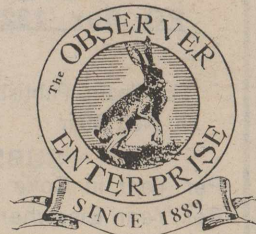


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Correctional facility meet draws over 200 residents

Coke County Judge Royce Lee and Commissioners James Tidwell, Paul Burns, Billy Joe Lockett, and Tim Millican called an open public meeting on Monday evening to discuss the possibility of construction of a correctional facility in the county. The officials recently retained James Jonas an Austin attorney, to aid with the mechanics of feasibility and specifics of such a plan. Speaking to a large crowd of about 200 county residents were Rep. Rob Junell, Jonas, Nancy Sullivan with the Mitchell County Economic Development Board, and Ed Windler, a representative of Wackenhut Corrections Corporation.

Jonas was optimistic concerning the venture and has had success in gaining facilities for other counties. Most of his experience comes from dealing with counties or cities who have built facilities by issuing revenue bonds and are

No March Commodities

No commodities will be delivered to Coke County for the month of March. Normal delivery will resume in April.

WCC Hospital District

On February 15, West Coke County Hospital District board of directors called for an election May 7 to name three directors for two year terms. The terms of Winton Milliff, Linda Arledge, and Steve Whiteker, who was appointed to finish an unexpired term, are directors whose tenure will end. Incumbents have given no indication of their intentions toward another term. Elaine Lee and Mary Bessent will remain on the board of directors.

Filing deadline for the WC-CHD election is March 23. Those seeking a place on the ballot may pick up a petition at the office of Hospital District Administrator Betty Fife at the nursing home. Twenty-five eligible voters must sign a candidate's petition. According to state election laws, a voter may sign only one petition for a candidate in the election.

privately managed.

Rep. Junell said communities who now have correctional facilities are enjoying good economic growth not only by employment directly but indirectly with new businesses and construction. This was attested to by Nancy Sullivan who has helped from the beginning with the Mitchell County facilities which will have open house in May. She offered to lend practical advice in any capacity she could to the county.

Operating seven private prison facilities in Texas, Wackenhut Corrections Corporation can assist in all phases of bringing a project to fruition, said representative Ed Windler. He explained several directions the county could take in building a facility but the consensus of the speakers was that a juvenile facility might be more feasible for Coke County. Juvenile units are paid more by the state; they hire a higher ratio of employees since they are educated, have counseling, and

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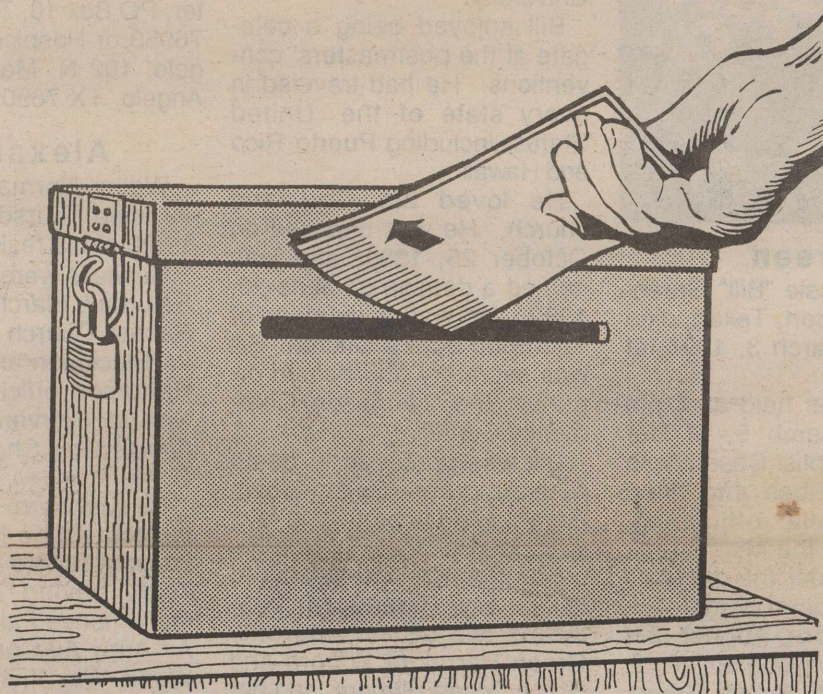
Investigation continues

According to Coke County Chief Deputy Jeff Barnes on Tuesday, investigation continues into the Feb. 8 burglary of Hall's Super Save Grocery. Several suspects have been questioned with no results and the pickup apparently taken the night of the burglary has not been recovered.

San Angelo Crime Stoppers ran the crime as a feature highlight in the San Angelo Standard-Times on Feb. 16 with no results as yet. The organization is offering a cash reward for information which will assist the Coke County Sheriff's office to solve the burglary.

Anyone with information which will help investigators identify a person involved in this burglary should call Crime Stoppers at 658-4357 or 1-800-756-3434. All calls are confidential and callers don't have to reveal their names. A cash reward of up to \$1,000 is paid when information results in an arrest and grand jury indictment.

Election Results '94



Secretary of State John Hannah predicted before Tuesday's election day that only 16.5% of Texas' 9 million registered voters would go to the polls. He expressed regret at the widespread apathy in letting a virtual handful of people rule state government.

At presstime Wednesday, Coke County Tax Assessor Kristy Roe related that although the numbing cold may have kept some from the polls, a total of 723 votes were cast. That includes both Democratic and Republican primaries and reflects a 33% turnout for 2,196 registered, eligible voters.

In the Republican Primary, voters gave the nod to Kay Bailey Hutchison in the U. S. Senate race; Don Schmitt, Jr. for U. S. Representative - District 17; George W. Bush for Governor; and a tie between John Marshall and Patricia Lykes for Attorney General. No totals were available for the non-binding proposition on the ballot concerning adopting rules to license and train qualified citizens to carry handguns for self protection. No county races appeared on the Republican ballot.

Only one contested county race appeared on the Democratic Primary ballot, that of District and County Clerk. In that race incumbent Ettie Hubbard will be returned to the position by a 381-288 vote over challenger Garland

Davis. In other county totals Judge Royce Lee had a 515 total; Chris Wyatt, county attorney gained 522 votes for his first full term; Treasurer Phelan Wrinkle totaled 556 votes. Those candidates were subject to entire county balloting. Those garnering votes only from the precincts they represent were Commissioner James Tidwell, 103 votes; Commissioner Billy Joe Lockett, 139 votes, Bruce Sonnenberg, candidate for Justice of the Peace, Pct. 2, 165, and Joan Davis, incum-

Coke County B'ball

The Robert Lee Steers gained four berths on the All-District 22-1A basketball squad. The selections included seniors Joe Blair and John Williams, Lee McCown, a junior, and sophomore Aaron Hood. Steer starter, sophomore Eric Hood, was chosen for the All-District 22-1A Defensive Team. Runner-up team in the district, the Steers went on to the Region II-1A tourney where they were defeated by Lipan in the finals 77-75.

