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Longhorns to play Valley at Post

The Bronte Longhorns will meet the Valley Patriots in Post Friday night (tonight) in their quest for the bi-district title. Game time is 7:30 p.m. at the Post High School stadium. The team needs and deserves a large number of fans to go to the game and give them rousing support.

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This has truly been a Cinderella year for the Longhorns and Coach Gene Tutle and his staff, Gaylon Harrison, Rocky Rawls, and David Tandy. What was thought might be a mediocre season with a somewhat new system, new coaching staff and serious injuries that sidelined key players, turned into a perfect 10-0 record in District 6-A. What makes this feat even more spectacular is that in previous years this district has been dubbed the "Wild, Wild West Zone" due to many upsets and scoring turmoil that caused the district crown to be up for grabs each year.

Paced by a talented backfield assisted by their offensive line, the Horns racked up 341 points during the season, and a determined defense stingily allowed only

47 points to be scored against them all season.

Coach Gene Tutle states, "This has been an exciting and unexpected season. The Horns will face a skilled team and must demonstrate a great effort to come out on top.'

Giving the Longhorns added incentive were the BHS cheerleaders, Melanie Cooper, Molly Glenn, Michele Parker, Misti Taylor, Sandy Hilliard and mascot Christy Bivins and the Bronte Longhorn Marching Band under the direction of Homer Stewart and codrum majors Estella Puentez

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There will be a big "sendoff" downtown Friday at 2:30 for the Longhorns and coaches as they leave for Post in a chartered bus. Everyone is urged to come downtown on Main Street in Bronte and give the boys a convincing show of support and wishes for a victory in their bi-district contest with Valley.



R.W. SAM HILLBURN, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Texas [in hat], leads the ceremonial dedication of the cornerstone for the new Hayrick Lodge Hall. Local Hayrick Lodge #696 Worshipful Master Lee Starling stands to the right of the cornerstone.

Cornerstone laid for new lodge hall

On Saturday afternoon, Nov. 15, a Masonic ceremonial dedication was held to lay the traditional cornerstone for the new Lodge Hall in Robert Lee. The stone, dated March 1986, marked the beginning of the facility last spring.

R.W. Sam Hillburn of Midland and several District Deputies conducted the ceremony for the cornerstone laying at the hall which will serve as the meeting place for Hayrick Lodge #696 and Order of the Eastern Star

The recently completed facility is located on the corner of 9th Street and Commerce. Volunteer labor and donations made the 40x84 ft. building possible. The lots on which the Lodge Hall is built were donated by G.C. Allen.

Representatives from 15 Masonic Lodges were present as well as a large gathering of members and guests of the local Lodge and

Refreshments were served inside the hall by Order of the Eastern Star members following the ceremony.

Upcoming...

Practice shoot

Robert Lee will hold a fun practice shoot on Saturday afternoon, Nov. 22, at 1 p.m. at the local range. Members will shoot at 200 yards, off-hand with rifles. Any center fire rifle, any sights, and shooting jackets will be allowed. NRA rules will apply to the shoot.

Club members are encouraged to bring their shotguns for some trap shooting if time permits.

A club spokesman said that ladies are always welcome as members and at the events held at the range. Plans are being made to include some safety and gun handling instruction for ladies after the first of the

Thanksgiving service

Red Canyon Gun Club at A Community Thanksgiv ing Service will be held on Wednesday, Nov. 26, at 7:00 p.m. in the Central Baptist Church of Bronte. This annual event is sponsored by churches in the community. An offering for the Fairview Cemetery Fund will be tak-

> Everyone is invited to attend and together give thanks to God for His many blessings.

Courthouse closing told

In an announcement from Judge Aubrey Denman's office, Mrs. Janet Baker advised that the Coke County

Courthouse will be closed on Thursday, Nov. 27, and Friday, Nov. 28, in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday.

On Oct. 21, 1986, Judge Aubrey Denman, County called the criminal docket for pretrial hearings. Eight cases were heard by the court with pleas of guilty and no contest being entered on eight cases. Fines totaling \$1,850.00 were assessed by the Court on the eight cases heard along with additional punishments of jail time and probation being ordered.

Four cases are tentatively set for trial at a later date. Of the cases set for trial, three cases are expected to be heard by the jury with one case to be tried before the court.

Three additional Failure to Appear charges were filed against Defendants not appearing at pretrial with bond forfeitures also filed on two cases:

One case was reduced to a lesser charge and one other case was dismissed in connection with the plea of guilty on the second case.

County Judge Aubrey Denman presided at the pretrial docket call. Bill J. Helwig, County Attorney handled the prosecution of the cases for the county and made recommendations to the Court as to the fines and punishments on pleas of guilty and no contest. Ettie Hubbard, County Clerk, served as clerk of the court for the pretrial hearings and Sheriff Marshall Millican served as Bailiff during the proceedings.

The cases heard included charges of DWI, Driving While License Suspended, Carrying Prohibited Weapons, and Public Intoxication.

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and Sherri Eubanks.

Members of the team are Stephen Lee, Tim Davis, John Morrow, Pete Puentez, Adam Minjares, John Seales, Jeff Lee, Shannon Hoffman, Waylan Ensor, Todd Brooks, Ernest Babcock, Joel Sanders, Corby Kelso, James Badgett, Chilo Minjarez, Craig Grant, Johnny Flores, Blake Braswell,

(cont'd. from front page)

Ryan Jones, Shane Kelton, Mark Hambright, Conda Richards, Bowie McGinnis, Randy Draper, Tod Strickland and Cody Hartman.

For those unable to go to the game, it will be broadcast over radio station KGKL brought by the Bronte First National Bank.

GOOD LUCK, HORNS!

Obituaries

years.

Walker

Mary Lee Walker, 82, of Bronte died at 9 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 12, 1986 in St. John's Hospital in San Ange-

Funeral services were held on Friday, Nov. 14, at 2 p.m. in Central Baptist Church of Bronte with the Rev. R.W. Blackmon officiating. Burial was in Fairview Cemetery, directed by Shaffer Funeral Home.

Mrs. Walker was born Nov. 9, 1904, in Bell County. She had spent most of her life in Bronte. She was a retired employee of the Bronte School system, retiring in 1964.

Survivors include three sons, Dewayne Walker of Bronte, Gene Walker of Fort Worth and Buddy Walker of San Angelo; a daughter, Rena Doggett of Bronte; two sisters, Margaret Stephenson of Bronte and Lydia Culpepper of Bronte; 12 grandchildren; 17 greatgrandchildren.

Grandsons served as pallbearers for the services.

Peck

Clarence Ernest Peck, 73, of Robert Lee died at 4:29 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 13, in Shannon West Texas Memorial Hospital in San Angelo.

Funeral services were conducted at 10 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 15, in Robert Lee Baptist Church with the Rev. Roy Epperson officiating. Masonic graveside rites were held at Robert Lee Cemetery, directed by Shaffer Funeral Home of Robert Lee.

Peck was born Oct. 21, 1913, in Granger. He had been a resident of Robert Lee for four years and was a former resident of Crane where he owned and operated a lumber company for 20

He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Crane and Crane Masonic Lodge No. 1262.

