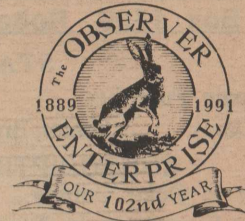


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Large crowd attends dedication ceremonies

Saturday morning, June 1, was an eventful morning in the area of the old Railroad Depot and Capitol Gazebo in Bronte for approximately 200 people celebrating the old and the new.

The program began with a meeting of the Bronte Masonic Lodge #962 AF&AM.

After a short opening, the Lodge Hall was opened to the public for the dedication ceremonies.

Tom Yahntez, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Texas, assisted by other Grand officers of Texas and local members of the Masonic Lodge, conducted the dedication ceremony.

The Bronte Lodge was chartered in 1907. They first met on the lower floor of the school prior to Bronte's moving from the West Kickapoo.

The second home was on the second floor of the old First National Bank building located at the corner of State and Main Streets.

The Lodge moved to the Santa Fe Depot in 1967 through the efforts of H. O. Whitt, deceased Ex-Station manager and active member of the Lodge.

A lease of management was made and the freight room of the depot was remodeled by numerous Mason volunteers.

The new Lodge Hall was dedicated in 1967 by Past Grand Master, Karl Burnett.

After many years of attempted negotiation and paying lease on the building, a deal was finally consummated by Richard Blackford, Regional Manager of the Santa Fe Pacific Realty Company of Dallas. The deal consisted of the Depot and 2.6 acres of land and a quit-claim deed on April 24, 1989.

The Depot (Masonic Lodge) has had considerable work done on it during the restoration by James Lammers, grandson of the builder, Big Jim Lammers, and current lodge member volunteers. The depot was built of native stone in 1911.

Following the Lodge Dedication, the Historical Marker designating the Depot as a Texas Historical Landmark was unveiled.

The Marker reads "Built by local stone mason James L.

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SummerFest plans made

Plans are being finalized by the Bronte Chamber of Commerce and local merchants for the Bronte Summer Fest, Arts & Crafts, Antiques, Garage Sales, and food booths on June 21 and 22.

The Fest will be on the Masonic Lodge grounds near the Depot and Gazebo. After

3 pm Friday and all day Saturday, festivities will also be held on the First National Bank parking lot.

Spaces are still available for \$8 until June 8. They will then increase to \$10.

For information, call 473-2144 from 9-5 weekdays and 473-3501 from 8-5 weekdays.

RL centennial activities

According to Mayor Jackie Walker, Robert Lee will celebrate its 100th birthday this year. City officials have chosen to commemorate the date on Thursday, July 4.

Plans call for an old-fashioned picnic gathering at the county park, beginning at 6 pm. The event will also serve as a welcome home celebration for returning servicemen.

Several have agreed to be present. Senator Temple Dickson of Sweetwater and Representative Rob Junell of San Angelo have told the city they would speak briefly at the gathering. Two local bands

have also agreed to provide country-western music during the celebration.

Several local organizations will sell food and drinks at a reasonable price. The Robert Lee-Silver Lions Club has tentatively set hot dog prices at 25¢, for example. Plans should be finalized within the next two weeks.

The public is urged to make plans to bring lawn chairs, blankets, and picnic baskets and enjoy the community gathering celebrating Robert Lee's birthday, the safe return of our troops, and the nation's independence rolled into one.

Upcoming

Sanco H'coming

The annual Sanco Homecoming weekend is scheduled for June 8 and 9. Everyone is welcome to enjoy this historic event.

The Homecoming Association will provide the barbecued meat, beans, and iced tea. Those who attend may bring salads, bread, vegetables, or desserts.

An informal fellowship will be enjoyed Saturday night at the old Sanco tabernacle with Sunday's program to begin at 10:30 am.

Tourney Cancelled

The Ladies Partnership scheduled to be held July 20th at the Singing Winds Golf Course in Bronte has been cancelled. A new date for the Partnership will be announced later.

SA Ranch Rodeo

A Coke County team is scheduled to participate in the Ranch Rodeo at San Angelo Friday night, June 7, at 8 pm. Eight events make up the rodeo to be held at the outdoor area behind the coliseum including bronc riding, steer roping, wild horse catching, goat roping, wild cow milking, calf branding, double mugging, and barrel racing.

Competing will be Joey Harmon, captain, Sparks Burdett, Wayne McCutchen, Douglas Roberts, Lynn Denton, Thad Metcalf, Roger Graves, and Gayle Wagley.

OES Installation

Installation of officers for Bronte Chapter #1048 Order of the Eastern Star will be Monday, June 10, at the Masonic Lodge Hall. This will take place at a regular stated meeting.



Pictured on the depot portico at the Dedication Ceremony for the Bronte Depot-Masonic Lodge are (l-r) Mrs. Martin Lee, pianist; Bob Large of Robert Lee; Judge Royce Lee, Master of Ceremonies; Tom Yahntez, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Texas; Jessica Hoch, and Mrs. Michael Hoch, vocalist.



Pictured unveiling the Texas Historical Marker during the Dedication Ceremony for the Depot-Masonic Lodge are James Lammers (l) and Richard Blackford. Judge Royce Lee, Master of Ceremonies, is on the depot portico while Mrs. Nettie Lee Coalson and members of the Coke County Historical Commission look on from ground level.

All members of the Order are encouraged to attend.

SW Select Shot

There will be a Men's Partnership 36 Hole Select Shot Golf Tournament June 8 and 9 at the Singing Winds Golf

Course in Bronte. Tee times will be 8 am and 2 pm. There is a \$50 per person entry fee.

A golf cart will be given away for the first hole-in-one on #6 (185 yards). The cart will be on display both days.

For more information, call 915/473-2156.

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Lammers (1847 - 1942) the depot was completed in 1911, two years after the first train arrived in Bronte. Built of local quarried materials, the depot features stone lintels and window sills and a red tile roof. Originally owned by the Kansas City, Mexico, and Orient Railway, the Bronte Depot was sold in 1928 to the Atchison, Topeka, and Santa Fe Railway Company which discontinued operations here in 1967.

Coke County Judge Royce Lee, a member of the local lodge, was Master of Ceremonies for the unveiling.

A flag raising ceremony was conducted by Noah Pruitt Jr. who presented a U. S. flag that had flown over our Nation's Capitol and provided by Congressman Charles Stenholm.

State Representative Rob Junell presented a Texas flag which had flown over our State Capitol in Austin.

Following Pledges of Allegiance to both flags, Mrs. Michael Hoch, the former Melissa Lee, sang "The Battle Hymn of the Republic" accompanied by Mrs. Martin Lee on the keyboard. She also read "This is Your Flag."

James Lammers and Richard Blackford unveiled the marker.

Among the people recognized were James Lammers, grandson of the original builder and also instrumental in the restoration; Mrs. Nettie Lee Coalson of Brownfield, sister of the builder; Mrs. Derald (Katherine) Fleming of San Angelo; and Hubert Whitt of Midland, children of the late H. O. Whitt, the railroad agent for many years; and Mrs. Nancy Allen of Robert Lee, Past Worthy Grand Matron of the Texas Order of the Eastern Star and a member of the Coke County Historical Committee.

After the Depot-Lodge dedication, the crowd moved about 150 feet east and dedicated the city's new gazebo that was moved in March from the State Capitol grounds in Austin to Bronte.

Judge Royce Lee recognized the workers who had volunteered their time and effort to rebuild the gazebo after it had to be dismantled in order for it to be moved. Lee thanked Senator Bill Sims (D-San Angelo) and State Representative Rob Junell (D-San Angelo) for their work in bringing the gazebo to Bronte instead of letting it go to San Antonio. Senator Sims was

unable to attend the ceremonies.

Junell read a resolution officially delivering the former state capitol gazebo to the city of Bronte and Mayor J. T. Henry read the proclamation in the dedication ceremony on the floor of the gazebo.

During all the ceremonies, Bronte Chapter #1048 Order of the Eastern Star served a brunch to those attending. On the portico of the depot, Mary Belle Hilliard provided keyboard music.

