelo Post Office since 1964.

Mrs. Lewis has been active in community and civic affairs since moving to San Angelo from Wichita Falls in 1961 - secretary of Concho Valley Government Employees Credit Union board of directors, Girl Scouts, American Business Women's Association, Band Boosters Clubs, San Angelo Women's Bowling Association.

She is married to Leo D. Lewis and they have four children - Paula Smith of Decatur, Ga.;

Taxpayers Recommends 40-30-20

Coke County Taxpayers Association met Monday night for a discussion of tax matters in the county.

Main item of business was a discussion of a homestead exemption for county taxes. County Judge D.W. Sims presented the two options which the county has in setting up its homestead exemption policy.

The county can give a flat \$5,000 homestead exemption or a 40-30-20 exemption, which allows a 40 per cent discount the first year, 30 per cent the second year and 20 per cent the third year and thereafter.

The group decided the 40-30-20 method was the best for the most taxpayers in the county, and voted to recommend it be adopted by the commissioners.

Judge Sims told the group the 40-30-20 plan would help most taxpayers more than a \$5,000 exemption.

Association President Joe Ash said the group also set some goals for the coming year. He said the association plans to back some candidates in various elections, including school, city, county, etc.

Also, there was some discussion on making recommendations to the Coke County Appraisal District board of directors on persons to be named to the board of equalization.

Final items on the agenda was a report from the tax appraisal office on recent activities.

Nancy Eisenbach of Ft. Myers, Fla.; Clay Lewis of Brownwood, and Cathy Lewis of San Angelo.

Ardis Fisher has served as officer in charge of the Robert Lee Post Office since the retirement a few months ago of Ray Shandley, long-time postmaster.

Joann Runnion Given Award

Postal employee Joann Runnion was presented a special achievement award Thursday morning Feb. 18, by Ardis Fisher officer in charge of Robert Lee Post Office.

The award plus a \$200.00 check was conferred upon Joann in recognition of notable performance of postal work and knowledge during the transition of postmasters at the Robert Lee Post Office.

Joann's postal career started on March 6, 1973 as a part-time clerk.

She has been active in relieving or assisting the postmaster and officer in charge in the past few months here in Robert Lee.

One of the reasons stated for giving the award was Joann's knowledge about postal operations and regulations and her ability to assist people in this community with postal situations.

"Good work Joann", said Fisher.

R-Lee Baptist To Show Family Film Series

A series of seven films will be shown in March and April at Robert Lee Baptist Church. The series, entitled "Focus on the Family," will begin March 7 and continue each Sunday through April 18. The programs will begin at 6 p.m.

James C. Dobson, Ph.D., presents the programs on film. He has been called "America's leading Christian authority on the family." He covers a wide range of subjects dealing with family life.

An ad in this newspaper lists the dates and the names of the films.

Everyone is invited to attend the series. Nursery and child care will be provided.

Filing Deadline For Three Local Elections Nears

Deadline for candidates to file for a place on the ballots in three upcoming elections is Wednesday of next week, March 3. Candidates have until then to file for positions as members of the city council, the school board and the hospital board of directors.

A check Wednesday morning indicated that a race is developing in the school trustee election, as five candidates have filed for three spots which will become vacant this year. Only the incumbents had filed for city offices and hospital district directors.

Four candidates filed for school trustee Wednesday morning; including Joe Ash, Ben Bessent, Les Gray and Gaylon Pitcock. Mary Herring had filed earlier for a spot on the ballot.

The three trustees whose terms expire this year are Joe B. Flowers, Ray C. Aldridge and John E. Stephens. None of them had filed for reelection as of Wednesday morning.

Holdover trustees who have one or two more years to serve are J.C. Wallace Jr., W.L. Metcalf, Philip C. Ray and Jeffie Roberts.

Anyone who wants to run for school trustee should file at the school office. The election will be held at the school building, with Mrs. Winnie Pitcock serving as election judge.

CITY ELECTION

Wilson Bryan, who is currently serving as a city councilman, has filed for reelection. He joins the other two incumbents whose terms expire this year, Mayor Robert Vaughan and Council Member Alice Beaty, who had filed earlier.

Anyone who wants to run for mayor or alderman should file at the city hall. The April 3 election will be held at the city hall.

Holdover members of the city

council are Josue (Jody) Rodriguez, J.A. Dunklin and F.W. Prentice.

HOSPITAL ELECTION

Three directors of the West Coke County Hospital District have filed for reelection. They include T.M. Wylie Jr., Wayne McCabe and Steve Oleksiuk. Holdover directors are Teddy Pitcock and Barbara Chesney.

Anyone who wants a place on the hospital election ballot should file at the office of Jay Leath, hospital administrator. The election will be held at the courthouse.

VOTER REGISTRATION

Anyone who is not registered to vote and wishes to participate in the three elections, has until March 3 to apply for a voter registration card. Application should be made at the office of County Tax Assessor-Collector O.B. Jacobs.

PUBLIC SCHOOL

WEEK MAR. 1-5.

Public school week is March 1-5, 1982. A special invitation is extended to school patrons to visit Robert Lee School anytime.

A special program will be presented March 4 at 7 p.m. in the auditorium.

Refreshments and visitation will be in the cafeteria after the program.

Greenwood Defeats Robert Lee Girls for Bi-District Title

The Greenwood Rangerettes defeated the Robert Lee High School girls basketball team 62-44 for the bi-district title in a game played Tuesday night at the Scurry County Coliseum in Snyder.

The Greenwood team, champions of District 14-A, will advance to the Region I-A tournament this weekend in Levelland.

The Rangerettes outscored the Robert Lee girls in every quarter except the last and led most of the game. Halftime score was 27-18 in their favor. The local girls were particularly cold in their shooting in the second and third quarters when they made only 16 points to Greenwood's 31.

Another problem for the girls was the loss of Frankie Walker and Martha Bickley who got into foul trouble in the fourth quarter.

Leigh Ann Runnion was top scorer for the Robert Lee girls with 15 points; Amy Percifull had 10; Bickley 6; Mary Galvan 5; Debbie Cummins 4; Sara De La Pena 2; Walker 2. Lisa Mobley was high pointer for the Rangerettes with 24 points.

In spite of the loss, the Robert Lee girls had a very successful year, as they finished with a 27-4 record, slightly higher than Greenwood's 27-5.

Coach Clyde Dluks was very proud of the season, if not with Tuesday night's results. His team has excellent prospects for next year, as Walker and Galvan are the only seniors on the team. Besides the two seniors, this year's traveling squad had nine juniors, three sophomores and one freshman.

