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Boone, relays highlight Steers' effort at Iraan

A record-setting high jump by Bobby Boone and strong efforts by the Steer relay teams fueled the Robert Lee boys to a second-place finish in the Cactus Relays Saturday in Iraan.

The Steers scored 111 points to come in second behind the Sanderson Eagles who won the team title with 120 points.

Boone high jumped 6-5/4 to set the meet record and take the win in the event while Kirby Rasco finished fourth with a 5-8 effort.

The mile relay unit nabbed the win in that event clocking 3:32.69. Combining for the effort were Greg Grim, Kevin Johnson, Kirby Rasco and Jim Bob Jacobs.

Larry Palmer, Kevin Johnson, Jim Bob Jacobs and Greg Grim teamed up to finish second in the sprint relay with a 46.26 mark.

In the 110-meter high hurdles, Rasco was timed in 16.3 which was good enough for third while Palmer was fifth in the 100-meter

dash with an 11.9 effort.

Taking second place in the 400-meter dash was Jacobs with 52.02 and Johnson finished second in the 330-intermediate hurdles with a 42.72 time and Rasco was fifth with 44.49.

Grim was the No. 3 finisher in the 200-meter dash with 24.58 and Palmer finished fourth with 24.88.

Mitchael Reese came in fifth in the 3,200-meter run with 11:57.88 and Boone was third in the 800-meter run clocking 2:13.5.

Bill Gartman, Luther Lara, Scott Robertson and Boone teamed up to finish sixth in the two-mile relay with 9:37.

Randy Stephens tied the school record in the pole vault with a 13-0 leap and Rasco was third in the long jump at 19-0 3/4.

Boone was sixth in the long jump with 17-11 while Harold Jameson finished sixth in the shot put with 40-7.

Voters make selections in Saturday's elections

Voters elected officials in Saturday's election for the city of Robert Lee, Robert Lee School and the West Coke County Hospital District.

Heaviest voting was in the Hospital Board election as five candidates vied for three at large positions. J.Q. Counts, Bill Helwig and Barbara Chesney were elected to serve on the board.

Counts led the balloting with 223 votes. Helwig received 194 votes and Mrs. Chesney received 158. Pete Smith had 116 votes and George Brickey received 111.

Mayor Robert Vaughan, running unopposed, won re-election with 98 votes and J.T. Carver received one write-in vote. Alice Beaty and Wilson Bryan, also unchallenged, were returned to their seats on the City Council. Mrs. Beaty received 105 votes

and Bryan took 98 votes.

Phil Ray and Joe Flowers, running unopposed, were elected to the Robert Lee School Board. Ray, incumbent received 146 votes and Flowers took 143 votes. Wayland Drennan and John Jacobs each received two write-in votes.

HOLDOVER MEMBERS

Junior high girls fifth in district

Rachel Metcalf took first in the shot put to lead the Robert Lee Junior High girls to a fifth-place finish in the district meet with 77 points.

She also led off the sprint relay which finished third. Also on that unit were Claudette Walker, Lisa Bower and Jodi Waggonner.

Lisa Bower finished second in the 800-meter run, Claudette Walker was third in the 100-meter dash, Ericka Clendennen was third in the 400-meter dash and Shashey Smith was fourth. Johanna Service was fourth in the 200-meter dash and Tracy Hubbard was sixth in the 1,600-meter run.

Kim Hood, Johanna Service, Lisa Bower and Jodi Waggonner combined for a third place finish in the 800-meter relay and Sha-

Members of various boards with time left to serve of their terms include F.W. Prentice, J.A. Dunklin and Jody Rodriguez on the City Council; Mary Herring, Jeffie Roberts, Ray Aldridge, Donnie Robertson and Gaylon Pitcock on the school board and Richard Johnson and Dale Wojtel on the hospital board.

shey Smith, Kim Hood, Ericka Clendennen and Jodi Waggonner teamed up for a third place effort in the 600-meter relay.

Claudette Walker was fifth in the long jump.

Rep. Burnett meets with commissioners

In a regular meeting Monday, April 9, State Representative Dick Burnett met with the Commissioners Court to discuss bills that will come before the next session of the Texas legislature. Some of the bills discussed were the education bill, highway bill, and the possibility of workmen's compensation on farm workers.

The ratification on the oil and gas lease on the Coke County School property in Cochran County was signed and executed.

The commissioner court voted to vacate an old platt of the Walker Heights Sub Division that was filed in the clerk's office 5/16/79 and accept a new platt that was presented with a small change.

Permission was given to provide the money for materials to build new bleachers in the Bronte Baseball Park.

No decision was made on the discussion of an outside audit firm.

The Texas Aeronautics Commission approved a financial assistance grant for \$30,000 to Coke County. The money is to be used for the construction of an apron and stub taxiway and for burying a power line. The commissioners voted to accept the grant.

No action was taken on the Emergency Alert System.

The County Extension Agents' reports were accepted.

Missy Grim qualifies for regional track meet

Missy Grim threw the shot put 29-2 last week in the district track meet to qualify for regional April 18 at McMurry College in Abilene.

She came in second in the event to reach the region meet

while Jana Gartman finished third in the 3,200-meter run with a 15:11.0 to qualify as an alternate in that event.

Bronte won the meet with a team score of 162 while Robert Lee was sixth with 44 points.

Debbie Flowers was fourth in the 3,200-meter run with 15:41, Gayla Sanders was sixth in the 800-meter run with 2:49.9, Nikki Epperson was fourth in the 400-meter dash clocking 67.7, Gayla Sanders was fourth in the 1,600-meter run at 6:41.04 and Dana Anthony was fifth in the shot put with 27-11 3/4. Nikki Epperson also finished sixth in the triple jump with 29-5 1/2.

The 400-meter relay team of Becky Clendennen, Missy Grim, Nikki Epperson and Lee Ann Molinar was timed in 56.41 for fourth while Lin Long, Debbie Flowers, Missy Grim and Jana Gartman clocked 4:52.95 to place fifth in the 1,600-meter relay.

In the 800-meter relay, Becky

Clendennen, Missy Grim, Nikki Epperson and Lee Ann Molinar teamed again to finish sixth in 2:02.45.

Mountain Creek course shaping up

Dusty cold winds have not kept golfers from the local course, but the weather has only allowed a few scattered pretty days for spring play this year.

Conditions continue to improve with general watering, mowing, and repairs. The fairways are gradually greening up.

Angelo Pipe and Supply with sponsor next Sunday's (April 15) ABC Tournament. Entry fee is \$5.00 and tee-off time has been set for 12:30 p.m. All entries must be in 30 minutes before that time.

Rodeo Association to hold meeting

The first meeting and practice playday of the Coke County Rodeo Association's season will be held Saturday, April 14, at 6:00 p.m.

Discussion of the coming events will be the main topic of the meeting. All officers and members need to be present.

Reminder: All membership fees are due on or before the first official playday.

Fishermen brave winds to get bass

High winds hindered the results, but 243 fishermen took part in the Castle Gap Bass Buster's Bass Tournament held last weekend at Lake Spence.

Wind gusts reached 30 mph during the tournament causing waves on the surface of the lake and driving the fish deep but some entrants were successful.

The top bass was caught by James Copeland of Abilene and weighed in at 5.8 pounds. He came in 13th in total weight with the fish.

R.O. Pomroy of Monahans had the heaviest stringer with 12.89 pounds. Second was Morris Stevens of Abilene with 11.45 pounds while Floyd Kaeraer of Abilene was third with 10.27 pounds.