Texas Theater clean-up slated

Friends of the historic Texas Theater in Bronte are invited to turn out on Saturday morning, June 8th, to help with a general clean-up of the facility from 9 am until noon.

The effort is part of the Bronte Texas Theatre Preservation Society's preparation of the downtown landmark to offer an "old-fashioned picture show" in conjunction with the Bronte Summer Fest, June 21st and 22nd, co-sponsored by the Bronte Chamber of Commerce and the Bronte Merchant's Association.

Preservation Society President Phil Bell asks willing volunteers to bring brooms, dustpans, trash bags, cleaning rags, glass-cleaner, shop-vacs, extension cords, scrapers, and other housecleaning paraphernalia, plus "elbow grease" to assist in the sprucing-up activity.

The Bronte Texas Theater Preservation Society is offering this opportunity to develop community-wide support for the theater preservation effort, and is planning for upcoming events to develop funding support for the Texas Theater's future.



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WTU files lower fuel factor request

Customers of West Texas Utilities Company could be paying less for their electric service starting in July if the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUC) grants the company's request to lower fuel factors. WTU filed the request Tuesday, May 21, 1991, as an update to the original fuel filing it made in February.

Rodger Wilkins, WTU's local manager in Robert Lee, and Paul Sublett, local manager in Bronte, said "the company is asking for interim factors to be effective in July and fixed factors effective in October. Based on the company's expected cost of fuel this summer, the interim factors produce a decrease, compared to current costs, of 7.8% or \$4.42 a month on consumption of 660 kilowatt-hours per month." In October, the fixed factors will mean a decrease from today's costs of 2.6% (\$1.49) a month for 660 kilowatt-hours.

Although the commission still must approve the company's request, WTU is optimistic that the lower factors will be the ones used to calculate customers' July bills, the managers said. Other customer groups will see similar decreases in their costs as a

result of the lower fuel factors. The company made the initial filing in February because the PUC had said that fuel costs should be reconciled at least every three years either through a rate case or a fuel reconciliation in a rate case which covered a period ending with March 31, 1987, almost four years ago.

Although WTU's February request was for an increase in factors, the company said then that it intended to update the information this May to include current fuel cost information. That has allowed the company to pass along the benefits of its cost control efforts.

Those efforts include renegotiation of a lower cost coal transportation agreement with Burlington Northern Railroad and lower costs for spot gas. Previous efforts include construction of a gas pipeline to the Fort Phantom power station near Abilene to provide access to more suppliers, renegotiation of supply and transportation contracts for fuel and improvements in the

efficiency of some plants so they burn less fuel to make electricity.

Costs to residential customers are essentially divided into two major parts, base rate and fuel factor. The fuel charge makes up about 28% of the total cost to customers.

Base rates cover all the other costs of providing electric service. To comply with the State's energy conservation efforts, WTU uses winter rates from November to April and summer rates from May to October. Summer rates are higher to encourage conservation when temperatures make air conditioners work long hours and help produce the greatest demand for electricity of any time during the year.

If the company's request to implement the new factors on July bills is granted, the lower costs will be in effect for most of the air conditioning season.

WTU provides electric service to 177,000 customers in 52 counties stretching from the Red River to the Rio Grande.

Obituaries

Bagwell

Mrs. R. A. (Lois) Bagwell, 77, of Ballinger, died at 7 am Sunday, June 2, 1991, at her residence.

Service was at 10 am Tuesday, June 4, at the First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Bobby Baggett and Max Pratt officiating. Burial followed in Garden of Memories, directed by Rains-Seale Funeral Home.

She was born January 28, 1914, in Crandall. She was a graduate of Winters High School and McMurry College.

She was a school teacher for 30 years in Ballinger, Ocala and Wink school districts. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church, UMW and the Virginia Douglas Sunday School Class. She was also a member of the Know Your Neighbor Club and the Garden Club.

She married Raymond A. Bagwell May 13, 1939, in Bradshaw, Texas. He preceded her in death February 24, 1986. She was also preceded in death by a son,

Benny Ray Bagwell, and a brother, C. W. Smith.

Survivors include one daughter and son-in-law, Mary Etta and Alex Kvapil of Ballinger; three grandchildren, Mona and Tim Barbee of Cedar Hill, and Ken Kvapil and Kristi Kvapil, both of Ballinger; two great-grandchildren, Melanie and Justin Barbee, both of Cedar Hill; two brothers-in-law and their wives, Bob and Joy Bagwell of Robert Lee and Grover and Melba Orr of Trent; and a sister-in-law, Lavelle Deaton of Winters.

Mrs. Bagwell was formerly a resident at West Coke County Nursing Home.

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FB Citizenship Seminar detailed

Some 400 high school juniors and seniors will participate in the 29th annual Texas Farm Bureau Citizenship Seminar on the campus of Angelo State University here June 10-14.

The youngsters are being sponsored by 162 county Farm Bureaus.

Purpose of the seminar is to provide the students with a better understanding of their American heritage and the capitalistic free enterprise system, according to James Gipe of Waco, the seminar coordinator.

More than 11,000 high school students have attended the seminar since it began in 1963. Citizenship Seminar graduates include a presidential advisor, a US congressman, a state senator, and many others now in leadership positions in government, education, and business, Gipe said.

Major speakers and their topics are as follows:

- Michael Broome of Charlotte, North Carolina, a motivational speaker, "You and America -- Two Great Champions."
- Steve Pratt, American Fork, Utah, constitutional expert, "Freedom in the '90s."
- Robert H. Rowland, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, "Free Enterprise."
- Basilio Bachor of Corpus Christi, a Polish immigrant, "Living the American Dream."
- Jack Jackson of Fort Worth, president of Jackson Associates, "Price of Free Enterprise."
- Ambassador Sam Zakhem, Littlewood, Colorado, recent assignment in Bahrain, "The Middle East."
- S. M. True, President of Texas Farm Bureau, "Farm Bureau, Your Host."

Baptist youth set Spaghetti Lunch

The youth of the Robert Lee Baptist Church will host a Chicken and Beef Spaghetti Luncheon following the worship service Sunday, June 9. There will be no charge for the meal, but donations will be accepted to fund attendance to the youth conference. The public is welcome at the meal to be served in the fellowship hall.



Pictured during the Gazebo Dedication Ceremony are State Representative Rob Junell (l) and J. T. Henry, Mayor of the City of Bronte.

Rainfall totals revealed

Long faces prevailed over the weekend when good thunderheads missed Coke County completely except for spotty .2 showers. The area surrounding the county did receive some good rains up to 3 inches, with no damage, on Sunday as a stalled front kept backing up.

Monday saw some wide grins, though, when heavy,

Taylor receives FCA scholarship

Eboni Taylor is the recipient of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes 1991 Martin and Patricia Lee Scholarship in the amount of \$500.

This award is presented in appreciation of outstanding performance as a Christian Athlete.

Eboni has been a member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes at Bronte High School for four years and served as an officer.

The daughter of Stover and Jerita Taylor, she is a 1991 Bronte graduate and will be attending Abilene Christian University in the fall.

Personal

Visiting last weekend with Mrs. Edith Hipp were her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Juanetta Hipp of Hobbs, New Mexico, and Juanetta's mother, Mrs. Nettie Lee Coalson of Brownfield.

threatening black clouds literally opened up.

The city of Robert Lee measured 2.8 inches with varying amounts in nearby gauges as high winds took over. Bobby Roberts place south of Robert Lee got 2.3 inches while to the west near Green Mountain on Don Fields, the total dropped to 1.9 inches.

According to Lake Spence Superintendent Royce Hood, the Colorado River above the lake was on an 8 foot rise late Monday. Big Silver Creek was running 12 foot high at that time, he said. Big Spring got 3-4 inches of rain, raising hopes of getting some more run-off into Spence.

Mountain Creek Lake did not appear to catch a measurable amount.

Ike Pate on Oak Creek Lake reported the reservoir did receive some run-off but didn't have a measurement. Oak Creek was running high and is still in good shape if more rain falls. The watershed had about 4 inches and the lake area itself got 2 inches, he said.

Bronte residents measured 1.75 to 2 inches while Tennyson gauged 2.5 inches at Collin Sayner's place. Two inches fell on Alonzo Robbins on the north, Turner Lee east of Bronte, and west on Aubrey Denman.