Score by quarters:
Greenwood 14 13 18 17--62
Robert Lee 10 8 8 18--44
It's time to start running track.

Steers Play Greenwood Monday Night

The Robert Lee Steers, champions of District 13-A, will have a crack at the Greenwood boys team Monday night for the bi-district title. Like the girls' contest, the game will be played in the Scurry County Coliseum in Snyder. Game time is 7:30 p.m.

The Steers took the district title in a close match with Sterling City last Thursday night in a game in San Angelo Central gym. Score was 53-51 in favor of the Steers.

Darren Williams was high pointer for the locals with a big 27 points; Lupe Torres had 17; Scot Long 4; Kirby Rasco 2; Quint Anthony 2; Scott Stephens 1.

It was an exciting game and looked as if the Steers would have an easy time of it, as they held the Eagles to one point in the third quarter. However, the Sterling City lads came to life in the fourth quarter and made 18 points. The Steers had to fight for their lives, but they maintained a lead until the final buzzer sounded.

COUNTY LIVESTOCK SHOW IS OUTSTANDING SUCCESS

The annual Coke County Stock Show, blessed with beautiful weather, was witnessed by 850 local and area residents last Friday and Saturday. During the two day show, 14 champion animals were chosen and \$13,000 in sales and prizes awarded the 87 participants in the county show.

The grand champion lamb of the show was exhibited by Stephen Lee, of Bronte; showing the champion steer was Douglas Roberts of Robert Lee. The grand champion market swine was exhibited by Debbie Flowers of Robert Lee.

Other champion and reserve champion animals selected during the two day show included the following:

SHEEP

Champion fine wool lamb - Pammy Millican; Reserve champion - Phillip Stephens.

Champion crossbred lamb - Waylon Ensor; Reserve champion - Scot Long.

Champion medium wool lamb - Stephen Lee; Reserve champion - Terry Millican.

Champion Southdown lamb - Tim Mackey; Reserve champion - Waylon Ensor.

Reserve grand champion lamb - Pammy Millican.

CATTLE

Champion dairy heifer - Joey Millican.

Champion beef heifer - Scot Long; Reserve champion - Janet Lee Pentecost.

Reserve champion steer - John Cervenka.

SWINE

Reserve grand champion - Jason Herring.

Champion Duroc market swine - Jason Herring; Reserve champion - Doug Tounget.

Champion Hampshire market swine - Randy Gartman; Reserve champion - Jann Tounget.

Champion crossbred market swine - Debbie Flowers; Reserve champion - Michelle Parker.

Champion OPB market swine - Craig Grant; Reserve champion - Doug Tounget.

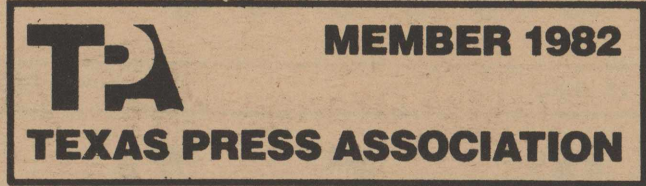
Champion breeding gilt - De Ann Parker; Reserve champion - Marty Boyd.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Staff:
Please renew my subscription for another year.

I have been away from Robert Lee for forty-seven years but the home paper still brings me news of old time friends and of their children and grandchildren. Both my husband and I enjoy the "50 Years Ago" column since I was growing up back then. At that time A.W. Puett was the Observer's editor and a good one. We might not have agreed with him always but you have to admire a good writer who knows what he believes.

Mr. Puett's son, Felix, now lives in Brownwood after many years in California. His wife is Orlye (Smith) Puett, a sister of my brother-in-law, Fred Smith, of Robert Lee. I do not know where Mr. Puett's other children live.

Thank you for a good little home paper. It is a refreshing change from our huge Houston daily Chronicle which reflects the "busyness" and the barbarous ways of this big city.

Sincerely,
Wilma Jean (Key) Shelburne

Party Honors Mrs. Abalos

Mrs. Maggie Abalos celebrated her 70th birthday at her home Saturday, Feb. 20, with a party in her honor. She was born Feb. 20, 1912 in San Vicente, Texas.

Mrs. Abalos and her husband, Frank, whom she married in Big Lake in 1929, have 13 children, 52 grandchildren, and 23 great-grandchildren.

Hosting the celebration were their children: Willie Abalos of Robert Lee, John Abalos of Sweetwater, Manuela Gonzales of Odessa, Emilia Gonzales of El Paso, Joe Abalos of Winnie, Maggie Jacobo of San Angelo, Felicita Gonzales of Fort Stockton, Selso Abalos of Winnie, Mary Gonzales of El Paso, Ann Purcell of Japan, Janie Robles of California, Aurora Abalos of Robert Lee and Manuel Abalos of Robert Lee.

Unable to attend were the couple's two daughters, Mrs. Mary Gonzales of El Paso and Mrs. Ann Purcell of Japan. Mrs. Purcell recently spent a month with her family before returning home. A special out of town guest was Mrs. Abalos's sister, Mrs. Juanita Abalos of Rankin. Also present were a large number of nieces, nephews and friends.

RECRUIT BUSY PEOPLE FOR VOLUNTEERS

When recruiting volunteers for your group or organization, search out the busiest people--they usually make the best volunteer leaders. Recruitment of volunteers must be highly specialized and centralized and must be based on personal contact, says a 4-H and youth specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas A&M University System. To find prospective volunteers, recruiters can turn to various community resources, including directories, voting lists, chambers of commerce, churches, alumni groups, existing organizations and clubs, and listings of new residents. However, the best resource is the present membership of your organization.

Want To Write Elected Officials

In Washington:
RONALD REAGAN, President of the United States, White House, Washington, D.C. 20000.
CHARLES STENHOLM, Congressman, 17th Texas District, 1232 Longworth Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20515.
MARVIN LEATH, Congressman, 11th Texas District, 336 Cannon Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20515.

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TOM LOEFFLER, Congressman, 21st Texas District, 1212 Longworth Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20510.

LLOYD BENTSEN, U.S. Senator, 240 Russell Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20510.
JOHN TOWER, U.S. Senator, 142 Russell Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20510

In Austin:
WILLIAM P. CLEMENTS, Governor, State Capitol, Austin, Tx., 78701.

LARRY DON SHAW, Representative, 64th District, P.O. Box 2410, Austin, Tx., 78711.

W.E. Snelson, Senator, 25th District, P.O. Box 12068, Austin, Tx., 78711.