The Bronte Longhorns placed Brent Taylor, a junior, on the All-District Team while the All-District Defensive selections also included Taylor and Jay Parker, a Bronte senior.

The Coke County teams' nemesis, junior Jason Osuna of Roby was named Most Valuable Player in the district.

bent for Justice of the Peace, Pct. 1, 371 votes.

In the U. S. Senate race in Coke County, Richard Fisher was 313 over the nearest opponent Jim Maddox with 218; Governor Ann Richards gained 429 votes over Gary Espinosa who had 140; Martha Whitehead got the county's nod 333-202 over Grady Yarborough. The county gave good support to favorites who were unopposed within the party; longtime U. S. Rep. Dist. 17 Charles Stenholm had 425; Rep. Rob Junell with 535; and Sen. Bill Sims gained 516 votes.

RL PTA

The Robert Lee PTA will hold its regular monthly meeting Tuesday, March 15 at 7:00 pm in the school cafeteria. New officers will be elected at this time, therefore all members are urged to attend. Ten members must be present to hold the election. Anyone interested in becoming a member is invited to do so.

3rd Thursday Dance

The Coke County Cavaliers will provide C & W music for the Third Thursday Dance at 7:30 pm on March 17 at the Rec Hall in Robert Lee. The event is open to dancers of all ages and tickets are available at the door.

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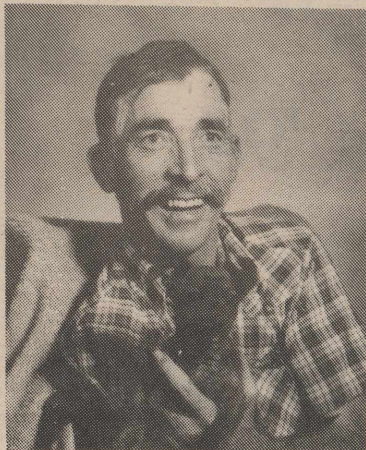
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Obituaries



Green

William Jessie "Bill" Green, 59, of Tennyson, Texas, died Thursday, March 3, 1994, at his home.

Service was held at 4 pm Saturday, March 5, at the Tennyson Baptist Church with Rev. Brian Ross and Rev. Clyde McCulla officiating. Burial was in the Mule Creek Cemetery under the direction of Shaffer Funeral Home.

Bill was born August 28, 1934, in Tennyson to W. T. Tom and Betty Brown Green. He had been a resident of Tennyson most of his life. He owned and operated a coin-operated laundry in San Angelo, Texas. He worked for the IRS and he became post-

master of the Tennyson Post Office on Jan. 20, 1973. He loved the people of Tennyson that he saw each morning at the Post Office. He received a degree in accounting from Texas Tech University.

Bill enjoyed being a delegate at the postmasters' conventions. He had traveled in every state of the United States, including Puerto Rico and Hawaii.

He loved his God and church. He was baptized on October 25, 1981, and was named a deacon on June 20, 1982. He was a member of Tennyson Baptist Church. Bill was secretary and helped organize the Tennyson Community Center.

Bill was preceded in death by his mother, Betty Brown Green; and his brother-in-law, E. L. Joe Ed Harrell of Sonora.

Survivors include his father, W. T. Tom Green of Tennyson; two sisters, Dorothy Green Harrell of Sonora and Grace Green Ditmore, and her husband, Douglas, of Robert Lee; his nephew, Gary Harrell and his wife, Donna of Piedmont, OK; his niece, Karen Davis and her husband, Bob, of San Antonio; his great-

...Meeting

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may require special medical needs.

Other types of facilities that could be built would be an adult prison or for paper ready inmates from overloaded prisons, temporary lock-ups, immigration inmates, hard-case juveniles who are incarcerated as adults, or substance abuse facilities.

The speakers advised that a number of factors must be examined including access to utilities, main highways, nearby medical facilities, a site of up to 200 acres, and total commitment by a community.

County officials at this time are considering a 500 bed facility at an estimated cost of \$15 million. This would mean a projected 120 new jobs. Payoff of the revenue bonds should be a 12-15 year time frame.

With the continued downturn in the oil and gas related industry in West Texas, both Junell and Judge Lee urged citizens to give serious thought to the project as an alternative for the economic losses. Rep. Junell suggested an industrial board made

up of county leaders, willing to work with the proposal, should visit other facilities, such as Coleman and Colorado City and visit with business owners and the public about their thoughts.

A great deal more information and study is needed before the venture could be realistically accepted or denied but it could be a step in the right direction for the county. A number of the capacity crowd seemed encouraged and spoke favorably of the project.

Judge Lee promised that county residents would be kept informed and other public meetings will be called.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND PARTIES:

RIM OPERATING, INC. has made application with the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission for Air Quality Permit No. 24064 to construct a Hendry Point Tank Battery No. 1 in Blackwell, Nolan County, Texas. The location of the existing facility is 2.56 miles north of the intersection of U.S. Highway 277 and Texas State Highway 70 in extreme northeastern Coke County, Texas. Additional information concerning this application is contained in the public notice section of this newspaper. This notice is to be published on March 11 and March 18, 1994.

Obituaries

Greer

Mildred C. Greer, 90, of Coleman died Sunday, February 27, 1994, in an Odessa hospital.

Service was conducted at 2:00 pm Thursday, March 3, in Stevens Funeral Home chapel with burial in Coleman Cemetery.

She was born March 8, 1903, in Silver Valley and was a longtime resident of Coleman. She was a schoolteacher in Silver Valley, Midway, and Content. She was a member of First Baptist Church in Coleman and was a life member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars in Carlsbad, New Mexico.

Survivors include three sons, Clinton M. Greer of Carlsbad, Guy E. Greer of Blackwell, and Wayne M. Greer of McCamey; a daughter, Margie Candler of Los Alamos, New Mexico; 17 grandchildren; 40 great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandchild.

DeLaCerde

Daniel Arellano DeLaCerde, 38, of San Angelo died Tuesday, March 1, 1994, in a San Angelo hospital.

Rosary was at 7:00 pm March 2 in Johnson's Funeral Home chapel. Service was conducted Thursday, March 3, in Johnson's Funeral Home chapel with the Rev. Mike Goode officiating. Burial followed in Belvedere Memorial Park.

He was born July 6, 1955, in Ballinger. He was employed by a construction specialty company.

Survivors include his parents, Juan and Eva DeLaCerde of San Angelo; two sons, Daniel Ray DeLaCerde and Justin DeLaCerde, both of Bronte; three brothers, John DeLaCerde, Jr. of San Angelo, Joe DeLaCerde of Midland and Armando DeLaCerde of Ballinger; three sisters, Elia Mendoza, Inez Mendoza and Adela Shelburne, all of San Angelo; grandmother, Ruby Alfaro of Ballinger; and numerous aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews.