Don Scott of San Angelo was fourth with 10.26 pounds and Scotty McCorkle of Bronte weighed in 9.43 pounds. Sixth was Ken Sanders of San Angelo with 9.39 pounds. Robert Vernor of Camp Wood, and formerly of Robert Lee, was seventh with 8.98 pounds and Sam Keel of San Angelo caught 7.74 pounds of fish.

Ninth place went to T.C. Love of Colorado City with 6.96 pounds and 10th place was won by John Nobels of Midland with 6.92 pounds.

The first-place winner, Pomroy, received \$500 for his effort and Copeland won \$243 on the calcutta for the biggest fish.

Annual pancake supper planned for April 27

The Robert Lee-Silver Lions Club & Coke County 4-H Club Annual Pancake Supper will be held April 27 from 6-8 p.m. in the Robert Lee School Cafeteria.

The annual event helps fund projects of the two clubs and provides Coke County residents with an evening of low-cost entertainment out.

Tickets for the event, which will include food and entertainment, are \$3 for adults and \$2 for children 12 years of age and under and can be purchased at the door or from 4-H Club or Lions Club members.

Entertainment for this year's program has not been announced.

Larned to speak at sports banquet on April 19

Jerry Larned, assistant superintendent of schools at Monahans, will be featured speaker at the Robert Lee High School All-Sports Banquet April 19 at 8 p.m.

Larned has wide experience in the coaching field having coached for 18 years in every UIL classification except "A" and at the

university level. His coaching record is 125-54-8.

Among the honors he has received are West Texas Coach of the Year in 1967, 1973, 1974 and 1976, South Plains Coach of the Year in 1974, Director of the Texas High School Coaches Association in 1973, 1974 and 1975 and was named to the Texas Panhandle Football Hall of Fame

in 1982.

Larned is a graduate of Haskell High School and earned a B.S. degree from North Texas State University and a masters degree from Sul Ross State University in Alpine.

Tickets for the banquet are \$5 and are available at the high school principal's office.

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**Mrs. King dies
 in San Angelo**

Mrs. Bertha Alma King, formerly of Robert Lee, died on Monday evening at Park Plaza Nursing Center in San Angelo.

Funeral services were held on Thursday afternoon in the First United Methodist Church in Robert Lee with burial in the Robert Lee Cemetery. The Rev. Fred Cox officiated, under the direction of Johnson's Funeral Home of San Angelo.

Mrs. King, 89, a Coke County native, had been a Robert Lee resident since 1968. She was born in Sanco September 29, 1894 to Anna Lasswell Breedlove and J. Perry Breedlove who came to Coke County in the mid 1880's. She was one of nine children born to the couple. Their home was at the base of Meadow Mountain. Mr. Breedlove, realizing the

community needed a school, donated land for the site of a one room schoolhouse which was called Meadow Mt. School. It was later absorbed into the Sanco School District.

Mrs. King was married to Tom L. King in Edith in 1912. He preceded her in death in 1956, as well as two children, a daughter Meryl in 1927 and a son, Woodson, in 1959.

Survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Claude (Anna Mae) Hartsell of Zapata, and Mrs. Leonard (Lorraine) Brooks of Truth or Consequences, N.M.; one son, Thomas L. King Jr. and wife, Maragret of Ft. Worth; one sister, Josephine Tucker of Lubbock; two brothers, Ernest Breedlove, Corpus Christi and Jim Breedlove of Christoval; 10 grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren, and numerous nieces and nephews.

Methodists set Easter Program

The First United Methodist Church will host their annual Easter Program on Sunday evening, April 15, at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary.

Members of the congregation will present "The Last Seven Days". The program will include solos by Kay Taylor, accompanied by Lucile Bryan and directed by Ruby Jones.

Refreshments will be served in the Fellowship Hall following the presentation. Everyone in the community is invited to attend.



- Monday, April 16
 - Burritos
 - Tator Tots w/catsup
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 - Peanut Butter Brownies
- Tuesday, April 17
 - Pigs in the Blanket w/mustard
 - Cheese Stick
 - Ranch Style Beans
 - Lettuce Wedge w/dressing
 - Milk
 - Applesauce
- Wednesday, April 18
 - Steak Fingers w/cream gravy
 - Cream Potatoes
 - Green Beans
 - Hot Rolls-Butter
 - Peach Cobbler
- Thursday, April 19
 - Corn Dogs w/mustard
 - Cheese Stick
 - French Fries w/catsup
 - Corn
 - Milk
 - Popsicle

Personal

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Jones of Hermleigh attended the Country and Western Musical Thursday night. The couple are native Coke Countians, but moved away a number of years ago. Jones and his brothers had a band and played a great deal in the area in the '30's.

Mr. and Mrs. R.B. King of El Paso extended their visit in Robert Lee to attend the Country and Western Musical with Willa and S.B. Plumlee.

**School will hold
 pre-kindergarten day**

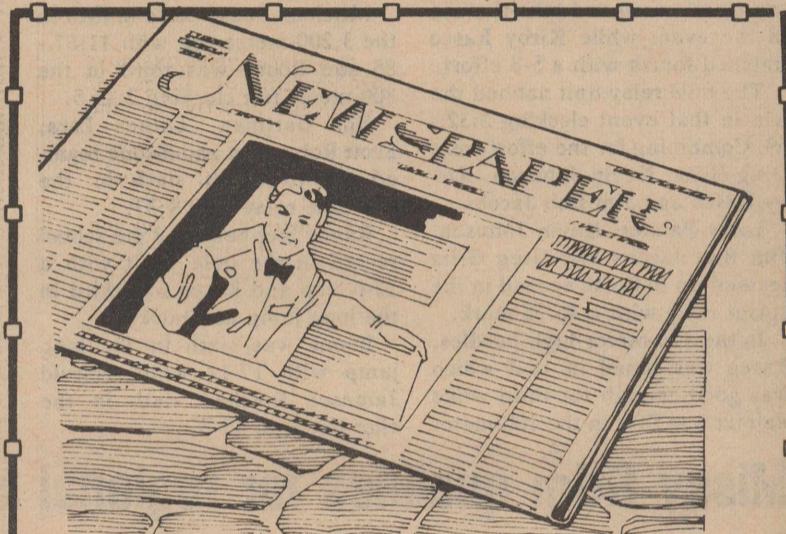
Pre-kindergarten Day for the Robert Lee Elementary School has been announced for May 3. Any child who will be five (5) years of age as of September 1, 1984 will be eligible for kindergarten in the school year 1984-85. Further details of time and registration will be announced later.

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Its cause is often long-term exposure to solar radiation which causes cumulative damage to the skin. This may include the triggering of skin cancer. If you have fair skin and red or blond hair, you are more vulnerable to sunburn and skin cancer than persons with dark skin, eyes and hair.

Skin tumors may be benign (non-cancerous), precancerous (capable of developing into cancer if untreated) or malignant (cancerous). The most common precancerous lesions are red, scaly patches that appear on sun-damaged areas such as the face. They are called actinic, solar, or senile keratoses.

The three basic types of skin cancer are:

- **Basal cell carcinoma.** This is the most common skin cancer. These cancers usually appear as small, pearly nodules on the head, neck, cheeks, back or arms.

- **Squamous cell cancer.** Appearing as nodules or red, scaly plaques, squamous cell cancer most often develops on the face, lips, mouth and ears. Squamous cell carcinoma may spread to distant areas through lymph channels.

- **Melanoma.** Most serious but relatively rare, melanoma is very apt to spread. Melanoma most often ap-



Early diagnosis and protection from excessive sun exposure is essential in fighting skin cancer.

pears as irregular dark brown or black mole-like growths on the upper back, torso and lower legs, as well as the head and neck.

A dermatologist will be able to identify the type of skin cancer, and offer a variety of treatments. Most can be performed in the dermatologist's office.