EARLY CALVING COWS MORE PROFITABLE

Early calving cows bring in more dollars per head at marketing time because they usually wean heavier calves, says a beef cattle specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas A&M University System. A demonstration in Brazoria County showed that calves born between March and April had higher weaning weights and sold at higher prices at marketing time than those born later. Early born steers brought \$72 more per head and early born heifers brought \$64 more. To shorten the calving period, remove late calvers, use a 60- to 75-day breeding season, keep cows in good condition, and synchronize estrus.

PHYSICAL FITNESS FILM TO SHOW SUNDAY NIGHT

Everyone is invited to attend a film on physical fitness at 8 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 28, at the Robert Lee Baptist Church. "What Makes Millie Run" will be of interest to all ages, "Millie" in the film is the wife of aerobics expert Dr. Kenneth Cooper. The public is welcome to attend.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Add Davis and Nadine Davis were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. J.W. Wallace in Bayside. Meeting them there were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Broom and Bryan of Arlington. The group rented a four-wheel drive vehicle to reach South Padre Island and spent the weekend beach-combing and fishing.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Anthony spent the weekend in Bowie where they moved his mother, Mrs. Luke Anthony. Mrs. Anthony and her late husband had lived on school property there for 30 years where he was employed by the public schools as custodian, until his death last fall. The school had encouraged her to stay until she located a home.

TEXAS ONIONS ARE HITTING THE MARKET

Texas onions are starting to move to market in the Rio Grande Valley, and that's good news to onion lovers in Texas as well as throughout the U.S. Texas onions are known for their sweet and mild flavor and supply about 70 percent of the total U.S. consumption from March through June, says a horticulturist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas A&M University System. Onions are an everyday favorite for adding flavor to food at little cost and effort. They are low in calories and add vitamin C, the B vitamins and several minerals to the diet. Onions are Texas' top dollar producing vegetable crop--worth \$99 million in 1981.

"Truth is rarely pure and never simple." Oscar Wilde

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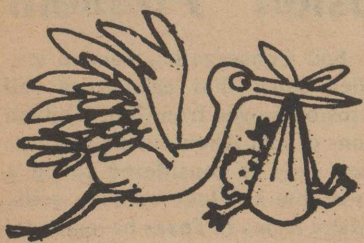
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LOOK WHO'S NEW

Katrina Gayle is the new daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rick Clay. She arrived at Shannon Hospital on Feb. 19, at 9:34 a.m., weighing 6 pounds, 7 ounces and was 19 inches long. Welcoming her home was her brother, Justin Dale, 4 years old.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Brown of Robert Lee and Mr. and Mrs. J.F. Clay of Jacksboro are the baby's grandparents.

Great-grandparents are Mrs. C.R. Blake of San Angelo and Mr. and Mrs. Chism Brown of Robert Lee.

Lance Alan and Adam Lynn are the new twin sons of Mr. and Mrs. John Terrell of San Angelo. They were born Feb. 19 in Shannon Hospital in San Angelo.

Grandparents are Mrs. Juanita Parker of Bronte and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Terrell of Brownwood.

50 YEARS AGO

Ely Smith caught eight wolves last week in traps, doggone, thought they were all gone from Coke County but should have know Ely would get'em somehow.

Save money, read and heed our ads - Armour Star bacon, 23c per pound - Texas Longhorn Cheese, 18c per pound - 5 lb. pail, Honey 49c - Spuds 10 lb. bag, 14c - #1 square can asparagus, 18c - Cumbie Brothers Red & White Store.

Dave Hoots brought in 27 turkeys Wednesday and sold them for 15c per pound - says he kept count of his expenses on his cotton crop this year and the turkeys brought him \$1.19 more than his 9 bales of cotton. Boys, that turkey buyer from Sears Roebuck is only offering 12c lb. - Don't sell out yet.

G.C. Allen, F.S. Higginbotham, and A.W. Puett returned Tuesday night from a deer hunt in Uvalde County. Never got a smell, think the deer smelled us and skidoed.

Hot dog, Old Smokey came along the sidewalk the other day with a smile on his face like a wave on a slop bucket, with two possums in a toe sack. Nice and young they were, gonna fatten'em, get him some sweettators, have a real nice Christmas dinner. Now if some nigger don't steal'em, Smokey is all set.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Thurman Rabb on Nov. 26th, a big boy.

On Nov. 27th at 7:30 o'clock, just at the beginning of a new day, God spoke to another of his children and said "It is enough" and Curtis Warner Burson closed his eyes in perfect submission to the will of God and went to a repast of glorious eternity.

Besides a faithful, loving wife, he leaves four grieving children, namely Nellie Ruth, Loyce, Monroe, and Curtis Roy, who were at his bedside when death called.

In ill health for many years, he never wavered in his faith and will be sorely missed as a devoted husband, father, and friend.

The funeral services were conducted in the Edith Tabernacle by Rev. D.K. Smith and Rev. B.B. Edmiaston. Bruce Clift represented the W.O.W. Lodge of which the deceased was a member.

The body was tenderly laid to rest in the Paint Creek Cemetery beneath a large mound of flowers.

West Coke Hospital News

The following admissions and dismissals have been announced by the West Coke County Hospital:

Feb. 16: Bernice Roberts admitted and dismissed.

Feb. 17: Ben Oglesby admitted. James Hibbs and Victor Collett dismissed.

Feb. 18: No admissions and Julian Valenzuela dismissed.

Feb. 19: No admissions or dismissals.

Feb. 20: No admissions or dismissals.

Feb. 21: No admissions or dismissals.

Feb. 22: Roxie Hodnett and Jack Reaves admitted. Ben Oglesby dismissed.


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 **Russet POTATOES** 10lb. bag **\$1.59**

Kraft Deluxe Macaroni Dinner 14 oz. \$1.09

Hunts Catsup 24 oz. bottle 99c

KRAFT'S QUARTERS

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Boneless Beef Roast lean & wasteless lb. \$1.89

BACON Bulk Sliced lb. \$1.49

GOOCH FRANKS 12 oz. pkg. 89c

Honey Boy Pink Salmon flat can \$1.29

EATWELL SARDINES tall can 69c

Best Maid Pickles sour, dill, hb dill qt. jar \$1.19

Crackers Zesta 2 Lb. Box **\$1.59**

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Reynolds Econ-Foil 12''x75' roll \$1.39

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- THE FRIENDLY CHURCH -
WHERE THE BIBLE IS TAUGHT

LIVESTOCK SHOW - Continued from Page 1

In addition to the champion animals selected, showmanship awards were presented to Frankie Walker in the sheep division, Douglas Roberts in the cattle division and Doug Tounget in the swine division. Also, plaques were presented to the breeders of the top placing animals in each division that were bred in Coke County. Receiving the breeders awards were J. Lee Ensor and Don Glenn in the sheep division; D.J. Walker in the swine division and McBride Metapeake Ranch in the beef division.

