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Luther Lara Jr. Found Guilty By Jury; Sentenced To 70-years

The murder trial of Luther Lara Jr. ended late last Thursday evening when the jury delivered a 70-year prison term after

finding Lara guilty of murder in the Sept. 7, 1982, shooting death of Victoria De La Cruz Ortiz in Robert Lee.

The trial began Tuesday afternoon after the selection of the jury and testimony continued Wednesday ending after the state and the defense each presented four witnesses. Closing arguments were heard Thursday before 51st District Judge Royal Hart delivered his charge to the jury. The jury deliberated for more than three hours before convicting Lara.

Defense attorney Richard Abalos of Odessa said Lara will appeal the verdict. Lara will remain in jail without bond pending appeal.

The case was prosecuted by 51st District Attorney Gerald Fohn aided by assistant District Attorney Mike Berg and Coke County Attorney Bill Helwig.

Lara has also been indicted on charges of attempted murder, aggravated assault and attempted capital murder in connection with the incidents involving the shooting and seriously wounding of Game Warden Sparks Burdett and firing at Policeman Albert Burdett at the time he shot and killed Victoria Ortiz.

EMT-Basic Course Now Being Taught

The West Coke County Emergency Medical Services is pleased to report that a total of 22 students enrolled in the EMT-Basic course now underway in Robert Lee. The classes meet twice weekly and the students will take the state examination for certification May 17.

The West Coke County Ambulance Service will hold its regular monthly Blood Pressure Clinic at the Lion's Club Building in Robert Lee from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 12. Please come by and have your blood pressure checked. There is no charge for this service. The EMT students will be participating in this clinic. The Ambulance Service will also have its regular monthly training session at the High School parking lot on Sunday, March 13 from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. Plans for this month include assessment and treatment of patients involved in a multi-casualty situation. Please do not be alarmed if you see a large group working with the ambulance during this training session. Volunteers attend training sessions so that they can better meet the emergency medical service needs of the West Coke County area.

Youth Jobs To Be Available In Coke County

Ten jobs will be available to youth in Coke County through the Summer Youth Employment Program operated by the Concho Valley Council of Governments. The eight week program begins June 6 and will allow youth to work up to forty hours per week.

Public agencies and private non-profit organizations are used as worksites. Worksites that have been used in past summers include Bronte I.S.D., County Clerk's Office, Coke County Library, Coke County Parks, and Robert Lee I.S.D.

The purposes of the program are to provide basic work experience to better prepare the youth for the world of work, perform meaningful work in the community, and provide economic resources to enable them to return to school in the fall. Counseling and labor market information will be provided each participant work in on the summer program.

To qualify for the program, youth must be at least 14 years of age and meet family income guidelines. Applications will be taken Monday, March 21 beginning at 9:30 a.m. in the Bronte High School.

Plans Being Made For Coke Bike-A-Thon

Mrs. Dennis Counts, Coke County chairman, announced preliminary plans, have been made for conducting St. Jude's Children's Research Cancer Hospital Bike-A-Thon's annual benefit. This year's Bike-A-Thon will begin at 9 a.m. on March 26.

Robert Lee riders will be starting at the road-side park just east of town on Highway 157, riding toward Bronte. Riders from Bronte will assemble at the Mini-park in downtown Bronte, riding west toward Robert Lee.

Participants must secure their own sponsors who will make donations for the benefit.

Bike riders are urged to contact local school principals or Mrs. Counts at 453-2564 and help out with this worthy campaign. Riders need to begin work right away on their pledges.

Prizes for the winners of the Bike-A-Thon will be announced next week.

Volunteers each year conduct these Bike-A-Thon fund-raisers for the hospital for children's dread diseases, primarily cancer. St. Jude's located in Memphis, Tenn., provides free care for all children referred to them, regardless of location.

The Center operates on funds which rely almost totally on donations. Only 30% comes from other sources.

The research hospital feels family unity is very important to a sick child and furnishes lodging and travel for patients and family.

Both adult volunteers and bike riders are needed. Mrs. Counts urges businesses, organizations, and individuals to consider donations for a very important cause.

Robert Lee To Use Grant To Improve Water Plant

Local Church Gospel Meeting March 20-23

Grady Max Tarbet of Stephenville will hold a Gospel Meeting at the Southside Church of Christ beginning Sunday, March 20 and continuing through Wednesday night, March 23. The Sunday services will be held at the usual time, Bible Study at 10 a.m. and worship services at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Week night services, Monday through Wednesday, will be at 7 p.m. each night.

Mr. Tarbet received his B.A. from Pepperdine University and is completing work on a Masters Degree at Abilene Christian University at present. He began preaching in California several years ago, and is now preaching full time at the Hillcrest Church of Christ in Stephenville.

Max Tarbet and Nelda Boydston were married in San Diego, Calif. and have two teenage children. Nelda's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lealand H. Boydston live in Brownwood. She is the niece of Allan and Naomi Brown of Robert Lee. Mr. Brown, minister of Southside Church of Christ, stated that the church is looking forward to a wonderful Gospel Meeting and welcome everyone to each and every service.

The congregation especially invites everyone to an old-fashioned Gospel Singing at 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon. Don Sweeney of Big Spring will direct the afternoon singing and the song service for the Gospel Meeting.

Coke Co. Commissioners Have Two Meetings During Past Week

The Coke County Commissioners Court held two meetings this week, one a regular monthly meeting and one a called special emergency meeting.

In Monday morning's regular meeting which was opened with prayer and the approval of the previous meeting minutes several items on the agenda were discussed.

A lengthy discussion concerning the Council of Government contract pertaining to the remodeling of the Old Rec Hall in the Robert Lee County Park was held. The court designated the building as the Senior Citizens meeting place.

Bids for the purchase of a new car for the sheriff was opened and Ivey Motor Co. was awarded the bid.

Reviewed the county extension agents reports and accepted them.

Discussed Public Officials liability insurance and delayed action until Auditor Stover Taylor compiled more information.

Discussed Senate Bill 385 and Senate Bill 325.

Discussed the need to re-roof

The Robert Lee City Council announced today that their application for a Community Development Block Grant has been approved for \$327,080.00. Confirmation came from Senator John Tower's office out of Washington and in a letter received from the Housing and Urban Development Regional office in Dallas.

This is a single purpose grant

EMT Refresher Course To Be Offered In RL

The West Coke County Emergency Medical Services is sponsoring an EMT-Basic refresher course in Robert Lee beginning on March 21. Registration will be held at the Robert Lee High School beginning at 7:00 p.m. Persons currently certified as EMTs in the State of Texas and who need recertification and/or continuing education credits should plan to attend the 40 hour course. The course is free and students will be allowed to use books used in their previous training. Classes will meet on Mondays and Thursdays from 7:00 - 10:00 p.m.