- **Surgery.** Removal of precancerous or cancerous lesions.

- **Topical chemotherapy.** Application of drugs or chemicals directly to the skin.

- **Systemic chemotherapy.** Use of oral or intravenous tumor-killing drugs.

- **Electrodesiccation and curettage.** Removal of the bulk of the tumor with a surgical instrument, followed by destruction of remaining lesion with a high frequency current.

- **Cryosurgery.** Destruction of the lesion by freezing with liquid nitrogen.

- **X-ray therapy.** Today, 95 percent of all skin cancer patients are cured after treatment, and dermatologists hope to increase this rate.

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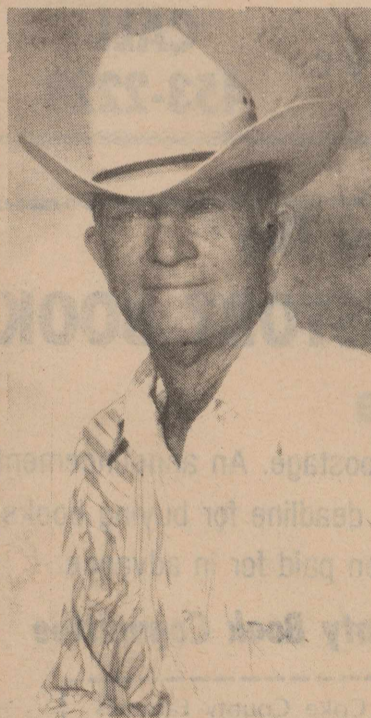


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St. Jude's Bike-A-Thon slated April 28

According to Co-Chairmen Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Bryant, the Coke County Bike-A-Thon for the St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital has been scheduled for Saturday, April 28. Pledge sheets for those who will ride in the event will be available at the principals' offices at both the Bronte and Robert Lee Schools.

Robert Lee bike riders will leave the roadside park just east of the Highway Department Headquarters on Highway 158 and progress toward Bronte.

Bronte participants will begin their ride west toward Robert Lee from the mini-park in downtown Bronte.

The 1984 motto is "Wheels For Life". Everyone is urged to get on the band wagon for this worthy cause-- both riders and businesses or organizations, even

individuals, who will pledge donations to the kids who are willing to attempt the strenuous ride.

Danny Thomas, star of movie and TV productions, is the founder of St. Jude's Research Hospital in Memphis, Tennessee and continues to make the cause his #1 public service interest. The hospital centers its efforts on dread diseases of children, especially cancer, and accepts all children for treatment regardless of ability to pay. The treatment center feels that family life should remain as constant as possible for the young patients and helps to furnish temporary living facilities for parents.

Time of the Bike-A-Thon and a list of prizes for winners will be announced in next week's

Observer.

Methodists schedule revival

The First United Methodist Church of Bronte will have a pre-Easter revival April 15-18.

Rev. Wesley Putnam, evangelist from Plainview, Texas, will be conducting a series of services entitled "DAYSPRING". "DAYSPRING" is taken from the Gospel of Luke 1:78. It is an old English word meaning "sunrise" and is symbolic of new beginnings. The "Good News" is that Jesus Christ the only begotten Son of God came to set us free and to give us a new beginning - our own "DAYSPRING".

Wesley is a singing and preaching evangelist, composer, dramatist, musician, and has recorded many of his own songs.

51st grand jury returns indictments

The 51st District Court Grand Jury returned seven indictments after last week's session in the Coke County Courthouse in Robert Lee.

Indictments and charges include: Rey Cruz of Robert Lee, burglary of a habitation, Kenny Loftin, Bronte, aggravated sexual assault of a child; Ray Mundell, indecency with a child; and Charles Edward Peckham, Bronte, aggravated sexual assault of a child.

Also, Gerald Ray Barbee, aggravated sexual assault of a child.

4-H rifle club shows improvement

Coke County 4H Rifle Club shot for scores Sunday and Monday. Improvement was shown for the two days. In the prone position, Warren Brasher, 229 to 232; Jeff Cole, 221 to 176 (drop); Brent McPeck, 210 to 179 (drop); Jason Wink, 68 to 81; Jody Brasher, 173 and Stevie Oleksiuk, 205.

The rifle team of Kerri Bilbrey, Claudette Walker, Tina Hines and Becky Padgett, practiced the three-position shooting. They will all go to Stephenville April 15 for a match shooting.



Soil Conservation Service News

"One of problems is soil moisture retention", says Allen Bloodworth, who ranches near Silver. One of the biggest thieves of soil moisture in the Coke County Soil and Water Conservation District is brush. Research has shown that most brush species use up to three times as much water as grass does to grow equivalent weights. "I expect to see an improvement in grass production where I control the brush," says Bloodworth.

In an effort to control brush, Bloodworth applied Grasslan to 320 acres of sand shinnery. This chemical has worked very well in other areas and should help increase forage production in this area. "You can't ever stop working against brush or it will

catch you," said Bloodworth.

Bill McCoy has completed rootplowing and seeding about 40 acres of rangeland on his ranch east of Bronte. The rootplowing was done to control mesquite and mixed brush. Sideoats grama, K.R. bluestem, and Kleingrass were seeded in conjunction with roller chopping. This pasture will be rested during the growing season to give the seeded grasses an opportunity to become well established, develop a strong root system, and produce a seed crop. This is a part of McCoy's conservation plan with the Coke County Soil and Water Conservation District. He is a participant with the Great Plains Conservation Program.



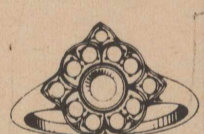
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JUST LIKE SMALL CHILDREN, young tomato plants need some extra care to guarantee growth into mature, fruit-bearing plants.

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Tender loving care can be a hard thing to judge, but the necessities for successful tomato growing are pretty straightforward.

According to the Ortho book, "All About Tomatoes," there are six critical factors involved in growing good tomatoes. Here's a look at those factors and some advice on each:

- **Water** — Water is an obvious necessity, but it can be difficult to judge whether you're giving the plant too much or too little.

With too much water the roots will drown, especially if the soil is too heavy. With too little, tomato production will

stop altogether. The key to successful growth is a continuous and uniform supply of water.

If your plants are in shallow, sandy soil, you may need to water as often as twice a week. If the soil is heavy, once a week or less may do the trick.

Regardless of your soil type, there are two things you should do — water at regular intervals; and water deeply and thoroughly each time.

Sporadic watering is often the cause of tomato disease — blossom end rot, for example. Thorough, even waterings, however, encourage the plant to build a deep root base for strength against disease and drought.

- **Nutrients** — Tomatoes can also be fed with fertilizers.

Because soil types vary greatly all over the country, it is difficult to give any one prescription for fertilizing.

One factor that remains fairly constant regardless of location, however, is the need of young plants for phosphorus.

When you set out plants, apply phosphorus (P) in one of three ways — mix the fertilizer in with the soil before planting, side-dress the transplants with fertilizer after planting, or water the new

plants with a starter solution containing phosphorus.

- **Air** — Air may be the most important factor in the growth of a tomato plant. If roots don't receive enough air, the plant will suffocate. Insufficient air is usually attributable to the heavy clay soil in which a great many tomato plants are grown.

To change the composition of heavy clay soil, add organic material such as peat moss, sawdust, ground bark, compost, or manure. Organic material will open up dense clay soils, improving drainage and

allowing air to move through out more easily.

When making your soil mix, remember that a dab of peat moss here and there won't be any help. To really change the soil's structure, it is necessary to work in the organic matter to a depth of six inches.

- **Sunlight** — Like almost all plants, tomatoes need good sunlight for good growth. The ideal amount of sunlight for tomatoes is eight continuous hours a day.