At presstime, forecasters were predicting more welcome rains.



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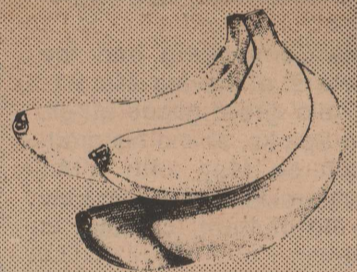


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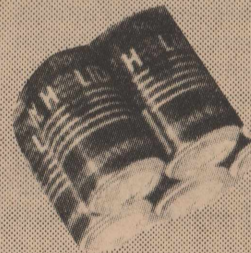
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Letter warns against increased taxing

Dear Editor:

As one of your readers, I want to urge you in the strongest terms possible to increase your coverage of the fact that for every new dollar that Congress has raised this year in new taxes, it has increased spending by \$1.78. As *Reader's Digest* reported, the budget and new taxes are a "sham."

To put it bluntly, last year Congress conned the American people and the news media. They told us we should go along with their "deficit reduction package" which included tax increases for every American because we had to get the deficit under control. But in the end, they just wanted to take more our income in taxes.

In the name of deficit reduction, they enacted the second largest tax increase ever and then turned right around and increased spending by \$111 billion -- pushing the deficit to a new record.

It was the clearest case of false advertising. And, as they demonstrated when they destroyed Gramm-Rudman and the other controls on spending, Congress never intended to reduce the deficit or control wasteful spending.

Tragically, the American

Sonnenbergs host graduation guests

Lee Sonnenberg had the pleasure of having his 91-year-old great-grandfather, Fred Sparks, attend his graduation on May 24th. Mr. Sparks resides in the Holiday Hill Retirement Center in Coleman.

Also attending the graduation and sharing supper in the home of Bruce and Fran Sonnenberg were: Henry, Margie, Lezlie & Cole Dodson of Coleman; Roy & Jennie Tinkler of Robert Lee; Dianna Tinkler of Omaha, Nebraska; Mary Lou Fuller, Viola Sparks, Danny Scott, Pam Boise, Chuck & Shannon Sonnenberg, all of San Angelo; Otto, Georgeanna & Amanda Sonnenberg of Brownwood; Kathy Watson, Charles & Dorris Sonnenberg of Midland; Edna Sparks of Austin; Marguerite Sonnenberg of Tennyson; Wilma Haynie of Grape Creek; and Ken & Helen Smith of Valera.

Lee's cousin, Lezlie Dodson, was his guest at Project Graduation following the commencement exercises.

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people and the news media bought the "this budget agreement will reduce the deficit" story hook, line and sinker. And now we are paying the price in higher taxes and higher deficits. I urge you to expand your coverage and report important facts such as:

1. Congress enacted the second largest tax increase in history;
2. Congress increased spending by \$111 billion;
3. Congress enlarged the deficit by \$100 billion to an all-time record of \$320 billion for FY 1991 alone;
4. Congress pushed the national debt to a new record and increased the annual interest payment on the debt to a staggering \$254 BILLION; and,
5. Congress destroyed the Gramm-Rudman Deficit Reduction Act and all other effective controls on future congressional wasteful spending.

State spending in county

The state spent a total of \$1,264,478 last year for major welfare programs in Coke County, according to Ray L. Dunavant, Regional Administrator for the Texas Department of Human Services.

"Medical assistance had the biggest impact, with \$383,409 spent for hospitals, physicians, laboratory, X-ray, and other services. Also, \$15,202 was spent in Coke County for prescribed medicines. Nursing home costs of approximately \$672,954 were paid for aged and disabled residents," Dunavant said.

Food stamps worth \$151,356 were issued for the fiscal year which ended August 31, while Aide to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) totalled \$41,557. Food stamps are funded entirely by the federal government, while the department determines eligibility of applicants and issues the food coupons.

The state and federal governments share in the cost of AFDC to families where needy children are deprived of sup-

port because of absence or disability of one or both parents. In addition to services and assistance to low-income residents of the county, the department extended protective services to 26 abused and neglected children and their parents or caretakers. These services, furnished without regard to family income, were designed to reduce or eliminate danger to children.

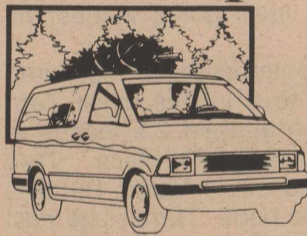
There were three investigations in adult protective services. These investigations concerned reports of abuse, neglect, or exploitation of elderly or disabled adults.

As Citizens Against Government Waste has pointed out repeatedly, we have this skyrocketing deficit today not because of the recession but because Congress refuses to stop its reckless spending. Unless we get Congress' runaway taxes and wasteful deficit spending under control, we will all be in very, very serious trouble very soon. I urge you to give more coverage to this all-important story. Thank you.

Sincerely,
Mr. Andrew Englert
RR 1, Box 80

Bronte, Texas 76933-9307
PS. If you need more information on how Congress is squandering America's future, I encourage you to contact Citizens Against Government Waste, 1301 Connecticut Avenue, N. W., Suite 400, Washington, D. C. 20036. They are leading the fight against government waste, higher taxes and the deficit.

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Bobby & Janet Baker



Caitlan Glenn, daughter of Gene and Lisa Glenn, formerly of Bronte, appeared with "The Ballet Cinderella" in New York City March 27-31st, 1991. The cast of 140 included 100 children. Caitlan's role was one of the Ladybugs. The Glens live in Bridgewater, New Jersey, where Lisa is employed with Ethicon and Gene with Chrompac USA. Son Derek has made a Little League team in the major division. They are enjoying living in that area.

FmHa rural home loans

The Farmers Home Administration (FmHA) has implemented a new program to assist rural residents to become successful home owners.

In addition to its direct housing loan program, the federal agency is now authorized to guarantee commercial loans to purchase single-family housing. "This expands our ability to provide financing for homes in rural areas," notes FmHA State Director Sox Johnson.

Under this new program, FmHA guarantees a loan made by a qualified lender against a percentage of possible loss. Loans may be made by any lender, including state housing agencies, which is approved as a mortgagee for federal housing mortgage insurance. Additionally, lenders approved by FmHA, the Federal National Mortgage Association ("Fannie Mae"), or the Farm Credit System may qualify for the program.

FmHA is authorized to guarantee up to \$100 million in loans for single-family homes during the current fiscal year. This assistance is

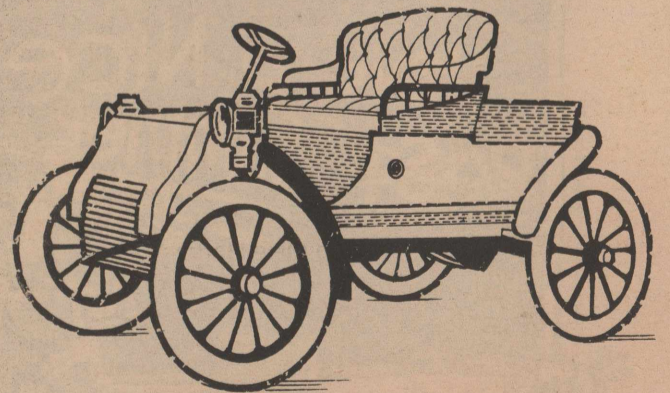
available for new or existing rural housing, located on individual tracts or in subdivisions, according to the State Director.

Many rural residents eligible for direct FmHa loan assistance may also qualify for the guaranteed loan program. Applicants with low to moderate incomes may be eligible for loan guarantees, and low-income applicants may qualify for the agency's interest assistance program, which brings down the cost of the monthly payment.

Applicants must be without safe, decent, and sanitary housing and unable to obtain a loan without the FmHA guarantee at rates and terms they can reasonably be expected to repay. "Loans may be guaranteed for up to 100% of the cost of acquiring the house," said the State Director, who added that these are 30-year, fixed-rate mortgages.

Individuals interested in the new guaranteed loan program should contact their commercial lenders or the local Farmers Home Administration County Supervisor.