ABSENTEE VOTING BEGINS MON. IN LOCAL ELECTIONS

Absentee voting will begin Monday in the school, city and hospital district elections which are scheduled for April 2.

Those who are eligible to vote absentee may cast their ballots by making a personal appearance

and will be used to enlarge and modernize the water treatment plant. This will increase the capacity of the treatment plant from 550,000 gallons per day to over 1,000,000 gallons per day.

Mayor Robert Vaughn said that the city had been trying to get this grant for several years, but has been unsuccessful until now. When this remodeling and enlargement of our present plant is completed it should take care of Robert Lee's needs for a number of years. This is a full and complete grant. It does not have to be matched or repaid.

Sudan Winner Of State Title

The outcome of the Girl's State Basketball Tournament in Austin last weekend is of interest to Robert Lee fans and players. Sudan, runner-up district winners in 6A, went on to win the coveted Class A crown by defeating LaRue LaPaynor 46-34.

Sudan had stunned 6 time state winner Nazareth at the Regional Tournament in Levelland the weekend before. Both teams were representatives from District 6A, marking the first time a runnerup team has won the state championship.

at the following places: for school trustees at the tax office at the school; for city aldermen at the city hall; for hospital directors at the clerk's office in the county courthouse. Persons who are eligible to vote absentee by mail may address requests for ballots to the above named offices.

Those eligible to vote absentee are those who will be out of the county on election day and those who are unable to get to the polls because of physical problems.

The city election is very quiet this year with the three incumbents being the only candidates to file for the upcoming three vacancies. They are J.A. Dunklin, Jody Rodriguez and F.W. (Pete) Prentice.

The election for two directors for the West Coke County Hospital District has three candidates having filed. Barbara Chesney, a incumbent, has filed for reelection. The other two candidates who have filed for a place on the hospital board are Dale Wojtek and Richard Johnson.

Names on the school trustee ballot for the two vacancies are Jeffie Roberts, incumbent, John Jacobs and Ray Aldridge.

CHEESE, BUTTER TO BE GIVEN AWAY

Cheese and butter will be distributed to the elderly on Thursday, March 10 and Friday, March 11 from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. at the Old Rec Hall in Robert Lee.

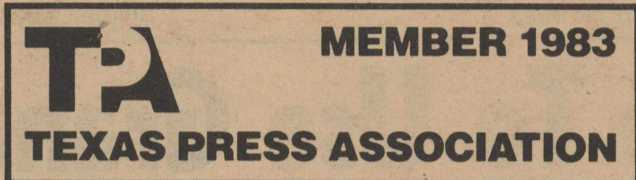
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Attractors Help Fishing Results

Fish attractors produce the best results in ponds or lakes containing little or no natural cover, according to Billy Higginbotham, fisheries specialist for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. As bait fish are attracted to the cover, crappie, bass and catfish follow. Several species of sportfish may use the attractors for shelter and spawning sites.

Brush or tire reefs are the two types of attractors commonly used in Texas. Brush attractors are the oldest and most popular type. Willow tops and discarded Christmas trees make excellent fish habitat when properly anchored. Additional brush is usually needed every two or three years to keep this type of attractor productive, especially for crappie.

Attractors made of hardwood trees last longer than willow or cedar tops. Limbs can be pruned so the trees are slightly off the bottom, providing relief and structure. Largemouth bass seem to prefer this type attractor.

Tire reefs are constructed by grouping tires together in various configurations. Holes should be drilled in the tires to prevent air pockets and allow the tires to sink easier. A tire reef will last indefinitely without harm to the aquatic environment, Higginbotham says.

Attractors made from a combination of brush and tires often produce excellent results.

Baiting with soured corn or cottonseed cake generally increases the catch of catfish around fish attractors.

Attractors should be placed near underwater points and drop-offs. The size of each attractor is strictly up to the angler, but several small attractors placed at different depths usually give better results than a single large attractor.

Before placing a fish attractor in a favorite pond or lake, be sure

to obtain permission of the owner. For public waters, check with the managing agency to avoid violations of regulations.

While fish attractors do not increase the number of fish in a body of water, they do concentrate certain species already present. Therefore, the odds of filling a stringer are much better.

Workshops On Sewing Planned

Blazers and other tailored jackets are versatile additions to a wardrobe, but "impossible" to sew! At least too difficult to tackle? NOT SO. If you've hesitated to make a blazer because you think it's too hard to do or will take too long, think again. Debbie Stelter, Coke County Extension Agent plans to conduct blazer construction workshops in March and April. Participants will construct their blazers at the workshops using new, quick and easy ready-to-wear techniques.

Beginning sewing workshops are also being planned for spring. If you've never sewed or haven't in years, this is the perfect opportunity to learn and/or brush up on proper techniques.

For more information and registration, call the Coke County Extension Office at 453-2461.



A cup of vinegar can absorb cigar, cigarette and pipe odors.



A delightful way to present a dip to your party guests is inside a scooped out pepper.

Agriculture Week Set For March 18-24

Zeroing in on the economic difficulties of Texas family farmers and ranchers, Governor Mark White and Agriculture Commissioner Jim Hightower have issued a joint proclamation declaring March 18-24 "Texas Agriculture Week."

The observance will coincide with National Agriculture Week and with National Agriculture Day, March 21. Hightower said the Agriculture Department will be sponsoring a series of activities during the week. Plans include agricultural exhibits in the State Capitol rotunda, a March 19 Agriculture Fair in conjunction with the Austin-Travis County Livestock Show and Rodeo, a House/Senate cow-milking contest and a major farm policy statement by White and Hightower.

"This is not a celebration," White cautioned. "You don't celebrate when people are in trouble, and our farmers and ranchers are in serious trouble. This observance is to call to the public's attention the plight of our family farmers and ranchers and, hopefully, to rally public support for steps we can take to turn things around for them, whether it's here or in Washington."

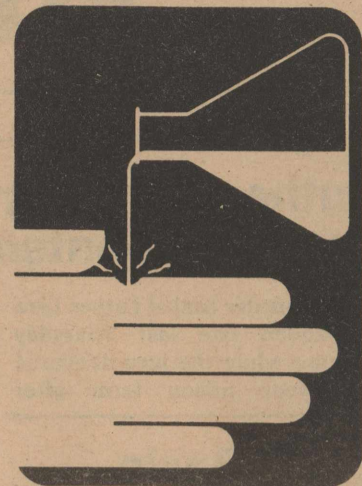
"This observance is not just for rural folks," Hightower explained. "It's for all of us. The food and fiber industry accounts for

one out of every five jobs in Texas, in both urban and rural areas, and our farmers and ranchers are the biggest consumers in the state. When the farm economy is depressed-- and it's certainly depressed now-- it directly affects the economy of the entire state. We've all got a stake in reviving our farm and ranch economy, and it's not enough to sit around and wring our hands. There's a job to be done, and I'm especially pleased that the Governor is eager to work closely with us on turning things around for our family farmers and ranchers. And this proclamation is our invitation to all Texans to join with us in the effort."

