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County youth to exhibit livestock at Houston



Ulmer S. Bird

West Coke institution: Ulmer Bird dead at 87

Ulmer S. Bird of Sanco was buried on Tuesday near his home of eighty-seven years, where he was born in 1900 to a pioneering family. He died last Saturday in West Coke County Nursing Home following a illness of about 1 1/2 years.

A West Coke County institution, Mr. Bird was probably best known as a historian and poet; he wore many hats. He was a teacher, Methodist minister, an Army chaplain, a writer, rancher, and newspa-

per publisher. At one time he was owner/publisher of the Robert Lee Observer and also wrote for the San Angelo Standard-Times and the Abilene Reporter-News.

Mr. Bird, aided by his wife, Josephine, took an active role in the Cemetery and Community Association to preserve the historical Sanco Homecoming. He was also an active member of the Methodist Church when his health permitted.

Brady campaigns in RL

Judge Jim Brady of Austin was in Robert Lee Tuesday campaigning in his bid for reelection to the 3rd Court of Criminal Appeals. He was accompanied to the county courthouse and the newspaper office Tuesday morning by a friend, Woody Cox, of

Austin.

Judge Brady, who serves a 24 county area, says his biggest concern is the crush-

ing backlog of criminal cases and the crowding of prisons, making it necessary to release prisoners early.

Twenty-six FFA members and nineteen 4-H Club members from Coke County and Nolan County will be joining 4-H and FFA members from throughout the state for showing competition at the Houston Livestock Show, to be held Feb. 17 through March 6.

The following 4-H Club exhibitors from Bronte and Robert Lee will participate in the Houston Livestock Show: Casey Antilley, Scott Antilley, Melissa Arrott, Christy Bivins, Melissa Bivins, Gary Blair, Kim Blair, Michael Blair, Brande Burrows, Shelley Burrows, Kimberly Carver, Krystal Carver, Debra Drennan, Shane Kelton, Rachel Metcalf, Thad Metcalf, Michelle Parker, Dane Smith and Rob Smith.

Coke County Extension Agent Tommy Antilley will accompany the group.

The Bronte FFA will exhibit under the direction of Vocational Ag teacher Jay Henderson.

Exhibitors are: Brian Arrott,

Julie Blair, Donya Cooper, Waylan Ensor, Shane Kelton, Stephen Lee, DeAnn Parker, Lee Sonnenberg, Cory Thorn, and Bill Windham.

Only one FFA member from Robert Lee will attend the Houston Show. Michael Lee will show his market lamb. His Ag teacher is Sid Long.

The following Blackwell FFA members will compete in the Houston Show: Amy Cooke, Sharla Daniels, Dianna Edwards, Noe Falcon, Jill Hicks, Tim Hyde, Tracie Hyde, Stacy Jennings, James Sanderson, Mitchell Sawyer, Kyle Scott, Marla Self, Jason Shipman, Crystal Waddington, and Ray Walls.

Steve Pritchard is the Vocational Ag teacher at Blackwell.

Competing in the Astrohall complex, these young exhibitors are vying for prizes in the junior show, where 1988 entries are expected to exceed 15,000. These junior show entries combine with open show and horse show

entries to make the Houston Show the world's largest livestock show.

Junior exhibitors will be representing 809 Texas 4-H clubs and FFA chapters while open show exhibitors, primarily professional breeders and ranchers, arrive from all over the world.

Junior show and open show exhibitors will compete for millions of dollars in prize monies and premium auction prices.

Long before the Show starts, committee volunteers contact auction buyers to guarantee that each animal sold at one of the four junior show auctions will bring a price above the current market value.

Junior exhibitors show a variety of animals, including beef and dairy heifers, breeding sheep, goats, commercial steers, breeding rabbits and market lambs, steers, poultry and barrows.

UIL conference re-alignments told

The University Interscholastic League in Austin last week announced the conference re-alignments for 1988-89 and 1989-90. Participation in either athletic or scholastic contests is governed by the UIL. A spokesman for the UIL explained that re-districting is determined by a school's rise or fall in average daily attendance for grades 9-12 in any given Texas school. Guidelines used by the UIL this year are Class 5A, 1,470 and up; Class 4A, 740 to 1,469; Class 3A, 300 to 739; 2A, 145 to 299; 1A, 144 and below. A school with fewer than 95 students may play six-man football. Other recommended

changes in districts are also made at this time.

Coke County schools, Robert Lee and Bronte, will compete in new districts in both football and basketball. In the coming year, the Steers will play football against Garden City, Irion County,

Rankin, Sterling City, and Water Valley in District 8. The Longhorns will join Eden, Menard, Miles, Rochelle, and Santa Anna in District 15 football. The two teams will participate in basketball together, with Garden City, Sterling City, and Water Valley in District 27.

...Upcoming...

RL VFW Meeting

The second meeting of the Robert Lee VFW will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 9th at the Lazy G Restaurant.

Bring your DD214 or discharge and join the VFW. Save your benefits.

Norton Chili Supper

The Norton Lions Club will sponsor a Chili and Stew Supper this Saturday beginning at 5:00 p.m. Homemade chili and stew with trimmings will be served at the Norton Community Center.

Everyone is invited to attend.

Homemade pies will also be sold.

Gospel Singing

Old Fashioned Gospel Singing will be at the Bronte Senior Center Sunday, Feb. 7 from 2-4 p.m.

Margaret Martin, program director, urges everyone to join the group. Bring your solos, duets, quartets, and musical instruments.

Band Quilting

"There's a Whole Lot of Quilting Going On." Bronte Super Senior Women are quilting a quilt for the Bronte Longhorns Band. The Band is trying to raise money for a trip to Six Flags.

The women are graciously doing a volunteer job for them at the center.

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Bronte Senior Schedule

Margaret Martin, program supervisor for Bronte Senior Center has issued the February agenda.

Commodity Distribution is Thursday, Feb. 4th from 8 to 12.

Ballinger Home Health Agency takes blood pressures from 8-10 on first Thursdays.

Old Fashioned Gospel Singing on Feb. 7 from 2 to 4 p.m.

On Thursday night, Feb. 11 at 6:30 p.m. a Valentine Party will be held.

Arts and Crafts Day is Thursday the 18th in the afternoon. "Whole Lot of Quilting Going On" now.

February 25th will be our Pot Luck Luncheon and program in observance of Heart Month. Ballinger Home Health Agency will show a film entitled - "Feeling Fine" from the American Heart Association.

Each Monday is Physical Fitness at 11:15 a.m.

Nutritional meals are served at 11:30 a.m. each Monday, Wednesday, and Friday.