Chapman

Annis Ada Chapman, 85, of Sweetwater died Wednesday,

March 2, 1994, in an Abilene hospital.

Service was held at 2:00 pm Friday, March 4, in McCoy Chapel of Memories with burial in Decker Cemetery.

She was born August 11, 1908, in Blackwell and was a lifetime resident of Nolan County. She had worked as a registered nurse at Fort Sam Houston during World War II and at Simmons Hospital, and was a member of Highland Baptist Church.

Survivors include a sister, Ethel Duncan of Roscoe; a sister-in-law, Beulah Chapman of Blackwell; two nieces, Marguerite Hahn and Veta Wilson, both of Sweetwater; and a nephew, Randy Chapman of Vernon.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,
I would just like to take a moment to thank you for using The Salvation Army drop-in ads throughout 1993. This exposure you have given to The Salvation Army has truly helped us time and again to help others.

Your use of our drop-in ads is a reminder to the members of your community that not everyone has a roof over their heads or food on the table. It also helps them to remember that it is only through community support that we can help their neighbors and friends who have hit hard times.

I hope as your receive additional drop-in ads throughout 1994 that you continue to find a place for them within your publication. It is through all of us working together that we are able to do what we do.

God bless you!
Sincerely,
Lt. Colonel Jack T. Waters
Texas Divisional Commander

Team Penning

The Concho County Saddle Club will have a Team Penning on Saturday, March 26th in Eden at the Eden Arena. Books will open at 4:00 pm and the Penning will start at 5:00 pm. For more information call 469-3765; 469-3691; 869-8031; or 869-7784.

TO THE VOTERS OF COKE COUNTY:

I sincerely appreciate the support I received in my campaign for County and District Clerk.

I thank you for your cordiality and your consideration; and, I thank you for the votes you gave me in the election.

I enjoyed meeting new friends and renewing former acquaintances and friendships as I traveled across the county.

I extend my congratulations to Mrs. Ettie Hubbard, and I hope for the best as she continues her tenure as Coke County's Clerk.

Respectfully,
Garland Davis

Pol. adv. pd. for by Garland Davis, PO Box 178, Robert Lee, TX 76945

**Bronte ISD
Recognized for
Outstanding
Safety Program**

Mr. Michael Hartman, Superintendent of the Bronte Independent School District was recently honored for outstanding employee safety by the North Texas Educational Insurance Association at its annual meeting conducted in Austin, Texas. The Association consists of 104 participating school districts located throughout northern and central Texas. The district is a member of a uniquely designed partially self-funded workers' compensation program developed by Hibbs-Hallmark & Company and administered by Claims Administrative Service, Inc., both located in Tyler. Hibbs-Hallmark & Company currently provides workers' compensations programs to **over 23 percent of all schools in Texas.** The purpose of the meeting was to recognize those districts that have held both the number and severity of employee accidents to a very low level. The combined savings during the 1992-93 school year, for all participating districts, was over **1.4 million dollars** when compared to the costs of fully insured programs. The total savings for all districts since inception of the programs in 1991 exceed \$11 million dollars.

The Bronte Independent School District was a Diamond Star award recipient with the actual losses from employee accidents equaling less than 10% of the fund set aside by the district for claims expenses. The actual savings to the school district was \$17,723. "Our self insurance program was designed to provide the highest level of safety and offer the greatest potential for premium savings to the districts," said Billy Hibbs, President of Hibbs-Hallmark & Company.

**Red Canyon
Gun Club**

On Sunday, March 6, Red Canyon Gun Club held a Silhouette Rifle Match. Fourteen shooters participated.

High Overall

1st place - Richard Johnson, Robert Lee with a 29/40 score; 2nd place - Jim Brisbin, Sonora; 3rd place - Jim McDaniel, Brownwood.

Class Winners AA

1st place - Jim Brisbin, Sonora; 2nd place - Earl Williams, Kerrville; 3rd place - Curt Sugar, Anson.

Class Winners A

1st place - Ken Green, Robert Lee; 2nd place - Al Leggett, Odessa; 3rd place - Doug Randel, Big Spring.

Class Winners B

1st place - Jim McDaniel, Brownwood; 2nd Place - Linda Randel, Big Spring; 3rd place - Richard Williams, Brownwood.

Richard Johnson earned a 5 in a row pin on chickens.

Next shoot will be a small-bore Silhouette Pistol Match Sunday, March 20th, at 1:30 pm.

The club will have 2 matches a month from now until November on the first Sunday and 3rd Sunday of the month. The Club will shoot Rifle and Pistol each month.



Mr. Billy Hibbs (l) President of Hibbs-Hallmark & Company and Barry Jones (r), President of Claims Administrative Services presented Mr. Michael Hartman Superintendent of Bronte ISD (center) with a certificate for outstanding employee safety by the North Texas Educational Insurance Association.

dent of Hibbs-Hallmark & Company. "We have a team of safety professionals who help the districts to implement a strict set of safety policies and procedures."

Claims Administrative Services, Inc. President, Barry Jones, stated "Safety in the workplace is such an important issue and the administrators who have achieved such a high level of success in the area of employee safety deserve this special recognition. The taxpayers should also be pleased to know that the Board of Trustees and the administrative staff of the Bronte Independent School District is doing everything

Br Highway Signs

A joint effort by Bronte Evening Lions Club and Bronte Chamber of Commerce to install new professional signs on each highway entering Bronte is being made.

They are asking for help in the wording of the signs and are asking everyone that will to enter a contest for the best slogan.

WELCOME TO BRONTE - followed by a slogan of not more than seven words is needed to complete the sentence.

More details may be obtained at Bronte City Hall and entry forms may also be picked up there.

possible to insure a safe working environment for its employees while reducing the cost of workers' compensation insurance," continued Jones.

**Area Methodists
Honored**

Sixty-nine West Texans active in the Methodist Church were honored Saturday, February 26, 1994, during the San Angelo District Laity Banquet at First United Methodist Church of San Angelo.

Among those honored were Marie Arrott, Pat Martindale, and Pete Percifull from First United Methodist Church of Bronte and Nina Brewer from First United Methodist Church of Robert Lee. Former Bronte resident Dorothy Asbill from First United Methodist Church of Mason was also honored.

Other Coke County residents joining the honorees at the banquet were Ed Martindale, Mary Percifull, Joe and Glenda Draper, Bill and Diane Lockett, Elmer, Sue and Carrie Beck of Bronte; Jack Brewer, Ruby and Bill Jones of Robert Lee.

Personal

Royce Dean Clark of Bronte returned home last Saturday from Shannon Hospital in San Angelo after undergoing heart by-pass surgery.