Survivors include his wife, Alma Peck of Robert Lee; a son, Don Peck of Longview; a step-son, M.A. Davidson of Fort Stockton; a step-daughter, Lela Duke of Modesta, Calif.; a brother, T.C. Peck of Fort Walton Beach, Fla.; six grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Clark

Funeral services were held for John B. Clark, Sr., 80, of Gilmer, Saturday, in Fairview Cemetery in Bronte. The Rev. Howard Johnson, pastor of First United Methodist Church of Bronte officiated. Local arrangements were directed by Shaffer Funeral Home.

Mr. Clark was a former longtime resident of Tenny-

Caperton

Matthew G. Caperton, Jr., 32, of Big Spring, died at 10:30 a.m. Monday in Methodist Hospital in San Anto-

Funeral services were held at 3 p.m. Wednesday in the First Baptist Church of Bronte with the Rev. Charles Woodward and the Rev. R. W. Blackmon officiating.

Since the release of her book, Ma Jeter's Girls which was published by the University of Nebraska Press, Mrs. Thomas has received

etery, directed by Shaffer Funeral Home of Bronte.

Caperton was born July 14, 1954, in Bronte. He was a graduate of Bronte High School. He was employed at the Big Spring State Hospi-

ents, Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Caperton Sr. of Big Spring; two sisters, Janet Hickman of Midland, S.D. and Savannah Almazon of Big Spring; one brother, Mark Caperton of Lubbock; and several nieces and nephews.

Memorials may be made to the Methodist Hospital in San Antonio.

Pallbearers were: Mike Arrott, Lynn Lawhon, Jimmy Freeman, Rance Brunson, Roger Graves, all of Bronte and Gene Glenn of San Angelo.

Bridal tea given

A bridal tea was given in honor of Mrs. Pat Heffernan. nee Debbie Willard, Sunday, Nov. 9, in the home of Mrs. Ben Hambright. Several guests attended and gifts were opened by the bride. The hostesses from the Church of Christ presented the couple with a cookware

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Party to honor Buickerood

Mrs. Dorothy Thomas Buickerood will be honored with an autograph party at the Bronte Community Center on Sunday afternoon, November 23 from 2:00 until 4:00 p.m. Hosting the affair will be the Bronte Senior Citizen staff. The public is invited to attend.

Mrs. Buickerood, who writes under the name Dorothy Thomas, will be introduced by Mrs. Vera Raney. The multi-talented 89-year old author will give a synopsis of two of her books, Ma Jeter's Girls and The Home Place. Books will be provided by Gus Clemens of the Angelus Book Store in San Angelo.

Burial was in Fairview Cem-

Survivors include his par-



BRONTE AUTHOR DOROTHY Thomas and husband, John Buickerood. Photo by Pat Oglesby

invitations to be a guest speaker at a number of clubs including the Nightwriters Club in San Angelo of which she is a charter member.

This summer she was honor-

ed with an autograph party at the Angelus Book Store in San Angelo and she also read her book for the visually handicapped in Austin and it is to be placed in their catalog.

Letter To The Editor -

Dear Editor:

Please keep my paper coming.

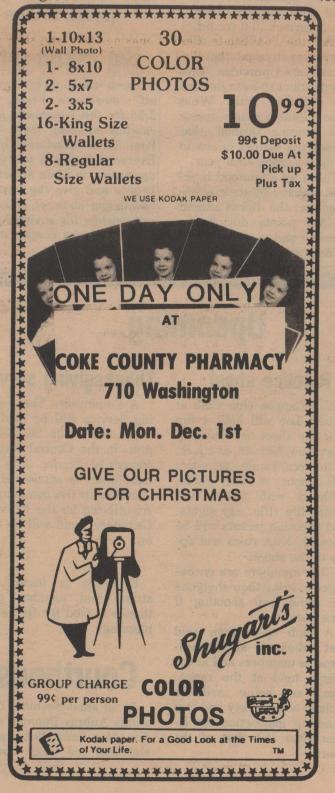
I can't afford to miss a weekly visit with my Coke Co. friends and relatives.

I enjoy your paper more since you combined the two and we get news from all

over the county.

I enjoy news from all over the country.

Thanks, An Ole Timer, Vera M. Saunders 668C W. Hwy. 303 Grand Prairie, TX. 75051





Mr. and Mrs. Willie Owen Smith

Smith anniversary

Willie Owen Smith and Hazael Millican Smith were honored by their children and grandchildren at a reception in their home Saturday, November 8th, celebrating their 50th Anniversary. Hosting were their two sons and daughters-in-law, Danny and Karen Smith and James and Betty Smith, and their daughter and son-inlaw, Jeff and Dorothy Emmons. Their eight grandchildren were also in attend-

The Smiths were married

November 8, 1936 in Bronte in the home of the Reverend and Mrs. Lewis Stuckey, pastor of the Bronte and Robert Lee Baptist Church-

The Smiths were residents of Arlington, Texas for 30 years before retiring to Goldthwaite, Texas in 1976. Mr. Smith is a retired U.S. Postal Service employee. They are members of First Baptist Church, Goldthwaite, where Mrs. Smith has been active in the W.M.U.

Study meets

As the '64 Study Club members entered the First Methodist Church on Tuesday evening, November 11, a festive, Christmas atmosphere greeted them everywhere. On a long, decorated table were Santa Claus, holly rings, pretty little angels, and glistening snow balls. All these edible delicacies were later served with punch to club members. They were created by Jan Hohonsee, Coke County Extension Agent, Home Economics, who explained the steps in making them and then presented each member with a booklet containing many recipes of Christmas goodies.

In a business meeting, the club accepted appreciation and certificates of award from The American Cancer Society for both 1985 and 1986. They also voted to give a donation to the Robert Lee Nursing Home to help purchase stainless steel cooking utensils.

Hostesses for this meeting were: Vivian Jacobs, Virginia Milliff, and Dell Parker.

Bronte VFD receives donations

The Volunteer Fire Dept. of Bronte has received a number of donations and memorials which will be applied to their truck fund. Also boosting their total was approximately \$300.00 taken in at a VFD sponsored dance last Saturday night. The fund now exceeds \$35,000. which is placed in CD's at the local bank earning interest to help work toward a \$55,000 goal, the estimated cost of a new truck needed by the department.

Donations have been received from The CACTUS League, Lula Stilley, John Shaddix, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Kemp, T.F. Sims and The Town & Country Stores. The substantial donation made by Town & Country Stores will be reported on in next week's paper.

Also donated to the department were three used high band commercial radios for fire trucks by Union Texas Petroleum Company. The company has been a generous donor and supporter of Coke County fire departments over the years.

Memorials include: Roy Avers (Linda Adams father) by M/M Willie John-

Marshall & Frances Freeman by M/M Wesley Gibbs. Vi Spivey by M/M Chester Wilson, M/M Wesley Gibbs and Jerry Landers.