Games are also played on Meal Days in the afternoon.

An Intergenerational program for Physical Fitness is held each Monday, Wednesday and Thursday in the late afternoon. All ladies regardless of age are urged to participate in this fun program.

Nursing Home b'day told

The January Birthday Party was held on the 22nd at the Bronte Nursing Home. Roy Sanderson was the only one having a January birthday. The Home Demonstration Club hosted the party.

There will be a Valentine Party on Friday, Feb. 12th starting at 6:30 p.m. The highlight of the evening will

be the crowning of Mr. and Mrs. Valentine, who will be selected by popular vote. Please vote for your favorite residents.

Music and refreshments will be provided following the crowning. Each family is asked to bring a plate of cookies.

Everyone is invited to attend.

Group attends singing

A group of Bronte people attended the Gospel Singing at Miles Saturday night. The meeting was a fund-raiser for the Miles Volunteer Fire Department.

Those attending were Sid and Johnnie Eubanks, Zada Denman, Helen Kirkland, Dora Gallaway, Pearl Mae Andrews, Ella Pruitt, and Margaret Martin.

Gartman remains in Angelo Community

Bryan Gartman, longtime Sanco rancher, remains in Angelo Community Hospital this week. He was hospitalized on Dec. 24 and was in the intensive care unit for a month. He is now in a private room and, according to relatives, his condition remains unchanged.

The singing was held at the Opry House in the Senior Citizens building. A number of special entertainers presented their music and songs.

Bird

Ulmer Smith Bird, 87, of Sanco Community, died at 8:20 p.m. Saturday, January 30, 1988, at the Robert Lee Nursing Home.

A memorial service was held Tuesday at 2 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church in Robert Lee with the pastor, the Rev. Pamela Bradford officiating. Shaffer Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements. Burial was in the Sanco Cemetery following the memorial service.

Ulmer was born at Sanco November 11, 1900, in a two-room house under a large live oak on Yellow Wolf Creek. Both his father and his mother were reared on the Texas frontier. His father's family is descended from Mark Bird, a Pennsylvania iron master, who organized a regiment in the Continental Army, and Mary Ross Bird, a sibling of Charles Ross, a signer of the Declaration of Independence.

He was the oldest of five children. He was converted at the age of eight, joined the Methodist Church and continued actively in that connection the 79 years since.

Ulmer graduated from Ballinger High School in 1918, having won second in state on their debate team.

After teaching 3 years, he earned a B.A. degree from Simmons University in 1924; in 1925, he drove his Model T to Princeton, New Jersey, for a year in Theological Seminary.

Back home in Coke County, he was appointed pastor of Panhandle Methodist Church where he served 2 1/2 years. His future wife, Josephine Rorex, was in the congregation, a junior in high school. They married October 18, 1928. He attended SMU and pastored the Wills Point Circuit for two years.

As Chaplain, in the Army of the United States 1943-1946, he was in England, France, Luxemburg, the Bulge, across Germany in the Battle of Germany, Czechoslovakia,

back to Belgium to help deactivate the 565th Anti-aircraft Artillery Battalion.

Back home, he served as interim pastor at Moran, then Blackwell, then temporary active duty training as Chaplain at Brook Army Medical Center.

In 1961-1962, the couple bought the Sanco store building, part of the home place owned by other heirs, and the Robert Lee Observer, later sold to Ben Oglesby in 1965.

They were active in the Cemetery and Community Association at Sanco, and helped carry on the annual Sanco Homecoming.

A Texas Senate Resolution honoring Ulmer Bird as newspaper editor, teacher, preacher and poet was passed September 2, 1986.

Survivors include his wife, Josephine, and two sisters, Thelma and husband, Fred Killam, and Maudie, and husband, Paul Killam. He was preceded in death by two brothers, Ira M. and Irving.

Pallbearers for the services included Vernon Payne of San Angelo, Teddy Pitcock and Eddie Derrick, both of Sanco, Allen Bloodworth of Silver, Noel Gregston and Bill Allen, both of Robert Lee. Honorary pallbearers were members of the Methodist Men's Sunday School Class.

Memorials may be sent to the Robert Lee Emergency Medical Service, First United Methodist Church of Robert Lee or the Sanco Memorial Fund.

Brock

Billy Ray Brock, 48, of San Angelo died on Saturday, January 30, in Shannon Medical Center.

Funeral services were held at 3:30 p.m. Tuesday in Johnson Funeral Home Chapel with burial in Fairmount Cemetery.

He was born July 16, 1939 in Coke County and attended both Robert Lee and Bronte

schools. He was a musician.

Survivors include his wife, Jane Brock of San Angelo; two daughters, Debbie Doan and Donnell Edwards, both of San Angelo; two sons, Billy Darrell Brock and Charles Lynn Huff, both of San Angelo; his mother, Alma Preston of San Angelo; three sisters, Shirley Wallace of San Angelo, Bonnie Herring and Nell Martin, both of Abilene; one brother, Hubert Brock of Abilene; and four grandsons.

He was preceded in death by his father, Joe Brock.

Cox

Harvey Cox, 69, of Miles, died at 7:25 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 27, in St. John's Hospital.

Services were Saturday, Jan. 29, at 2 p.m. in Johnson's Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Larry Cox officiating. Burial was in Miles Cemetery.

He was born Jan. 18, 1919, in Lawton, OK. He married Dorothy Allen Aug. 16, 1940, in San Angelo. He was a heavy machinery operator and a deacon in the Liberty Free Will Baptist Church of Comanche. He was preceded in death by one son, Perry Cox, Nov. 7, 1983.

Survivors include his wife, Dorothy Cox of Miles; two sons, Jimmy Cox of Midland and Larry Cox of Van Buren, Ark.; one daughter, Nancy Holland of Comanche; three sisters, Odel Steadman of Miles, Faye Weise of San Angelo and Esteleen Kennedy of Blackwell; three brothers, George Cox of Mesquite, Leonard Cox of West Virginia and Gerald Cox of Sonora; five granddaughters, two grandsons and three great-grandsons.

Pallbearers were Lonnie Allen, Johnny Allen, Melvin Steadman, Dwayne Weise, Paul Bruton and Gerald Cox.

Honorary pallbearers were L. Allen, Bert Bruton, Carl Reed, Jackie Faust, Wayne Ables and G.B. Sturgis.