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Bronte Senior Center receives facelift

By Zada Denman

The Bronte Senior Center took on a new look after a fresh white paint job back in March. The East side county commissioners and hands were honored with a fried chicken dinner at the center, the last Tuesday in April - by a number of the Arts and Crafts ladies - Pearlle Mae Andrews, Effie Corley, Lara Bell Brown, Marguerite Sonnenberg, Dora Gallaway, Ruth Hageman, Lois Wallace, Ella Pruitt, and Zada Denman.

Other guests other than working crew were Aubrey Denman, Wink Kiker, Murl Andrews, Chester Wilson, and Senior Director Mary Percifull.

The new paint job blended in nicely with earlier landscaping at the center, with evergreens at west side of building and west of parking lot a hedge of evergreen cedars - 2 non-bearing mulberry trees on north end of parking area shading the 2 full hook-ups for RVs and flower bed of petunias and evergreen under the sign; 2 oak trees on east side of building and our new Bronte Senior Center sign at front of building. - All funded from our Centennial quilt.

Thanks again to all our Committees - to Park labor for putting out trees and plants and to Lois Wallace for the continued care she has given to trees and plants.

San Angelo slates airport planning

A Texas Aeronautical Facilities Plan regional planning meeting will be held at the City Council Chambers (4th floor), San Angelo City Hall, 72 West College Avenue, San Angelo, Texas, 10 am, Thursday, on June 13, 1991.

Development of airports in Coke, Concho, Irion, Sterling, and Tom Green counties will be discussed. The meeting will be conducted by the Texas Department of Aviation.

Anyone with an interest in air transportation and airport development is invited to attend. Participating in the meeting will be city and county elected officials, airport board members, airport managers, representatives of the Concho Valley Council of Governments, and other citizens.

Personal

J. C. Wallace, Jr. of Robert Lee is making a good recovery this week following angioplasty Monday morning at Shannon Medical Center.

The surgical procedure "ballooned" an artery 90% blocked which apparently caused his heart attack on May 27. He has twice previously undergone the technique at Shannon.

Years ago, the patient and his family would have been sent to San Antonio, or perhaps Dallas, for the procedure. The convenience of the Medical Center has been a boon to the area.



Pictured with the Bronte Senior Center sign are (l-r) Pearlle Mae Andrews, Zada Denman, and Center Director Mary Percifull.



Honorees at the Appreciation Dinner at the Bronte Senior Center include (l-r) James Tidwell, Clifford Knisley, Gilbert Basquez, Billy Joe Luckett, Jimmy Walker, Robert Fiel, Leroy Matthews, and Bobby Vaughn.

Br. Lions celebrate 25th

Bronte Evening Lions Club met on Tuesday night at the Red Barn Cafe to celebrate their 25th Birthday.

After the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag and the invocation by Rev. R. W. Blackmon, a dinner was served to members and guests.

R. T. Caperton, president, introduced new members, Royce Lee and wife, Betty; Pete Percifull and wife, Mary; and Roger Salsar and wife, Jutta. He expressed thanks for the 100% cooperation in the past year and a special thanks to the flag sales chairman, C. B. Barbee; the broom sales chairmen, Bill Luckett and Marty Boyd; the Highway Cleanup chairman, Bob Ragsdale; the Highway sign chairman, Fred Hughes; and program chairmen, Royce Lee and Mike Hartman.

He also named some of the accomplishments of the past year which include donations of over \$1,200 to the following: the Coke County Livestock Show; Bronte Football programs; Christmas for the Elderly; Community Chest; Highway signs; Eye Bank; Glasses for Bronte school children; and Gazebo Fund. The Lions also policed highways, put out flags on six holidays, and sold brooms. President Caperton also

thanked the workers for the above accomplishments.

He introduced the officers for the ensuing year. They are E. G. Collins, President; Marty Boyd, First Vice President; Noah Pruitt, Jr., Second Vice President; Leslie Rolls, Secretary/Treasurer; Bruce Sonnenberg, Lion Tamer; Joey Luckett, Tail Twister; R. W. Blackmon, Chaplain; and Board Members, Fred Hughes, Elmer Hurley, James Tidwell, and Mike Hartman.

Leslie Rolls was awarded a 25 year pin and Rolls awarded 25 year pins to Billy Joe Luckett, Royce Fancher, Fred Hughes, E. G. Collins, and Martin Lee.

The program was presented by State Representative Rob Junell who spoke on this year's State Legislation.

Special guests were wives of the members, Junell and son from San Angelo, and Margaret Martin representing the Observer/Enterprise.


Personal

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Barbee were in Weatherford last weekend to visit with Mrs. Barbee's mother, Mrs. Clyde Nelson. Their son and family, Alan, Cara, Nelson, and Caitlyn of Vashti, also joined the group.

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Rural EMS groups struggle to survive

During the month of May, national EMS week was observed. The following is an excerpt taken from the national magazine "Emergency," June 1991.

EMS is essential for all communities, large and small. But in small rural communities, providing EMS is a unique challenge. According to Robert Van Hook, executive director of the National Rural Health Association perception of distance from needed services. Rural health care, then, is characterized by fewer resources, greater distances, smaller-scale organizations, and a somewhat slower pace and intensity of services delivered.

Because of some of these factors, many of this country's rural EMS services are struggling to survive, and once-strong systems are faltering under the pressure of cultural and economic changes.

Recognizing these changes, the Office of Rural Health Policy in Washington, D. C., contracted with the NRHA to conduct a study in late 1989 to identify and evaluate specific barriers to the

development and operation of EMS services in rural areas. The Study focused on issues that had previously been identified in a national rural EMS workshop as being the most critical for rural EMS. The list of priorities included funding, training, communication, medical control and system coordination.

There are inherent characteristics of rural areas that make it more difficult to develop and maintain sophisticated EMS systems. At the same time, there are compelling reasons why quality EMS services should be available in both rural and urban communities.

The Office of Technology Assessment (OTA), in their Special Report on Rural Emergency Medical Services, indicated medical conditions such as heart disease and respiratory distress are the most likely factors to cause an EMS response. Most people would expect trauma-related incidents to be the leading cause. The study further stated that although injuries occur with nearly equal frequency in urban and rural ar-

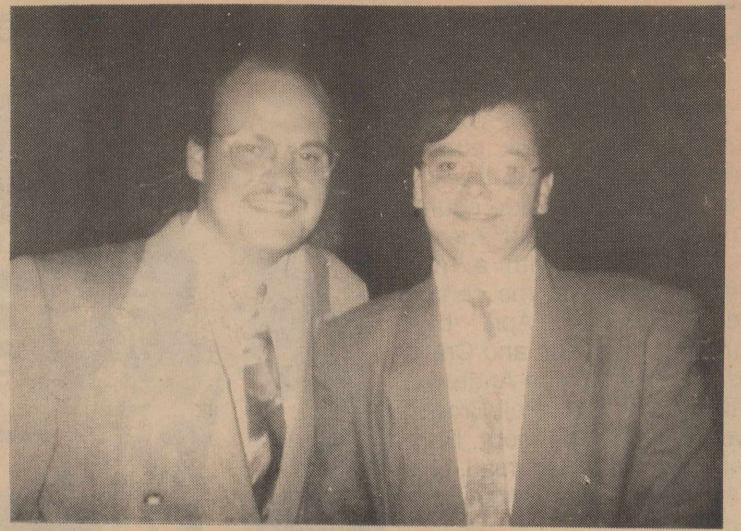
reas, the injuries tend to be more severe in rural areas.

Large numbers of urban residents travel to rural areas to ski, camp, fish, hike and pursue other sports. While pursuing these sports, they become injured. They travel rural roads and become injured in automobile accidents. And, lastly, rural residents work in many hazardous occupations such as mining, logging, and farming.

Experts estimate injuries and deaths can be cut by as much as 15% to 20% with a well-organized system. Many critical service delivery aspects have been shown to increase the chances of survival for the victims of emergency medical and injury conditions.

As health care delivery services decline in many rural areas especially through hospital closures and loss of physicians, the availability of EMS becomes even more critical. EMS is a "safety net" public service. Continual financial support and constant maintenance of the service is required. It often becomes the only primary care available to citizens in rural communities.