Although the number of microwave ovens in use is at an all time high, many consumers still question their safety. "Yet the microwave oven is the only product to show zero incidence of injury under the federal government's National Electronic Injury Surveillance System," says Bonnie Piernot, a family resource management specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas A&M University System. According to Piernot, recent research suggests that consumers should be more concerned about the hazards resulting from how they use the microwave oven than its manufacture. Consumers can easily insure safe use of the appliance by following the recommendations in their service manual. When in doubt about a potential

microwave hazard, Piernot suggests that consumers contact their county Extension home economist.

Safety Corner



Ag Chemicals Safety

Agricultural chemicals are indispensable to modern agriculture. They must be used carefully and with appropriate protective gear to avoid harmful contact.

Always read and follow label directions. Use recommended personal protective equipment. Wear long trousers, a sleeved shirt and a hat that cannot absorb dust or liquids.

Some pesticides require that you use a respirator. Use the correct one for the materials you are using. Check with your dealer.

When using anhydrous ammonia, protect your eyes with the proper goggles. Keep water handy. It's the only effective first aid in case of a mishap.

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Of Stephenville, Texas

MARCH 20-23



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ASU Judging Team Is Winner At Houston

The Angelo State University wool judging team won championship honors in intercollegiate competition at the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo recently.

Contestants were awarded points on their ability to grade fleeces for fineness, variability, longness, character, purity and yield; place six classes of wool with four fleeces each; and defend their placings in two classes by giving reasons.

ASU has entered a wool judging team for seven years; have won two championships and reserve championship three years. The only two wool judging contests in the United States are held in Houston and Denver, Colo.

Members of this year's wool judging team, under the supervision of Dr. Gil Engdahl, are Gary Bishop, Brady, Terry Cramer, Mertzon; Les Broyles, Cherokee; Mindi McCabe and Jimmy Fontenot, both of Water Valley and Bill Pittman of Crane.

Mindi, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred McCabe Jr. of Water Valley Route, Robert Lee, placed fourth in the reasons and placings category.

Lake Spence Fishing News

PAINT CREEK MARINA

High Sky Bass Club Tournament 3-5 and 3-6. Saturday (3-5-83) 37 fishermen entered.

Big Bass, 4 lb. 12 oz. Jack Furrb.

Big String, 11.48 lbs., Jack Furrb.

Sunday (3-6-83), 37 Fishermen entered.

Big Bass, 5.12 lb., Jack Furrb.

Big String, 11.48 lbs., Jim Crownova.

Other catches reported:

Gordon Schmitt, Midland, 1 black bass, 4 lb. 2 oz.

Dale Whisenant, Midland, 1 black bass, 4 lb. 2 oz.

WILDCAT FISH-A-RAMA

Robert Perry, Hamlin, 1 channel cat, 6 3/4 lb.

HILLSIDE GAS & GRUB #2

Charles Sherrill, Robert Lee, 15 crappie, 1 black bass.

D.W. Parker and Party, Robert Lee, 102 white bass and 15 black bass, 2 to 4 lb.

H.T. Edwards and Jeff Smith, Odessa, 1 striper 22 lb. and 50 channel cat and crappie.

Mrs. Leslie Wink was taken to Angelo Community Hospital by ambulance on Sunday night after a piece of meat lodged in her throat. Efforts to extract the food failed and she was transferred to San Angelo. Doctors there used tenderizer and alcohol to help dissolve and dislodge the meat.

Buy and Sell with Want Ads



LOOK WHO'S NEW

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Brasuel of San Angelo have announced the arrival of their son, William Clint. He was born at Angelo Community Hospital on March 4, weighing 8 oz. 5 oz. and measured 20 inches long. He has joined a brother and a sister at home, Eddie and Melissa, both 3 1/2 years old.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Baker and Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Brasuel, all of Robert Lee, are the new baby's grandparents.

Great-grandparents are Mrs. Opal Baker, Robert Lee, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Preston, San Angelo, and Mrs. M.R. Brasuel of Odessa.

Michael Craig is the new baby son of Cynthia and Mike Davis. He weighed 7 lb. 10 oz. and measured 20 1/2 inches long on his arrival at Angelo Community Hospital on March 7 at 5:55 a.m.

The couple have two other children, Angela and Trampas.

Pleased grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. P.B. Middlebrook of Anson and Mr. and Mrs. Add Davis of Robert Lee.

The baby's great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Davis of Robert Lee and Mrs. Sylvia Middlebrook of Anson.

Fronie Sue and David Eastep of Houston have named their first child, David Michael. Born at Spring Branch Memorial Hospital on March 3 at 2:15 p.m., he weighed 9 lb. 9 oz. and was 20 1/2 inches long.

His grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Jack Raymond and Larry Eastep, all of Houston.

Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Davis of Robert Lee and Mr. and Mrs. Jack D. Raymond of Kingland are the baby's great-grandparents.

Mr. and Mrs. Sparks Burdett of Bronte are the proud parents of a son, John Albert, born Tuesday, March 8 at 3:00 p.m. in Angelo Community Hospital, San Angelo. He weighed 7 lbs. 15 ounces. He is welcomed by Valene, his 17 month old sister.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Dwain Pruitt of Bronte and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Burdett of San Angelo.

A great-grandmother is Ella Pruitt of Bronte.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Graves of Bronte are the proud parents of a new son, Dalton Dale. He was born at Angelo Community Hospital on Feb. 18 at 12:25 p.m. On his arrival, the baby weighed 8 lb. 1 oz. and was 20 1/2 inches long. He has a brother, Larry Wayne, who is five years old.


Mr. and Mrs. Gorman Walker of Robert Lee and Mr. and Mrs. O.B. Graves of Orient are the happy grandparents.

Great-grandparents are Charles Farris and Louis Baker Sr., both of Bronte.



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Zee Family Pack Napkins 360 ct. pkg. \$1.69
Zee Nice & Soft Toilet Tissue 4 roll pkg. \$1.29

Bacon Dankworth
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State Tax Board Announces New Program

Kenneth Graeber, executive director of the State Property Tax Board (SPTB), today announced the beginning of a statewide program for 1983 to inform property owners in Texas of their rights, remedies and responsibilities as taxpayers.

In conducting the multifaceted program, Graeber said, SPTB will be working with appraisal districts, local tax offices and the state's news media to help make Texans aware of property rendition requirements, available tax relief measures and of what property owners must do to obtain any tax relief to which they are entitled.

"It is important that taxpayers file renditions and applications for tax relief by May 2 this year," Graeber said.