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If I am elected, all property tax functions, appraisal and collection, can be combined into one office. This will be more convenient and cost-effective for you, the taxpayer. We can eliminate the duplication of printing costs, envelopes, postage, and labor in collecting taxes from the same people on the same properties. The county taxes can be added to the tax statement we are printing now. We already have the computer, paid for by tax dollars, and the trained personnel. We can save on building repair costs and utilities by having only one office. We can save at least \$25,000 per year by making this change.

If I am elected, I would hold both the titles of County Tax Assessor/Collector and Chief Appraiser, but I would be paid only one of the salaries.

We have experienced significant losses in taxable values of oil and gas properties the last two years. When those values go down, the local real estate and personal property owners have to pay a greater portion of the total tax dollars.

It is time for someone to find ways to reduce spending. Small towns need to spend money wisely, efficiently. But, no one wants the cuts to be in their department. The greatest waste is in not using to the fullest, the capabilities of the equipment and trained staff already in place.

Please join me in my active commitment to promote governmental efficiency and to cut needless spending. Vote on March 8, 1988. Thank you.

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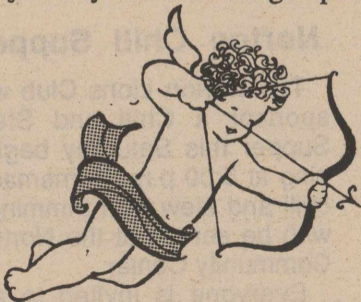
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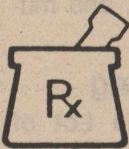
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- Letter to the Editor -

To The Editor:

After reading the newspapers regarding the senseless shooting of the Dallas Police Officer, I feel compelled to write this editorial.

I think it's wonderful the way people memorialize their officers whose lives are taken in the line of duty. I only wish people would see fit to adjust their salaries according to the jobs these officers choose. Posthumous medals are a nice gesture, but it can't come close to comparing to a fair salary for a job well done on a daily basis. Being able to see the family prosper during an officer's lifetime and knowing that he or she is providing for that family in a manner commensurate with the job being done would mean so much more than a medal gathering dust on the mantle and leaving a family in financial distress without the life insurance policy the family couldn't work into a sparse budget.

Do you realize that our local county law enforcement officers are required to obtain a Basic Certification consisting of 400 school hours before they are allowed to patrol our county? And since we have no designated jailer, they each have to attend an additional school for Jailer Certification consisting of another 36 hours of schooling. Because of the type of facility Coke County offers, our officers are required to spend the night at the jail with defendants until the next morning when the officer transports the defendant to San Angelo to the Tom Green County Jail.

Think about that -- an officer works his regular 12 hour duty -- admittedly, some days are longer, some are shorter, but a defendant is incarcerated and it's that officer's turn to stay at the jail with the defendant. Therefore, depending upon the time the defendant is jailed, the officer stays from the time of jailing until he can transport the defendant to Tom Green County around 8 a.m. the next morning, book him into County Jail, and return to his duty station by approximately 10 a.m. Some

long hours, don't you think?

Do you know that your local law enforcement officers are on call 24 hours a day? In San Angelo, for example, policemen and deputies put in an 8-hour shift and go home. Because we are a rural community, our officers are on call 24 hours a day and I have never known one of them to refuse to make a call due to illness, vacation, etc.

Do you realize that your local deputies make approximately \$5 per hour based upon a 60 hour work week, which is a gross underestimate of their time spent on duty. A county secretary makes around \$6 per hour, based on a 40 hour work week and has the luxury of working 8 to 5 and then going home for the evening without interruption. The officers are required to attend 436 hours of schooling while most county employees are not even required to take a series of skills tests before being hired.

Most times, it is impossible for a county law enforcement officer to live solely on his salary. If he can't find a part-time job to supplement his salary, life is mere existence. Because there are so few jobs available in our county for women and so few are ever open, an officer's wife may or may not be able to supplement his income. An officer's wife is also limited to the jobs she can accept since her husband is on call 24 hours a day. I doubt that officer would keep his job long if he were to respond to a call for help at 2 a.m. with "I'm sorry, I can't leave right now. My wife's at work and won't return until 8 a.m. I'll come over and check out the prowler as soon as she returns home to keep the kids."

Think about it people!! I just can't understand why everyone waits until an officer is gone to memorialize him and remember what a good job he has done. Why not have a living testament to the fact that you fairly and justly pay your law enforcement officers for a job well done and show that

you truly appreciate their tireless dedication by duly adjusting their salaries?

You bet, I am sympathetic to law enforcement. I'll bet you would be too if they saved your life or the life of your loved one because of their dedication regardless of the pay, or if you were awakened to the sound of your loved one putting on a bullet-proof vest in the middle of the night and you were told "Don't worry, I'll be back just as soon as I can".

A Concerned Coke County Resident

Look Who's New

Randall and Ellen Maxwell of Bronte are very proud to announce the birth of their first child, a daughter named Randie Melissa Maxwell. She was born January 28th at 5:59 p.m., weighed 8 lbs. 3 oz. and measured 21 inches.

Happy grandparents are Travis and Elvis Shields of Hereford and Kenneth and LaDell Maxwell of Wellington.

Euterpean club meeting

The Euterpean Club's January meeting was held in the home of the hostess, Laura Seale, with co-hostess Bea Murray assisting.

The program included the entire group offering a Love or Friendship thought or poem at roll call. This is the theme and object of the club - to encourage a spirit of friendship among members; to promote cooperation for mutual advancement musically, intellectually and socially; and to extend our services to our community.

Arrangements were made to aid a distressed family and a committee appointed to determine if there are other needs in the community.

Members attending include the hostess, co-hostess and Bobby Barrett, Margaret

Stout, Rhoda McCarley, Pat Walker, Bertha Smith, Emma L. Lanier, Ester Smith, Gracie Spence and Sue McClure.

Personals

Mrs. Billie Schooley is back in St. John's Hospital where she has begun another series of chemo-therapy. Her condition is still improved.

Pete and Dorothy Nutter were Friday visitors of Bonnie McAulay and Mr. and Mrs. J.B. Parish in Crane.

The apricot can be traced back to China at least four thousand years ago. The delicious fruit appeared in Greek mythology as the "golden apple."