Blairs honored at Wall



Justin and Brandon Blair

Justin and Brandon Blair recently were honored at Wall High School's Honors Banquet held April 20th in St. Ambrose Hall in Wall.

Justin, a 1991 Senior, is a member of the National Honor Society, FFA, and Peer Assistance & Leadership. He is a Student Council Representative and the FHA Parliamentarian. A 4-year participant in UIL One-Act Play, this year's play won District and Justin was named to the All-Star Cast. During the graduation exercises May 29th, he was awarded a \$100 FTA scholarship and a \$250 Holubec scholarship. With a 4-year average of 94.16, he stood 8th in his class. Justin is planning on attending Angelo State University this fall and majoring in Drama and Art.

Brandon, Sophomore Class President, was named to the All "A" Honor Roll. He was a starting member of Wall's District Championship JV football team last fall and participated in Discus and Shotput during this spring's track season. He is also a member of FHA.

Attending the banquet and commencement exercises were Justin and Brandon's mother, Sharon (Moody) Brunson and her husband, Rance; the boys' sister, Leia

Lanier, all of Bronte; the boys' grandmother, Lou Ann Hyles of Graham; and the boys' aunt and cousins, Sandra (Moody) Joyce, Lindsay and Kelsey, also of Graham.

Grandparents include Bill Moody and Lou Ann Hyles of Graham, and Bob and Florence Blair of Olney. Great-grandmother is Lorene Abbott, also of Olney.

ASU Honor Roll

Robert Lee students attending Angelo State University in San Angelo are listed on the honor roll for the spring semester.

Those listed on the 3.00 to 3.49 honor roll include Jim Bob Jacobs, a health and physical ed major, Celeste Service, an elementary education major, Pammy Lynn Millican, an animal science major, Callie Lee McCutchen, a communications major, and Rachel Metcalf, a health and physical ed major.

The 3.50 to 4.00 honor roll included Cynthia Juanice Bessent, an elementary education major, Joel Shane Herring, a history major, Kimberly Rhea Hood, an elementary education major, Jason Lee Herring, a kinesiology major, and Lisa Kaye Bower, an elementary education major.

RL 6th graders take Angelo field trip

Twenty-nine members of the 6th grade class at Robert Lee Elementary attended an all-day field trip in San Angelo. They were accompanied on the field trip by their teacher, Mrs. Melba Mauldin, and the high school principal, Mr. Jack Tennison, who drove the bus. Student reporters wrote news stories about their field trip. Meagan Hill's news story was chosen for publication.

THE SIXTH GRADE TAKES A FIELD TRIP

By Meagan Hill

On Monday, May 20, 1991, the Robert Lee Sixth Grade went on a field trip to San Angelo. Our teacher, Mrs. Meiba Mauldin, sponsored the trip. Mr. Jackie Tennison, high school principal, drove the bus for us.

We departed Robert Lee at 8:20 am. We arrived in San Angelo at 9 am for our first stop, which was KLST-TV Station. We had a wonderful tour guide. Our class divided into two different groups. The first group was the boys accompanied by Mr. Jackie Tennison. First, the tour guide showed them the wire feeds and told them about the satellite systems. Then they went to Editing Room #1. Then the tour guide showed them the studio. Then the tour guide showed the girls, accompanied by Mrs. Melba Mauldin, the same things. The whole class was surprised by how small the studio was. We all enjoyed going to KLST-TV.

At 10:30 am, we arrived at the Planetarium at ASU. The show we saw was about the galaxies. We were pretending we were in a spaceship and going to explore different galaxies all over the universe. At the end of the show, Dr. Sonntag showed us where some different constellations were and where the sun will

be in the summer. Dr. Mark Sonntag presented the program, and we were all happy he showed us the program.

At 11:45 am, we went to Zentner's Daughter to eat lunch. We had chicken fried steak, french fries, salad, and tea. It was a wonderful meal.

At 1:15 pm, we arrived at the ASU Library. First, we looked at the reference books on the Middle floor. Then we went upstairs and looked at the Texas History books and articles. They had a lot of old things. Then we went downstairs and looked at the periodicals. We also looked at the micro-fishe. The library was very interesting. We were going to take an ASU campus tour, but none of the buildings were open because it was between semesters. We did get to see the indoor swimming pool.

At 2:30 pm, we went to Dairy Queen, and we all got something to eat. It was delicious.

At about 2:45 pm, we left San Angelo and headed for Robert Lee. At 3:25 pm, we arrived in Robert Lee. We all had a wonderful time. I wish we could do this more often.

The members of the 6th grade class are Soyla Barrera, Dona Bell, Sabrina Brock, Brandi Brosh, Daryl Calder, Jerrod Copeland, Donny Edging, Laine Gregston, Chad Goodman, Meagan Hill, Cheryl Kapchinski, Bobby Longoria, Kannan Millican, Heather Nichols, Starsky Oleksiuk, Claudia Olguin, Jennifer Parks, Michael Pentecost, Jerrod Pitcock, Corey Pitcock, Jennifer Scott, Rachel Shook, Jason Tavarez, Gilbert Torres, Shalon Waldrop, Fred Wojtek, Heather Ybarra, Misti Williams, and Sylvestra Perez.

Personal

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Bivins on Friday and Saturday were Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Partridge and children of Munday. The Partridge family attended the graduation of their granddaughter Nicole Rowland. Nicole is the Lake View High School Class of 1991 valedictorian.

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WCCCD elects officers

Joann Runnion was elected president of the West Coke County Community Development in balloting Monday night during the monthly general meeting signaling the beginning of a new fiscal year for the organization. Outgoing president Beverly Burdett declined to serve another term, citing school board duties and more certification in her employment as a legal secretary, but did agree to accept lesser responsibilities as a board member. A number of goals and projects were accomplished under her leadership in the past year and she expressed a confidence that WCCCD would be progressive under Runnion. Other officers elected to the governing panel were Kenneth Green, vice president; Elane Francis, secretary; Phelan Wrinkle, treasurer; and board members Randy Bessent, Joan Davis, and Bob Wrinkle who will repeat from last year's board.

Col. James Maxwell, commander of Goodfellow Air Force Base, was guest speaker for the group. An interesting and informative presentation on the base's involvement in the Gulf War gave those present an assessment of the importance of the unique training which goes on at Goodfellow. Although the security status of the base prevented the offering of some information, Maxwell said one of the greatest initial needs of the conflict was Arabic linguists, imagery experts on bomb sites, and bomb damage assessment

technicians, which the base supplied. He offered an opinion and overview on the renewed debate on the closing of Goodfellow and predicted it would remain open with space programs and more extensive future development in high tech areas for the base.

Col. Maxwell came to Robert Lee at the invitation of City Councilman Joe Brazier who accompanied a group of civic leaders on an Air Force/Civilian tour of bases in Illinois and Utah in October 1990. Maxwell stated that Goodfellow enjoys a "love affair" with West Texas as no other area he has been connected with in his service career. The support and rapport between the base and the surrounding area differs greatly from Denver, Colorado, where protestors march regularly at the front gates of Lowry AFB.

Committee reports on building barbecue pits for the county park, a membership drive, work on the Rabbit Twister Festival in July, and other business concluded the meeting.

The development board voted last month to give a \$25 door prize at each meeting as an incentive for attendance. The certificate "bucks" are coupons to be spent at any West Coke County business for merchandise or service, then redeemed in turn by the business with Treasurer Phelan Wrinkle. Randy Bessent was the drawing winner at the Monday meeting.

Reps pass new legislation

Representative Robert Junell (D-San Angelo) and Senator Bill Sims (D-San Angelo) passed legislation on Tuesday that will remove the matching fund requirement of cities, counties, and councils of government for solid waste management planning grants. The bill will now go to the Governor for her signature.

During the last regular session of the legislature, legislation was passed that directed regional councils of governments and local governments to develop solid waste management plans in response to rapidly dwindling landfill space in our state and increasing needs for waste and hazardous waste disposal. The legislation required that funds for the grants be generated by a local landfill fee of 50¢ per ton and deposited in a fund with the Texas Department of Health. To receive any of the grant monies, the legislation required an equal match from the local government.