The placings in the various classes at the 1982 County Stock Show were as follows:

SWINE

LIGHT WEIGHT DUROC: 1. Jason Herring; 2. Bobby Zuniga; 3. Bruce James; 4. Bruce James; 4. Jay Harper; 6. Michele Parker; 7. Butch James.

HEAVY WEIGHT DUROC: 1. Doug Tounget; 2. De Ann Parker; 3. John Page; 4. John Page; 5. Debbie Flowers; 6. Jana Gartman; 7. Randy Gartman; 8. Walter Robinson.

other pure bred; 1. Craig Grant; 2. Doug Tounget; 3. Jann Tounget; 4. Randy Gartman; 5. Donnie Grant; 6. Jana Gartman; 7. Clifton Millican; 8. Gary Blair; 9. Shane Webb; 10. Scott Dyess; 11. Shane Webb; 12. Gary Blair.

LIGHT WEIGHT CROSS-BRED: 1. Douglas Roberts; 2. Douglas Roberts; 3. Bob Flowers; 4. Doug Tounget; 5. Bob Flow-

ers; 6. Jason Herring; 7. Travis Walston; 8. Jesse Puentez.

MEDIUM WEIGHT CROSS-FRED: 1. Doug Roberts; 2. Don Eubanks; 3. Doug Tounget; 4. Doug Roberts; 5. Donnie Grant; 6. Jann Tounget; 7. Debbie Flowers; 8. Gary Blair; 9. Donnie Grant; 10. Darrel Sowell.

HEAVY WEIGHT CROSS-BRED: 1. Debbie Flowers; 2. Michele Parker; 3. Dee Ann Eubanks; 4. Jann Tounget; 5. Donnie Grant; 6. De Ann Parker; 7. Craig Grant; 8. Don Eubanks; 9. Don Eubanks; 10. Craig Grant.

HAMPSHIRE: 1. Randy Gartman; 2. Jann Tounget; 3. & 4. Debbie Flowers; 5. John Page; 6. Eddie Hood; 7. Clifton Millican; 8. Jana Gartman.

BREEDING GILTS: 1. De Ann Parker; 2. Marty Boyd; 3. Marty Boyd.

CATTLE

LIGHT WEIGHT STEER: 1. John Cervinka; 2. Michael Cervinka; 3. Rick Drennan; 4. Michael Cervinka.

HEAVY WEIGHT STEERS: 1. Douglas Roberts; 2. John Cervinka; 3. Rachel Metcalf; 4. Rick Drennan.

DAIRY HEIFER: 1. Joey Millican.

REGISTERED HEIFERS: 1. Scot Long; 2. Janet Lee Pentecost.

SHEEP

LIGHT WEIGHT FINE WOOL: 1. Melissa Arrott; 2. Gregg Grim; 3. Mike Sanders; 4. Bud Johnson; 5. Lynn Long; 6. Kyle Gibbs; 7. Louis Martinez; 8. Gary Cal-

der; 9. Bud Johnson; 10. Randy Stephens; 11. Scot Long; 12. Pat Percifull; 13. Terry Millican; 14. & 15. Kirby Rasco.

MEDIUM WEIGHT FINE WOOL: 1. Donnie Ensor; 2. Stephen Lee; 3. Blane Braswell; 4. Kerry Wrinkle; 5. Donnie Ensor; 6. Frankie Walker; 7. Terry Joe Millican; 8. Waylon Ensor; 9. Kerry Wrinkle; 10. Blain McGinnis; 11. Kyle Gibbs; 12. Pat Percifull; 13. Carrath Metcalf; 14. Randy Stephens; 15. Doug Bell.

HEAVY WEIGHT FINE WOOL: 1. Pammy Millican; 2. Philip Stevens; 3. Waylon Ensor; 4. Blane Braswell; 5. Tim Coulter; 6. Scot Long; 7. Mike Sanders; 8. Michael Wilson; 9. Jimmy Skinner; 10. Kerry Wrinkle; 11. Darryl Mulkey; 12. Frankie Walker; 13. Jimmy Skinner; 14. Terry Millican; 15. Lin Long.

LIGHT WEIGHT CROSS-BRED: 1. Phillip Stephens; 2. Pammy Millican; 3. Robert Runnion; 4. Carrath Metcalf; 5. Bruce James; 6. Quint Anthony; 7. Jim Herring; 8. Pammy Millican; 9. Pat Percifull; 10. Pat Percifull; 11. Garry Palmer; 12. Becky Padgett; 13. Maribel Torres; 14. Carrath Metcalf; 15. Kirby Rasco.

MEDIUM WEIGHT CROSS: 1. Waylon Ensor; 2. Rusty Corley; 3. Jim Herring; 4. Frankie Walker; 5. Carrath Metcalf; 6. Scott Stephens; 7. Donnie Ensor; 8. Carrath Metcalf; 9. Jim Herring; 10. Kyle Gibbs; 11. Rusty Corley; 12. David Rodriguez; 13. Rachel Metcalf; 14. Rachel Metcalf; 15. Stevie Ebenstein.

HEAVY WEIGHT CROSS: 1. Scot Long; 2. Terry Millican; 3. Kyle Gibbs; 4. Waylon Ensor; 5. Mike Sanders; 6. Todd Lee; 7. Terry Millican; 8. Robert Runnion; 9. Richard Jacobs; 10. Rachel Metcalf; 11. Lin Long; 12. Pammy Millican; 13. Kerry Lee; 14. Phil Stephens; 15. Scot Long.

LIGHT WEIGHT MEDIUM WOOL: 1. Terry Millican; 2. Waylon Ensor; 3. Pat Percifull; 4. Pammy Millican; 5. Lin Long; 6. Tim Mackey; 7. Pammy Millican; 8. Pat Percifull.

HEAVY WEIGHT MEDIUM WOOL: 1. Stephen Lee; 2. Terry Millican; 3. Tim Coulter; 4. Terry Millican; 5. Waylon Ensor; 6. Troy Lee; 7. Pammy Millican; 8. Tim Mackey.

SOUTH DOWN: 1. Tim Mackey; 2. Waylon Ensor; 3. Steven Lee.

Allied Corp. Seeks To Buy Supron Firm

Allied Corp. and Continental Group, Inc. are making plans to acquire Supron Energy Corp. in a transaction that will amount to \$714 million, according to a recent article in the Wall Street Journal.

Union Texas Petroleum, the oil and gas production subsidiary of Allied Corp. which operates extensive holdings in Coke County and West Texas, would become half owner of the acquisition.