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published in response to call made by Comptroller of the Currency, under title 12, United States Code, Section 161.
Charter Number 12723 Comptroller of the Currency Eleventh District

Statement of Resources and Liabilities

		Thousands of dollars
ASSETS	Cash and balances due from depository institutions:	
	Noninterest-bearing balances and currency and coin	1,113
	Interest-bearing balances	2,610
	Securities	6,122
	Federal funds sold and securities purchased under agreements to resell	600
	Loans and lease financing receivables:	
	Loans and leases, net of unearned income	7,566
	LESS: Allowance for loan and lease losses	105
	LESS: Allocated transfer risk reserve	7,461
	Loans and leases, net of unearned income, allowance, and reserve	7,461
	Assets held in trading accounts	0
	Premises and fixed assets (including capitalized leases)	470
	Other real estate owned	0
	Investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries and associated companies	0
	Customers' liability to this bank on acceptances outstanding	0
Intangible assets	0	
Other assets	337	
Total assets	18,713	
Losses deferred pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1823(j)	0	
Total assets and losses deferred pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1823(j)	18,713	
LIABILITIES	Deposits:	
	in domestic offices:	
	Noninterest-bearing	2,451
	Interest-bearing	14,372
	Federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreements to repurchase	0
	Demand notes issued to the U.S. Treasury	0
	Other borrowed money	0
	Mortgage indebtedness and obligations under capitalized leases	0
	Bank's liability on acceptances executed and outstanding	0
	Notes and debentures subordinated to deposits	0
Other liabilities	173	
Total liabilities	16,996	
Limited-life preferred stock	0	
EQUITY CAPITAL	Perpetual preferred stock	0
	Common stock	50
	Surplus	150
	Undivided profits and capital reserves	1,517
	Total equity capital	1,717
	Losses deferred pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1823(j)	0
	Total equity capital and losses deferred pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1823(j)	1,717
	Total liabilities, limited-life preferred stock, equity capital, and losses deferred pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1823(j)	18,713

We the undersigned directors, attest to the correctness of this statement of resources and liabilities. We declare that it has been examined by us, and to the best of our knowledge and belief has been prepared in conformance with the instructions and is true and correct

Kay Paulung Name
Vice President & Cashier Title

I, the above-named bank, do hereby declare that this Report of Condition is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief

Directors

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BRONTE SCHOOL NEWS

Revenge is sweet for Lady Horns

Revenge was sweet for the Lady Longhorns last Friday night when they evened their

Christmas basket donors listed

One of the service activities of the Bronte High School National Honor Society this past Christmas was the collection and donation of three food baskets to three grateful local families. The project grew from one basket a year ago to three baskets this year.

Local businesses and numerous individuals donated to the baskets. Among those donating were: Bronte Motel, Town and Country Food Stores, Bronte FFA, Gallaway's Super Save Foods, Red Barn Barbecue, Hitchin Post Cafe, Joni-Lyn Blouse Factory, Gallaway's Grocery, Hometown Hardware, Glenn-Bivins Insurance, Bronte High School Student Council, Homer Stewart and Bert Johnson.

record against Irion County. The 29-26 victory gave the girls a share of the district lead with Irion County at 3-1.

Dorinda Scott led the close contest with 9 points and 9 rebounds and Misti Taylor added 6 points and 5 rebounds.

Irion County has won district since '83 and the upset win was a huge victory for the Lady Horns. They have been

improving steadily as the season progresses and will make post season play very interesting.

JV girls take second

Bronte's J.V. girls took a 2nd at the Irion County J.V. Tournament last weekend. They won over I.C. in the first game 34-30 in overtime.

Kelly Webb led with 12 points; Maria Puentez added 10; Donya Cooper, Jennifer Robinson and Michelle Parker had 4 each.

In the 2nd game, Bronte lost by a narrow margin 20-24 to Eldorado. Scoring were Michele Parker and Donya Cooper, 5 each; Kelly Webb and Jennifer Robinson, 4 each; and Maria Puentez, 2.

The J.V. record is 8-5 on the season.

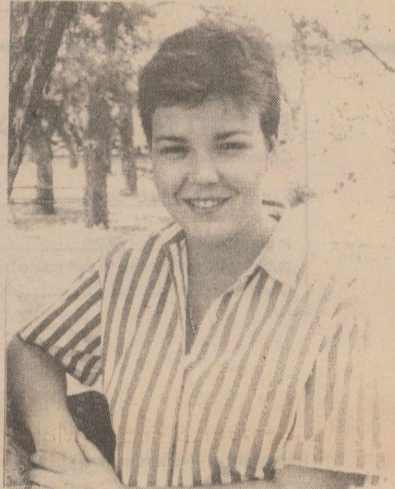
Taylor named Who's Who

Penni Taylor, 1985 graduate of Bronte High School and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Taylor, Jr. of Bronte, was recently named to the Who's Who of American Colleges and Universities.

Miss Taylor, a 20-year-old Senior Home Economics major, was selected from a list of 47 students to represent Tarleton State University in the 54th edition of Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges.

Faculty and peers chose Miss Taylor on the basis of her decidedly above average academic standing, community service, leadership ability and potential for continued success.

Besides her pursuit of a Bachelor of Science degree in Home Economics, Taylor has involved herself in the Baptist Student Union, Intramural Volleyball, Rho Iota Delta, Texas Home Economics Association, American Home Economics Association, Vocational Home Economics Teachers Association of Texas, Senator of TSU government and a member of Tarleton Center Advisory Board. She has also held a job as Student Assistant to the TSU Financial Aid Director and been named to the Distinguished Student's List each semester for the past three years.



Penni Taylor

Miss Taylor will receive a Bachelor of Science degree in Vocational Home Economics in August 1988.

Martin speaks to Paint Rock seniors

Margaret Martin, Silver-Haired Legislator from Bronte, representing the Concho Valley Area on Aging was guest speaker at a meeting of the Paint Rock Senior Citizens meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 2.

Edith Hipp accompanied her to Paint Rock for the meeting.

Ronald C. Lee, C.P.A. will be in the Observer Enterprise building on the following dates:
Feb. 4th & 5th
March 7th & 8th
March 28th
To make an appointment call (817) 772-5515

Students place at Wall

The Science/Math teams competed at the Wall UIL Practice Science/Math meet on Thursday, Jan. 28. Those attending were: Christy Bivins, Kim Sims, Melissa Bivins, Lee Sonnenberg, Alisa Richards, Brandi Thomas, Max Tuinstra, Amy Allen, Renee Tuinstra, Misty Mackey, Dwain Swenson, and Walter King.

All of the students traveling to Wall participated well and gained from the practice.

Students who placed in competition and won an award were:

Christy Bivins, 4th, in 11th grade division Number Sense.

Kim Sims, 5th, in 11th grade division Calculator and 10th,

in Science.

Melissa Bivins, 10th, in 9th grade Science.

Lee Sonnenberg, 2nd, in 9th grade Science; 8th, in Calculator; and 10th, in Number Sense.

Alisa Richards, 10th, in 8th grade Science.