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BRONTE SCHOOL NEWS



Courtney Stokes

FHA Conference

The Bronte chapter of Future Homemakers of America attended the Region II Conference held in Abilene, Texas on March 4-5, 1994. The chapter members were among approximately 1300 delegates attending the two-day conference. The meeting theme, "FHA/HERO: the Spotlight is on you" was carried out through showcases, workshops and general sessions where members discovered ways they can become actively involved in issues facing today's youth. Issues that were addressed at the meeting were: AIDS, teen stress, teen suicide, alcohol and drugs, gang violence, teen pregnancy, cult awareness, and other exciting topics.

STAR events (Students Taking Action for Recognition) are competitive events that the members participated in at the regional meeting. These events allow the members to demonstrate life skills in different areas of competi-

UIL Results

The UIL Math/Science results from the practice meet at Lake View has finally been received. The students travelled to San Angelo on Saturday, February 19 with Lloyd Walker as sponsor.

The Science team placed 4th in the small school division. The results were as follows: Edwin Thomas, 7th - Calculator - 12th grade, 7th - Mathematics - 12th grade Walter King, 2nd - Science - 12th grade, 1st - Chemistry - 12th grade. Jonathan DeLaughter, 3rd - Science - 10th grade; Ben Huckabee, 5th - Science - 10th grade; Glen Tampke, 6th - Earth Science - 8th grade; Angie Shults, 10th - Earth Science - 8th grade. Others attending were: John Campbell and Bonnie DeLaughter - 7th grade.

These students have been preparing for the District UIL Academic Contest to be held March 26 at Robert Lee for the High School and April 16 for Junior High School which will be held in Bronte. Teachers working with these students are: Marifrances Mackey, Terah Collins and Wanda Brewer in mathematics, number sense and calculator. Lloyd Walker and Jerita Taylor work with the students in Science.

tion. Also the new officer team for 1994-1995 was elected to lead the region on to more success.

Courtney Stokes, secretary of Bronte FHA, was elected as Vice-President of Correspondence for Region II. Courtney joins 16 other officers as a part of the leadership team elected from our 53-county region. The regional officers will meet throughout the summer to plan events for the 1994-1995 school year. Courtney is a 15 year-old sophomore at BHS and is the daughter of Pam Shaffer and Doug Stokes.

Lady Longhorn Track

The Lady Longhorn Track team placed fifth in the Concho Belle Relays, scoring 66 points compared to last year's 26, with only eight girls.

Starting out with eight points on Friday, Jennifer McCorkle placed second with a puttof 32'3". Three feet further than last year's putt. Next, on Friday, Jill Johnson and Kim Hall placed fifth and sixth in the high jump. Jill cleared 4'8" and Kim cleared 4'6". Saturday the Lady Longhorns started racking up their points. The sprint relay placed fourth (Hall, Santos, McCorkle, and J. Johnson) 58.4.

Jill Johnson broke two meet records. She placed first in the 100MH (16.25) and first in the 300MH (50.17). Jill also placed first in the long jump (15'7 3/4"). Kim Hall contributed twelve points for the Lady Longhorns. She placed fourth in the 100MH (18.0) and second in the 300MH (52.56). Wendy Johnson and Jade Bullard both qualified for the finals in the 400 M run. Bullard was unable to run on Saturday, while Wendy Johnson placed fifth (75.45).

Cheryl Santos and Shelly Sims ran the 200 M run in the finals. Cheryl placed fifth (30.75) while Shelly placed sixth (31.09). Jamie Sullivan participated in the triple jump, discus, shot and 200M run.

Other members of the track team that were unable to attend due to other school functions were Kim McCorkle, Laura Stevens and Amy Bailey.

In the 1992 season the Lady Longhorns had 2 members, and in 1993 six members. Now, in the 1994

track season, the Lady Longhorns have grown to eleven. Looking at the top ten teams in the state in class 1A volleyball and basketball, six to seven of those teams also were in the top ten in track. Successful track teams promote success in all other sports, mentally and physically. We're proud that more girls are going out for track.

The next track meet is at the Eden Bulldog Relays on Friday, today.

BHS Honor Roll A Honor Roll

7th Grade

Nicole Butts

8th Grade

Angela Shults

Glen Tampke

9th Grade

Felicia Beam

Shelly Sims

10th Grade

Jonathon DeLaughter

Shae Sanford

11th Grade

Jill Johnson

Laura Thomas

12th Grade

Amy Bailey

Jim Beam

Wendy Huckabee

Edwin Thomas

Jennifer Sparks

A/B Honor Roll

7th Grade

Brittany Barrett, Shane Briley,

Bonnie DeLaughter, Brandy

Denton, Cody Harris, Jimmy

Soto, Vanessa Sparks.

8th Grade

Dustin Arrott, Cara Barnett,

Courtney Beam, Sommer

Beck, Scott Graves, Leia

Brunson, Michael Martinez,

Miranda Scott, Angela

9th Grade

Kale Beck, Tandy Briley, Olivia

Guzman, Robb Harrell, Jodie

Hilliard, Joy King, Kimberly

McCorkle, Lane Parker,

Danielle Parker, Laura

10th Grade

Nicholas Arrott, Jade Bullard,

Julia Gentry, Cody Holland,

Ben Huckabee, Wendy

Johnson, Stephanie

Martinez, Cory Robinson.

11th Grade

Micah Arrott, Gina Clayton,

Mandy Dunn, Christy

McKinney, Terry Queen,

Phillip Ratliff.

12th Grade

Kim Blair, Rena Gee, Jay

Parker, Cheryl Santos,

Jennifer McCorkle.



Bronte FHA members, (l-r) Courtney Stokes, Laura Stevens, Brent Taylor, and Mandy Dunn, recently modeled spring fashions in their annual style show.

Br. FHA Style Show

by Joni Barrett

On Thursday, February 24, the FHA hosted a style show for the members and community.

"Cruisin' into Spring" was the theme for this year's show.

FHA members modeled day-wear, clothing, jewelry and accessories from local merchants.

After the style show a reception was held in the home economics cottage with friends and refreshments. The style show was a big turning point for FHA week.

Br. One Act Play

The Bronte High School One-Act Play cast and crew is preparing for UIL contest on March 24th in Sweetwater.

This year's play, "The Dancers" by Horton Foote, is a 1950's comedy set in Texas. The play is guaranteed to take you back to those carefree, youthful days.

On March 21st, there will be a dessert theater at 8:00p.m. in the auditorium. Tickets will be available from a Drama member. After the play, banana splits will be served in the cafeteria. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

Characters in the play: Waitress, Jennifer McCorkle;

Inez Stanly, Jennifer Sparks; Elizabeth Crews, Christy McKinney; Emily Crews, Wendy Huckabee; Herman Stanley, Casey Thorn; Horace, Ben Huckabee; Mary Catherine Davis, Amy Bailey; Velma, Jamie Sullivan, Tom Davis, Terry Queen; Mrs. Davis, Felicia Beam. Crew, Jacob Golson, Jay Parker, Joy King, Lynn Sonnenberg. Directed by Kristin Keel.