Approximately 78% of all landfills in the state of Texas are owned or operated by a city, county or city/county combination. Therefore, the money sent to the state is paid by the local governments, and the local governments are being asked to match money they have already paid in.

The bill passed by Sims and

Junell doesn't increase the amount of the grant that can be awarded by the Department of Health. There will be no increase in the state spending, only the elimination of the hardship placed on local governments to raise additional money to do planning mandated by the state.

"The Senator and I have worked on changing this unfair matching requirement since the third called session in June of 1990. This bill will make it easier on the local governments to comply with state law," Junell said. "This bill is good government in action. It doesn't cost the taxpayer any money and it relieves some of the burden on local government."

The governor has 10 days from the day she receives the bill to either sign or veto the measure. If she fails to take any action on the bill it will become law on September 1, 1991.



COUNTRY AGENTS NEWS

by Tommy Antilley
Coke County Agent

Mowing the lawn generates grass clippings that are excellent for a compost pile.

Compost is a good source of organic matter for gardens and flower beds. Furthermore, composting is an excellent way to dispose of garden debris, leaves and similar plant material.

Make the compost pile 4-6 feet wide and any length, depending on material and space available.

The simplest composting

method is to alternate 4-6 inch layers of plant matter, such as leaves or grass, with 2-4 inches of good garden soil. Add manure to the soil layer if it is available, and sprinkle commercial fertilizer on each layer of plant matter to hasten decomposition. Use a cupful of fertilizer with a 1-1-1 ration per 10 square feet.

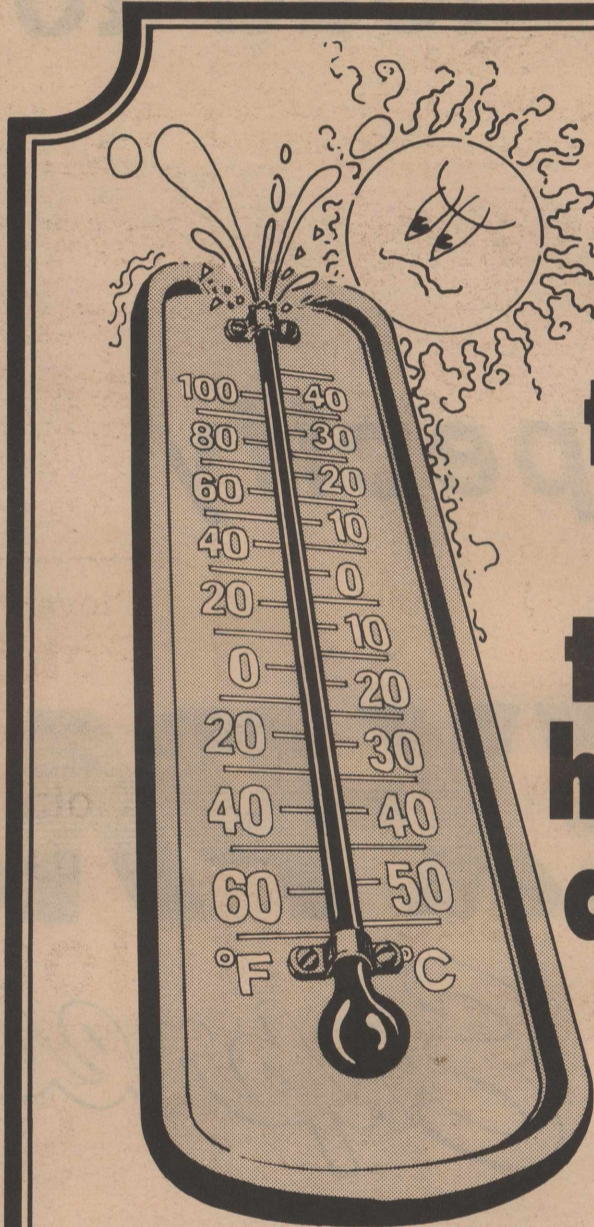
The top layer of the compost pile should be soil and should form a basin to hold water. Water each layer of or-

ganic matter before adding the soil layer.

Water the pile thoroughly when completed; then add water as needed to keep the material moist but not soggy. Leaves decompose slowly if too dry.

Turn compost every three to four months to aerate the material and speed decomposition. Within six months to a year, it will be ready to use, and you will be glad you saved those grass clippings.

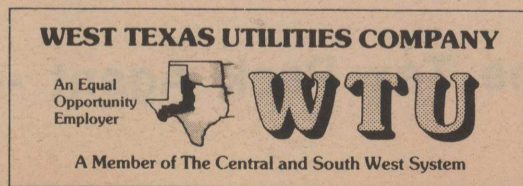
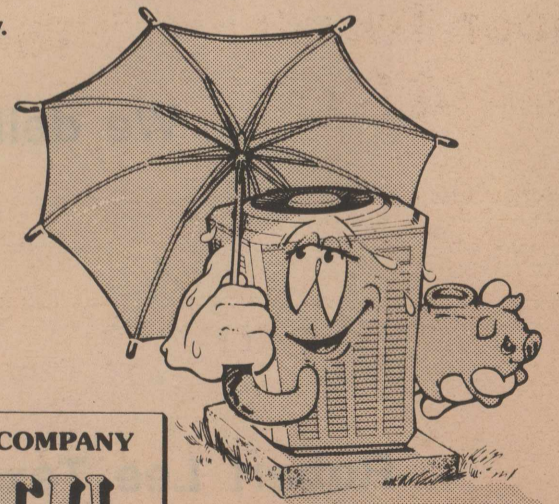
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NOTICE OF HEARING

The East Coke County Hospital District Board of Directors set a Budget Hearing for June 11, 1991, at 5:30 pm. The Board of Directors will be reviewing and voting on a new budget for fiscal year July 1, 1991, to June 30, 1992. The public is invited.

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BIDDERS' NOTICE

Robert Lee ISD will be receiving bids on thirty-two (32) window, refrigerated air conditioning units. These units shall have a minimum cooling capacity of 18,000 C. F. M. with a minimum E. E. R. of 8.8. The maximum width of the unit shall be 28 1/2". Please include delivery time of units with your bid. Bids will be opened in a public meeting in the Superintendent's Office at 1323 Hamilton Street in Robert Lee, Texas, June 10th at 10 am.

Robert Lee ISD reserves the right to reject all bids.

For additional information, please call Jerry Gibbs, Superintendent of Schools. 915-453-2612.

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Forty-one attend gospel singing

Forty-one attended the Community Gospel Singing at the Central Baptist Church in Bronte recently.

Appeal goes out to all the churches and community citizens of Bronte, Robert Lee, Silver, Sanco, Blackwell, and Tennyson to join in the Gospel Singing the first Sunday of each month. Share fellowship and sing great hymns of praise. As one member stated, "You just feel better when you sing."

Present for the first time were: Jess and Dorothy Gaines, Laverne Zuelke, and Lorene Heflix from San Angelo.

Plan now to come to the next singing Sunday, July 7, 2-4 pm, in the Bronte Central Baptist Church Fellowship Hall. Refreshments are served at every meeting.

Older work force may solve problems

You can knit a sweater by the fireside
 Sunday morning go for a ride,
 Doing the garden, digging the weeds,
 Who could ask for more.
 Will you still need me, will you still feed me,
 When I'm sixty-four.

The Beatles, 1967
 You can still hear that song on the radio, only now it's played on "oldies" stations. The teenagers who danced to "Sergeant Pepper" are now well into middle age, and when they get older... *not* so many years from now, the entire fabric of American employment will feel it.

Already, one Texan in five is over 65... the fifth highest ratio in the United States. At the other end of the age scale, low birth rates in the 1970s and early 1980s promise a reduced number of new employees entering the work force for the balance of this century. In recognition of that trend, Congress abolished age-based mandatory retirement for most private-sector jobs in 1986.

But reentering the job market after retirement is often difficult. Once unemployed, the older worker tends to stay out of work longer, suffers greater earnings loss in a subsequent job and is more likely to give up looking for employment. Only about 11 percent of people over age 65 are still working according to the most recent census data.