Personal

Mr. and Mrs. Jake Davis of Robert Lee were weekend guests with Mr. and Mrs. Bob Davis of San Antonio. They reported Bob, who had heart by-pass surgery in August, was doing well and has returned to his job.

Historical Commission

Ten regular members, and one new member of the Coke County Historical Commission met for regular third-Monday meeting Nov. 17, at the courthouse.

Regular opening of the museum was discussed, and some problems solved. Since the jail is hard to heat, it was agreed that on severely cold Sundays the visitation will be canceled at the discretion of the hostesses. Since weather has become unpleasantly cool in the building, few visitors have appeared on Wednesdays, so that day's visitation has been dropped. However, if a tour of the museum is requested at any time, County Judge Aubrey Denman can be contacted at his office and a time arrang-

It was voted to give a memorial to the Historical Commission in honor of Mrs. W.T. (Christine) Roach, a former member. Each person present contributed to the fund needed.

The group discussed buildings in Bronte and Robert Lee that are eligible for historical markers. Though committees are working toward obtaining markers, no direct information concerning progress was avail-

The popular Coke County Sesquicentennial Posters are still available. Those signed by the artist are \$20, and those unsigned are \$10. They may be obtained from Robert Lee State Bank and Cumbie and Arrott Dry Goods. Don't wait too late to get yours!

Officers for the approaching year were elected as follows:

Chairman, Jeffie Roberts: secretary and reporter, Lucile Bryan; treasurer, Bobbie Allen. Since no meeting is scheduled for December, these officers will assume their duties at the third-Monday meeting in January,

Those attending the meeting were Marie Arrott, Louvenia Rees, Bobbie Allen, Jeffie Roberts, Sonja Blackwood, Dawn Boykin, Reba Tabor, Brenda Hines, Lucile Bryan, Aubrey Denman, and the new member, Peggy Davis. All men, women, and youth interested in preserving the history of Coke County are invited to join the organization.

O/E publishes holiday schedule

In order for the publisher and employees of the Observer/Enterprise to enjoy the Thanksgiving holiday, the deadline and publication of the paper will be backed up next week. Monday, Nov. 24, will be the deadline for news articles and advertising, the paper will be put together on Tuesday, and printing and mailout done on Wednesday. The O/E will be closed on Thursday and Friday. We extend a happy Thanksgiving to our readers, subscribers, and advertisers.

WORSHIP WITH US AT SOUTHSIDE CHURCH OF CHRIST BIBLE STUDY 10:00 a.m. EVENING WORSHIP 6 p.m. WORSHIP 11:00 a.m. WED. BIBLE STUDY 6 p.m. PH. 453-2613 Robert Lee, Texas

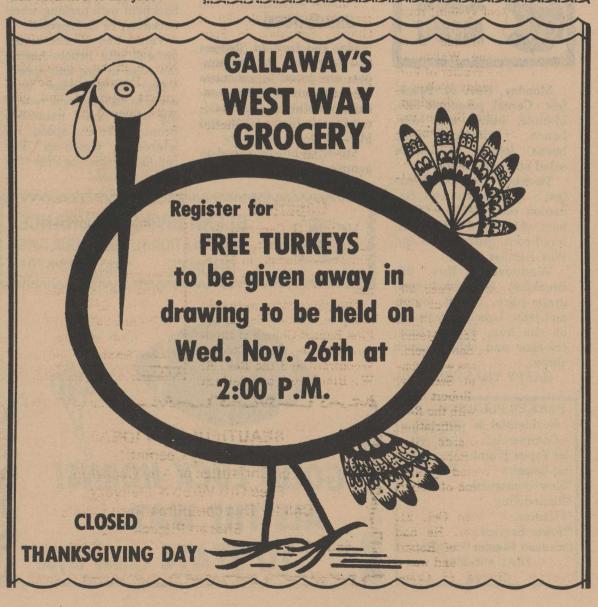


and invites everyone to dine with us.

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May we suggest that for better service, come early and eat before the game as we will feeding the team afterwards.

Go through town past rodeo grounds approx. 1/2 mile, located on right hand side of road.



BRONTE SCHOOL NEWS

Horns win county

Bronte Longhorns won their eleventh game of '86 against the Robert Lee Steers Friday night. It was a wild high scoring battle ending 54 to 27 in favor of Bronte.

The game was a good game for Bronte since their bi-district opponent will be passing frequently, as did Robert Lee. It gave the Longhorns a chance to test their pass defense.

Another first for the season was that it was the first time the Longhorns have been behind. In fact, they were behind twice, but it only took them a few moments to tie it and eventually go into the lead.

Robert Lee started the scoring with a 20 yard TD pass and were successful on the PAT. It was 7-0 with Robert Lee leading. Bronte ran four plays and just like that it was 7-7, that drive started on the Bronte 41. Corby Kelso ran for 6 yards, Stephen Lee ran for 42 yards, one incomplete pass and Todd Brooks took it in from the 10.

On the first play of the second quarter, RL recovered a fumble on the Bronte 43 and after 7 plays scored on a 14 yard TD pass. The PAT was good and with 9:29 to go in the second quarter it was 14-7 Robert Lee. Everybody in Bronte had expected a good game, but not this good. But just to relax the

Monday, Nov. 24: Breakfast - Cereal, pineapple bits, biscuits, butter and jelly. Lunch - Frito pie, pinto beans, lettuce & tomato salad and applesauce.

Tuesday, Nov. 25: Breakfast - Applesauce and cinnamon roll. Lunch - Sliced ham with brown gravy, buttered corn, green beans and Pink Panther Cake.

Wednesday, Nov. 26: Breakfast - Scrambled eggs, grape juice, biscuit, butter and jelly. Lunch - Barbecue on the bun, French fries, coleslaw and chilled peach slices.

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fans, on the first play of Bronte's next possession, Todd Brooks ran from the Bronte 35 yd. line for a 65 yd. TD. Pete Puentez added the PAT. It was 14-14 with 9:09 left in the 1st half. Bronte held RL and struck again for a 1 yd. TD by Brooks with 3:47 to go in the half. Bronte missed the PAT and it was 20-14 at the half.

The second half belonged to Bronte. Jeff Lee intercepted a pass at the RL 27. Quite a feat for a nose tackle. Especially since Lee was about 10 yds. back and near the sideline when he caught the ball. That will keep playoff opponents guessing. Five plays later Stephen Lee hit Pete Puentez for an 8 yd. TD and it was 16-14 Bronte at the end of the third. In the fourth Brooks scored again on a 30 yd. TD run. John Morrow caught the pass for a 2 pt. conversion to make it 34-14.

On the next series, Brooks again ran it in from the 25 yd. line to make it 40-14. RL scored on a 42 yd. TD and kicked the PAT to make it 40-21 with 3:55 to go in the game. Games almost over, good game! Nope, not yet. 'You ain't seen nothin' yet." RL recovered the onside kick, ran one play and fumbled to Bronte. Bronte ran two plays with Stephen Lee going in for a TD. Todd Brooks ran for a 2 pt. PAT. 48-21 with 2:57. Robert Lee ran two plays and passed for

Engagement announced

Lisa and Richard Sharpes and Larry and Dorris Saunders are proud to announce the engagement and approaching wedding of their children Pamela Elaine Glenn and Michael Doyle Saunders.