"Major changes in the state's tax laws are effective last year with implementation of the Texas Property Code and the new central appraisal districts," he noted.

Graeber said that provisions of the code not only make it possible for taxpayers to file all exemption applications and property renditions with one office in a county rather than with multiple tax offices, but also permit one-time applications for homestead exemptions and special open-space land valuation, rather than annual applications as previously required.

However, the tax official said that in appraisal districts which did not implement their operations in 1982, requirements for taxpayers to file renditions and applications will differ. In all except 15 of the state's 254 counties, he said, appraisal districts were in full operation in 1982. Fourteen of the remaining districts started full operations this year, and the Harris County Appraisal District began serving a portion of that county.

In districts which began full operation in 1982, property owners who received homestead exemptions and open-space ("1-d-1") land valuation last year need not apply again for 1983, unless the chief appraiser requests confirmation of current qualification by sending a notice and an appropriate application form, or unless their eligibility has changed.

Graeber noted, though, that applications must be made this year for homestead exemptions and 1-d-1 valuation by taxpayers who have never received them on their present homes or land and by property owners in the 165 appraisal districts implementing for the first time this year.

Applications for disabled veterans' exemptions and agricultural ("1-d") valuation must be made annually in all appraisal districts.

The 15 districts Graeber listed as implementing this year are Bexar, Glasscock, Gray, Harris (partial implementation), Hartley, Jasper, Jeff Davis, King, Leon, McMullen, Moore, Oldham, Rockwall, Stonewall and Zapata Counties.

Exemption applications should be filed with the appraisal district office, or, in the case of Harris County, with the District or appropriate local tax offices.

"State law also requires any person who owns or manages income-producing personal property on January 1 to file a rendition statement with the appraisal district," Graeber said.

Special rendition procedures pertain to property on which an exemption applicable on January 1 terminates during the tax year.

In such a case, the person who owns or acquires the property on the date eligibility for the exemption terminates must render the property for taxation within 30 days.

Additionally, the chief appraiser may require rendition of other taxable property upon notice to the owner or manager.

Transportation companies subject to regulation by the Railroad Commission must render the value of their intangible property to the State Property Tax Board.

Banks and railroads must file special rendition statements with the appraisal district chief appraiser.

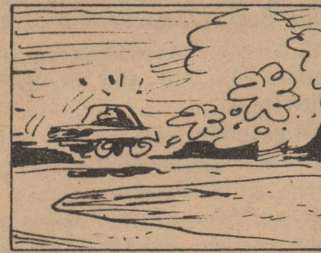
Graeber said rendition forms are available from appraisal district offices or local tax offices in Harris County. Transportation businesses may obtain property report forms from the SPTB.

Complete information on available tax exemptions and rendition requirements for the general public is contained in "Taxpayers' Rights, Remedies, Responsibilities," a pamphlet produced by the SPTB.

The pamphlet also includes suggestions on how to prepare and present an appeal to the appraisal review board and is available at no charge from appraisal district offices or from the SPTB in Austin.

"The property tax is the primary source of local government revenue in Texas," Graeber noted. "It will generate about \$7 billion this year to help fund operations of public schools, cities, counties and special districts."

We urge all property owners to become familiar with the tax process, to file renditions and to apply for all exemptions or other tax relief measures to which they are entitled," Graeber concluded.



An automobile traveling 30 miles per hour will go 44 feet in the space of a single second.

BLAME

All blame is a waste of time. No matter how much fault you find with another, and regardless of how much you blame him, it will not change you. The only thing blame does is to keep the focus off you when you are looking for external reasons to explain your unhappiness or frustration. You may succeed in making another feel guilty of something by blaming him, but you won't succeed in changing whatever it is about you that is making you unhappy.

STATEMENT OF INTENT TO CHANGE RATES

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The proposed changes in rates will affect all customer classes and are designed to increase the Company's gross intrastate revenues by approximately 15 percent annually.

A complete set of revised rate schedules has been filed with the Public Utility Commission at Austin, Texas, and is available for public inspection in each of the Company's Business Offices in the State of Texas. A summary of the Company's rate filing has also been sent to the Mayor's Office of each affected Municipality.

General Telephone

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Mr. and Mrs. Rick E. Crowell

Debra Caulder, Rick Crowell Exchanged Vows February 19

Debra Karen Caulder and Rick E. Crowell exchanged wedding vows Saturday, Feb. 19, 1983 in a chapel in Oklahoma City at 5:30 in the evening. Rev. Dick Fisher officiated the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Wanda Caulder of Merkel and Alvin D. Caulder of Bronte. Mr. and Mrs. John Conley of Holly, Colo. are the parents of the groom.

Given in marriage by her father the bride wore a mid-length, candlelight lace trimmed dress with a high neck and long sleeves and full gathered skirt. She wore a white, double carnation and yellow rose corsage and carried two long stemmed yellow roses which she presented to the mothers.

Attending the bride as matron of honor was Mrs. Dona Caulder of Hennessey, Okla., aunt of the bride.

Serving the groom as best man was Rick Hendrix of Edmond, Okla.

Tonya Caulder, sister-in-law of the bride, registered guests.

A reception dinner was served

at the Cattle Rustler's Steak House. Immediately following the dinner, a wedding cake was cut and served at the newly wed couple's home. The two tiered cake was decorated with yellow rosebuds, baby's breath and wedding bells.

The bride is a 1978 graduate of Robert Lee High School and is employed by Sun Exploration & Production Co.

The groom is a 1971 graduate of Holly High School in Colorado and a 1974 graduate of Oklahoma State Tech at Okmulgee, Okla. He is employed by Safeway, Inc.

Grandparents of the bride are Curtis Walker and the late Mrs. Walker of Robert Lee, Mrs. Hazel Caulder and Lewis Caulder, both of Bronte. Mrs. Onie Adams, resident of the Bronte Nursing Home, is the bride's great-grandmother.

West Coke Hospital News

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

March 1: Era Kennedy and Santiago Munoz admitted. Grace Boykin dismissed.

March 2: Amanda O'Rear admitted and Dola Wood dismissed.

March 3: No admissions or dismissals.

March 4: No admissions and Era Kennedy and Santiago Munoz dismissed.

March 5: Elsie Adams admitted. Lilly Gaines and Amanda O'Rear dismissed.

March 6: No admissions or dismissals.

March 7: Dortha Hutchinson admitted and Elsie Adams dismissed.

Former County Resident Buys Pigs at Houston

Robert Holland of Houston, formerly of Robert Lee, purchased hogs belonging to two Bronte boys during the Houston Stock Show. Holland who was reared in Robert Lee and graduated from RLHS, is now a Houston lawyer and is on the swine auction committee. When he saw hogs on the list, belonging to Cody Hartman and Gary Blair, he immediately bid on them himself.