While retirement is certainly a factor... most workers expect and want to retire... it by no means removes the retirees from the labor market altogether. Statistics indicate that older workers prefer to continue working after retirement, but only 44 percent would want a regular full-time job. Part-time employment, flexible hours, or job sharing are attractive to older workers.

One drawback faced by older workers is outdated employer attitudes about their capabilities. Not only is life expectancy increasing, but the overall health of older Americans is better. Only seven percent of those over age 60 are out of the work force because of illness or disability. At the same time, demand for workers is shifting to less strenuous jobs in service or light industry where skills, experience and knowledge are more important than a strong back.

Recent studies have contradicted some other stereotypes of the older worker.

They are no less productive as a group than younger employees.

They are not poor accident risks.

They have relatively little absenteeism because of illness.

They are more likely to stay with an employer for a longer period.

On the downside, many of today's older workers are concentrated in industries with declining needs or at best, slow growth. Continuing employment for them will often require retraining for to-

day's jobs.

Fortunately, there is already a program in place to deal with the growing number of older workers. It is part of the Job Training Partnership Act, a federal program administered by the Texas Department of Commerce. Economically disadvantaged workers over the age of 55 may qualify for a variety of programs designed to help them reenter unsubsidized employment.

Some parts of the Older Worker Program are designed to meet special needs identified in pilot programs and studies. One component concentrates on stress management, improving low self esteem, financial counseling and how to cope with the changing work place.

A second area deals with job-seeking skills such as completing applications, writing a resume, telephone etiquette and interviewing for a job. This component uses classroom instruction with role playing practice sessions.

Texas has another need, due to its large Hispanic population, English as a second language is also offered to those who need it. Each individual worker is assessed to assure that he or she can read and perform simple math problems at a seventh grade level. Where needed, courses are offered to bring them up to the seventh grade standard. Those without high school diplomas may take refresher courses to earn a GED, which will make them more attractive to potential employers.

Some jobs are best learned by doing them. The OJT (for

on-the-job training) component allows workers with outdated skills to be placed more quickly. The employer is reimbursed half of the employee's wages during the training period.

For occupations which are in demand and can be learned in less than a thousand hours of instruction, training is available under the Older Worker Program. Jobs in health care and data entry are typical.

The shrinking size of the younger work force, coupled with the growing numbers of mature workers, their desire to remain in some form of employment and the availability of retraining through the JTPA Older Workers Program all combine to suggest the probability that in the future an aging work force may not be a problem at all. It may in fact be the solution.

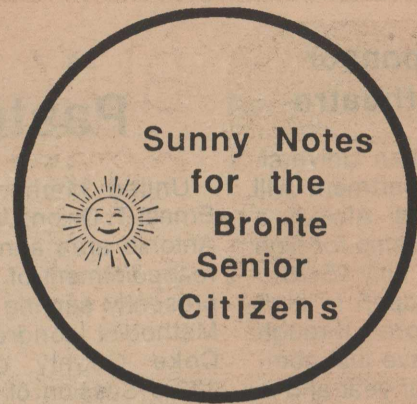
For more information on the JTPA Older Worker Program, or for the location of the program nearest you, contact Bob Branson at the Texas Department of Commerce. Phone (512)320-9658.



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**Sunny Notes
 for the
 Bronte
 Senior
 Citizens**

Better Business Bureau to Speak to Senior Citizens

Glenna Friedrich from the San Angelo Better Business Bureau will be at the Bronte Senior Center on Wednesday, June 12th, at 11 am.

She will share valuable information that may interest our senior citizens. Come join us.

If you would like to come for the program and stay for lunch, call 473-6471 to make reservations for lunch only. Or just come to the program at 11 am.

Quilters!!!

As of presstime, we do not know if we will quilt on the 13th or not. We will call to remind you if we are. Because of the Summer Fest Weekend, July 21st and 22nd, we will not quilt on Thursday, June 20th.

Summer Fest Bake Sale Booth

The Bronte Senior Center will have a booth on Saturday from 9 am until 5 pm in front of the bank.

We will be selling baked goods to raise funds for the Senior Center. The members of the Senior Center are

asked to bring a baked good item as early as possible Saturday morning. If you would like to work during the sale, call the Center and give them your name. If you are not a senior citizen member, but would like to bake something, we would appreciate your support.

Senior Menu

Monday, June 10

Polish Sausage
 Cabbage
 Macaroni & Cheese
 Three Bean Salad
 Bread
 Cherry Cobbler

Wednesday, June 12

Turkey
 Bread Stuffing
 Cauliflower
 Spinach
 Hot Roll
 Apple Crisp
Friday, June 14
 Beef Stew
 Stewed Tomatoes
 Tossed Salad w/dressing
 Cornbread
 Gingerbread

These programs are funded in part by the Area Agency on Aging, Concho Valley Council of Governments, through grants from the Texas Department on Aging.

Fresh California Apricots For Easy Entertaining

Fresh California apricots make summer entertaining as enjoyable as the season itself. As a sweet treat for a backyard barbecue, or as part of a festive end to a dinner with friends, fresh California apricots are a delightful addition to the summer kitchen.

In addition to their sweet-tangy flavor, and natural blushing appeal, fresh California apricots are an excellent source of vitamin A, potassium and fiber.

Preparing for, and enjoying, a summer celebration is easy with fresh California apricots and this colorful make-ahead dessert as part of your party plan. Frozen Apricot-Strawberry Torte layers flavorful fresh fruits with cool vanilla ice cream and lady fingers, and is a real time saver. The torte can be assembled a day in advance, and then quickly unmolded when guests arrive.

For additional kitchen-tested recipes featuring California apricots, send a self-addressed, stamped, business size envelope to: California Apricot Advisory Board, Dept. JC, 1280 Boulevard Way, Walnut Creek, CA 94595.

FROZEN APRICOT-STRAWBERRY TORTE

- 1½ packages soft ladyfingers (4½ ounces)
- 1 cup marsala wine, or 1 cup apricot nectar and 1 tsp vanilla extract
- 6 cups softened vanilla ice cream
- 1½ pounds fresh California apricots (10 apricots)
- 1½ cups sliced fresh strawberries

Line the bottom of an 8-inch springform pan with waxed paper. Place 4 strawberry slices in center of pan bottom. Slice 2 apricots into 6 slices each; lay on pan bottom, pinwheeling around strawberries. Line ladyfingers around sides of



pan; brush with ¼ cup marsala. Stir remaining marsala into softened ice cream. Evenly spread 2 cups ice cream mixture on top of arranged fruit; freeze for 15 minutes. In food processor or blender, process remaining apricots to small chunks. Reserve, and process remaining strawberries in the same manner. Spread processed apricots over first layer of frozen ice cream, and cover with 2 cups softened ice cream; return to freezer for 15 minutes. Repeat with processed strawberries and remaining softened ice cream; arrange remaining ladyfingers on top of ice cream to seal torte. Cover with plastic wrap and freeze 3 hours or overnight. To serve, invert springform pan on serving plate, and wipe outside of pan with a warm, wet cloth to loosen seal. Remove sides and bottom of pan; peel off waxed paper. Serve immediately. Makes 12 servings.

Nutrient information (approximate) per serving: Calories 215, Protein 4g, Fat 8g, Carbohydrate 29g, Sodium 86mg, Cholesterol 56mg.

ACU to sponsor summer theatre

Abilene Christian University's theatre department will sponsor "Acting Alive," a summer drama camp for high school students, July 25-28.

The camp is open to high school sophomores through students who have just completed their senior year and is designed to develop young acting talent in a Christian atmosphere, said Wyatt Hester, camp director.

Workshops training students in musical theatre, acting, auditioning, dialects, combat, improvisation, and directing all will be offered. The camp is geared to appeal to experienced high-school actors as well as those just discovering an interest in theatre.

Campers also will attend the ACU Dinner Theatre, Summer Spotlight and the Paramount Classic Film Series. The four days will culminate with a camper production of "Spoon River Anthology," which parents are encouraged to attend.