Vows will be exchanged on January 31, 1987.

a TD. They tried a 2 pt. conversion and failed, 48-27 Bronte with 2:12 left in the game. RL tried the onside kick. Bronte got the ball at the Bronte 40. They ran five plays up the middle intending to run out the clock. However, on the last play with 17 seconds left Jeff Lee, who had replaced Kelso at running back, plowed over tacklers for a 19 yard TD. The PAT failed and it was 54-27 as it was when the game ended.

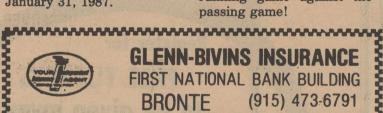
What a game to watch! Todd Brooks ran for over 200 yds. and five TDs. But the credit is shared by the Bronte offensive line and to Corby Kelso who led the blocking through the hole. Chilo Minjarez had his best game on kickoffs repeatedly putting RL deep in their own territory.

Bronte plays Valley in Bi-District in Post Friday at 7:30 p.m. Valley is also undefeated: It should be a real match-up.

Like Bronte, Valley is also undefeated on the '86 season. Bronte's coaching staff feels Valley has not met a team that has the speed Bronte has. Both speed in the defensive backfield and on offense should give Valley some problems.

The Valley quarterback has had a super season setting several passing records. The game plan for Valley is expected to be pass, pass, pass. Bronte's will be the familiar Kelso, Brooks, and Lee running backfield with passing when necessary or unexpected.

Valley and Bronte match up well with Bronte having the edge in size and speed. Valley has the edge, however, in passing and receiving which could neutralize Bronte's size and speed. An interesting match-up. The running game against the passing game!





District FFA Contest

The Bronte FFA chapter represented the school well at the District FFA Leadership Contest held at Wall on November 17.

The Greenhand Quiz team qualified for the area contest at Big Spring Saturday morning. The team is made up of Donya Cooper, Ryan Jones, Lynelle Jones and John Seales. Lynelle also placed fourth in the FFA Creed contest.

The senior Chapter Con-

ducting team was awarded third place. Team members are Craig Grant, Mark Hambright, Cody Hartman, Stephen Lee, Joel Sanders, Randy Draper and Jamie Powers.

Also competing was the Radio Team comprised of John Morrow, Conda Richards, James Patton and Waylan Ensor.

FFA sponsor is Chris Mil-

Jr. High roundball action

The Bronte Jr. High basketballers opened their season on the road against Water Valley on Thursday night. They will have a home game Monday, Nov. 24 against Miles beginning at 5:00. The teams will be coached by Connie Bryan and the boys' coach is Gaylon Harrison.

The High School girls' basketball season will open on Tuesday, Nov. 25 when they meet the Lady Mountaineers from Santa Anna in the home gym at 5:00.

David Tandy will coach the Lady Longhorns.

Fall foliage tour taken

Six ladies from Bronte recently took a fall color tour through East Texas and into Louisiana. They found the foliage especially beautiful due to the unusual amount of rainfall. During their fiveday trip the ladies toured the Hodges Garden in Louisiana, a number of museums and the Texas A&M campus. Making the enjoyable trip were Ivy Spiller, Edith Hipp, Sibyl Hester, Mozelle Smith, Effie Corley and Virginia Boatright.

Schools to dismiss

Bronte Schools will be dismissed Wednesday, Nov. 26 at 3:45 and resume at 8:15 Monday morning, Dec. 1 in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday.

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by Bill Burns

The Steers were picked to finish the '86 season on the cellar floor, 7th out of 8 teams. Though they did not make the playoffs, they finished the season in the #3 spot which says a lot for a team that is not supposed to

have the size or speed to be competitive. With less than 30 boys starting the season, RL had seven costly injuries, but showed the character. that made this a winning season. By not ever giving up, that desire to win will go a long way in helping this



Monday, Nov. 24 **Burritos** Tator Tots w/Catsup Corn **Chocolate Clusters** Milk Tuesday, Nov. 25 Grill Cheese Sandwiches Vegetable Beef Soup Sliced Pickles

Peach Half Milk Wednesday, Nov. 26 Chili w/Cheese Corn **Chopped Onion** Crackers Apple Crisp Milk Thanksgiving Holiday!

Senior discounts

Bob Wrinkle's Ace Hardware will be offering Senior Citizens discounts at the store in Robert Lee at 416 Commerce St. until December 24. Discount cards will be given at upcoming Senior Citizens activities to entitle those over 60 years old to discounts. Those who do not

receive a card may stop by the store or clip one from their Observer/Enterprise

Senior Citizens may also participate in a special drawing for a cordless telephone by registering in the designated box at Ace Hardware.

Cynthia Turner of Bronte recently attended the Texas School of Floral Design in San Antonio. She graduated from the 3-week course in October, 1986. The floral design school is owned and operated by Mark Witte, originally from Lebanon, and

Club donation

The '64 Study Club voted in a meeting on Tuesday. November 11th to give a donation of \$50.00 for the Robert Lee Nursing Home to help purchase stainless steel cooking utensils. They expressed wishes that other clubs and private individuals would assist in this worthy project for the elderly. Those making individual contributions thus far are: Merritt Smith, Mrs. John Gregston, Bonita Robertson, Gertrude Bloodworth, and Pauline Barron. If others wish to contribute, they may call Maxine Shaffer, 453-2388 or Pauline Barron, 453-2762.

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The school included basic floral work, as well as special event arrangements. Cynthia assisted in the floral decorations for a convention at one of San Antonio's Country Clubs while in school.

the Flower Sak at Robert Lee for about a year. Although she has been working with floral designs during this time she feels the school will enable her to give more attention to special arrangements including party and wedding designs.

Presentation was made by the management of the company's production and gas

She has been employed by

BEST WISHES TO INJURED STEERS

tions.

The Bronte Longhorn players, coaches, students, and fans want to extend their best wishes, hopes and prayers for a speedy and total recovery of the two Robert Lee Steers, Scott Ray and Charles Sherrill, who were injured in last Friday's football game.

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Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

group of athletes to be

successful in their individual

I know that all the fans will

join me in wishing a speedy

recovery to the Steers that

were injured during the sea-

work they do. They like to

win as everyone does, but

the main thing is they care

about the students of Robert

Lee and they don't mind who

Congratulations, Steers,

Music presentation

The Robert Lee Music

program will have its holiday

music presentation Thurs-

day, Dec. 4, 1986 in the

school auditorium. All of the

students K-12 who are a part

of the Robert Lee Music

program will be in the per-

formance. Refreshments will

be provided after the per-

VFD. EMS receive

generous donations

organizations got a big boost

last week when they received

checks of \$500.00 each from

Sun Exploration & Production Co. The checks came

from Sun's Central Texas

District Office in Abilene.

and were presented to the

Robert Lee Volunteer Fire

Dept. and the Emergency

Ambulance Service of Robert

plant operations at Silver.