HOBY Seminar

Nicholas Arrott was chosen by the Bronte High School faculty to be this year's representative to the Hugh O'Brian Texas North Youth Foundation Leadership Seminar.

The seminar will be held this weekend, March 11-13 at the Clarion Hotel in Dallas. The conference will feature many speakers and workshops on the challenges future leaders will confront, aspects of our changing world, and other challenges facing America in the coming years.

The HOBY Foundation has been established to recognize outstanding students who exhibit strong leadership potential and the desire to make a positive impact on America's future.

The work praises the man.

Irish Proverb

Jeanene Reese



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WTU continues restructuring process

West Texas Utilities Company is moving into the next phase of the corporate restructuring announced last November. The effort involves the electric operating companies, service companies and other related parts of Central and South West Corporation (CSW).

"The changes are aimed at making CSW companies more productive and efficient in meeting customer needs, to maintain corporate shareholder value and to compete in the midst of deregulation of the electric utility industry, new environmental requirements, new technology and increasing customer expectations," said Glenn Files, WTU president and chief executive officer.

The reorganization process, which began in May 1993 and will continue over the next six months, means realignment of work groups, consolidation of support functions across the CSW system and within WTU, and fewer levels of management. The restructuring includes the relocation of a number of positions from CSW's four electric operating companies to its centralized service unit, Central and South West Services, Inc. Approximately 600 service company positions will be located in Tulsa, and another 250 will be in Dallas.

Employees reviewed the new structure and the process for staffing the structure during meetings held March 1-2. The result will be about 177 fewer positions at WTU, including 80 in Abilene. WTU has 1,268 employees.

An early retirement program, announced in January by CSW, has been offered to 113 eligible employees at WTU. The program was offered so that long-service employees, who could be affected by job losses, would have the opportunity to choose an enhanced early retirement package or a lump-sum enhanced severance package.

The number of actual job losses will not be known until mid-summer, when the re-staffing process is complete. During that process:

*Many employees will fill their same or similar jobs;

*Some will change jobs or re-locate within WTU or the CSW System;

*Some eligible employees will choose the enhanced early retirement or enhanced severance options; and

*Some will not have jobs.

Throughout the CSW System, the number of positions eliminated is about 10 percent of the system workforce of 8,800, and 726 employees are eligible for early retirement. Enhanced re-location packages and severance

benefits are also provided for employees as part of the re-staffing process.

The new structure includes fewer levels of management and broader spans of supervision. The organization has been "flattened" to improve internal communication, reduce cost and empower employees, especially those on the front lines dealing with customers.

"This new structure will put our employees in a better position to improve our customer's satisfaction, make faster decisions, be more flexible in their operations and reduce costs," File said.

With the new structure determined, a systematic process of internal re-staffing has begun to place the best avail-

able candidates in the new organization. "In our communication with employees throughout this re-organization process, we have emphasized our intent to treat employees fairly, consistently and with dignity during the re-staffing stage," Files said.

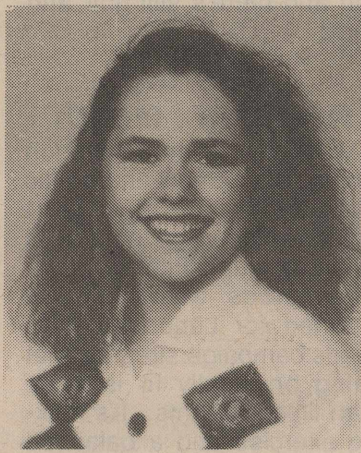
Most positions will be filled by early June, with most re-locations and other changes completed by the end of the summer.

"By remaining competitive, we can help existing businesses grow, attract new industry, and contribute to the growth of our service territory," said Files. WTU serves 180,000 customers in 52 counties of West Texas from the Red River to the Rio Grande.

McCorkle Selected for Volleyball All-Star

The volleyball committee of the Texas Girls Coaches Association has selected Jennifer McCorkle to participate in the 26th annual East-West All-Star girls volleyball game. The game will be played in the Birdville Coliseum, Haltom City (Haltom I.S.D.) on Thursday evening, July 7, 1994.

Jennifer was selected to the first team in District 4-1A volleyball. She will play for the West-Division I.



Jennifer McCorkle

23rd Annual Boys Ranch Ball

The Ranch Ball benefiting West Texas Boys Ranch will be held Saturday, March 26, at the San Angelo Convention Center. This will mark the 23rd year for the annual event according to event organizers Bill and Verna Shaw.

Guests will enjoy a buffet dinner beginning at 7:00 pm and dancing to the music of Jody Nix and the Texas Cowboys from 8:00 pm to midnight.

Joining the Shaws as hosts are Glenn and Molly Polhemus, Carter and Laura Behrens, Wes Bonner, Mark and Jean Polhemus and Andrew and Joy Lewis. Celebrating his 23rd year of association with the Ball is host Bill Shaw.

The Ranch Ball celebrates and appreciates the many friends of the boys at the West Texas Boys Ranch. Proceeds benefit the Ranch and assure the love and care it provides.

Reservations are advised by March 22, but not required. Tables for 10 persons may be reserved as a "Prime" table with preferred seating and special recognition, "Choice" table near the dance floor, or "Good" table. For reservations and information, contact Karen Ulrich at WTBR, 949-1936.

Parents Meeting

A group of parents of Bronte students held an informal meeting Sunday evening at the El Rancho Restaurant in Bronte.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss and brainstorm plans, ideas, and projects for the upcoming summer as well as the 1994-95 school year. Some excellent input was gathered and the next meeting was scheduled for Sunday, March 20th at 8:00 at the El Rancho.

Parents present were Martha and Phillip Ratliff, Fran Pierce, Patricia Scott, Sharon Gibbs, Harold and Patsy Dunn, Scotty McCorkle, Brenda Beck, Roenna Thomas, George Tomes, and Jerita Taylor. All parents and other interested community members are encouraged to attend the next meeting.

Shorthorn Track

The Lady Shorthorns will go to the Eden Bullpup relays on Saturday, March 12. This year the team consist of eleven members. They are Sommer Beck, Vanessa Sparks, April Holdway, Brandy Denton, Brittany Barrett, Leia Brunson, Miranda Scott, Courtney Arrott, Tammy Lowe, Bonnie DeLaughter and Natasha Carper.

Counselor's Comments

by Vicky McCutchen

Right now our senior students in high school are facing some very major decisions in regards to their future. It is extremely important those decisions are based on the knowledge our students have about post-secondary education, jobs, and answering the major question, "What should I do?"