Supron has considerable property in proven oil reserves and vast natural gas reserves in the San Juan Basin of New Mexico.

Union Texas employees in Coke County are interested in the progress of this giant transaction.

MICROWAVE SHORT COURSE

A microwave short course will be offered in March by Mary Anne Lackey, County Extension Agent-Home Economics. The meetings will be held the last four Monday evenings in March at 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the Coke County Court House. There will be no charge for the short course, but you must register by Feb. 26, by calling the Extension Office. Everyone is welcome.

"Conservation Tillage" May Help Solve Erosion Problem

"Soil erosion by wind and water is a natural geologic process that has shaped our mountains, valleys, and other features of our landscape," according to Eph Cummins, district conservationist for the Soil Conservation Service in Robert Lee. "But modern man's activities have greatly speeded up this process to the point where it is recognized as a serious threat to our economic well-being through loss of our productive agricultural capacity," he said.

"The rate at which soils erode depends upon type, steepness of slope, amount of runoff, and other things. But ironically, the solution to much cropland erosion may be relatively simple," Cummins said. "By leaving residues on the soil surface, evaporation, runoff, and erosion are reduced. We call this 'conservation tillage'."

Conservation tillage is a crop planting system where residues from previous crop or field conditions are left on the soil surface and current crops are planted in this seedbed. In its purest form, "no-till," agronomists describe it as a practice that allows farmers to plant crops without plowing or cultivating their land.

Conservation tillage is not the total solution to erosion problems, but researchers agree that using one of the various forms of conservation tillage reduces erosion from 30 to 90 percent, compared with conventional tillage.

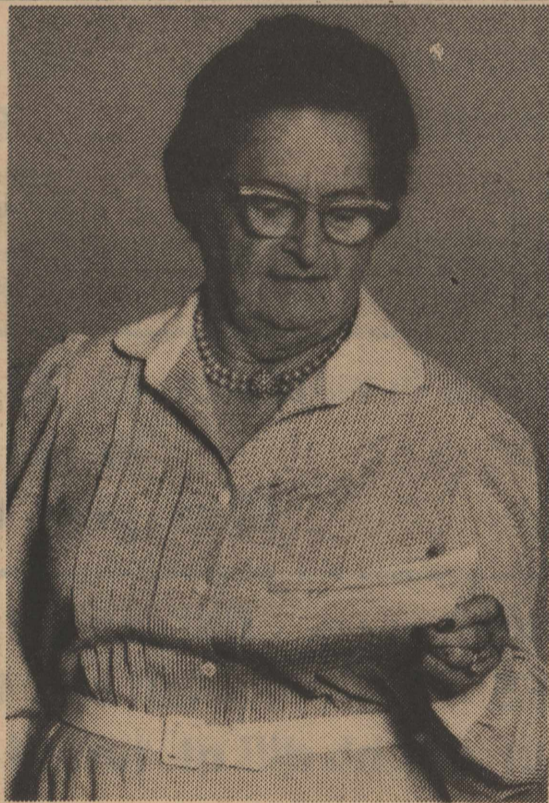
Soil Conservation Service studies show that each year soil erosion moves from 2 to 3 billion tons of soil. About 5 tons per acre per year is considered to be a tolerable soil loss on deep soils. Many farms in Texas have annual soil losses greater than this, which will take centuries to replace. In fact, the SCS has estimated that wind and water have damaged 50 million acres of America's best cropland so badly that it is no longer useful for crop production. Another 100 million acres has been severely damaged.

"Plowing and cultivating has been accepted for so long it's hard for some farmers to overcome the urge to plow several times each year," Cummins said. "But no-till and other forms of conservation tillage are gaining ground yearly. Many predict acreage planted under the no-till systems will exceed conventionally planted crops in the near future."

USDA studies estimate that in less than 35 years, 93 percent of all cropland will be planted by conservation tillage.



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Since last summer this editor has researched, written and carried a manuscript outline back and forth from the office to home at night and weekends. The projected deadline was Feb. 15, 1982, to have the book off the press. We made it!

Fifty Years At The San Angelo Stock Show & Rodeo is back from the bindery and on sale at the San Angelo Convention Center and will be sold at the 1982 Stock Show as well, March 8 - 14. Hardback books will sell for \$20.00 and soft-covers for \$5.00. If anyone desires to order by mail, please include \$2.00 for shipping and handling.

I am pleased with the finished product of 104 pages. We have not only given a complete history in word and picture of every year's Stock Show & Rodeo since inception in 1932, but have also included 27 years of Roping Fiesta history. It was a giant undertaking from the author's standpoint simply because the Stock Show office had little to no records.

But thanks to a good staff, we were able to stir the microfilms files in a number of libraries plus find pictorial support from all over the West Texas area. I am extremely excited about all the material we uncovered and I know the purchasers of the book will be thrilled as they read through its pages. Just about every one participating in the show for the last 50 years is represented.

The book is dedicated to the memory of J. Culberson Deal. Deal organized the event as a

youth project designed to interest young people in agriculture.

The story goes that in midsummer of 1931 shortly after Deal had been elected manager of the San Angelo Board of City Development, he was sitting at his desk pondering over whether to encourage his directors to attempt staging a fair in September of that year.

The more he looked at the statistics on the Fair of 1930, the more convinced he was that San Angelo was not a "Fair" town. Suddenly the idea hit: Why not a Spring Stock Show?

Hurriedly he called a meeting of leaders known to be interested in the livestock industry, the late Claude A. Broome, John R. Lee, J. Willis Johnson Jr., D.T. Jones, County Agent W.I. Marschall, and others.

At this meeting developed the plans for the first San Angelo Stock Show - dedicated to the promotion of better breeding, and the fattening and finishing of livestock, on West Texas ranches and farms. At the meeting it was also decided that a major feature of the show would be the participation by 4-H Club Boys and Vocational Agriculture Students in the area.

Mr. Broome was elected chairman. Packed in the pages from that first show, the story unfolds year after year to 1982.

Mr. Broome's grandson, Harold "Brookie" Broome, the first president of the San Angelo Stock Show & Rodeo Foundation, publishers of the book, was the moving force behind the writing of the book. He commissioned this writer to take on the project.

Other than having problems in uncovering so much of the material, the task was easy working with Brookie. Each time I confronted him with a problem, he just smiled and said: "That's what I hired you for... you work it out!" On a project of this caliber, an editor appreciates having the reins. If the publishers had bird-dogged me, I don't think we would have finished the book.

Brookie passed away a week after the manuscript went to the printers. At a meeting of the Foundation, I was authorized to re-write parts of the book and add a memorial to him.