A number of Sun employ-

Spokesmen for both

ees serve in these organiza-

groups expressed their grati-

tude and said these contribu-

tions will certainly help to

purchase and maintain

needed equipment.

Two Robert Lee service

knows it.

formance.

on a job well done.

Last of all I would like to thank the coaches for the

lives in the future.

On behalf of the Robert Lee Schools and the Steers football team, I would like to thank the Observer/Enterprise and its advertisers for their coverage and support of the Steers this season.

I would also like to thank all those whose combined efforts and sacrifices made the 1986 season a very successful and memorable

Finally, as the 1986 season began, the Steers dedicated themselves to directing any credit or praise we might have received to the God who made it possible. We would like to do so now.

> Sincerely, **Nelson Coulter**

FFA Leadership teams

The Robert Lee FFA Leadership Teams competed in the Concho District FFA Leadership Contests at Wall, Monday, November 17. Twenty members of the chapter participated on six leadership teams. The Senior Chapter Conducting team, composed of Randy Gartman, Lin Long, Jason Herring, Robert Runnion, Wes Hood, Stevie Ebenstein, Joel Herring, Kelly Tomlinson, and Clint Smith, won their contest; with Wall FFA placing second. Lin Long placed first in Extemperaneous Speaking. The Junior Chapter Conducting team, composed of Jason Wink, Wes Horn, Jon Rogers, Warren Brasher, Becky Padgett, Joe Pate,

Stephanie Crawford, and Ricky Wheat placed second; with Wall FFA winning first. Robert Lee's Farm Radio Team, composed of Robert Runnion, Cody Anthony, and Michael Lee placed second behind the winning team from Sterling City. By winning first or second in these contests, the Robert Lee FFA members will be participating in the Area II Leadership contests in Big Spring, Saturday, Nov. 22, at Howard College. Other teams not qualifying for Area were the FFA Quiz Team, composed of Jason Wink, Warren Brasher, Becky Padgett, and Wes Horn, placing fourth; and Luke Mason placing fifth in the FFA Creed contest.

LAKE SPENCE FISHING NEWS

PAINT CREEK MARINA

Ronnie Henderson and Party, Odessa, 1 striper, 12

Ricky Robinson, Paint Creek, 4 black bass from 1 lb. 12 oz. to 6 lb. 6 oz.

Don and Shirley Gilmore, Lubbock, 3 stripers up to 61/2

John Ford and Gary Ford, Denver City, 10 channel and blue cat up to 5 lbs.

HILLSIDE GROCERY

Dr. Hampton, Sweetwater, 1 striper, 10 lb.

Lake Spence personnel reports lake water clear, 16 ft. low with a 66 degree surface temperature. Fishing conditions as reported by Texas Parks and Wildlife Dept. reads: All fishing slow with cold weather keeping anglers off the lake.

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B.W. Baucum, Jeanene Andrews



Jan Hohensee County Extension Agent-HE Coke Co.

PROS AND CONS OF CATALOG SHOPPING

If you don't have a lot of time to wander through malls, catalog shopping can be convenient. You can shop any time of the day or night from your own home. That eliminates drive time as well as the crowds.

Shoppers who like the unusual can sometimes find items that are not carried in local stores. With the rapidly increasing number of catalogs, a wider variety of merchandise in all price ranges is now available by mail order.

Shopping by catalog can be a money saver too. You can control your costs and coordinate your selections for better wardrobe planning. You also save on the cost of transportation, parking and meals while shopping. If you have small children, you may also save the cost of a babysitter.

The fashion-conscious find current trend information in catalogs and use this to their advantage to make timely purchase decisions.

But catalog shopping can have its drawbacks too.

Because you can't see, feel or try on the garment before buying it, you may be disappointed. It's difficult to judge the quality of an item from the picture, and price isn't always a good indicator of quality. Colors may also vary from the pictures or illustrations. Since sizes vary from brand to brand, fit can be a problem too.

If you have lots of questions, or like personal contact with the sales staff, catalog shopping isn't for you. Shopping by catalog also has its own costs - for handling and postage or shipping, as well as the cost of using the phone or mail.

Finally, catalog shopping can have its hassles, such as unfilled or incorrectly filled orders and delayed shipments. If you choose to shop by catalog, read your catalog carefully to know what it

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Jeanene Andrews and B.W. Baucum will exchange wedding vows Friday evening at six o'clock, at the First

Baptist Church, Robert Lee.

A reception will follow at the West Coke County Nursing Home where Ms. Andrews is employed as administrator. Mr. Baucum is employed with El Paso Natural Gas, Midland. The couple will fly immediately from Dallas to Florida and cruise aboard the Carnival to the Bahamas. They will return December 1st and will make their home at 810 N.W. 11th St., in Robert Lee.

offers. Compare prices for similar items in different catalogs and with store advertisements to get the best buy.

WTU lowers rates

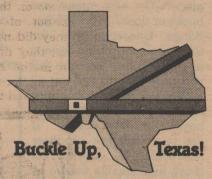
Residential customers of West Texas Utilities Co. are paying less for electricity during November than the average price being paid by customers of other investorowned utilities in Texas.

The monthly report by the Public Utility Commission of Texas shows that WTU's standard residential rates are \$36.80 for 500 kilowatthours, compared to an average of \$38.53 among the state's eight investor-owned companies, and \$64.09 for 1,000 KWh, compared to an average of \$70.

Highest rates in the state are charged by El Paso Electric, whose customers are paying \$49.69 for 500 KWh and \$92.86 for 1,000 KWh.

The PUC report shows

that WTU's rates have declined 11.4 per cent since November 1985, while the average decline among all utilities in the survey, including rural electric cooperatives and municipals, was 8.8 per cent.



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Conservation News

by Mike Mecke. Range Conservationist Soil Conservation Service. **USDA** "How To Get More Bucks...

On The Ranch &

In The Bank!"

Do you have any idea of how many deer live on your place? Or how many are bucks or does? Mike Mecke, Range Conservationist for the Soil Conservation Service in Coke County says the fall is a good time to find out.

Why should you know or care how many deer you have... or their sexes? "If you're a livestock producer interested in growing as much high quality forage as possible, a high deer population may be a liability,' Mecke said. "A deer's diet is much like a goat's, and to a lesser degree, a sheep's diet. At times throughout the year, cattle eat the same plants as deer, but to a much lesser extent.'

You may view your deer as an economic, recreational or esthetic resource. Good census records can support your request for additional doe permits, or even depredation permits, from the Texas Parks & Wildlife Department. If you believe in protecting all of your deer or even just the does, from hunting, their numbers may have increased to the level that your habitat is declining in quality. At any rate, knowing how many deer you have is valuable information," Mecke continued. "Unless you have a gameproof fence around your property, an exact count is impossible, but a useful estimate is easily obtainable. Methods for estimating deer from airplanes, helicopters, pickup and on foot have been developed by wildlife biologists. Additionally, each county has deer census lines run annually by T.P.&W. personnel." Knowing the number of bucks, does and fawns in your herd assists in management decisions concerning annual harvest, as well as population trends and overall herd quality data. Therefore, it is very good information to obtain on a yearly basis.