There is an excellent resource provided for all seniors and will come in the mail to them entitled "Futures, For the Class of '94". This publication has many different articles on military, college, finances for school, success in a first job, creating a resume, maintaining your car, and much more. This publication is published by Scholastic Inc. and sponsored by the U. S. Armed Forces.

All seniors should receive a copy this month and read it. Parents are likely to enjoy this publication, too.

B'ball players honored

Cheryl Santos of Bronte High School was selected as the Most Valuable Player on the All-District 22-1A girls basketball team. Cheryl, a senior, was joined on the team by Lady Horn team mates Kim Hall, a freshman, and Jill Johnson, who is a junior. The Horns district runner up, advanced to the area round of the playoffs before being defeated by Forsan.

Making the All-District team from Robert Lee were Lady Steers senior Kim Carver and sisters, Jaclyn Waldrop, a sophomore, and freshman Shalon Waldrop. Robert Lee was the District 22-1A champ and were defeated by Garden City in the Bi-District playoff game.

The All-Defensive team included Rachel Pentecost and Elaine Gibbs, both seniors at Robert Lee, and junior Micah Arrott of Bronte.

BHS B'ball

Christy Williams has proved her athletic ability was no fluke when she set scoring records as a standout at Blackwell High School the past two years. Now playing basketball at Howard Payne University in Brownwood as a freshman, 5 foot 9 inch Christy has emerged as a regular on the squad and was named TIAA Women's Basketball Player of the Week during the season.

Law enforcement dispatch training

On March 21 & 22, dispatchers from San Angelo/Tom Green County and those from surrounding counties, including: Coke, Concho, Irion, Kimble, Mason, McCulloch, Reagan, Schleicher, Sterling, and Sutton Counties, will receive specialized Law Enforcement Dispatch training. This valuable training sponsored by the Concho Valley Council of Governments Regional 9-1-1 program will enable our dispatchers, who are in actuality, the first on the scene, to save lives and provide improved public safety service to our citizens and responders. The training will be held at the San Angelo Police Academy.

Dispatchers will learn proven techniques in breaking hysteria thresholds; handling multiple calls; suicide calls; responder safety enhancement; liability and legal issues and other methods to allow responders to arrive better prepared.

In life or death emergencies, when minutes seem like hours, dispatchers throughout the Concho Valley Region are learning to save seconds. These seconds will save lives.

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HEALTH NOTES

First Births

A growing segment of the female population is putting off having children until after several years in the workforce. Between 1980 and 1986, the rate of first births to American women between thirty-five and thirty-nine years old increased eighty-one percent, and for women older than thirty-nine, the rate doubled during that time.

A study from the University of Washington, Seattle, reported in the *Journal of the American Medical Association* (11-30), found that women who delay having their first child progressively increase the risk of low birth weight and premature birth when compared to babies delivered by women in their early twenties.

Lead author, Dr. Michael Aldous, now at the University of Arizona College of Medicine, says this is not meant to discourage women from having babies at any age, but rather to encourage proper prenatal care. In fact, he noted that a relatively high socioeconomic status and low rate of cigarette smoking among women who waited to have their first baby helped to counteract the effects of age.

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ROBERT LEE SCHOOL NEWS

Steers are runners-up at regional

by Joan Davis

The Robert Lee Steers weren't beaten in the Regional tournament finals in Abilene last weekend - the clock just ran out. The feeling just ran through the jammed McMurry facility that this game was going down to the last second and it did. It was the Lipan Indians, 77-75. No better games will be seen in Austin this weekend than those at McMurry Saturday. The Steers had a superb tournament run.

On Friday afternoon, the Chillicothe Eagles never got off the ground. The Steers were ready and it was an almost joyful game; the locals looked loose and had fun. They plucked the Eagles 92-47. Scoring in the bashing were Aaron Hood 26, Lee McCown 20, Jerrid Vincent 11, Jason Key 2, Charles Hayes 2, Eric Hood 8, Joe Blair 5, Bart Goodman 2, John Williams 12, Jeremy Vincent 4. The squad had 4 three pointers, all by Aaron Hood and out rebounded the Eagles 53-28 in the total domination.

Saturday morning's game against Brock brought some anxious moments - after all the Eagles are in state contention year after year. But after the Steers settled down and the smoke cleared it was Steers 82, Brock 60. Joe Blair had 18, Lee McCown 20, Aaron

Hood 16, Jerrid Vincent 3, Eric Hood 6, Bart Goodman 2, and John Williams 18 in the decisive victory. Robert Lee had two 3 point goals, both by Aaron Hood. McCown distinguished himself by getting 24 rebounds.

It had been a foregone conclusion that the Steers would probably meet the 22-1A district winner and arch rival, Roby, in the Regional tourney but fate and Lipan intervened in the semi-finals. The Roby Lions were shot down by the Indians 64-54. Roby finished the season with a 31-2 record. Robert Lee was one loss and Lipan the other.

This set the stage for Saturday night's winner-take-all finals. It was apparent from the jump-go that the Steers would have their work cut out for them. The lead changed a number of times and it was Lipan 40-38 at the half mark, and after a tough second half the Steers ran out of time. It was not a shabby performance and the win went to a club whose two of their three losses went to folks like Southlake Carroll, last year's

Scholarships for RLHS Seniors

Two scholarships of at least \$400 each will be awarded to members of the 1994 graduating class of Robert Lee High School. This scholarship program is funded by the AON Service Club, a local group of ladies who support higher education. It has been the function of the club to raise funds for scholarships for RLHS graduates for the past 8 years. Since 1987, thirteen former Robert Lee students have received \$5,800 in AON scholarships. Funded primarily by the annual Chicken Spaghetti Extravaganza held each fall, the scholarship effort continues to grow.

The 1994 seniors will be receiving an application packet and explanations of the program. This year, applications will be submitted to three judges who are outside the AON Service Club. Each judge will independently rank the applications and the three rankings will be averaged to determine the two scholarship recipients. All seniors are encouraged to apply.

3A state champ and Laneville, two time Class A state champs.

Scoring in the final game were Blair 13, Williams 15, McCown 26, A. Hood 14, E. Hood 5, and Jeremy Vincent 2.

Although nothing can take the sting out of the near miss for Coach White and the Steers it was an exciting season and there's still golf and track!

Labeling Nutrition Month

March is National Nutrition Month. The American Dietetic Association's Eat Right America Campaign for 1994 is "Nutrition Fuels Fitness."

Numerous activities are planned for Lubbock. This year's campaign stresses that being physically fit is more than lifting weights. It's making exercise and a balanced diet a part of everyday life.

The past few years have brought thousands of new foods, books, programs and sales pitches that confuse and challenge us. 1994 brought a mandate for a new food label called "Nutrition Facts." These labels educate us more about the food we eat, and they provide us with a clear, easy-to-read format. Still, they can be confusing at times. So the next time you're strolling the aisles, keep these points in mind:

1. "Nutrition Facts" give us a large amount of information. Use what best suits your needs.