Holland's mother, Mrs. Polly Holland, still resides in Robert Lee and says he still has strong feelings for Coke County.

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The University of Texas M.D. Anderson Hospital and Tumor Institute's Cancer Information Service (CIS), the statewide telephone line that answers Texans' questions about cancer, now has a phone number that spells its purpose.

This easily recalled number will help make the CIS more accessible to the general public, according to Jo Ann Ward, director of the M.D. Anderson CIS.

"The CIS will still be providing the same kind of current, factual cancer information, but it is our hope that now we will be able to serve even more people who have questions about cancer-- a disease which in some way affects two of every three families," said Ward.

"The M.D. Anderson CIS will share this phone number with 20 other CIS offices across the country, allowing Texans to pass it on to out-of-state friends and relatives who automatically will be connected to the CIS office serving their area."

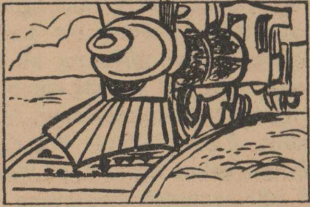
Only people calling 1-800-4-CANCER from within Texas will be connected directly to the M.D. Anderson office.

Established in 1975 as a public education program of UT M.D. Anderson Hospital, the CIS's goal is to enable people to have immediate access to the latest information about cancer. In addition to providing assistance over the telephone, the CIS also mails free, printed materials about cancer to callers who request it, serves as a source of referral to community services for cancer patients and their families and is a contact point for the latest information about cancer research.

Over the years, the CIS staff of trained volunteers has assisted more than 50,000 Texans with their cancer concerns.

The M.D. Anderson CIS is just one part of a nationwide network of offices, based at major cancer centers and funded by the National Cancer Institute. Included in this network are 21 regional offices serving 65 percent of the nation's population. The rest of the nation is served by an office operated at the National Cancer Institute, which also handles late-night calls until midnight (Eastern time), and weekend calls. Since the program began these offices have fielded more than a million calls.

One sign of a quality day care center is a philosophy of parent involvement, says Delores Stegelin, a family life education specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas A&M University System. If a day-care director or teacher does not want the parent to observe or be involved, this may be a negative sign. Most successful day-care directors welcome the questions and concerns of parents, adds Stegelin.



Forerunners of the modern railroad's steel rails were wooden planks, some faced with strips of iron.

IRS Interest Rates Change

Since January 1, 1983, the rate of interest on overpayments or underpayments of taxes is set twice a year, the IRS said, based on the average adjusted prime rate during the six-month periods ending September 30 and March 31.

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The rate based on the period ending September 30 will go into effect January 1, and the rate based on the period ending March 31 will go into effect July 1.

Previously, the IRS says, the rate was set annually by October 15 and equaled the average prime interest rate for the pre-

vious month. Under this procedure, the rate was 20 percent for the period February 1 to December 31, 1982.

Also, all interest is now compounded daily.

The interest rate for the first six months of 1983 is 16 percent, compounded daily.

TEXAS GARDENER TIPS

Build a Strawberry Factory in a Basket

You may have the wrong soil and conditions in your yard for growing strawberries, but here's a solution that should bring anyone in Texas success—build your own strawberry factory in a hanging basket! All you need is a large, wire-type basket, a good potting mix, sphagnum moss, fertilizer, and several healthy plants.

Choose the same types of plants you would use if you were planting them in the ground. In South, Central and much of East Texas, the varieties Sequoia, Tioga, and the newly-developed Cardinal do well. Sunrise, a heat- and drought-resistant variety, is well adapted to

North, Central and East Texas. If you garden in the colder areas of the state, the more hardy Ogallala and Fort Laramie are recommended.

Plant your strawberry basket in late winter after severe weather is over (you can plant it earlier if you protect it from the elements).

Line the inside and top edge of the wire basket with moist sphagnum moss an

inch thick to prevent the loss of potting soil. Put



about 2 inches of moist potting soil (not garden soil) in the bottom. Begin planting near the bottom of the basket and work upward in a circular pattern. Poke planting holes through the basket at soil level and insert strawberry plants at 6-inch intervals.

Make sure each plant's roots are in the soil mix and the crown is in the moss lining. Continue the procedure until the basket is filled with soil within 1 inch of the top. Plant the top of the basket with 4 or 5 plants, concentrating the plants more toward the edge of the basket. Water the basket often and fertilize it weekly with a water soluble fertilizer.

Before you know it, you'll have mouth-watering strawberries right from your own back porch.

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VA News Items

In an effort to prevent unnecessary foreclosures, the Veterans Administration is asking all lenders, holders and servicers of VA-guaranteed home loans in Texas to offer veterans borrowers an opportunity to reinstate delinquent accounts through reasonable repayment plans and forbearance.

The VA has learned, in various contacts with delinquent borrowers, that there may not be complete understanding of partial payment regulations. Holders may accept partial payments of the arrears in appropriate circumstances.

In cases where borrowers desire to retain their homes and appear to have the financial ability to do so, VA is urging holders to make reasonable agreements with delinquent borrowers to repay the money in arrears.

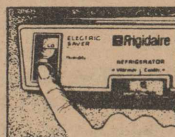
If the loan is insoluble, it may be advisable that the borrower put the property up for sale. In certain instances, holders may postpone foreclosure to allow the borrowers more time to effect a private sale.

Veterans who may find themselves in financial difficulty concerning their GI home loans are encouraged to work with the holder of the loan and the Loan Guaranty Division of the Waco VA Regional Office.

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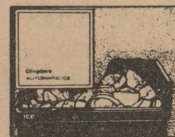
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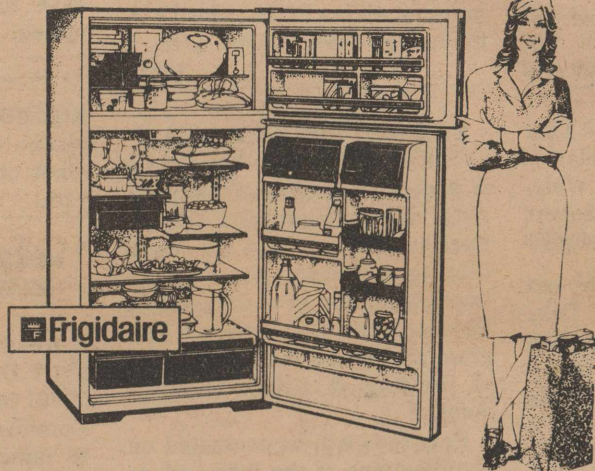
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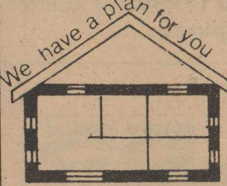


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blade. 453-2494, 205 W. 17th.
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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

The City of Robert Lee, Texas
is accepting proposals for plan-
ning, management, and admini-
strative services and for engi-
neering services required for the
implementation of a Community
Development Block Grant Pro-
gram funded by the Department
of Housing & Urban Develop-
ment.