Mecke said private wildlife biologists will also con-

Runnels Baptists hold meeting

The regular meeting of the Runnels Baptist Association was held Nov. 17 at the Robert Lee Baptist Church.

The meeting began with the WMU and Executive Board at 5:30 p.m. The evening meal was served at 6:30 p.m.

The program started at 7 p.m., given on Foreign Missions Emphasis. Mrs. Christine Clark, Assoc. WMU Director, was in charge of the program. Dr. Grayson Tennison, Southern Baptist Missionary to Portugal, was the speaker.

duct these surveys for a fee. You can also obtain information on how to conduct your own census from SCS personnel, County Agricultural Extension Service Agent Tommy Antilley or Game Warden Sparks Burdett.

"Warden Burdett can also tell you how to conduct your night-time counts without breaking game laws,' Mecke said.

Blackwell club meets

The Omega Coterie Club of Blackwell met Nov. 12 in the Fellowship Hall of the First Baptist Church.

Mrs. Joyce Jones, president; presided over the business meeting. Projects for the coming year were discussed and a Ways and Means Committee was appointed.

Margaret Stout and Opal Jeffcoat were hostesses and served refreshments to Verla Smith Mildred Wood, Laura Seale, Joyce Jones, Marie Romine, Bert Smith, Luvene Akins, Betty Totzke, Billie Murray, Lillie Mae Walters, Eppie Crain, Billie Roberts and Bea Murray.

The next meeting will be a Christmas luncheon on Dec.



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> over and see who it is, and the same way to get back to my friend to tell him I've got to get off the phone now."

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hear a little beep on the line

Jennifer or Chris or for a long time, I'll

talking to somebody

Hipp promoted

Wornock Hipp, Jr. of Hobbs, N.M. has been promoted to store manager for Oilwell Supply Company in Hobbs. Mr. Hipp was recently honored for his 35 years employment with the company.

He is the scn of Mrs. Edith Hipp of Bronte and the late Wornock Hipp, Sr. was raised in Bronte and graduated from Bronte High School. He is married to the former Juanetta Coalson and they have one son, Cory.



THREE WAY CALLING is also a great way to answers, we're all three talking on the phone to one get our children all on the phone with us once in a while, since they live so far apart like I've got. I may be retired, but I haven't slowed down yet. It just get THREE WAY CALLING just push the switch down and dial makes it a whole lot easier to handle my consulting work When I'm talking to Fred, Du'dley's number. another.

house. That way, no one but our since Harvey and I can do some all of our calls over to our son's friends know we're gone and we don't miss any messages either traveling now, we can transfer That's the kind of security and peace of mind I really like.

we go over to visit the grandchildren or go out for an code number and the number where we'll be, and our evening to play cards with the Johnsons. CALL FORWARDING

is so easy, we even use it when school before everybody else Sometimes I get home from calls go where we go



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really busy, and my dad and

mom sure like that.

Being a teenager, you know

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LOOK WHO'S NEW

Michael Shane Duke arrived October 30 at Angelo Community Hospital to Andy and Donna (Wrinkle) Duke. He weighed 6 lbs. 13 oz. and was 19 inches long.

Jami Rae was born to proud parents Kyle and Patsy Lee of Bronte on Nov. 10, 1986 at Angelo Community Hospital in San Angelo. She weighed 8 lbs. and was 20 inches long. Jami has a brother Cody, who is 10 years old.

Her grandparents are Jim and Carolyn Lee of Bronte, Grace and Johnny Bonner of San Angelo and Jerry and Betty Dusek of Vancourt.

Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. James Lee of the Brookshire community and the Rev. and Mrs. Maynard Rogers of Kingsland.

Great-grandmother is

Mission book study

"The Welcome Knock", by Lila Mefford, was reviewed by Jane Cumbie for 13 mission-minded girls. The foreign mission book study was held Saturday, November 15, at the First Baptist Church Bronte annex from 2-4 p.m.

A mock Spanish bank, tourist center and sidewalk cafe provided the girls with the sights, sounds and smells of Spain. Mrs. Cumbie served fish sausage, cheese, dried fruit, peanuts, sunflower seeds, olives, garlic bread, brownies and sodas as refreshment, Brenda Barnett acted as a Spanish banker with Roenna Thomas posing as their tour guide.

Games and puzzles wrapped up the afternoon festivities.

GA members attending were: Misty Mackey, Tamara Richards, Kim Blair, Jennifer McCorkle, Laura Thomas, Melinda Mackey, Becky Sanchez, Cara Barrett, Misty Seales, and Julie Martinez. Other guests were Alisa Richards, Shay Burwick and Lindsey Burwick.



If you work in an office, chances are you'll spend at least 20 years of your life sitting down.



Ruby Barron of San Angelo and great-great-grandfather, Luther Nixon of Bronte.

Bradley Wayne McGinnis is the new son of Blain and Stacy McGinnis of Bronte. He was born Thursday, Nov. 13 at 5:30 a.m. in Hendricks Hospital in Abilene, weighing 7 lbs. 7 oz. and measuring 20¾ inches at birth.

Grandparents are Lois Davis and Sid and Sharon McGinnis of Bronte. Great-grandparents are C.B. and Imogene Long of Abilene and J.B. and Mary Denson of Wilmeth.

Benefit tourney

There will be a benefit golf tournament for Don McKamie, blind concessionaire at Goodyear Proving Grounds, on Saturday, November 22 at Singing Winds Golf Course in Bronte. Tee-off time is 11:00 a.m.

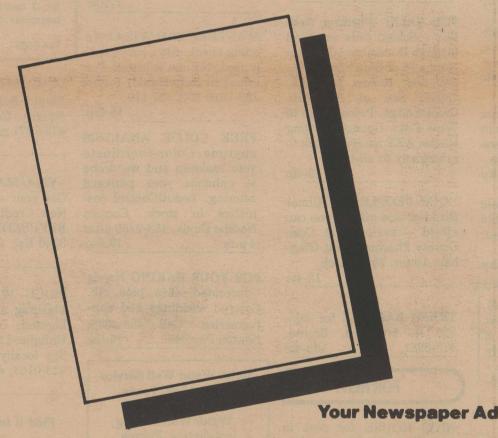
Proceeds of the tourney will go toward medical expenses for McKamie, who will be having heart surgery at John Sealy Hospital in Galveston. Those who do not play golf are welcome to donate to the cause. McKamie has operated the lunchroom concession at the Proving Grounds in an independent capacity for 11 years, is not a Goodyear employee or connected with the company.

For further information, please contact Jim Badgett at 473-6321.



HOLIDAY TURKEYS ARE being donated to West Coke County Nursing Home by the new owners of The Cracker Barrel Restaurant in Robert Lee. Chris & Katy Ertresvaag donated an adequate amount of holiday turkeys and the certificate is being presented to the nursing home's food service supervisor, Frankie Arnold.