- **Temperature** — Tomatoes are happy within a fairly

wide range of temperatures during the day, but at night the range for a successful fruit set narrows to 55 to 75 degrees.

- **Protection** — Tomatoes are subject to a number of evils, including extreme temperature changes, strong winds, hungry birds and animals, weed competition, and a host of pests and diseases.

If you've met the first five requirements, your plants will be better equipped to fend for themselves, but they will still need some tender loving care and protection along the way.

TEXAS GARDENER TIPS

Tips For Getting Better Results With Sweet Corn

There is nothing quite as delicious as homegrown sweet corn at its peak of quality and flavor.

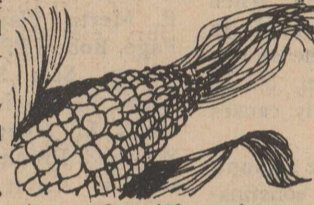
Many home gardeners have problems growing corn, however, so don't fully realize the joys of eating just-picked corn. Here are tips on how to avoid some of the problems associated with growing corn.

First of all, plant only varieties that are adapted and recommended for Texas conditions. Calumet, Guardian, Florida Stay-sweet, and Silver Queen will all do well in Texas.

One of the biggest mistakes that gardeners make is planting their sweet corn in long rows rather than in a block. A couple of rows of corn on the north side of a

garden will prevent the tall growing corn from shading lower growing plants, but it will also result in poorly filled ears.

Remember that corn is wind-pollinated, and pollination occurs when pollen



is transferred from the tassels at the top of the plants to the silks found on the ends of the ears. Each immature kernel on the cob has its own silk. For each kernel to properly develop, a grain of pollen must land on each silk. Complete pol-

lination will result in a well-filled ear.

Since corn pollen is relatively heavy and won't blow very far, planting in blocks will help ensure that sufficient pollen will be available from adjacent plants to help avoid "all cob and no corn" come harvest time.

Timing of planting is also important. Plant sweet corn after all danger of frost has passed. Some gardeners plant a week or so earlier since the plants can withstand a frost or even a light freeze.

However, cold temperatures during germination and seedling growth will result in smaller, less productive plants. Also, cold and wet soils will often

cause the seed to rot and necessitate replanting.

Earlier planting during unfavorable weather conditions will not result in an earlier harvest. Good advice to follow is the old timers' saying, "Plant corn when the leaves on oak trees are as big as a mouse's ear."

To help control the corn earworm, the most important thing to remember is to start applications of either Sevin or mineral oil early, when the silks first appear, and to repeat applications to the silks every 3 days until the ears mature.

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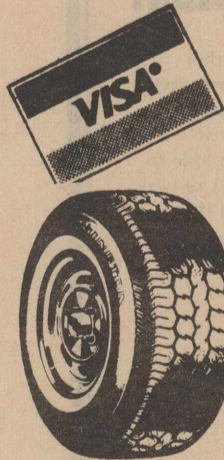
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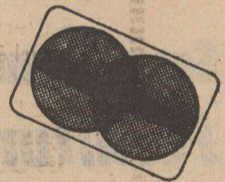
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NEW CATTLE WORMING DRUG AVAILABLE

A new compound is now available for controlling internal and external parasite of cattle.

The product, marketed as IVOMEC, is available only through veterinarians. It is one percent ivermectin formulated in a sterile solution for subcutaneous injection in cattle. The compound has a wide safety margin in cattle, calves, pregnant cows and even heavily parasitized animals, but it is not approved for use in female dairy cattle of breeding age. Cattle or calves should not be treated within 35 days of slaughter for human consumption.

A single injection at the recommended dose controls both the immature and adult stages of many common internal worms--including the brown stomach worm--as well as many external parasites. However, it has no measurable effect on flukes and tapeworms.

As with all products for controlling cattle grubs, proper timing of treatment is critical. Cattle should be treated with IVOMEC as soon as possible after the end of the heel fly season. Animals may be retreated during the winter months for internal parasites, mange mites or lice without danger of grub-related reactions.

IVOMEC is not approved for use in swine, sheep or goats in the U.S., but an injectable form for swine and a liquid drench for sheep are in use in many foreign countries.

IVOMEC has been used in more than 25 countries, with more than 65 million cattle treated. In New Zealand, a study showed that cattle treated over 197 days with the product gained an average of 97.4 pounds more than untreated animals and 33.4 pounds more than those treated with another worming drug.

However, the best way to fight brown stomach worms and other parasites is to prevent the build-up of severe infections through a program of good nutrition, pas-

ture management and the conscientious use of an effective worming product.

OAK BUD POISONING IN LIVESTOCK

Late March and early April is the time for ranchers to beware of oak bud poisoning in livestock.

Oak bud poisoning is a problem each spring because winter weather reduces range forage quality. Also, these conditions will slow spring growth of forage plants.

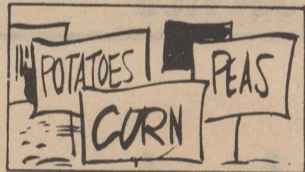
Oak buds are high in protein and begin growth before most desirable forage plants. They are readily eaten by livestock, especially cattle.

Tannins which are thought to be the toxic substances involved are most poisonous when oaks are budding and leafing. When more than 50 percent of an animal's diet is oak, the animal becomes sick. A diet of 75 percent or more usually causes death.

Signs of poisoning are a gaunt, tucked up appearance; constipation, frequently followed by profuse diarrhea; weakness; tendency to remain near water; reluctance to follow the herd; emaciation (wasting away); mucus in droppings; dark-colored urine; and collapse.

Move animals showing symptoms to an oak-free pasture and put them on adequate feed and water. A supplemental feed containing 10 percent calcium hydroxide may help reduce losses.

However, prevention is a better cure for oak bud poisoning. Control oak in a pasture and save that pasture as a reserve for the oak bud season. Use moderate stocking and a deferred-rotation grazing program to improve range forage production.



Slightly over 46 percent of the land in America is given over to agriculture.

Sheep & Goat Raisers set membership meeting

TS&GRA District Four will hold its annual membership meeting Tuesday, April 24, in the new Rec Hall at Robert Lee. The meeting will start at 10:00 a.m., according to Wayland Drennan of Robert Lee, District Chairman.

Bill Sims, TS&GRA executive secretary and State Senator from the 25th District, will speak to the group on legislative matters of interest to members. He will be followed by Association president, James Wittenburg of Rock-springs, who will report on Association activities and Dr. Darrell Ueckert of the Texas A&M Research and Extension Center, who will discuss various methods of brush control.

Texas Production Credit Association of Robert Lee will host the noon meal at the Rec Hall for those attending the meeting.

Election of directors to serve the district for 1984-85 will take place at the close of the meeting.

Now serving as directors are: John Barron Jr., Bobby Blaylock, Blake L. Duncan, Jack Grafa, Len P. Mertz, Pierce Miller, Bob Page, Robert Pfluger, Charles D. Rainey, Sam Scheuber, W.H. Shaw, III, David M. Smith and Hugh L. Stone, San Angelo; Wayland Drennan, Robert Lee; LeDrew Arrott, Bronte; C.L. Bast, Sweetwater; Leroy Beach and Hiram Glass, Millersview; Allen Belk, Winters; Norman N. Bonnett, Bobby Jennings, Her-

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Association past presidents are: Sutton Allison, John Cargile, Gaylord Hankins, Joe M. Mertz, Bill Pfluger and Walter Pfluger, San Angelo; and Dr. Percy R. Turner of Water Valley.