Proposals will be evaluated on
qualifications of the firm and on
experience in Community Devel-
opment Block Grant work. Propo-
sals will be accepted until 1:00
p.m., March 25, 1983, and will be
reviewed at the City Council
Meeting on March 28 at 7:00
p.m. at which time a contract or
contracts will be awarded. 1tc

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79701 has applied to the Railroad
Commission of Texas for a permit
to inject fluid into a formation
which is productive of oil or gas.
The applicant proposes to inject
fluid into the Swastika Sand,
Salmon, Well Number 1. The
proposed injection well is located
6 miles southeast of Robert Lee
in the Wendkirk (Cisco) Field, in
Coke County. Fluid will be in-
jected into strata in the subsurface
depth interval from -1856 to -1894
feet.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter
27 of the Texas Water Code, as
amended, Title 3 of the Natural
Resources Code, as amended,
and the Statewide Rules of the
Oil and Gas Division of the
Railroad Commission of Texas.

Requests for a public hearing
from persons who can show they
are adversely affected, or re-
quests for further information
concerning any aspect of the
application should be submitted
in writing, within fifteen days of
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Injection Control Section, Oil and
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and the nursing staff for our care
during our recent stay in the
hospital. Also many, many
thanks to our friends who sent
flowers, cards and prayers.

God bless each of you.

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CARD OF THANKS

To all the wonderful people
who remembered me during my
recent illness. I want to say a
heartfelt "Thank You". Your
cards, calls, visits, prayers, flow-
ers, gifts, and food have meant so
much to me.

Lillian Middleton

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IN APPRECIATION

Words cannot express my
thanks to so many dear people
during my illness. The prayers,
so many cards, flowers, phone
calls, gifts, food, and visits-- the
nicest people in the world make
getting well so easy. Thanks to
my family also.

Winnie Pitcock

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Federal Land Bank Decreases Loan Fees

The Federal Land Bank of
Texas announces a decrease in
Bank closed loan fees to 2 percent
on farm loans and 4 percent on
rural residence and farm-related
business loans, effective imme-
diately.

"The loan fee reduction was
made possible by the recent
decrease in our cost of funds,"
said Thomas H. Benson, Land
Bank president.

This reduction follows the Jan.
1, 1983 variable interest rate
reduction to 11.25 percent (from
11.50 percent) on farm loans, and
to 11.75 percent (from 12.00
percent) on rural residence and
farm-related business loans.
Bank closed loan fees had been 4
percent on farm loans and 7
percent on rural residence and
farm-related loans.

The Federal Land Bank of
Texas makes long-term real es-
tate loans throughout the state
through its 55 Federal Land Bank
Associations. The Bank has \$2.4
billion in loans outstanding.

"Iron deficiency is a serious
nutritional problem in Texas,
says Dr. Dymple Cooksey, foods
and nutrition specialist with the
Texas Agricultural Extension Ser-
vice, Texas A&M University
System. Iron deficiency is most
prevalent among low-income
ethnic groups, teenage girls,
infants, and pregnant and nurs-
ing women. Most are deficient,
Cooksey explains, because they
don't eat enough iron-rich foods.
Also, other foods they eat may
interfere with their body's ab-
sorption of iron. To improve iron
deficient diets, Cooksey recom-
mends eating more meat, fish
and poultry in meals, and includ-
ing cereals, fruits and vegetables
in the diet. Eating vitamin C-rich
foods, like citrus fruit, with meals
will help the body absorb iron
from foods, she adds.

AON Meets At Johnson Home

February 21 was the date of the
second regular February meeting
of Alpha Omicron Nu Chapter of
Beta Sigma Phi. Sorority mem-
bers met in the home of Suzanne
Johnson for a business meeting,
cultural program and Pledge
Rituals for Annette Arledge.

Vice President Kaye Pitcock
welcomed guests Jo Runnion,
Beth Prather, Phelan Wrinkle
and Dianne Simpson from AON's
sister sorority Alpha Kappa Pi,
also located in Robert Lee. Presi-
dent Sheri Millican presided over
the business meeting and the
Ritual for Mrs. Arledge. Follow-
ing refreshments, Kristy Roe
gave the program on communica-
tion entitled, "Broken Squares".

AON members were reminded
to ready their "Tacky Bags" for
the next meeting on March 14 at
Gaye Williams' home in prepara-
tion for the "Tacky Bag Social"
later in March. Sheri Millican
and Kaye Pitcock are scheduled
to co-hostess with Gaye and
Tricia Ballew is to give the
program March 14.

Miss White Is Nursing School Graduate

Katherine L. White, daughter
of Mr. and Mrs. O.L. White,
graduated on Friday, Feb. 18,
1983 from Howard College of
Nursing, San Angelo Campus.
She was president of her class
and finished with a grade point
average of 91.2.

Miss White is a 1981 graduate
of RLHS and has been employed
by Shannon Hospital in San
Angelo in the Intensive Care
Unit.

The graduation was attended
by her parents, her brother, Lynn
White and children, Donna and
Shane of Mineral Wells, and
friends from Eden, Silver, and
Robert Lee.

LUNCHROOM MENUS

Monday, March 14: Pigs in the
blanket with mustard, cheese
stick, baked beans, tator tots with
catsup, milk and sliced peaches.

Tuesday, March 15: Spaghetti
with meat sauce, blackeye peas,
carrots, biscuits with butter, milk
and apple.

Wednesday, March 16: Pinto
beans, macaroni and tomatoes,
turnip and greens, cornbread
with butter, milk and peach
cobbler.

Thursday, March 17: Fish
krispies with tartar sauce, corn,
peas, hot rolls with butter, milk
and applesauce.

Friday, March 18: Barbecue
chicken, green beans, cream
potatoes, hot rolls with butter,
milk and peanutbutter supreme.

VFD Makes Monday Run

The Volunteer Fire Depart-
ment made a short run on
Monday about noon to the back of
West Coke County Hospital. A
spokesman surmised burning de-
bris from the incinerator had
fallen into a wooden box contain-
ing oxygen cylinders, setting the
box on fire. The blaze was quickly
extinguished before the contain-
ers could explode.

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Bluebonnet Trail Set For Apr. 9-10, 16-17

The 22nd annual Highland Lakes Bluebonnet Trail is set for April 9-10 and April 16-17. The Trail winds its way through the Hill Country communities of Marble Falls, Kingsland, Llano, Buchanan Dam, Burnet, and Lampasas, where the bluebonnets are sure to be in full bloom.