Total camp cost is \$275 and includes room and board, theatre/film excursions and a T-shirt. Admission for the 50 places available will be determined on a first-come, first-serve basis. Applications must be accompanied by a non-refundable \$50 deposit.

For more information, contact Hester at 915/674-2073.

Pastors reappointed

United Methodist Bishop Ernest T. Dixon, Jr. of the San Antonio area announced the reappointment of the pastors presently serving the United Methodist congregations in Coke County during the 133rd Session of the Annual Conferences of the Methodist Church in Southwest Texas which convened in Corpus Christi May 29th through June 1st.

Continuing for a second year in their respective charges are Pastors Philip Andrew Bell of Bronte and Kary Wilshusen of Robert Lee, serving the two United Methodist church congregations in their communities. Both congregations, incidentally, observed Centennial Anniversaries during the past year.

The Annual Conference of clergy and laity delegates represented the 368 local United Methodist churches throughout Southwest Texas, and met under the theme, "Celebrate and Witness: The Church Alive as a Nurturing Community."

In addition to their pastors, the Coke County United Methodist delegations included Alonzo Robbins of Bronte, and Dianne Simpson of Robert Lee. Misty Golson of Bronte also attended as the Youth Delegate representing

all the youth of the churches throughout the San Angelo District.

The United Methodist Annual Conference met to review the reports of the ministries of the church, to worship together seeking God's will for the life of the church, and to make administrative and program decisions affecting the growth and future of the church.

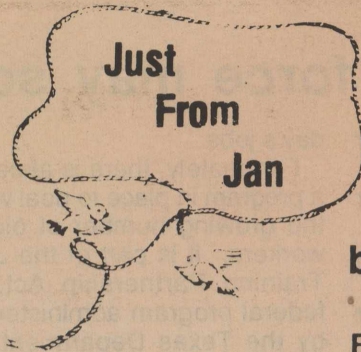
Singing Winds ABC Tourney winners posted

In the May 30th Thursday Night 9 Hole ABC Golf Tournament at the Singing Winds Golf Course in Bronte, the team of Barry Corley, Katie Campbell, Martin Lee and Winston Modgling won with a 30 score after a card playoff.

Placing second was the team of Wade Stautzenberger, Sue Caudle, Jerry Boshears, and Paul Williams, also with a score of 30.

The team of Mickey Pierce, Martin Basquez, Richard Hembree, and Jackie Corley placed third with 31.

Coming in fourth were J. W. Caudle, Brenda Tidwell, Russell Johnson, and Corky Collins with a 33.



**by Jan Yanez
Coke County
Extension Agent**

PRECAUTIONS FOR HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE

A stroke is a serious problem. However, preventive steps can be taken to reduce the possibility of a stroke.

One big step is to have your blood pressure checked and control it if it is high. High blood pressure increases your chance of having a stroke.

Following these steps can help reduce the risk of a stroke:

- Get your blood pressure checked regularly.
- Watch your diet, eat less salt and drink less alcohol.
- Exercise.
- Lose weight if you are overweight.
- Stay on your medication.

If you find out that you have high blood pressure, follow your doctor's advice. Go for checkups. Eating right, exercising, and losing weight can lessen your need for blood pressure pills. If your doctor prescribes pills, be sure to

take them. If you are bothered by side effects, tell your doctor. A different pill may be better for you.

Overweight people are nearly three times as likely to have high blood pressure as people of desirable weight. If you are overweight, plan to lose those extra pounds by eating fewer calories and exercising more. Eat smaller portions. Your food will seem more filling if you eat slowly. Choose foods with less fat. Fill up on high-fiber foods such as fresh fruits and vegetables. Drink more water. If you exercise, you'll lose weight faster.

Avoid foods that have a lot of salt. These include many breads, cereals, fast or prepared processed food, most canned food, and salty snacks such as potato chips. Keep the salt shaker off the table and don't use salt or spice salts in cooking. Check food labels and buy foods that have only small amounts of salt (sodium). Cut down on alcohol, including beer.

Spence Fishin'



**Water Temperature - 74°
Paint Creek Marina**

R. L. Flanagan, Robert Lee, May 28, 17 1/4 lb. 36 1/2" striper caught on cut shad.
Chris, Clinton, Josh, & Trinton, Troy Young's grandsons, Hobbs, New Mexico, May 28, 9 lb. striper.
Curtis Choates, Odessa, June

1, 4 channel cats totalling 4 lbs.

Greg Hoelscher, San Angelo, June 1, 10 1/2 lb. striper caught while drifting with live shad.
Gene Wanoreck, San Angelo, June 1, 11 lb., 6 oz. striper caught while drifting with live shad.

Cooking for Two

Now that you're a twosome again, are old shopping and cooking habits leaving you with too many leftovers and meals that are, well, less than interesting and not as nutritious as they could be? Here to help are cooking tips for small-scale cooks.

Put your supermarket to work. Take advantage of

the salad bar with precut vegetables for stir-frys, soups and baked potato toppers. At the deli, you can buy as little as one slice of cheese or just enough lean roast beef for one sandwich. The meat and fish departments are accustomed to small orders, too.

When shopping, keep nutrition in mind. While it's true that calorie needs decrease as we grow older, the need for most other nutrients remains the same. By practicing moderation, eating a variety of foods, and emphasizing wholegrain breads and cereals, lowfat dairy products, fresh produce and lean meats, you'll get the nutrients you need and maintain a desirable weight.

For ease, take shortcuts. Buy single-serving frozen vegetables, prepared salads from the deli, and lower-fat/lower-sodium single-serving frozen entrees. Then sprinkle with one to two tablespoons of wheat germ just before serving to add fiber, protein and eight essential vitamins and minerals. Honey crunch wheat germ gives a "nutrition boost" to fresh fruit from the salad bar.

Cook once and dine twice. That's the theory behind *Spanish Skillet Dinner*. Serve half for dinner one night, the remainder for lunch the next day as the base for a fast taco-style salad. Both ways you'll love the added fiber, nutty taste and appealing crunch of original toasted wheat germ.



Spanish Skillet Dinner

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| 1/2 pound sirloin steak, cut into 1/2-inch cubes | One 14-1/2-oz. can no-salt-added tomatoes, drained and chopped (reserve liquid) |
| 2 teaspoons ground cumin | Water |
| 1 to 2 teaspoons chili powder | 1 cup quick cooking brown rice, uncooked |
| 2 tablespoons olive oil | 1/2 cup Kretschmer Original Wheat Germ |
| 1/2 cup chopped onion | 1 tablespoon chopped fresh cilantro (optional) |
| 1/2 cup chopped green bell pepper | |

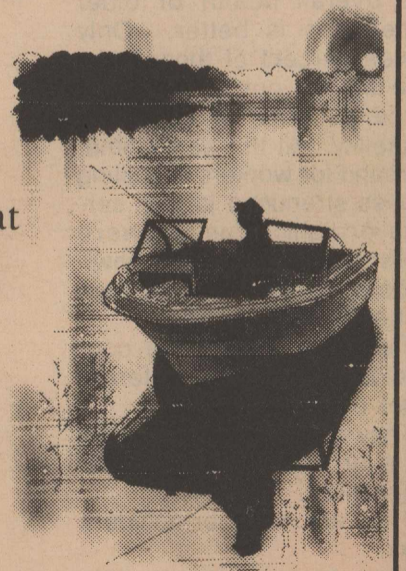
Sprinkle steak with cumin and chili powder. Heat oil in large heavy skillet; brown steak over medium heat. Add onion and green pepper; cook about 2 minutes, stirring constantly. Add enough water to reserved tomato liquid to equal 1-3/4 cups. Add to skillet; bring to a boil. Add rice; reduce heat. Cover and simmer about 10 minutes or until most of liquid is absorbed. Stir in tomatoes and wheat germ. Remove from heat; cover and let stand until all liquid is absorbed. Stir before serving. Serve immediately. **4 servings**

Nutrition information: Per serving (1/4 recipe)
Calories 360, Protein 19g, Carbohydrate 32g, Total Fat 18g, Cholesterol 40mg, Dietary Fiber 4g, Sodium 65mg, Calcium 55mg
Percent of calories from fat: 45

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