Honorary Directors for Life from the district are: Fred Ball, Virgil J. Powell, and Jack Williams, San Angelo; W. Earl Barr, Ballinger; Jack Canning, Carl Pfluger and Harold Price, Eden; Joe Dobson, Coleman; Wade Hemphill, Valera; Isaac Pate, Voss; and Edgar Hutcheson, Paint Rock.

All sheep and goat producers in the Coke, Coleman, Concho, Nolan, Runnels and Tom Green County area are urged to attend this meeting and participate in the business of the Texas Sheep & Goat Raisers' Association.

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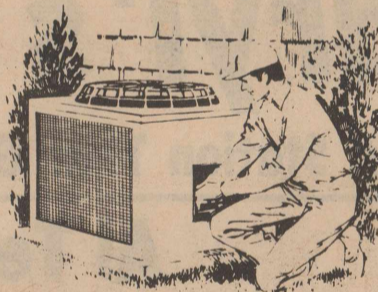
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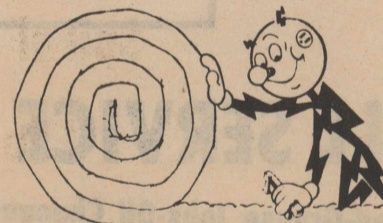


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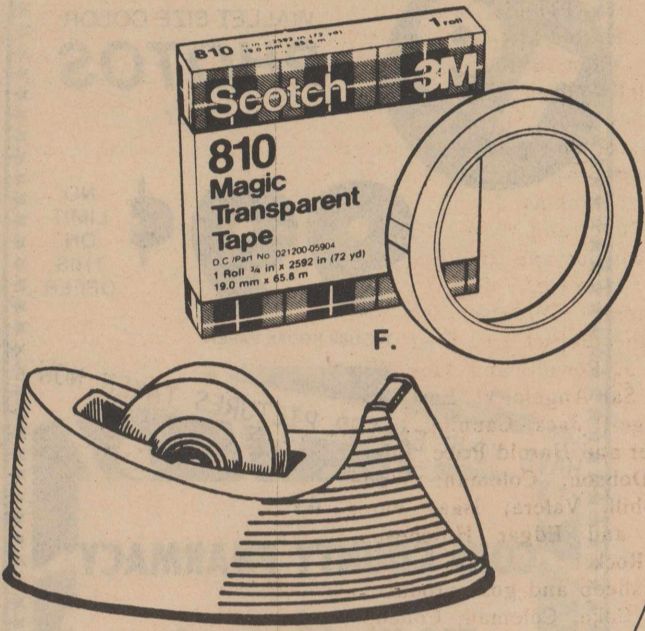
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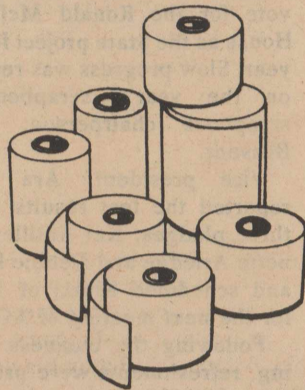
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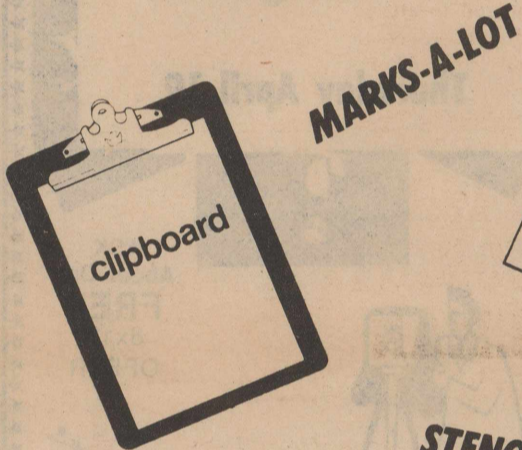


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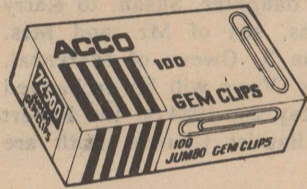
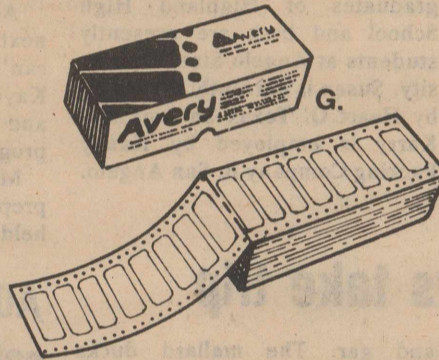
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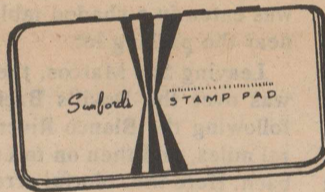
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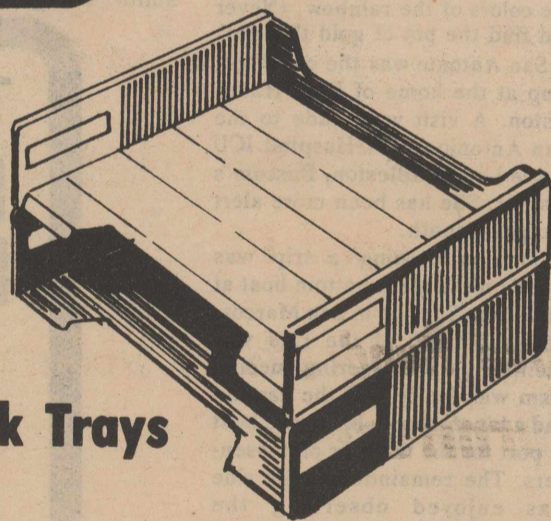
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Susan Ash and Karry Owens

Ash-Owens engagement announced

Mr. and Mrs. Joe R. Ash announce the engagement of their daughter, Susan, to Karry Owens, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dalton R. Owens of Maryneal, Texas. Vows will be exchanged on May 26, 1984 at the Robert Lee Baptist Church. Both are

graduates of Highland High School and both are presently students at Angelo State University. Susan is currently employed by Heart O' Texas Savings and Karry is employed by Handy Packing Company in San Angelo.

Caseys, Chesneys take trip

Turney and Irma Casey accompanied Bascom and Barbara Chesney on an excursion to the Hill Country last weekend. The route included many farm to market roads in order to enjoy the native scenery. The wildflowers were in bloom and a kaleidoscopic view.

A tour was made of the area near Bend to check out fishing camps on the Colorado River and there a picnic lunch was made special with music from our bird friends.

Saturday afternoon the drive was in hard rain, at times difficult to see the highway markings or other cars. Near Blanco a phenomenal double rainbow was awesome. The lower one was so near the highway, trees beyond the fence were viewed through the colors of the rainbow. (Never did find the pot of gold though!)

San Antonio was the overnight stop at the home of Fred Huddleston. A visit was made to the San Antonio Chest/Hospital ICU to see Lou Huddleston, Bascom's mother. She has been more alert the past month.

Sunday morning a trip was made on the glass bottom boat at Aquarena Springs in San Marcos. The beginning of the ride was exciting as the steering mechanism was faulty and the captain had a bit of trouble bring the boat to port for the transfer of passengers. The remainder of the ride was enjoyed observing the springs in 20 to 40 ft. of water, feeding sunperch, catfish, bass,

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AON members all attend Monday meeting

All members were present for April's first meeting of Alpha Omicron Nu on Monday in the home of Annette Arledge.

Business conducted included finalized plans for the Easter Bake Sale set on April 19; a progress report on Founder's Day plans, April 28; and discussion of the Beta Sigma Phi State Project.