The map of the Trail is provided by the Highland Lakes Tourist Association so that the lover of bluebonnets will know where the best areas are for viewing. In each of the Bluebonnet Trail communities, a special local arts and crafts fair has been prepared as an added attraction to the natural beauty of the Texas State Flower.

The best way to enjoy the Bluebonnet Trail is to plan a leisurely drive through any parts of the trail, stopping to enjoy the scenery, the points of interest, and the arts and crafts fairs. There are no admission charges to enjoy the flowers and no specific order in which the trail should be followed.

A special Bluebonnet Trail Bus Tour has been planned for those who prefer to travel with a group. These tours will leave the Austin Chamber of Commerce at 9:00 a.m. each morning of the Trail, April 9, 10, 16, and 17, and return at 5:00 p.m. The Bus Tour will include the best of the Bluebonnet Fields, stops for photos, stops at several arts and crafts fairs, and a luncheon.

For a free map and brochure of the Bluebonnet Trail, or for more information on the Bus Tour, write the Highland Lakes Tourist Association at: Bluebonnet Trail, P. O. Box 1967, Austin, Texas 78767.

Gov. White Receives First Easter Seals

Today, Governor Mark White was presented the first sheet of the 1983 Easter Seals by the 1982 Texas Easter Seal Poster Child, Jaylee Murr. It has always been a tradition with the Texas Easter Seal Society that the Governor of the State of Texas does the honor of opening the annual Easter Seal Appeal in this manner.

The Campaign, which begins March 1 and continues through April 30, is highlighted by the National Easter Seal Telethon on March 27, 1983. The Spring Campaign enables the Society and its affiliates to provide therapy, orthopedic equipment, treatment and evaluation to disabled children and adults in Texas. It also helps to fund the Easter Seal Action Line, a toll-free number to call for information and/or assistance.

SEED LAW PROTECTS COTTON VARIETIES—Cotton producers, ginners and others who sell and use farmer-caught seed for planting purposes should become familiar with state and federal seed laws, says a cotton specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas A&M University System. The U.S. Plant Variety Protection Act created in 1970 offers some protection to owners or breeders of seed varieties. One objective of the PVPA is to provide plant breeders and seed companies a means of recovering some of the investment cost encountered in developing a variety. Thus they have a greater incentive to direct more time and money into the development of superior varieties for farmers.

AG POLICY ALTERNATIVES

President Reagan's chief economic analyst for agricultural programs outlined four policy alternatives for dealing with the nation's agricultural crisis at a recent bankers conference at Texas A&M University. These were a strong free market orientation, mandatory controls on agricultural production, massive export subsidies, and evolution of policy (developing policy along the way). All of these have a "bad taste" to them, but one or more may be necessary for longterm improvement in agriculture, said Dr. Glenn Nelson. He stressed the need for helping with world economic recovery and keeping prices of U.S. agricultural products competitive in the world market.

CRITICAL AG ISSUES DISCUSSED—Vernon Peckham, with the Republic National Bank of Dallas and a member of the Governor's Task Force on Agricultural Development (established by former governor Bill Clements) listed seven critical issues facing Texas agriculture during an address at the recent Farm and Ranch Credit Conference at Texas A&M University. They are water, energy, capital, production efficiency, transportation, land and marketing. He also outlined several general recommendations of the task force, including increasing state funding for agricultural research and education, establishing incentives for the conservation of natural resources, and improving agricultural information systems.

Lamb Cook-Off Being Planned

The 6th Annual Lamblast, the Original World Championship Lamb Cook-Off, will be held Saturday, April 16, 1983 at Goodfellow Recreation Camp on San Angelo's Lake Nasworthy.

Entries are now being accepted and entry forms and rules are available from the Lamblast Committee. Entry fee is \$25 per team, with a 75-team limit. Each team is limited to a maximum of eight members.

Cook-off officials said there would be only one cooking division, open to all contestants. Meat for the cook-off contest will be furnished by the committee and will be available from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. on April 15 and from 8 a.m. until noon on April 16. All cooking must be done at the cook-off site and be certified as cooked on the premises by judges.

Cooking team applications will be accepted on a first come, first serve basis until the deadline of April 9, 1983 is reached or until all cooking space is filled.

Judges for the cook-off will be announced at a later date.

Prizes will be awarded for cooking, showmanship, and in each fun event.



The first radio broadcast in the U.S. was made on Christmas Eve, 1906 by R. A. Fessenden.

Texas Travel Trails Available

Just in time to explore the springtime landscapes of Texas, interpretive folders for the series of pleasure-driven routes called the Texas Travel Trails are being reissued by the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation, after a lapse of several years when the popular folders were unavailable.

The Hill Country and Mountain Trails, which sample some of the state's most spectacular scenery, are the first of the new folders now available, according to Tom H. Taylor, director of the highway department's Travel and Information Division.

"The highway routes as previously established remain the same," he said, "but Trail drivers should find these new folders even more rewarding trip companions." Taylor explained that greater emphasis is devoted to actual driving landscapes - how the hills and mountains came to be, the flora that Trail travelers will be seeing, and the wildlife that inhabits the varied terrain.

The Hill Country Trail ambles through the most dramatic landscapes of the Edwards Plateau west of Austin and north of San Antonio. It bisects Texas' most popular dude ranch and summer camp areas, finds the Lost Maples of Sabinal Canyon, and winds

past the scenic chain of Highland Lakes.

The Mountain Trail explores the mile-high rooftops of Texas in the Trans-Pecos region from El Paso to Big Bend National Park. Mountain Trail drivers will discover the largest volcanic region in Texas, hidden pools of water in the vast desert, and crumbling ruins of frontier cavalry posts.

Taylor said the free Hill Country and Mountain Trail folders are available now at any of the state's dozen tourist bureaus or by mail from TRAILS, Box 5064, Austin 78763. The other renewed Trail folders, exploring eight other distinctive regions of the state, are expected to be available soon.

Free Income Tax Assistance Now Available

If you need assistance with your tax return, the Internal Revenue Service suggests that you visit a Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) site.

VITA is designed to provide free assistance to taxpayers who need help with relatively simple tax returns. The volunteers, who are located in libraries, schools, and similar sites, are trained by the IRS for their volunteer tax work.

Persons desiring this service should telephone the IRS and ask for the location of the nearest VITA site.



NOTICE OF TRUSTEE ELECTION (AVISO DE ELECCION DE REGENTES)

The Robert Lee Independent School District Board of Trustees hereby gives notice of an election to be held on April 2, 19 83, for the purpose of Electing two trustees for a full three year term.

(Por la presente la junta de regentes del distrito escolar independiente da aviso que se llevará a cabo una elección el día 2 de April de 19 83 con el propósito de eleger dos de regentes indicado a un termino completo tres.