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HOUSE FOR SALE: 3 bedroom, 11/2 bath, on 2 lots, storage bldg., Robert Lee. Call 453-2887. 12-4tc

FOR SALE - nice 3 bedroom house and garage on 3 lots in Bronte. Call 473-5721 or see at 806 SE Railroad, Bronte. 15b-2tp

3 BEDROOM HOME for sale in Bronte. Two lots, double garage, 2 storage houses. \$22,000. Call 653-3825.

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LAKEHOUSE FOR SALE by owner - Bayview Estates, Lake Spence - 2 Bedroom, 1 bath - Newly Built, Slab Construction -(915) 453-2433, or 453-4643.

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FOR SALE - Tract #2, 1.7 acres, Townview Estates. For more info., call 453-2012. 5-tnc

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1982 YAMAHA ST125 motorcycle for sale. Contact Scott Robertson, 453-2728, Robert Lee.

FOR SALE: Wurlitzer Juke Box - Sealed bids accepted through December 10. Alpha Kappa Pi of Beta Sigma Phi, Box 566, Robert Lee, TX. 76945. See at Mountain Creek Lodge. Proceeds go to West Coke County Nursing Home. AKP reserves right to refuse any or all bids.

13-4tc

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CARD OF THANKS

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On Nov. 14, 1986, five days after her 82nd birthday, we, the family and survivors of Mary Walker paid our final and most painful tribute to her. To those of you who have known her as we have and, many of you for a longer time than we, know that the many memories we share come from a rich and wonderful heritage, rich in love and tradition which is seldom shared. In these busy times, it is so easy to overlook the real treasures that God has intended for us. To those of you in this community who shared our sorrow and expressed your sympathy in a special way, you have made a difficult time easier for us.

Never could we measure the gratitude we feel nor express in mere words our deepest thanks. Your words and deeds have said to us that you also considered our Mother to be of unique quality. Suffice it to say that she felt a deep love and compassion for each of you who had touched her life; so if we have not done so in person, we would like to take this opportunity to say thanks to each of you for making our time of sorrow easier to bear.

The Family of Mary Walker 15b-1tc

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank the members of East Coke County Ambulance Service for the competent, professional care given our mother in her time of need. We will always be grateful.

The family of Alice May Ross 15-1tp

For your loving hearts and willing hands, we are so grateful. Please accept our heartfelt thanks to all who helped make a time of sadness so much easier for us. The family of Alice May Ross

CARD OF THANKS

The abundance of food, flowers, your prayers, and many other expressions of love during the loss of our loved one are greatly appreciated.

The family of Effie M. Roberts
15-1tp

CARD OF THANKS

We appreciate, more than we can say, the sympathetic yet professional care given to Scott last Friday night by the West Coke County EMS attendants and feel our community is fortunate to have this service.

Phil, Linda, and Scott Ray 15-1tc

Thomason hosts Diversity Club

Mildred Thomason hosted the Bronte Diversity Club on Thursday, Nov. 13. The club collect, salute and pledge to the state and U.S. flags were repeated and a business meeting was presided over by Frances Kemp, club president.

Mrs. Thomason presented a program, "Let's Organize" and roll call was answered with "How I Feel About Federation."

The Diversity Club gave the monthly birthday party for three honorees at the Bronte Nursing Home on Nov. 14.

Present for the meeting were Edith Hipp, Frances Kemp, Flora Smith, Margaret Martin, Vera Raney, Louvenia Rees and Ruth Stiles.

Letter (cont'd.)

Do something NOW! I do not want to listen to folks griping about having to drive to San Angelo for every little thing.

Before someone chants, "They don't have what I want." Ask! Most places here can only carry a small percentage of what they have available, but can get it at no extra cost. And local merchants have really geared up for Christmas - so give them a chance.

I am not affiliated with any business here, I am merely a consumer who recognizes that there are hidden costs and consequences behind CHEAP and BARGAIN.

If I forgot to mention any

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business or service available it was unintentional. I was not giving a city directory, merely trying to bring atten-

tion to a local problem now while we can still do something.

G.W.

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Mountain Creek Golf

Adams Land and Realty Company and Adams Abstract Company were cosponsors on November 9 for an ABC Golf tournament on the Mt. Creek course at Robert Lee.

Scores were closely bunched with Jeff Webster, Gayland Hall, Bill Richards, and Ernest Ybarra nabbing 1st place with a 64. Also with a 64 for second were Ray Meachum, Jerry Robertson,

Randy Smith, and Dan Martin. Third place went to Ray Roe, Betty Baker, Larry Baxter, and Steve Denton with a 65 count.

Baker's Grocery and J.S. Data Processing will team up to host the Nov. 23 ABC Turkey Shoot. The tourney is the last scheduled contest on the 1986 tournament schedule. Tee-off will be at 12:30 and entry fee is set at \$6.

-Letter To The Editor-

Dear Editor:

For the past few years, I have noticed a disturbing trend in our community - a trend of griping and doing nothing!

We procrastinated until the hospital closed. Now we are appalled at the idea of not having complete ambulance coverage.

Lately; however, I hear gripes about local prices. Folks talk of a bad economy and how slim Christmas looks and almost everybody seems bent on going to San Angelo in search of the elusive "Bargain".

Nobody seems to realize that there are ramifications to "our community" involved.

While it's true small businesses do not buy in the bulk necessary to insure rock bottom prices, that does not mean that in the end our local merchants are more expensive! Confused? Let me explain.

Your normal family of 4 sets off on a day's bargain hunting and incurs these

(A) gasoline for 60+ miles San Angelo, \$3.00 - Robert

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San Angelo, \$20.00 - Robert Lee, 0

(C) refreshments, etc., twice daily at \$1. each San Angelo, \$8.00 - Robert

Lee, 0
(D) Christmas at 20%

discount of RL San Angelo, \$80 - Robert

Lee, \$100
(E) Impulse buying jewel-ry, books, etc. \$5 each x 4

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Lee, 0

Total - San Angelo \$131. - Robert Lee \$100.

Strange, isn't it? Your average bargain day cost \$31 more than it would have to

have shopped locally.

Most people fail to stop and think about it, but our local merchants are having a hard time in this depressed economy.

Even if you find a big city bargain, consider these things:

1. Area merchants allow you to call ahead and have things ready for you, cut, measured, rounded up, etc. (lumber yard, hardware store, grocery stores, feed store, flower shops, pharmacies, etc.)

2. Area garages, dealers, repair shops, etc., in special circumstances allow you to get your vehicle after hours and pay the next day.

3. Many area merchants allow 30-day charges (groceries, lumber yard, butane, flowers, classifieds, etc.

4. Many area merchants deliver and in some cases install - (groceries, lumber, birthday presents, anniversary, flowers, etc. (Flower shops, Pharmacies, WTU

5. Being local also means easy access for maintenance and repairs.

6. Last, but not least, it means most merchants go a little extra for breakdowns, must have it after hours, etc.

Admittedly, some of these advantages are available elsewhere, but not all and not from your friends and neighbors.

Think about those times you need something now! Tires, lumber, medication, gifts, tools etc. Do you really want to have to drive to San Angelo for them?