Brandi Thomas, 6th, in 8th grade Science.

Max Tuinstra, 2nd, in 8th grade Science and Number Sense.

Sponsors are Jerita Taylor and Sara Buxkemper in Science and Marifrances Mackey and Ben Hambright in Math.

Students are working in all U.I.L. events for the spring academic meet to be held in March.

Elementary Honor Roll

Bronte Elementary Principal Shirley Coleman has posted the Honor Roll for the past 6 weeks. Those students are:

4th grade: B - Nicholas Arrott, Chad Barnett, Michelle Buhr, Aaron Carper, Misti Cobb, Alex Green, Cody Holland, Ben Huckabee, Wendy Johnson, Bedo Juarez, Angela Lewis, Melinda Mackey, Michael Maldonado, Stephanie Martinez, Cory Robinson, Zane Scott, Gary Walker, Jolee Woodward.

5th grade: A - Laura Thomas. B - Micah Arrott, Regina Clayton, Amanda Dunn, Brandy Dutton, Sarah Haynes, Jill Johnson, John Johnson, Marc Levens, Jessica Salser, Brent Taylor, Amy Tuinstra, Rhapsody Weaver.

6th grade: A - Wendy Huckabee. B - Amy Bailey, Athena Black, Jason Cooper, James

Golson, Walter King, Justin Lampier, Jay Parker, Casey Thorn.

Shorthorns host Dogies

Robert Lee's Jr. High girls basketball teams visited in Bronte Monday and took home a win and a loss.

The Dogies B team defeated Bronte 11-0 despite a good effort by the Shorthorns. The B team record falls to 2-7.

The A team raised their

record to 11-2 with 20-9 victory. Amie Parker scored 5 points, Tina Smith had 4, Teresa Vaughn, Darla Scott and Alisa Richards, each had 3, and Brandi Thomas put in 2.

The Shorthorns travel to Sterling City Thursday, Feb. 4 with games beginning at 5:00.



SCHOOL MENU

Monday, Feb. 8: Breakfast - Cereal, pear bits, biscuits, butter and jelly. Lunch - Chicken fried steaks with gravy, cream potatoes, English peas.

Tuesday, Feb. 9: Breakfast - Oatmeal, orange juice, cinnamon toast. Lunch - Fish, cheese, buttered corn, black-eyed peas, brownies.

Wednesday, Feb. 10: Breakfast - Cereal, pineapple chunks, biscuits, butter, jelly. Lunch - Enchiladas, pinto beans, tossed salad.

Thursday, Feb. 11: Breakfast - Sausage patties, grapefruit juice, biscuits, gravy. Lunch - Stew, cheese sticks, carrots and celery sticks, banana, crackers, cornbread.

Friday, Feb. 12: Breakfast - Hashbrowns with cheese, banana, biscuits, butter, jelly. Lunch - Charcoal burgers, French fries, lettuce, tomato and pickle slices, cupcakes.



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JV travels to IC tourney

Robert Lee JV basketball clubs entered the Irion County JV tournament Jan. 28-30.

Thursday, the girls challenged a strong Eldorado JV team and were defeated 44-28. Doing the honors for Robert Lee were Stephanie Poehls 10, Lisa Sanchez 9, Sheree Burns 4, Tiffany Jameson 3, and Rachel Lopez 2.

The JV girls whipped Paint Rock 43-25 in Saturday's action. Scoring for the locals were Sanchez 10, Shannon Skipworth 10, Poehls 9, Lopez, Janet Pentecost, and Jameson had 4 apiece, and Crissy Sherrill 2.

In the finals Saturday, the squad was knocked out of placing in the tourney by Irion County's JV in a close match-up 23-20. Sanchez got 8, Poehls 6, Sherrill 2, and Skipworth 4.

Christoval mashed the Robert Lee JV boys 62-39 in their first outing on Thursday night. Jon Rogers topped the field with 14, Wes Horn scored 10, Warren Brasher had 6, Stevie Epperson 3; Stevie Oleksiuk, Lane Jackson, and Jason Wink went for 2 each.

On Saturday, they fought by Paint Rock 41-33, Horn poured in 20, followed by Wink 8, Brasher 6, Rogers 3, Pilo Saucedo 2, Jackson 1, and Brent Gibbs 1.

Water Valley won over RL JV in the Consolation match with a squeaker, 37-35, in spite of efforts by Horn 16, Wink 7, Rogers 5, Brasher 6, and Clint Smith 1.

The JV clubs are not on the regular schedule for any more matches, unless they can be worked in with the varsity series.

ROBERT LEE SCHOOL NEWS

Boys, girls both remain undefeated

Robert Lee's varsity basketball teams continue to roll in district play. Both remain undefeated at this time.

The Lady Steers steamed by Water Valley there Tuesday, Jan. 26, by a 47-28 score. Brooke Boone led the club with 14 points. Other scorers included Jodi Wag-

gonner 9, Rachel Metcalf 8, Kim Hood 7, Debbie Bell 4, Becky Padgett 3 and Karen Smith 2.

The Steers dumped the Wildcats 50-40 with Randy Gartman accounting for 20 of the scored points, followed by Stevie Ebenstein 9, Jason

Herring 8, Robert Runnion and Wes Hood, both 5 and Curt Gardner, 3.

Water Valley defeated the Steers B squad 55-43, despite Wes Horn's 20 point contribution. Jon Rogers had 8, Clint Smith 6, Jason Wink 5, and Warren Brasher made 4.

Sterling City Eagles brought 3 teams to Robert Lee Friday, Jan. 29, and were defeated in the series.

The girl's JV team hung on for a 29-27 win. Counting for the locals were Sheree Burns 8, Lisa Sanchez and Jody Brasher, both 5, Stephanie Poehls and Crissy Sherrill, each 4, and Janet Pentecost 3.

The Lady Steers plucked the Lady Eagles 60-34 in a decisive victory. Metcalf poured in 23 points, aided by Hood at 13, Boone 13, Waggonner 9, and Padgett 2.

The Eagles couldn't fly against the strong Steer team and were downed 70-50. Hood scorched the boards for 27, followed by Ebenstein with 12, Herring had 10, Gartman 8, Gardner 6, Runnion 4, Tomlinson 2 and Anthony 1.

Following the Water Valley games here on Tues., Feb. 2, only two district games remain for the varsity teams, both on the road. Friday, Feb. 5, the squads play in Garden City and on Tues., Feb. 9, they wrap up in Sterling City. Games begin at 6:30 p.m.