Members voted to cast AON's vote for the Ronald McDonald House as the State project for this year. Slow progress was reported on the year's scrapbook by scrapbook chairperson, Cindy Bessent.

Vice president, Ara Burns reported the test results of the three pledges, Kei Antilley, Annette Arledge and Debbie Reber, and scheduled Ritual of Jewels for the next meeting of AON.

Following the business meeting, refreshments were provided by Annette and co-hostesses Cindy Bessent and Marsha Wink. A program on "Friendship" was given by Kathy Post.

AON is scheduled to meet next on April 23 at Sheri Millican's home. Suzann Johnson and Kaye Pitcock, are co-hostesses and Ara Burns will present the program.

Members are reminded to prepare for Ritual of Jewels to be held on this date.

AON bake sale set April 19

Alpha Omicron Nu has set Thursday, April 19 as the date of their "Just In Time For Easter Bake Sale". Fresh home baked cakes, pies and other assorted goodies cooked from scratch will be available at 10:00 a.m. in front of the Post Office.

AON is a chapter of Beta Sigma Phi International, an organization devoted to community service, cultural education and growth, and social enrichment.

Personal

Stacy and Jill Thomason of Clyde visited four days last week in the homes of grandparents and great-grandparents Jerry Thomason and Mr. and Mrs. Pete Smith. The girls are the daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Thomason.

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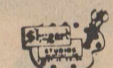
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According to the National Center on Child Abuse and Neglect, Child Abuse has more than doubled since 1976 and between 1981 and 1982 it went up 9%. Some of this may be due to an increase in reporting cases, but it's estimated that 1.4 million children are severely neglected, deprived, beaten and sexually abused each year by parents and step-parents.

An estimated one-third to one-half of child abuse cases go unreported because too often the warning signs are there, but neighbors or family members fail to recognize them and if they do they're hesitant to report it for fear of getting involved or interfering in family matters.

Children are the most vulnerable members of our society and are often victimized by their parents when they have stress in their own lives. Abusive parents are often isolated from a social system, live far from relatives, are lonely and have few if any friends. They often have family stresses, financial problems, marital trouble, a new baby, a recent move, low self-esteem and were abused themselves as a child.

Most people are conditioned to think of abuse as it is presented on the 10:00 news, burned babies, critically abused children and malnourished infants. Public awareness needs to be increased to include all forms of abuse that should be acknowledged as a part of the problem at this point. When a parent is hitting a child and is out of control, when he is dumping his own rage on his child, even though this child does not require treatment, that child has been abused and the parent is abusing. Consider the 100,000 children annually who are neglected physically or the 100,000 who suffer emotional maltreatment.

In cases of physical neglect the care givers fail to provide the essentials of normal life, such as food, clothing, shelter, care, and supervision. These children are often hungry, show signs of malnutrition, lack proper clothes for weather conditions, have irregular school attendance and are in need of medical attention for such correctable conditions as poor eyesight, bad teeth or a need for immunizations.

Emotional maltreatment consist of a parent demanding more than a child's ability, belittling him or telling him you wish he had never been born or wishing him dead. A child can also be neglected emotionally. In these cases there is an absence of love or hate, anger or warmth: the child is never shown feelings and may as well not exist as far as the parents are concerned.

Our children are our most valuable resources. Thousands are being killed each year and the survivors suffer body and soul. The aftermath of abuse follows a child through life.

If you suspect that a child you know is being abused, call the

Sheriff's Department or contact the Texas Department of Human Resources. A Child Abuse Hot Line is available from anywhere in Texas. The number is 1-800-252-5400. A caller may remain anonymous. You may save the life of a child and you may help the parent receive the outside help he or she needs. Around 90 percent of abusive parents hate themselves for harming their children. They vow to stop, but they don't. They may love their children, but they can't change without outside help.

School closing for Easter

There will be no classes in the Robert Lee school Friday, April 20, and Monday, April 23. The school will be closed Friday for the Good Friday Holiday and Monday will be a teachers work day, but no classes for the kids.

Lake Spence Fishing News

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Don Blair, Robert Lee, 1 black bass, 4 lb. 12 oz.

Raymond Chaisson, Midland, 1 black bass, 4 lb. 5 oz.

R.O. Pomroy, Monahans, 1 black bass, 5 lb. 8 oz.

Jackie Wilder and John Wilder, Midland, 2 black bass, 5 lb. 7 oz. and 6 lb.

Gene Waller, Odessa, 82 crappie up to 1 1/2 lbs.

L.B. Pendleton, Amarillo, 2 black bass, 3 lb. 12 oz. and 5 lb. 6 oz.

D.R. Stroud, Midland, 1 strip-er, 10 lb. 5 oz.

Floyd Parker, 1 small mouth bass, 3 lb. 12 oz.

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Mike Conley, San Angelo, 3 black bass.

Ricky Holder, Midland, 1 black bass, 2 lb. and 1 crappie, 1 lb.

Kris Morgan, Midland, 1 black bass, 1 1/2 lbs.

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Charlie Roland, Blackwell, 1 striper, 8 lb.

District 7 Homemakers meeting set

BALLINGER-- The annual meeting of the District 7 Texas Extension Homemakers Association (TEHA) will be in the First Methodist Church here April 12.

Registration for the day-long event starts at 9:30 a.m. with the formal program starting at 10:00 a.m.

Following the groups regular and new business, the day's first speaker is set to be Angelo State University government department faculty member Dr. Bruce Ball. Dr. Ball will discuss the legislative process.

Also speaking during the meeting will be Al Celeya, elections administrator for Tom Green County. The evenings program will be headlined by Elma Richards, state TEHA president from Port Arthur. She will give an address entitled "Leadership... It's Your Decision".

The TEHA, formerly the Texas Home Demonstration Association was first organized in August 1926 by 399 women attending a farmer's Short Course at Texas A&M University. The primary purpose for organization was to establish a scholarship for a deserving 4-H club girl. This original scholarship of \$200 has grown to seven \$600 scholarships given annually. The association and scholarships are financed and funded by voluntary contributions of the state membership.

West Coke Hospital News

The West Coke County Hospital reported the following admissions and dismissals.

April 3: Benjamin Tyson admitted and no dismissals.

April 4: No admissions and Bernice Roberts dismissed.

April 5: Edith Rolls and Torivia Minjarez admitted and no dismissals.

April 6: Bessie Walker admitted and no dismissals.

April 7: No admissions and Torivia Minjarez and Edith Rolls dismissed.

April 8: No admissions or dismissals.

April 9: M.L. Smith and Velma Mullis admitted and Ben Tyson and Clara Hood dismissed.

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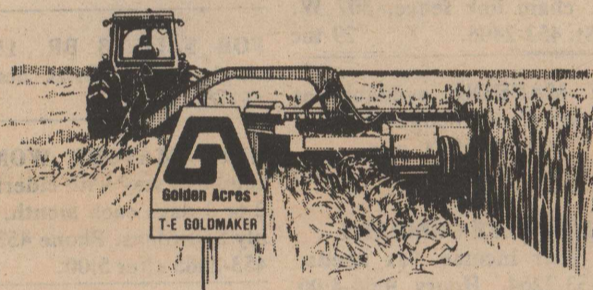
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The Observer has been authorized to announce the candidacy of the persons listed below for the office and the elections indicated.
DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY
MAY 5, 1984

FOR U.S. CONGRESSMAN
17TH DISTRICT
Charles Stenholm
(Re-election)

FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY
51ST JUDICIAL DISTRICT
Gerald Fohn
(Re-election)

FOR SHERIFF
COKE COUNTY, TEXAS
Marshall Millican
(Re-election)

FOR COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR
AND COLLECTOR
Maurine Vosburg

FOR COMMISSIONER
PRECINCT 1
Robert Wink
George Newby
(Re-election)

FOR COMMISSIONER
PRECINCT 3
Finis Harmon
Finis Millican
(Re-election)

FOR SALE: 3 BR, 1 1/2 bath, single carport brick home. Call 453-2445. 40-4tp

NEED MATURE WOMAN or couple to stay with elderly couple 2 or 3 days each month, preferably Saturdays. Phone 453-2034 or 453-2685 after 5:00. 40-tnc

FOR SALE
3 Br. brick, 2 full bath, back yard enclosed with chain link fence, choice location, scenic view with well established yard. Country home on 4 1/2 acres, 9 rooms, 3 full baths, 2500 sq. ft. floor space plus carport and 12'x38' covered patio. Lots of fruit trees and out building.