2. The reference values at the bottom of the label suggest that the average person needs 2,000 calories. You may need more or less, so take this part lightly if you use it.

3. The percentages listed indicate how much of your reference value you have used for the day, not the percentage that the nutrient contributes to that food item.

4. The term "sugars" will include both naturally occurring and added sugars.

Using only information that meets your needs and practicing on select items may decrease your shopping time and frustration. Allow some time for learning about Nutrition Facts and how they can help you.

Harmon celebrates 81st Birthday

Floyd Harmon of Robert Lee was honored for his 81st birthday with a dinner held in Luby's Cafeteria in San Angelo. His birth date was March 8, 1913.

The honoree was joined by 20 family members at the dinner. After the dinner, the

group enjoyed birthday cake, punch, coffee, party mix and mints at the residence of Lawana and Howard Perry in San Angelo. Floyd entertained the group with his talent of music on the harmonica. He has entertained his family with the harmonica since he was a young man.

Those attending were his wife of 61 years, Jessie Harmon; his four children and their spouses, Lawana and Howard Perry of San Angelo; Dorene and Wayne Mashburn, Jeffie and Bobby Roberts of Robert Lee; and Jerry and Janie Harmon of Sand Springs.

Four of his eleven grandchildren: Marshall and Sheri Millican of Robert Lee; Rena Johnson and Tammy Harmon of San Angelo; and Jason Harmon of Sand Springs. Also friends of Tammy and Jason were present, Brad of San Angelo and Jennifer of Coahoma.

Four of his 12 great-grandchildren were present including Kannan and Stewart Millican of Robert Lee; and Jessica and Brady Johnson of San Angelo.

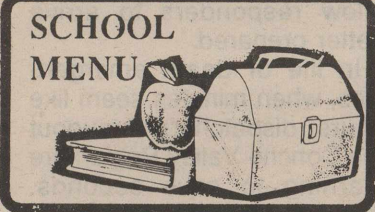
Personal

Mrs. Donna Morton of Carlsbad returned to M. D. Anderson Cancer Center in Houston last Sunday after spending over a week in Concho Valley Regional Hospital and in the home of her parents, J. C. and Jewell Wallace of Robert Lee. She was accompanied by Mrs. Wallace and her sister, Mrs. Marilyn Smith of Shallowater. Donna will be taking more chemotherapy and have further testing.

You write a hit play the same way you write a flop.

William Saroyan

Sincerely,
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SCHOOL MENU

RL Lunch Menu

Monday, Mar. 14
Cheese Nachos, Ranch Beans, French Fries w/catsup, Chocolate Clusters, Milk

Tuesday, Mar. 15
Grilled Cheese Sandwiches, Vegetable Beef Soup, Pickle Slices, Fruit Cup, Milk

Wednesday, Mar. 16
Mexican Casserole, Pinto Beans, Corn, Crackers, Pineapple Tidbits, Milk

Thursday, Mar. 17
Chicken Nuggets w/gravy, Cream Potatoes, Green Beans, Hot Rolls - Butter, Orange, Milk

Friday, Mar. 18
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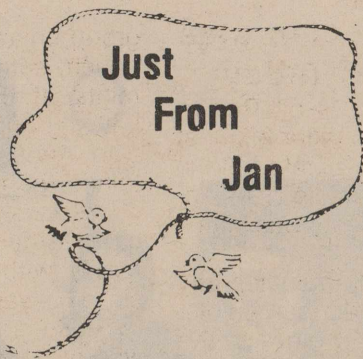
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by Jan Yanez
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Medications and the older adult

by Jan Yanez

For many older adults the idea of taking medicine means you are sick, but medication use for either long-term or short-term conditions does not mean abandoning the idea of wellness.

Using medication properly is one of the most important tools for taking personal responsibility for wellness. By managing some of the chronic conditions that occur for the "chronologically gifted" older adults can be in control.

Dr. Barry Browne, pharmacologist at the Texas A&M University Health Science Center and Scott and White Memorial Hospital has presented a number of issues and facts about older adults and their medications.

Here are some findings regarding older adults and medication:

*Ten percent of all hospital admissions for patients 65 years of age or older are due to medication not being taken according to directions.

*Older Americans make up 13 percent of the population, but consume about 30 percent of all prescriptions.

*The average adult over the age of 65 takes between two and seven prescription medications a day.

*Older people buy about 70 percent of the over the counter medications.

*Forty percent of people asked by the American Association of Retired Persons said they stopped taking their medications before the prescription was completed, and 20 percent failed to fill their initial prescription.

*Older adults suffer two to five times the frequency of adverse drug reactions to their medications compared to younger people.

*Approximately one fourth to one third of childhood poisonings occur in the home of an older relative.

*Life quality is lost when medications are not taken properly. Health care costs are also driven up by medication problems that could have been prevented. Older adults can learn about how medications work in their bodies to improve their proper use of medicines.

How is medication used by the body in an older person? The term pharmacokinetics is used to describe how drugs are handled by the body. Simply put, pharmacokinetics involves how drugs are absorbed by the body, distributed throughout the body, changed by the body, and then eliminated from the body.

Medications taken by mouth are absorbed into the bloodstream through either the stomach or the intestines. In older adults, however, some age-related changes occur

which may change the way the body absorbs drugs.

These changes include:

*Additional time required for the stomach and small intestines to empty. This extra time can reduce absorption by allowing the drug to bind with food, or increase absorption because the drug is in the absorbing areas longer.

*Decreased stomach acid which can either increase or decrease absorption of a drug.

*Decrease blood flow to the intestines and stomach which can decrease drug absorptions since absorption is dependent on blood flow.

How are drugs distributed in the body? Medications are distributed by the blood to all different organs of the body. Age-related changes, however, can change the way this happens. Changes include body size and amount of fat and muscle. Drug doses are often based on healthy young adults. So, the elderly may be either underdosed or overdosed.

Over medication as well as inaccurate diagnosis may be keeping some older people in a frail and forgetful state. One of the problems is that doctors spend most of their time studying sickness, NOT HEALTH.

Doctors often do not know what is normal for the older person. Their reaction to an older person not feeling well is most often to prescribe drugs. But older people may already be taking some drugs, which make them more likely to develop an adverse reaction. This causes a domino effect of further complications which are often misdiagnosed and complicated with further drug prescriptions. Thus, it is essential that enough tests,

and the right tests are done to diagnose health problems of the older adult.

How does the body "handle" the distributed drugs? For many drugs, the liver acts as a "way station" in which medications are processed and changed before making their way through the bloodstream to the rest of the body. With aging, liver metabolism changes for the following reasons:

*Liver blood flow decreases with age; less blood flow to the liver means less drug is carried to the liver for processing.

*Liver size decreases; decreased size means a decrease in the ability to process drugs.