Retired teachers meet

Members of the Coke County Retired Teachers Association held a luncheon meeting, Monday, January 18, First Baptist Church in

Bronte.

C.B. Barbee, president, presided at the business meeting that followed. Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read; Ronda Wojtek gave the treasurer's report; and the next meeting date was set for February 15, First United Methodist Church, Bronte.

It was noted that the March 21 meeting will be held in First United Methodist Church, Robert Lee, and that an area Drive-In Workshop is scheduled for April 28 in Brady.

A Nominating Committee was selected to present a list of officers to be elected in March for the 1988-1990 term.

Two new members, Bill Rouse and Irene Newell, were welcomed. Others attending were Ronda Wojtek, Gerald Sandusky, Joyce Rives, Laura Herford, J.T. and Sybil Henry, Luther and Marie Guffy, Jack and Nina Brewer, C.B. and Wanda Barbee.

Over 200 register for Big Buck contest

A locally-sponsored Big Buck Contest met with success when 210 hunters registered during November and December to compete for prizes during the 1987 season. Bob Wrinkle's Ace Hardware, Blair Deer Storage and Lazy G Restaurant of Robert Lee co-sponsored the contest which offered a rifle for the buck with the widest rack, tip to tip, and a hunting knife for the turkey with the longest beard. Both had to be taken in Coke County.

Winner of the .243 Savage rifle was James Lee of Mansfield for a buck killed Dec. 5 on the Arledge Ranch. The rack had a 17 inch spread and 10 points. He stated that this year was his first time to hunt in Coke County and was pleased to find everyone so friendly and hospitable. Lee's 8-member party killed 7 bucks, 8 does, and 8 turkeys.

The Schrade Scrimshaw knife was claimed by Clifford Jones of Robert Lee for an 11-inch turkey beard.

Personal

Sunday visitors were Tex and Joyce Kane, Eatontown, N.J., Mrs. Pearl Ditmore and Barbara Chesney, Robert Lee, in the Turney Casey's home. The Kanes also visited Cecil and Billie Schooley.



Monday, Feb. 8

Pigs in Blanket with mustard
Corn
Green Salad
Peach Slices
Milk

Tuesday, Feb. 9

Vegetable Beef Soup
Grill Cheese Sandwiches
Sliced Pickles
Fritos

Wednesday, Feb. 10

Pinto Beans
Tator Tots with Catsup
Spinach
Cornbread-Butter

Fruit Cobbler
Milk

Thursday, Feb. 11

Barbecue on Bun
Pickle Slices
Ranch Style Beans
French Fries with Catsup
Cookies
Milk

Friday, Feb. 12

Chicken Patties with Gravy
Cream Potatoes
Green Beans
Hot Rolls-Butter
Peanut Butter Supreme
Milk

Blackwell ISD Honor Roll

The Blackwell C.I.S.D. 3rd six weeks honor roll, 1987-88, has been posted. The list includes:

1st grade: A - Jesus Chavez, Jimmy Holland, Chayne Roland, Derek Schoen, Michelle Pate, Mindy Hoyle, Kristin Harvell. A-B - Florentino Saavedra, Leticia Camarillo.

2nd grade: A-B - Elizabeth Camarillo, James Cantrell, Mauricio Chavez, Chris Dowell, Shawn Roberson, Kallie Liss, Angel Solis, Joanie Ussery.

3rd grade: A-B - Brandon Boyd, Lucia Saavedra, Brandy Hoyle, Chrissy Allen, Nathan Hayes, Judith Taylor, David Ray.

4th grade: A-B - Scott Allen, Sonya Chavez, Mariana Solis.

5th grade: A - Jacob Blair, Todd Smith, Jason Murphy, Cody Wilkinson. A-B - Michele Garza, Bea Jay Hejl, Carrie Parsons, Connie Sawyer, Karen Taylor, Joe Bob Ussery, Prentice Westbrook.

6th grade: A - Cyndi Carlton, Kelly Hayes. A-B - Tracy Smedley, Shane Meffert.

7th grade: A - Christy Williams. A-B - Stepheny Baucom, Tori Garza, Royce Jennings, Mindy Reynolds.

8th grade: A-B - Jody Bell, Traci Hindman.

9th grade: A - D'Linn Blair, Christina Meffert, Marla Self. A-B - Dianna Edwards, Jennifer Hejl, Julie Byers.

10th grade: A - Amy Hood, Lee Smith. A-B - Heather Baucom, Rebecca Ehl, Stacy Jennings, Jason Jones, Amy Cooke.

11th grade: A - Stacey Smedley, Doyle Parsons, Sharla Daniels. A-B - Debra Holland, Shockey Sooter.

12th grade: A - Jill Hicks, Brad Hood, Andy Lee, Jason Munsey, Shawn Murphy, James Sanderson. A-B - Tim Hyde, Cary Panzer.

The County Tax Assessor/Collector is personally bonded to the State for all vehicle registration in the County.

In 1987, over \$622,500 in vehicle registration, tax, title, and licensing was handled by your county tax office. Because of this volume, your county was able to keep over \$241,000 of this revenue.

As a deputy in the County Tax Office, one of my primary responsibilities has been with all phases of vehicle registration and state required reporting.

I feel that I am well qualified to serve you in this capacity as well as in the assessment and collection of taxes.

Your support in the Democratic Primary would be greatly appreciated.

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PRICE REDUCED - '85 Buick Park Avenue, 4 door, 40,000 miles, excellent condition. Has all extras, see to appreciate. \$9,800 firm. See at First National Bank, Bronte. Call after 4:30, 473-3861. Jolene Barrett.
 24-tnc

FOR SALE - '72 GMC Pickup; 100 cassette tapes, \$1.25 each or \$100.00 for all, all rock, 60's to 80's-- 453-2229, ask for Eddie.
 24-2tp

FORMERLY KC HOUSE Restaurant in Bronte on Hwy. 277. Sell or Lease. Seating capacity over 100 people. Would make nice Restaurant or Feed & Supply Store or etc. Call 915/944-0321.
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REBUILT TVS for sale. Hughes TV, Bronte, 473-4601.
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Furniture and appliances go with this double-wide mobile home. Beautiful yard with riding mower, pump, and sprinkler system. Screened porch with fireplace. Walk down to water for swimming, fishing or boating. Two acres with mobile home. Owner would consider trade.

Country living on approx. 262.46 acres, 2 BR/2BA house, CH/CA, large barn, corrals, guest house. Deer, turkey, quail, Colorado River fishing rights.