3 bedroom, 1 bath, with storm cellar, located on Highway 158. 760 sq. ft. house, less than 1 yr. old, located Bay View Addition near Lake Spence, available furnished or unfurnished.

3 bedroom, 1 bath, carpeted, large kitchen, large back porch. w/addition of 3 bedroom, 1 bath, large living room w/free standing fireplace, large kitchen w/dinette. Many closets, cellar, 2 metal buildings, fruit trees, pecan trees on 1 1/2 lots. See to appreciate.

3 bedrooms, 1 large full bathroom, large kitchen, carpeted, central heating, cooling, double car garage w/workshop, lot enclosed w/cinder block fence. Must see to appreciate.
ADAMS LAND & REALTY CO.
Phone 453-2723 or 453-2721 655-9429 37-tnc

HOUSE FOR SALE: Two bedroom, one bath, garage, and storage building on 2 lots. \$15,000. Call 453-2237 between 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. or come by Gregston's Welding Shop. 37-tnc

FOR SALE: small house 1 bedroom, 1 bath, large lot - for information call Kim Tinkler, 453-2149 after 5 p.m. 38-tnc

HELP WANTED - High School Boy and High School Girl. Paint Creek Marina, 453-2982. 38-tnc

CEILING FANS, NEW carpet, vinyl and plumbing make this large 4 room rental cool and cheap. Available in April, Place deposit now. Near Coke Co. Hospital. \$200.00, Call 655-0370. 40-tnc

FOR RENT - Partially furnished, nice, clean mobile home. Phone 365-2353. Smith Real Estate, Ballinger. 40-t4c

GRASS MOWING, 453-2552. Kelly Tomlinson 39-4tp

TO GIVE AWAY - Cute 6 wk. old puppies. Will be small dogs. 453-2841. 40-tnc

FOR SALE: 1973 4 door Ford. Runs good. Starling's Garage, 604 E. 4th, Robert Lee, TX. 453-2041. 40-2tc

FOR SALE: Reconditioned 18 and 21 inch lawn mowers. \$45-\$65. Guaranteed for 30 days. 205 W. 17th, 453-2494. 41-tnc

FOR SALE - Pillowback Couch, floral print, good condition. Call Mavis Newby, 453-2462. 41-1tc

WANTED: Lawns to mow. Call 453-2114, or come by 513 E. 6th. Mr. Drake. 41-4tp

3 FAMILY GARAGE SALE - Friday only, in back of 201 W. 17th. 41-1tp

BACK ROOM SALE: Saturday, 8-4, Rain or Shine, corner Childress and 18th St. 41-1tc

SEARCH FOR TRUTH - Home Bible Study Course. Call Ray Aldridge, 453-2360. Everyone invited to attend. 41-4tc

CARD OF THANKS
I appreciate more than I can say all my friends who sent cards and flowers, visited and called while I was in the hospital. A special thanks to Dr. Zeon and the nurses for their care and consideration. 41-1tc

BUNNY HUGS
\$12.50
AT THE FLOWER SAK 41-1tc

FOR SALE: 14x80 Vista Villa Mobile Home. Central heat, air, 3-bedroom, 2-bath. 10x20 covered porch, underpinning. Partially furnished or unfurnished. Call 453-2077. 41-tnc

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THREE FAMILY GARAGE SALE - Saturday only 8:00-5:00. Children's, ladies' clothes, shoes; dishes; miscellaneous. 302 So. Franklin, Bronte. 15-T1c-BP

HUGE GARAGE SALE! Children's and adult's clothing, old bank furniture, beds, lots of "stuff". Located on parking lot of First National Bank on Friday 4:30-6:00 p.m. and Saturday 9:00-1:00. Frances Pierce, Mary Glenn, Marilyn Bivins, Marifrances Mackey. 15-1tc-BP

MOVING SALE: Friday, Saturday-- Living room furniture, refrigerator, roto-tiller, electric start riding lawn mower, all kinds of tools and miscellaneous items. 309 Cumbie, J. Earl Whittenton, Bronte. 15-T1-BP

JANITORIAL SERVICES - Clean offices and homes. Call or contact Ramona Bennett, 473-6551 or call 473-5571 after 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. 8-tncBP

ALL TYPES home & mobile home service and repair, including air conditioning, heating and plumbing. Also will do carpentry and painting. Loyd or Johnny Sevier, 453-2377. bp30-tnc

HORSESHOEING AND DAY Work, David McMullan, Bronte and surrounding areas. 473-6091 13-4xc-BP

RANDY PARKER
Back-Hoe Service
Dump Truck
Oilfield work, Septic Tank, Etc. 473-2641, Bronte 34-BP-TNC.

FOR SALE - 1977 2 door Pontiac. 453-2545. 31-bpTNC

ARNOLDS MUSIC, Robert Lee. Yamaha Guitars \$50.00 off on all models. 714 Austin St. Phone 453-2361. 40-bp-2tc

FOR SALE: Suzuki 1000 and can be seen at Evelyn Flanagan's, 113 W. 5th St. 40-4tcBP

WANT TO BUY 1-3 acres with access to rural or city water. Call Bob at 381-2861 or 337-3027 at night. 40-tncBP

DAVID'S BARBER SHOP will be closed all day Saturday, April 14. BP-41-1tc

Sell What You Don't Need With a Want Ad

SALE
Butane Sales, Robert Lee & Dittmore Laundry, April 13 & 14
Fabric \$1.00 yd. & up. Plastic canvas & rug yarn, 2 for \$1.00, notions & T-Shirts, 25% off, crochet yarn, \$1.19, Baby Yarn, \$1.09, Bath Towels, \$2.99, Towel Sets, dish rags, 50c, doll fabric, \$3.49. BP-41-1tc

FLEA MARKET AND Garage Sale open to all. Free space, bring your own set up. Out of town parties will participate also. Saturday, April 14, All Day. Texas Theater parking lot, Bronte. 473-3655. 15-1tcBP

INVITATION FOR BIDS

The County of Coke will receive Bids for renovation of County swimming pools and concession/restroom buildings until 9:00 a.m. on the 20th day of April, 1984, at Coke County Courthouse, County Judge's Office, Robert Lee, Texas 76945 at which time all bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

Contract Documents, including Technical Specifications, are on file at the office of Judge Aubrey Z. Denman at Coke County Courthouse, Robert Lee, Texas 76945.

Copies of the Contract Documents may be obtained by depositing \$25.00 with the County for each set of documents so obtained. Each such deposit will be refunded if the Contract Documents are returned in good condition within 10 days after Bid opening.

A certified check or bank draft, payable to the order of Coke County, negotiable U.S. Government bonds (at par value) or a satisfactory Bid Bond executed by the Bidder and an acceptable surety in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the total Bid shall be submitted with each Bid.

Attention is called to the fact that not less than the minimum salaries and wages as set forth in the Contract Documents must be paid on this project, and that the Contractor must ensure that employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of their race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.