As West Texans look to the 50th Anniversary San Angelo Stock Show & Rodeo in a few weeks, March 8 - 14, the book will certainly be a major part of the celebration.

Free Cheese To Be Given Coke Countians

The free cheese program for the elderly and needy will come to Coke County next week when 50 cases will be distributed by the Coke County Outreach Program for the Aged. The cheese is being provided by the U.S. Department of Agriculture from a huge surplus which has built up.

Distribution will start Thursday, March 4 at Bronte Community for persons on the east side of the county and will continue Friday, March 5, at Robert Lee Rec Hall for persons on the west side of the county. The places will be open from 8 a.m. till 5 p.m.

County Judge D.W. Sims said that anyone who is unable to get to one of the distribution sites should call Margaret Martin or Geneva Minnick ahead of time and an effort will be made to deliver the food.

Judge Sims said the distribution of the cheese is late in coming to Coke County, since it was supposed to be handled by the Tom Green County Community Action Council, which withdrew funding from Coke County in January. The withdrawal caused a delay in getting the program started here.

Sims said, "We hope there will be enough cheese for all those who need it to receive an allotment of the cheese, especially the elderly of the county." He said there should be another allocation of cheese in April.

4-H Rifle Club

The Coke County 4-H Rifle Club members will shoot on Saturday, Feb. 27, at 9 a.m. and again on Sunday, Feb. 28, at 2:30 p.m., announced Jim Herford, adult leader for the group.

Members will be shooting targets for State 4-H contests to be sent to Texas A&M for grading.

The 4-H Rifle Club has been provided with a range on the Joe McCutchen Ranch between Robert Lee and Bronte.

MOBILE HOME BURGLARIZED

A mobile home in Robert Lee was burglarized Friday, Feb. 19, according to a report from the office of Sheriff Marshall Millican. The owner is Fred Oliver Murphree, who lives in New Mexico, but maintains the home in Coke County.

The intruder gained entry through a window. Missing were a 14 inch colored TV set valued at \$475 and a felt hat valued at \$60. Deputy Sheriff John Paul McGuire investigated the incident.

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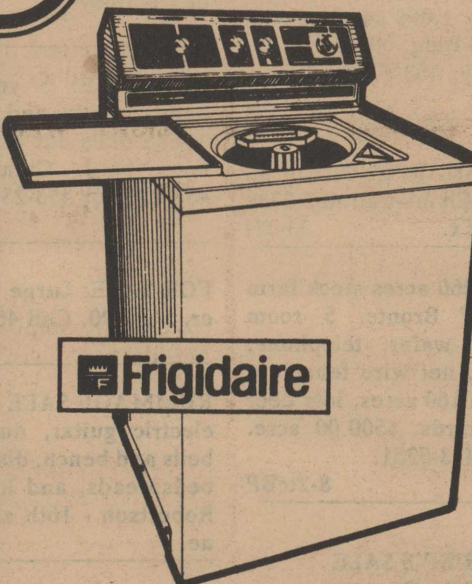
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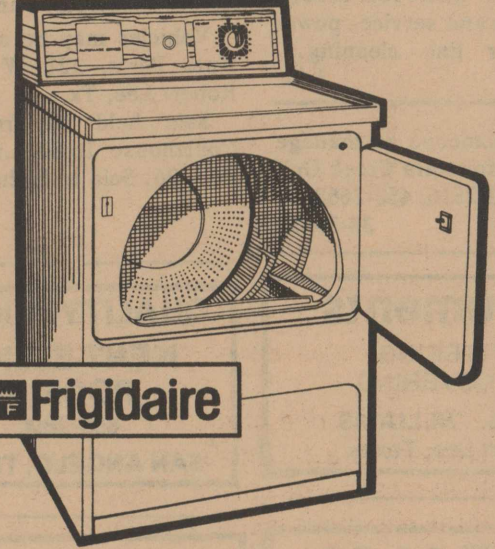
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Political Announcements

The Observer has been au-
thorized to announce the candi-
dacy of persons listed below for
the offices and in the elections
indicated:

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MAY 1, 1982

For County Judge--
D.W. (DUB) SIMS
AUBREY DENMAN
W.W. (BUD) THETFORD

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For County Treasurer--
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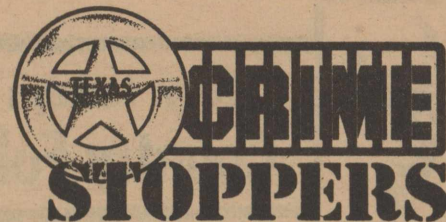
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tic that merely scratches the
surface.

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seventeen are the victims.
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criminals easy money. Now is
the time to shut down this
business in Texas. It won't be
easy. Dealers are just the bot-
tom of the drug dealing pyra-
mid. These pushers get their
drugs from the kingpins . . .
those at the top of the net-
work . . . the drug traffick-
ers.

Drug dealing to minors is
a hideous crime and these
criminals must be stopped. A
joint effort by law enforce-
ment and concerned citizens
is necessary in declaring war
on drug traffickers.

There are no absolute an-
swers but a major step has
been taken. Governor Wil-
liam P. Clements and the
Texas Legislature have cre-
ated a statewide anti-crime
hotline through the Crime
Stoppers Advisory Council.

This hotline is designed to aid
law enforcement in a crack-
down on drug traffickers.

For the month of Febru-
ary, the Crime Stoppers Ad-
visory Council is focusing its
statewide "Crime of the
Month" on drug trafficking.
Any citizen having informa-
tion about major drug traf-
ficking is asked to call the
Texas Crime Stoppers Advi-
sory Council at 1-800-252-
TIPS. Cash rewards are
available for information
leading to the arrest and in-
dictment of criminals. Citi-
zens do not have to reveal
their names, just their infor-
mation, and they will be
given a unique code number
for identification purposes.

Texas Legislators and our
Governor have helped pro-
vide the criminal justice sys-
tem with the punch it needs
to find drug traffickers and
put them behind bars. But
they can't do it alone. Call
1-800-252-TIPS today with
any information on major
drug trafficking in Texas.
Help stop this growing men-
ace to young people of our
state.

FmHA Seeks To Assist Farmers With Their Financial Problems

(Temple, Texas), Feb. 3 --
Although many farmers are fac-
ing financial difficulty because
of today's cost-price squeeze,
the Farmers Home Administration
(FmHA) intends to do all it can
to help its borrowers stay in farm-
ing, FmHA State Director J.
Lynn Futch said today.