ABSENTEE VOTING by personal appearance will begin on 14th March 83, and continue through 29th March 83, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on each day which is not a Saturday, Sunday, or an official state holiday. (VOTACION POR AUSENCIA en persona comenzará el 14th de Marzo de 19 83 y continuará hasta el 29th de Marzo de 19 83 desde las 8 a.m. hasta las 4 p.m. en todos los días que no sean sábado, domingo, o día oficial de vacaciones estatales.)

Absentee voting in person shall be conducted at tax office at the public school building.

Applications for absentee ballots by mail should be mailed to Kay Taylor, Tax Collector Robert Lee Ind. School Dist., Sanco Route, Robert Lee, Texas 76945

(Votando por ausencia personal va ser conducido acerca de la oficina de recaudador de contribucion a la escuela publica.

Solicitudes para una boleta de ausencia por correo deben dar vuelta por correo al Kay Taylor, Tax Collector, Robert Lee Ind. School Dist., Sanco Rt, Robert Lee TX 76945

The POLLING PLACE(S) designated below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on the day of the election. (Los sitios de votación indicados abajo se abrirán desde las 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. el día de la elección.)

Pct. No. (Núm. de precinto) 1 (uno) Location (Colocación) Public School (Escuela Publica)

Mt. Creek Golf Club Report

Mountain Creek Golf Club met in a recent club meeting and approved tournament prices along with other business on the agenda Robert Vaughan reported on the progress of the work being done on the cart paths.

The club expressed their appreciation to everyone who helped with the cart path project, especially to Robert Vaughan and Calvin Sparks for their hours of work.

Four new memberships have been accepted by the group and welcomes were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Proctor, Robert Lee, Brooks Blair, San Angelo, Wesley Duncan, Robert Lee and Roger Proctor of Colorado City.

In a once-in-a-lifetime happening, Jeff Webster, playing with Lawrence Higgins, Mayor Bob Vaughan, Sherman Williams, Gaylon Hall, and John Heck as witnesses, sank a hole-in-one last Saturday.

The remarkable shot was on the 18th hole which measures 144 yards.

The Mountain Creek Golf Club held the first ABC Tournament of the spring season last Sunday. A large entry of 54 players were ready for play, despite strong, dusty winds that began to blow about noon.

Winning the first outing were Todd Butts and Jim Slaughter, both of San Angelo, and Sid Burns of Denver City with a hot 64. Second went to Paul Talley, San Angelo, Frank Percifull, and Clark Tinkler, both of Robert Lee with a respectable 65. Shooting 67 for the third slot were Gaylon Holland, Pam Walker, both of Robert Lee and Ed Martin of San Angelo.

Winners of the ball drawing were Jim Carlock of Colorado City, Truman Hines, and John Heck, both of Robert Lee.

The tournament was sponsored by Robert Lee Pro Shop, managed by Jeff Webster.

Lee Dublin Is Exxon Retiree

Lee S. Dublin with Exxon Company, U.S.A. retired on March 1, 1983 with 22 years of service. He was assigned as maintenance foreman in Midcontinent Production Division, Midland District, Bronte, Texas.

He joined the company in 1961 in Andrews, Texas. Field assignments followed in Monahan, Fort Stockton and Forsan, Texas, and in 1980, he transferred to Robert Lee, Texas.

His hometown is Palestine, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Dublin continue to make their home in Robert Lee.

A dinner is planned in his honor and at that time he will be presented retirement awards.

50 YEARS AGO

W.K. Simpson of Robert Lee will be among the 122 to take part in the 41st annual commencement exercises of Simmons University to be held June 7. He will receive a Bachelor of Arts degree, majoring in business administration and economics.

Jack Trimble and his sister, Mrs. W.W. Vickers, left Saturday for Loraine where they will run a cafe.

Texas has much to be thankful for-- the legislature has adjourned.

For Sale-- Baled hay in good shape, 20c per bale. See me, Clarence Vestal.

Doggone, but we Democrats are going to put old Coke County over the top in spite of 'em. Already there is a little over \$25.00 in the hands of County chairman J.S. Gardner and more coming in every day-- Hurry up, boys, I want to publish the list as soon as it is complete. Mr. Gideon and Mr. Ivey have gotten up some 8 or 10 dollars over at Bronte with more promised. A lot of fellows haven't sold their wool yet and are raring to kick in when they get their money.

Ice Prices-- at the platform, 12 1/2 pounds, 10c, 100 pounds, 50c,-- delivered prices, 25 pounds, 20c, 100 pounds, 60c, Holder Ice Co.

Cemetery Assn. Taking Money For Upkeep

Hayrick Lodge Cemetery Association is again taking annual contributions for use of the upkeep and beautification of the Robert Lee Cemetery.

Much progress has been made in the appearance of the grounds due to donors who have contributed over the years. The association meets regularly to discuss problems and determine how best to utilize the funds available. They welcome any suggestions or comment on the work.

If there are those who would like to help with this project, have family buried here, or would like to make memorials to the Hayrick Lodge Cemetery Association, checks may be made to the association and mailed to Gay Sawyer, Sec/Treas, Box 554, Robert Lee, TX. 76945.

RL SCHOOL HONOR ROLLS

3rd Grade: Eli Arellano, Carrie Davis, Mary Jo Naico and Christie Payne.

4th Grade: Sheree Burns, Emily King and Janet Pentecost.

5th Grade: Tiffany Jameson.

6th Grade: Cody Anthony, Lisa Bower, Ericka Clendennen, Michael Lee and Scott Ray.

"A man with big ideas is a hard neighbor to live with."
Ebner-Eschenbach



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303 can 49c

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Imperial Pure Cane 5 Lb. Bag

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KRAFT GRAPE JELLY

18 oz. jar 85c

Gebhardts Refried Beans, 300 Can

2 for 83c

GENERIC HOT COCOA MIX

12 oz. box 98c

Peanut Butter

Generic 18 Oz. Jar

\$1.09

KRAFTS BAR-B-QUE SAUCE

18 oz. bot. 89c

NABISCO OREO COOKIES

19 oz. pkg. \$1.69

KRISPY CRACKERS

lb. box 79c

Bleach

Parade Gal. Bottle

65c

HI DRI BATHROOM TISSUE

4 roll pkg. 98c

CHEESE

Velveeta 2 Lb. Box

\$3.79

BANQUET POT PIES

each 39c

Ida-Treat Frozen French Fries

2 lb. bag 69c

Bright & Early Juice

Orange Flavored

12 oz. can 69c

Potatoes

10 Lb. Bag

\$1.19

CABBAGE, Texas Green

lb. 12c

AVOCADOS, Medium Size

each 39c

Briskets

Boneless Beef Lb.

\$1.29

GOOCH BACON

lb. pkg. \$1.69

SAUSAGE

Dankworth German Style Ring

\$1.39

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