The County of Coke reserves the right to reject any or all Bids or to waive any informalities in the bidding.

Bids may be held by the County of Coke for a period not to exceed thirty (30) days from the date of the opening of Bids for the purpose of reviewing the Bids and investigating the qualifications of Bidders, prior to awarding of the Contract.

April 6, 1984
Coke County
Aubrey Z. Denman
County Judge
40-2tcBP

NOTICE OF SALE OF ABANDONED VEHICLE

On the 16th day of April, 1984, at 10:00 a.m., at the steps of the Coke County Courthouse, Robert Lee, Texas, the following abandoned vehicle will be sold at public sale: 1-1974 Chev., 4 Dr. Vin. #4U63H146640.

Marshall Millican, Sheriff
Coke County, Texas
41-1tcBP

HAMLIN'S CABINET SHOP
CUSTOM CABINETS
FORMICA TOPS
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Res. 453-2229
BP41-1tc

FOR SALE - Snow-Breeze evaporative cooler, 4200 CFM. Used less than 3 mo. Paid \$500.00, will sell for \$375.00. Dallas Johnson, 453-4714. BP41-2tp



Pirates believed that piercing the ears and wearing an earring improved eyesight.

Sharpen food shopping skills

Dollars spent for good eating are dollars well spent. Or are they? Do you sometimes wonder if you make the best use of your food money?

Stretching food dollars by cutting food costs is a challenge to most shoppers, regardless of

A&M researcher surgically corrects knock-knees in foals

COLLEGE STATION—Although medicine often takes its cue from treatments first tried on animals, a veterinary surgeon and researcher here took his inspiration from human medicine when he developed a new technique for treating thoroughbreds and race horses.

Dr. Joerg Auer, a professor of large animal medicine and surgery at Texas A&M University, borrowed a page from the way the legbones of children with polio were treated to develop a surgical method for eliminating knock-knees in foals.

Knock-knees are a common disorder that can often hamper or cripple foals later, sometimes predisposing them for arthritis.

Auer has performed more than 160 successful operations to correct knock-knees since he first tried the new procedure in 1980.

income. Sharpen your food shopping skills and learn how to feed your family well for less than you now spend. "Cutting Your Food Costs", a lunchtime learning program will be presented by Debbie Reber, County Extension Agent-Home Economics, on Wednesday, April 18 in the Commissioners' Courtroom in Robert Lee, and Thursday, April 19 in the Bronte Community Center. Both programs will be from 12:15 to 12:45. Participants are invited to bring a brown bag lunch.

Management aids livestock producers

During the past several months, producers have seen drought conditions, extreme winter temperatures, high feed costs and now maybe even a dry spring and summer. It is during these "bad spells" that proper management practices often mean the difference between survival and failure.

In keeping with this idea, we will have an educational meeting Tuesday, April 17, beginning at 7:30 p.m. in the County Courthouse. Dr. Jerry Cowley, Extension Livestock Specialist and Dr. Jake Landers, Extension Range Specialist will be on hand to discuss some management practices to insure your survival in the livestock business.

All interested people are invited to attend.



Drawing for Co-Worker of The Month

Will Be Wednesday April 25

REMEMBER TO STOP IN AND REGISTER YOUR FAVORITE CO-WORKER

National Secretary Day Wednesday April 25

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Julie Williford Bride Elect **Darren Williams**

Susan Ash Bride Elect **Karry Owens**

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DID YOU GET AN OIL AND GAS LEASE BONUS IN 1980, 1981 or 1982? YOU MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR A TAX REFUND DUE TO A SUPREME COURT RULING CONCERNING DEPLETION OF SUCH BONUSES. THE 1980 RETURN MUST BE AMENDED BY APRIL 15th, 1984 OR THE STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS WILL HAVE RUN OUT. COME BY TO SEE ME OR CALL ME.

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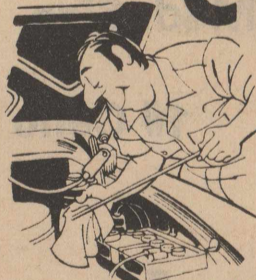
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Robert Lee, Texas

45 Years ago

[April 21, 1939 - 50 Year Anniversary Edition] Sunday.

H.B. Wallace landed in Coke County as a cowboy on the Snyder OB in the fall of 1889. There was a cotton gin in operation then at the Snyder Ranch. It was a 2 stand gin and fired with wood. Bill Teeters was engineer; W.H. McDorman was manager at the time. S.M. Conner was running cattle west of the Snyder Brothers range.

Jim Benningfield came to the county in 1888, came in a wagon from Mills County, bringing his wife with him. Their children were born and raised here. Mr. Benningfield farmed near Sanco many years and ran a gin there several years.

I.A. Bird and I.S. Bird came up Boozier Creek in a wagon with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. Bird in 1887. Their old home place is the old A.J. Adkins farm, a part of which has been in cultivation for 52 years since then.

Methodist Announcements In the Year 1895 - Robert Lee Mission, ME Church, South services as follows: Robert Lee, 1st Sunday, 11 a.m.; Hayrick, 1st Sunday, 4 p.m.; Bronte, 2nd Sunday, 11 a.m.; Rock Springs, 2nd Sunday, 4 p.m.; Mt. Carmel, 3rd Sunday, 11 a.m.; Cow Creek, 3rd Sunday, 4 p.m.; Sanco, 4th Sunday, 11 a.m.; Tucker S.C. 4th Sunday, 4 p.m. Decker, 5th

On May 1, Dr. J.D. Leonard will have been in Bronte 36 years. In that time he has attended 1730 births, an average of 48 per year. In 1932, there were 62, one year over 70. In 1933, one per week.

Coming to Bronte by mail hack May 1, 1903, he faced a blizzard without an overcoat. There was a big frost which bit corn nearly to the ground, he recalls. Despite that "cold reception", he stayed with the new town and has for some years been the only practicing physician.

Dr. Leonard still has his saddlebags he carried on his saddle during his first practice. He always carried lance, forceps, splints and the most necessary drugs.

When the Orient Railroad came in 1906, he helped lay off the new townsite at Bronte.

With his work the town and country, he has reared and educated six children. Though his work has taken him often as far as twenty-five miles into the country, Dr. Leonard says he still would not exchange it for any other kind of work.

Historical Committee to meet on Monday

The Coke County Historical Committee will meet Monday, April 16, at 4:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Courtroom.

Everyone is invited to attend.

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Green Giant Cut Green Beans 303 can 2/89c

GENERIC BLACK PEPPER 4 oz. can 53c

DEL MONTE 8 oz. can

Tomato Sauce 2 For **43c**

Krafts Bar-B-Que Sauce 18 oz. Jar 99c

Parade Macaroni & Cheese Dinner 7 oz. box 2/53c

GLADIOLA 5# Bag

Flour **95c**

SWIFTS VIENNA SAUSAGE 49c

NABISCO OREO COOKIES 20 oz. pkg. \$1.89

Dr Pepper 2 Liter Bottle **99c**

140 count pkg.

Kleenex Napkins **79c**

KLEENEX FACIAL TISSUE 175 ct. box 79c

Mortons Dinners Each **95c**

Cherry or Apple Turnover Pepperidge Farms \$1.05

Velveeta Cheese Sliced Singles 16 oz. pkg. \$1.99

PARADE BISCUITS 8 oz. can 2/43c

Avocados Med. Size 2 For **59c**

CARROTS 1# Cello Bag 2 For 69c

BONELESS lb.

Beef Brisket **\$1.29**

GOOCH COUNTRY SAUSAGE 2# Bag \$2.49

GOOCH GERMAN Ring

Sausage **\$1.39**

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