"We recognize there are prob-
lems, problems with high interest
rates, inflation, a grain embargo,
adverse weather and other causes,"
Futch said. "And these
have been intensified by overall
bumper crops that have affected
prices." "As Secretary of Agri-
culture John Block said recently,
our farm economy is in a valley
right now and needs some help to
move on up the hill on the other
side."

Futch said Block had instruct-
ed FmHA to explore the use of
private credit to supplement its
own lending resources whenever
possible. In addition, existing
legal authority to reschedule or
defer payments is to be used
where practicable.

"We intend to be reasonable,

just as Secretary Block ordered,"
Futch said. "Our objective is to
keep farmers in business. That
isn't to say there won't be some
who go out of business, because
there will be, but we are going to
use the best judgment we can
and reasonable criteria in making
our loan decisions."

Secretary Block said that bor-
rowers who have made good faith
efforts to pay their loans, who
have maintained their loan secu-
rity in good condition, who follow
sound, recognized management
practices, and who have a rea-
sonable chance to succeed can
reasonably expect FmHA to stay
with them.

We will be working with our
borrowers and with the commer-
cial lending institutions to over-
come these temporary prob-
lems," Futch said. "Agriculture
is basically healthy, just as the
Secretary said; there is no ques-
tion about it. We just have to
move out of the present situation
and dig in for the long run."

Couple Honored With Supper

Mr. and Mrs. R.A. Sadler were
honored last Tuesday night with
a covered dish supper in the
Recreation Center at the county
park. The couple is scheduled to
move this week to Hobbs, N.M.
where Mr. Sadler has been
transferred.

A production foreman here
with Sun Oil Company, he had
been at the Silver plant about five
years. Mrs. Sadler had been
employed as an insurance clerk
and bookkeeper at West Coke
County Hospital. A large crowd
of Sun Oil employees, hospital
employees and friends attended
the event.

Hostesses for the supper were
Mrs. Thelma Lomas, Mrs. Vir-
ginia Haley, Mrs. Gaye Sawyer,
Mrs. Donna Hayden, Mrs. Alice
Beaty, and Mrs. Kimberly Tink-
ler.

Mrs. Counts To Head Campaign

St. Jude Children's Research Hospital is proud to announce that Lillian Counts has been named to head the 1982 Spring Special Events Campaign in Robert Lee, Texas.

In making the announcement, Clifford Damstrom, St. Jude Director for the Southwest Region, stated, that "We are proud to find such dedicated people for this important job."

"Children come to St. Jude for one purpose: A chance to live," Damstrom stated. Yet medicines and treatments are extremely expensive. St. Jude has always been supported by the public, and we must continue to rely on public support to help finance the research and patient care programs. Over 70% of our 26 million dollar budget must come from public support."

Danny Thomas, who founded St. Jude Children's Research Hospital because of a vow, stated its purpose clearly: "To wipe catastrophic diseases of children from the face of the Earth."

"Since Thomas opened the research center in 1962, his dream of conquering cancer and other diseases that destroy our children has been brought closer to reality," stated Danstrom. "Thomas is still extremely active in pursuing this goal, and he inspires all of us in this cause."

The location and time of the Special Event in Robert Lee, Tx. will be announced later by Mrs. Counts who was also 1981 chairman for the campaign.

SOCIAL SECURITY CHANGES

The 1981 Social Security amendments recently signed into law made several changes in Medicare's medical insurance, according to Frank Upp, manager of the San Angelo Social Security office.

The medical insurance deductible will be changed in two ways beginning in 1982. First, the annual deductible will be raised to \$75.00 from the current \$60.00. The second change concerns the "carryover rule" presently in effect which provides that any medical expenses incurred during the last 3 months of the year counting toward the year's annual deductible can also be counted toward the next year's deductible. This carryover rule has been eliminated and starting this year - 1982 - the annual deductible will have to be met each year without regard to the previous year's expenses.

For more information about these changes or other provisions of the Social Security law call the local office.

Nursing Home To Show Art

The Activity Department of the West Coke County Nursing Home has initiated an Artist of the Month program for the enjoyment of residents and visitors alike. The public is invited to view the works of local artists displayed in the halls of the facility.

Anyone having art to show and wishing to participate in the program may contact Joyce Wilson or Yvonne Conner for showings.

Texas Flag Day To Be Observed

March 2 is Texas Flag Day. Over 10,000 flags are expected to be flying for this official Texas Heritage Day.

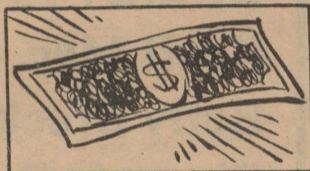
Around Texas, organizations and individuals are taking this opportunity to pay tribute to their state and its flag by flying the "Lone Star" on their homes and public buildings. Local activities will include flag raisings, proclamations by mayors and county judges, speeches and special programs by service clubs, historic organizations and patriotic groups.

The Texas Flag was adopted in 1839 as the official standard of the Republic. It became the state flag after the Treaty of Annexation was signed in 1845.

There were several designs for a national flag prior to 1839, but each of them incorporated a single star. The star signifies that Texas was alone in the Mexican Confederation and that the star of liberty was rising.

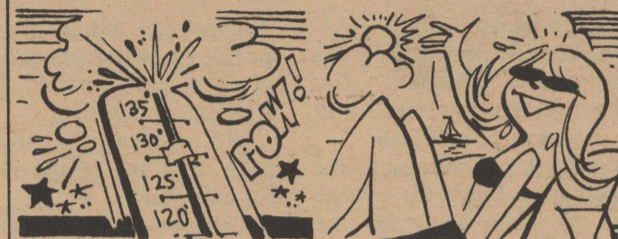
This gave Texas its nickname, "The Lone Star State".

Texas Flag Day is a Texas Heritage Project of the Texas Historical Foundation. For more information about this and other programs, contact the Texas Historical Foundation, P.O. Box 12243, Austin, Tx 78711, 512/472-6784.



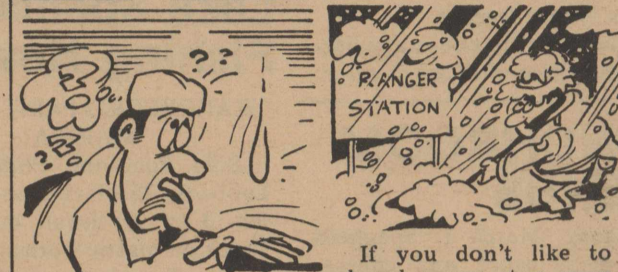
The first paper money in America was issued by colonists in Massachusetts in 1690.