3 BR - 1 1/2 BA, fireplace, carport, located on 3 acres 8 mi. west of Robert Lee near Paint Creek Marina.

Contact
Becky Clendennen
 453-4748
Adams Land & Realty Co.
 Phone 453-2723 or 453-2757
 or 655-9429
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FOR SALE

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 25b-1tp

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HOUSE FOR SALE or RENT

- Corner of Washington and Riley, Bronte. 3 bedroom, 2 bath, livingroom, den and big kitchen. 473-2707.
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MISC

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Zera Fields
25-1tp

NOTICES

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February 25, 1988, 10:00 a.m.

Contract #078XXM1002
Coke Co.

Contract #078XXM1006
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Contract #078XXM1007
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February 25, 1988, 10:30 a.m.

Contract #078XXM1008
Tom Green Co.

Contract #078XXM1003
Crockett Co.

Contract #078XXM1009
Irión/Reagan Co.

February 25, 1988, 11:00 a.m.

Contract #078XXM1005
Menard Co.

Contract #078XXM1004
Edwards/Real Co.

Contract #078XXM1010
Interstate 10 (Kimble, Sutton, Crockett)

Plans, specifications and proposals are available at the office of Daniel W. Gower, District Maintenance Engineer, San Angelo, Texas. Prebidder Conference for all contracts will be held at the State Department of Highways & Public Transportation, San Angelo, Texas on February 16, 1988 at 10:00 a.m.

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SHERIFF'S SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that by virtue of a certain Execution issued by the Clerk of the 51st Judicial District Court of Coke County, on the 23rd day of December 1987, in a certain cause wherein Ray Cason plaintiff, and Randy Joe Parker a/k/a Randy Joe Corbin defendant, in which cause a judgment was rendered on the 10th day of Nov. 1987, in favor of the said plaintiff Ray Cason against said defendant Randy Joe Parker a/k/a Randy Joe Corbin for the sum of Ten Thousand Five Hundred and no/100 Dollars, with interest thereon at the rate of 10 per centum per annum from date of judgment, together with all costs of suit, I have levied upon, and will on Wed. Feb. 17, 1988, it being the 17th day of said month, at 11:00 a.m. at the steps of the Coke County Courthouse within le-

gal hours, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder, all the right, title and interest of Randy Joe Parker a/k/a Randy Joe Corbin in and to the following described personal property, levied upon as the property of Randy Joe Parker a/k/a Randy Joe Corbin to-wit:

One 1978 Case Backhoe, Serial Number 7866770

The above sale to made by me to satisfy the above described judgment for Ten Thousand Five Hundred and no/100 Dollars, in favor of Ray Cason, together with the costs of said suit, and the proceeds applied to the satisfaction thereof.

Marshall Millican
Sheriff, Coke County,
Texas

Coke County Texas, January 4, 1988.

25b-2tc

AT THE DIRECTION of our auditors, we are closing all the bank accounts at the Robert Lee State Bank which bear the title Seniors, with the exception of the current class. The money in these accounts will be deposited into the operating fund of the school unless otherwise directed by an officer of each graduating class. The following is a list of these accounts. If you are an officer or know the whereabouts of an officer of any of these classes, please contact the school. The money will be disbursed to each class if a representative gives the instructions to do so.

Senior Class of '56
Senior Class of 1959
Seniors of 1962-63
Senior Class of 1965
Senior Class of 1966
Senior Class of 1968
Seniors 1975
Senior Class of 1982
Senior Class of '83
Senior Class of '84
Seniors 1985
Robert Lee I.S.D.
HC 61 Box 303
Robert Lee, Texas 76945
453-2612

25b-1tc



Gauze, the thin, open cloth made of cotton and other fibers, probably takes its name from the ancient city of Gaza where this type of cloth was first made.

MOUNTAIN CREEK DRY CLEANING

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TUESDAY AND THURSDAY

Ag tax changes affect 1987 returns

Agricultural producers need to keep in mind the more significant changes of the Tax Reform Act of 1986 as they prepare to file their federal income tax returns.

Listed below are only a few changes but a copy of the Farmers Tax Guide explaining agricultural taxes can be picked up at the County Extension office in the courthouse.

These changes include the following:

1. Tax rates have been reduced and tax brackets have been expanded. For example, the marginal income tax rate for a married couple filing a joint return is 15 percent on taxable income between \$3000. and \$28,000.

2. Personal exemptions have been increased from \$1,080. to \$1,900.

3. The standard deduction for a married couple filing a joint return has increased by \$90. to \$3,760., but is scheduled to increase to \$5,000. in 1988.

4. A self-employed individual is allowed to deduct 25 percent of what he or she pays under an insured or self-insured family health plan. This is not available if the self-employed person participates in a health plan furnished by his or her spouse's employer.

5. Capital purchases of up to \$10,000. on eligible property may be deducted in the year of purchase.

6. Limits have been placed on the amount of prepaid farming expenses that can currently be deducted if you use the cash-basis method of accounting. The limitation applies to prepaid expenses in excess of 50 percent of the nonprepaid farming expenses.

7. Deductions for IRA contributions are phased out for middle-to-high income individuals who are covered under another qualified pension plan.

Items that have been eliminated by tax reform legislation include the following:

1. Two-earner deduction for married couples.

2. Income averaging.

3. Capital gains exclusion. (There are special rules for participants in the dairy herd buy-out program.)

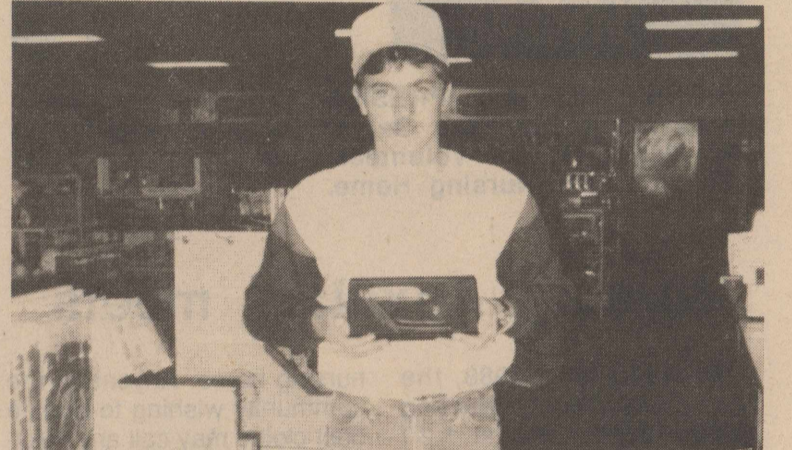
4. Land clearing expense. Conservation expenses must be part of an approved plan.