I need to save money as bad as the next guy. By government standards, I am impoverished, but not dumb.

All I am saying is stand behind your local businesses now; so they will be here for you when you need them.



WTU's Energy Saving Plan!

Energy Savings

Your energy savings will really add up when you qualify your home for WTU's Energy Saving Plan. You'll save money in energy bills for years to come when your home meets the energy-efficiency standards of the Energy Saving Plan.

Cash Allowances

WTU's Energy Saving Plan will now pay you larger cash allowances for installing energy-efficient equipment in your home. Consider a central system electric heat pump:

WTU WILL PAY YOU:

\$140 SEER 9.6 per ton & above \$110 SEER 8.0 per ton to 9.5

To qualify for the cash allowances, your home must meet the E.S.P. requirements and be served electricity by WTU.

Resale Value

An E.S.P. Home will have a better resale value than other homes on the market, because it offers home owners lower energy bills. Energy bills are an important consideration for most families, so your E.S.P. Home will fit into a prospective home buyer's budget easier than a non-E.S.P. Home.

E.S.P. Book

The new E.S.P. Book clearly outlines all of the programs, cash allowances and requirements of the New and Improved Energy Saving Plan. The E.S.P. Book also has specific information on insulation, air infiltration control, energy-efficient equipment and much more!

Pick up your FREE copy of the new E.S.P. Book at any WTU office, and start adding up your savings today!





Mr. and Mrs. Randall Skoug

Sword, Skoug marry

Ruthann Marie Sword and Randall Wade Skoug, both of Rusk, were united in marriage on Saturday, Oct. 18 at Lone Oak Baptist Church. The double ring ceremony was performed by the Rev. George Bourque, pastor.

The bride's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Harold E. Sword of Rusk. Her grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. T.E. Sword of Rusk and Mr. and Mrs. H.L. Reid of Robert Lee. Parents of the groom are Mrs. Mollie Skoug of Rusk and Mr. and Mrs. Russell Skoug of Diboll, TX. His grandmother is Mrs. Winnie Griffith of Diboll.

Serving as maid of honor was Carentha Terry and bridesmaid was Rebecca Read, sister of the groom. They wore identical floor length gowns of peau de soi featuring princess necklines and puffed sleeves. The maid of honor's gown was burgundy and the bridesmaid wore a rose pink gown. The best man was Russell Skoug, father of the groom,

and the groomsman was Russell Skoug, Jr., brother of the groom.

The bride wore a floor length gown of satin, featuring a lace over-blouse with tapered sleeves and a detachable train and carried her bouquet atop a white Bible which was given to her by her grandmother. The bride's gown was the same one worn by her mother in her wedding and was made by the bride's grandmother, Mrs. H.L. Reid.

Providing music was Mrs. Patsy Kinchen, pianist, and vocalists were Joyce Sparkman, Kelli Sparkman, and Regina Hanvy. Ushers were Bill Sword, cousin of the bride, and Ricky Scales. The reception was held in the fellowship hall of the church.

After a short wedding trip, the couple is living in Rusk. The bride is a senior at Rusk High School and is employed by Bill's Discount Store. The groom is a graduate of Diboll High School and is employed by Pizza Hut.

Retired teachers meet

The Coke County Retired Teachers Association met November 17, 1986, First Baptist Church, Bronte.

New members Gerald Sandusky, Bronte and Nina and Jack Brewer, Robert Lee, were welcomed. Also present were Ronda Wojtek, C.B. and Wanda Barbee; Vera and Henry Raney; J.T. and Sybil Henry, Luther and Marie Guffey, Joyce Rives, Mary Frances Glenn and guest speaker Margaret Martin.

After a covered-dish luncheon C.B. Barbee introduced the speaker who gave an interesting and informative review of her experiences as a silver-haired legislator representing Coke and twelve other rural counties in the Concho Valley area.

Coke County RTA members agreed that many of the

resolutions adopted by the silver-haired legislature deserve their support.

In the business meeting the minutes of the previous meeting were approved as corrected as was the treasurer's report.

The next meeting will be January 19, 1987, First United Methodist Church, Bronte for a covered-dish luncheon. Any local person who receives monthly income from the Texas Teacher Retirement System is encouraged to join the Coke County Retired Teachers Association.

"Every nation has the government it deserves."

Joseph de Maistre

Brewer, Johnson wed in Cisco

Cecil Brewer of Robert Lee and Helen Johnson of Cisco were joined in Holy Matrimony at the Evangelical Methodist Church in Cisco at 3 o'clock on Sunday afternoon, Nov. 16.

The Rev. John Clinton performed the double-ring wedding ceremony, taking as his text God's creation of Eve as a companion for Adam. A large group of friends and family attended the service.

The bride wore a pale green Chinese silk street-length dress trimmed with ecru lace. The material was brought from China by her son, Don, as a gift to his mother. She carried a satin and lace-covered Bible, topped by her bouquet of roses and stephanotis trimmed with pale green ribbon.

The altar was decorated with an arrangement of bronze and gold mums with a candelabra of bronze containing deep orange candles, carrying out the bride's chosen colors of pale green and bronze.

The bride was escorted to the altar and given away by her son, Gerry Johnson.

Mrs. Lee Starling, matron of honor, wore an ecru crepe knit street-length dress with matching lace jacket.

Best man Lee Starling and the groom wore dark suits of English silk and worsted wool.

Following the wedding ceremony, a reception was held in the fellowship hall of the church.

The bride's table was draped with ecru lace. The wedding cake was made by Helen's daughter, Anita. It was a beautiful three-tier heart-shaped cake of pale green icing decorated with cream lace icing. The cake was topped with a wedding



The Rev. John Clinton [1] and Mr. & Mrs. Cecil Brewer

bell made of stain and lace inside a large lace heart. The groom's cake, a chocolate horseshoe shaped cake filled with rockyroad filling was made by the matron of honor. Following a wedding trip to Louisiana, the couple will make their home both in Edith and Cisco where they have residences. They stated "We are planning to do a lot of fishing at Lake Spence."

Eubanks gets black belt

Ginger Murtishaw Eubanks of Natchitoches, LA recently was awarded a 2nd Degree Black Belt in martial arts. Ginger, chief instructor of Northwestern State University Kajukenfu Kenpo Karate, participated in the unique ceremonies, including the traditional tea drinking ceremonies.

Students were tested for 20 continuous hours in three phases: extensive research and written thesis, verbal presentation, and physical performance of their abilities in martial art skills. The review board of evaluators

included police and military officers with black belt degrees and high ranking black belt instructors.

Ginger, a BHS graduate and native Bronte resident, has been a student and instructor for seven years. She enrolled in the karate classes when Dewey Lee, her son, began lessons.

Ginger and husband, Sid, have established a shop in their home and sell martial arts supplies. She is the daughter of Helen and J.I. Murtishaw. Helen recently visited in the Eubanks home for several days.

GALLAWAY GROCERY

Register for

FREE TURKEYS

in drawing to be held on Wed. Nov. 26th at 4:00 P.M.