Weather Wisdom



El Azizia, Libya, holds the world record for high temperature. The mercury hit 136° F on Sept. 13, 1922.

If you're a sun worshipper, Key West, Florida, beckons you. It boasts the highest average annual temperature in the U.S.—78.2° F.



If you like rain, Cherrapunji, India, is for you. It holds the record for the most rainfall in 12 months. . .1,042 inches.

If you don't like to shovel snow, stay away from the Paradise Ranger Station in Washington. According to Figgie International's Thermometer Corporation of America, 1,122 inches fell in one season.



In 1610, Captain Samuel Argall was blown off course near a cape on our eastern seaboard. He immediately named it for his sponsor, Lord De La Warr. It became the state of Delaware.

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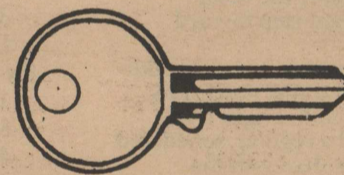
The Texas Public Utilities Commission (PUC) has established certain standards in public hearings, and our service results are listed against those standards.

	Robert Lee		
	Texas PUC Standards	January 1981	Most Current Figure
% customer calls answered promptly	business office	business office	business office
	90	95.7	98.6
business office/repair service	90	96.4	94.9
	repair service	repair service	repair service
% service order commitments met as promised	90	94.1	100.0
* % local calls completed on 1st try	98	98.0	100.0
* % direct dialed long distance calls completed on 1st try	95	95.0	97.0
% out-of-service trouble cleared within 8 working hours	90	96.0	100

*these results based on electronic testing



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West Coke EMS News Notes

The EMS board recently elected new officers: president, Gene Hinnard; vice president, Lou Wright; secretary, Sam Williams; treasurer, Jay Leath.

A big thank you to friends like Fred and Alice Beaty for a large freezer to help us keep the sausage until it is picked up. Thanks to Gene Hinnard for getting the freezer moved to Jo Ann Harrison's house. Another thanks to George Lomas for the parts and installation of the outlets for the freezer.

Ernie Abalos has been appointed to the office of social director.

It is real nice to have these young people showing enough interest to take part in the Volunteer Ambulance Service.

We still have plenty of sausage. Call any of the volunteers for an order.

Thirteen ambulance runs have been made so far this year. Thanks again for Helping Us Help You!

by Nita Schnabel

Lake Spence Fishing News

WANORECK'S PAINT CREEK MARINA

Billy Pool and Phillip Pool, Lubbock, 25 black bass up to 6 lbs. 3 oz. (2 days). In Wildcat Creek on plastic worms.

Pete Templeton, Littlefield, 2 black bass and 1 white bass.

Melvin Campbell and Mike Campbell, Littlefield, 4 black bass.

Ronald Dutton, Charles Heffington and Jerry Roberts, 2 black bass, 1 white bass and 1 crappie.

Joe Robitson, Odessa, 4 1/2 lb. blue catfish on trotline.

Bruce Runyan, Lubbock, 1 striper 5 lb. on Little George.

Permian Bass Club held their February Tournament at Lake Spence on Feb. 20 and 21.

Results of the two days as follows: SATURDAY, FEB. 20

76 entrants registered

36 weighed in fish

Largest fish 4.44 lbs. by Melton Wood

205.98 lbs. of fish caught

13 fish over 3 lbs.

5 fish over 4 lbs.

1 small mouth bass 1.75 lbs.

Large string winner - Charles Smith

SUNDAY, FEB. 21

70 fisherman

33 weighed in fish

Largest fish 5.18 lbs. by Charles Huckbey

165.07 lbs. of fish caught

8 fish over 3 lbs.

4 fish over 4 lbs.

1 small mouth bass 1.74 lbs.

Large string winner - Robert De Woody

All these were Black Bass and all fish were released live to preserve future fishing.

Lake Superintendent Mike Ross stated that the two day tourney resulted in the best black bass fishing of the last four or five years and is encouraged by the catches.

OILING EGGS MAINTAINS QUALITY, SAVES ENERGY

Oiling eggs can be an effective, energy-saving alternative to refrigeration, especially for a short storage periods, says a poultry marketing specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas A&M University System. In a study under hot summer conditions, intensely oiled eggs were found to be more desirable when kept at room temperature or outside for a day and for up to seven days in comparison to non-oiled and normally-oiled eggs.

LUNCHROOM MENUS

Monday, March 1: Spaghetti with meat sauce and cheese, blackeye peas, carrots, hot rolls with butter, applesauce and milk.

Tuesday, March 2: Grill cheese sandwiches, vegetable beef soup, pickles, cowboy cookies and milk.

Wednesday, March 3: Beef Tacos with cheese, lettuce and tomato salad, chopped onion, corn, peach cobbler and milk.

Thursday, March 4: Corn Dogs with mustard, Ranch Style Beans, French fries with catsup, banana and milk.

Friday, March 5: Barbecue chicken, cream potatoes, green beans, hot rolls with butter, peanutbutter supreme and milk.

The buck starts here.

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RANCH STYLE BEANS 300 can 43c
VAN CAMP PORK & BEANS 300 can 43c

Cake Mix Duncan Hines Layer **99c**

COMET RICE 28 oz. box 93c
Kraft Mac. & Cheese Dinner, 7 oz. 2 for 83c
Betty Crocker Hamburger Helper asst. 95c
Charmin Bathroom Tissue 6 roll pkg. \$1.79

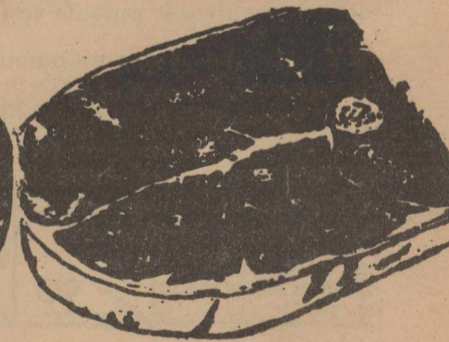
Potatoes 10 Lb. Bag **\$1.59**

CARROTS, 1 Lb. Cello Bag 2 for 79c
Texas Ruby Red Grapefruit 5 lb. bag \$1.29

Meadowlake Oleo 1 Lb. Tub **63c**

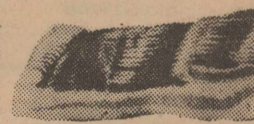
LITE FLUFF BISCUITS 2 for 39c

Round Steak Lb. **\$2.19**



RUMP ROAST lb. \$1.59
GOOCH COUNTRY SAUSAGE 2 lb. bag \$2.29

Bacon Sliced Slab Lb. **\$1.39**



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