5. Dividend exclusion.

6. Charitable contributions. These must now be included with other itemized deductions.



JAMES LEE OF Mansfield looks over the .243 rifle he won in the recent Big Buck Contest co-sponsored by Bob Wrinkle's Ace Hardware, Blair Deer Storage and Lazy G Restaurant in Robert Lee. Lee's 10 point buck sported a rack with a 17 inch spread, measured tip to tip.



CLIFF JONES OF Robert Lee won the Schrade Scrimshaw knife for his turkey gobbler beard of 11 inches in conjunction with the Big Buck Contest sponsored by Bob Wrinkle's Ace Hardware, Lazy G Restaurant, and Blair Deer Storage during the regular fall hunting season.

Happy Valentines Day



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ROBERT LEE

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AUCTION

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Tuesday
March 1, 1988
10:30 am

966 Acres
Farm and Ranch
Land

Tuesday
March 1, 1988
10:30 am

"Being sold in Benefit of the United States Small Business Administration, with Danny Burns as Substitute Trustee"

AUCTION LOCATION: Coke County Courthouse, Courthouse Door, Robert Lee, Texas

Tract 1:

716 acres of land, more or less, located in Coke and Runnels counties of Texas, more specifically described by metes and bounds in the Holterman survey # 388

Tract 2:

247 acres of land, more or less, being all of that certain tract of land situated in Coke County, Texas and more fully described as 91.94 acres out of Jacob Hahn Survey # 324 1/2, Abstract 1243, and 156 Acres in the J. M. Ainsworth Survey #1 and W. H. Survey # 1

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- The seller reserves the right to accept or reject any and all offers.
- Property being sold subject to any and all taxes, and prior liens not held by S. B. A.
- Title to be conveyed by substitute trustees deed.
- Terms of sale are all cash on the day of sale.

For Detailed Information: Burns Hutson,
915-235-9639, TXS -011-0934



DIANNE SIMPSON, PRESIDENT of the Auxillary, presents a 300 Hour Bar to Pauline Vaughan (l) for 300 hours of volunteer service to the West Coke County Nursing Home.

Nursing Auxilliary meets

On February 1, 1988, the West Coke County Nursing Home Auxiliary met at 1:30 o'clock p.m. in the recreation room of the nursing home.

President Dianne Simpson called the meeting to order with 15 members present. The auxiliary welcomed its new member, Melodie Barnes.

After old business, the main topic of discussion was the auxiliary's membership drive to be held in connection with the Spring Bake Sale, the date to be decided at a later time.

It was requested by Joyce Wilson, WCCNH Activities Director, that any member that has old tube socks, terry cloth or fabric that might be used for dusting, bring them to the

nursing home. Anyone in the community wishing to donate dust cloths may call any auxiliary member to pick them up or they can take them by the Auxiliary Gift Shop or Thrift Shop. This would be a big help for the nursing home.

The Auxiliary would still like to encourage anyone that has some free time and would like to join the Auxiliary would be welcome at the next meeting, March 7, 1988.

Memorials to West Coke County Nursing Home Auxiliary for January and February, 1988.

Memory of Ulmer Bird from Mr. and Mrs. Robert Vaughn; Mr. and Mrs. J.E. Rives.

Linda Boone
Secretary-Reporter

BRONTE - ROBERT LEE FEBRUARY CONGREGATE MEALS
 Fri., Feb. 5 - Burritos.
 Mon., Feb. 8 - Enchiladas with Chili Sauce.
 Wed., Feb. 10 - Baked Ham.
 Fri., Feb. 12 - Tuna Macaroni Salad.
 Mon., Feb. 15 - Salisbury Steak.
 Wed., Feb. 17 - Chicken Rice Au Gratin.
 Fri., Feb. 19 - Turkey Breast Dressing Supreme.
 Mon., Feb. 22 - Polish Sausage.
 Wed., Feb. 24 - Pork Chop Suey.
 Fri., Feb. 26 - Chicken Cacciatori.
 Mon., Feb. 29 - Chili with Beans.

West Coke County Emergency Medical Service has reported the following contributions for January 1988:

DONATIONS

Mr. and Mrs. W.M. Brown
 W.H. Maxwell, Bronte

MEMORIALS

For A.B. & Pearl

Sheppard, Audie Baker, and Ty Davis.

From Sarah D. McGuyre, Alice, TX.

For Merle Pearson, Kenner LA.

From Mr. and Mrs. Jack H. Brewer.

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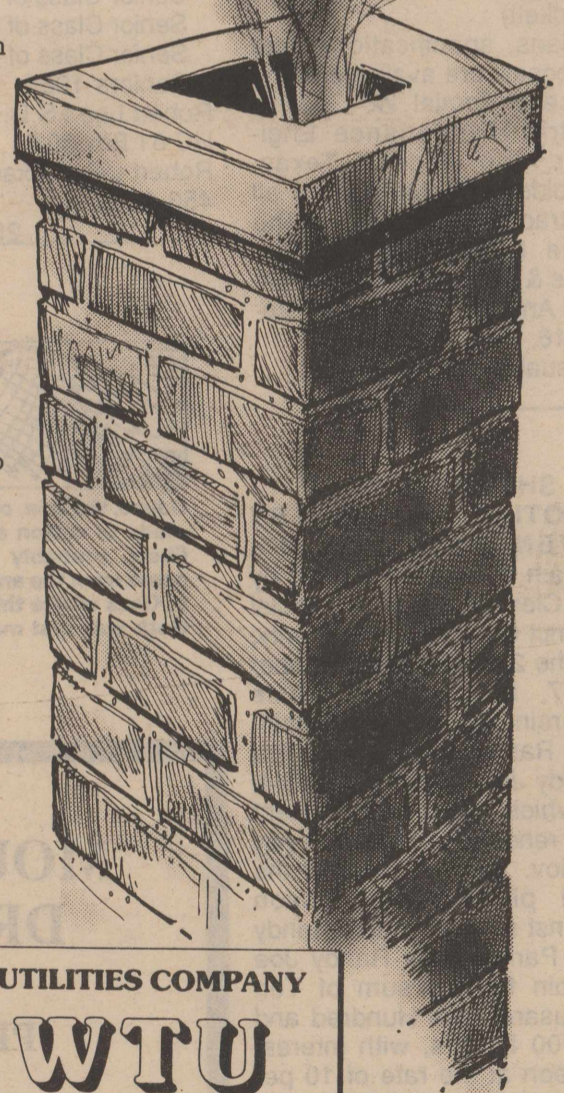
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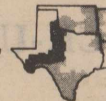
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