*One additional fact - the liver changes drugs by using a series of reactions that involve natural substances called enzymes; which are found in the liver. As individuals age, the speed of their reactions slow.

How does the body "excrete/eliminate" some of the drugs in the body? The kidneys excrete or eliminate from the body most of the drugs we take by mouth. So, changes in the kidneys that occur with aging effect elimination or excretion of drugs in the following way; blood flow to the kidneys decrease with age. Like the liver, decreased blood flow to the kidneys reduces the ability of the kidneys to excrete drugs. Thus, in older persons, drugs sometimes accumulate in the body which can result in an adverse drug reaction.

Gem of the Day: The trouble with trouble is that so much of it started out by being fun.

-Ann Landers

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Appreciation Day

Dyess hosts its Big Country Appreciation Day March 19 featuring the aerial demonstrations of the F-18 Blue Angels.

The annual event, which boasts crowds of several thousand Big Country residents, opens at 10 am and is free to the public. According to officials, the appreciation day is Dyess' way of saying "thanks" for outstanding community support.

Some of the performing and static aircraft include F-16s, F-111, B-52, C-5, A-4, KC-10, as well as Dyess' own B-1, KC-135, and C-130.

The appreciation day also includes concession and memorabilia stands and musical performances -- fun for the entire family.

Questions about the appreciation day can be referred to the 7th Wing Public Affairs office at 696-2863.

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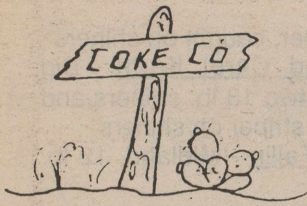
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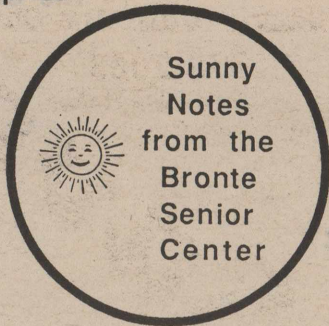
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COUNTRY AGENTS NEWS

by Tommy Antilley
Coke County Agent



Growing vegetables with few pesticides

Many people prefer to grow vegetables by using as few pesticides as possible.

In Texas, it is almost impossible to grow vegetables without pesticides unless one takes unusual methods of protecting them from weeds and pests.

The hoe is the most common tool used for weed control, but this is time consuming and one of the less enjoyable gardening tasks.

Commercial vegetable farmers, due to costs of preventing weeds with herbicides, have already adapted ground mats to place over the seedbed or transplant row.

"These mats, or weed barriers, prevent weeds, conserve moisture, stop compaction due to cultivation, and can change soil temperature by making it warmer or cooler. Dark mats make the soil

Bronte FBC

Brother A. L. (Scooter) McCurdy, his wife, Susanne, and daughter, Rebekah, are at home at the First Baptist Church parsonage in Bronte.

Brother McCurdy is the new pastor of First Baptist Church. His wife teaches Special Education in the San Angelo schools and Rebekah is a student at Angelo State University.

Brother McCurdy and his wife are graduates of Howard Payne University in Brownwood. He is a graduate of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary of Fort Worth.

He has served Park Heights Baptist Church, San Angelo as Minister of Youth; Hyde Park Baptist Church, Austin as Minister of Youth Education; New Hope First Baptist Church, Cedar Park, and First Baptist Church, Mertzon.

Brother McCurdy was at the Cedar Park Church for 7 years and more than a year at Mertzon. While at Mertzon he served as a bi-vocational pastor at the same time he served as Juvenile Probation Officer for the Tom Green County Juvenile Probation Service.

He has been preaching since he was 16 years old. During his college years he preached over 100 revivals and has preached many more since then.

While in college he served two years as Team Leader in Royal Ambassador camps held in all areas of the United States. He has also done mission work in Mexico and Canada.

He states "I am excited about being in Bronte. I anticipate a lot of exciting events occurring at the First Baptist Church. I have many friends here already, because I have had the privilege of preaching several revivals at Bronte First Baptist Church in the past. We have seen God moving in our service, but "you ain't seen nothin' yet."

warmer while lighter mats make the soil cooler.

Home gardeners now have these weed barriers available from local nurseries and garden centers.

The mats come in various sizes, such as three feet wide and 25 feet long, the agent says. The mats allow air and water to enter the ground and the proper gas exchange to take place from the roots to the plant.

"By using weed barriers and old aluminum window screens, a person can come close to organic gardening."

SSI Celebrates 20th Anniversary

"This month, the Supplemental Security Income program, better known as SSI, joins the '20-something' crowd," according to Franklin H. Upp, Social Security manager in San Angelo. The first SSI benefits were paid in January 1974 to about 3.2 million people. This month, an estimated 6.2 million individuals will receive payments under this program managed by the Social Security Administration that pays benefits to people with low incomes and few assets if they're 65 or older or if they are blind or have a disability.

"Many original SSI recipients had been on state assistance rolls before the federal program was established," Upp said. "SSI was set up to provide a nationally uniform standard for people with little or no income." In January 1974, the highest federal SSI payment to an individual was \$140 per month. Beginning this month, the national payment standard for an individual will be \$446.

Although the SSI program was designed for needy people of all ages, more than half the original SSI population was 65 or older. According to Upp, things have changed considerably in the last two decades. "Individuals with disabilities are now the largest segment of SSI beneficiaries," Upp said, "representing nearly three-fourths of all recipients. And, children are the fastest-growing recipient group, accounting for nearly 12 percent of all SSI beneficiaries with disabilities." In December 1975, the first month such statistics are available, children represented only three percent of disabled SSI recipients.

Quilters

It is time again! Thursday, March 17th is our next quilting day at the Bronte Senior Center. Hope to see you there. Remember in April we will be quilting the "Class of 1994" Bronte High School seniors quilt. A special lunch will be provided by the "parents" of the senior class. Mark Thursday, April 21st on your calendar. But in the meantime, see you Thursday, the 17th of March, Saint Patrick's Day. We are something "green".

Medicine Checkup Held

Pharmacist Larry Kelso was at the Bronte Senior Center on Tuesday, March 8th to visit with our senior citizens about their medications. They brought their medicine in a brown paper bag and Mr. Kelso talked with them and answered their questions. A salad luncheon was served following the program. Those in attendance were; Kelly and Denby Green, Mozelle Smith, Dora Galloway, Inez Wilson, Ivy Spiller, Helen Kirkland and Geneva Minnick.

Meals for the Week

Monday, March 14

Meat Loaf, brown gravy, mashed potatoes, broccoli, wheat bread, sugar cookies.

Wednesday, March 16

Spaghetti w/meat sauce, spinach, garlic toast, salad, peaches.

Friday, March 18

Baked turkey, gravy, sweet potatoes, green beans, hot roll, raspberry cobbler.

Bronte Nursing Home

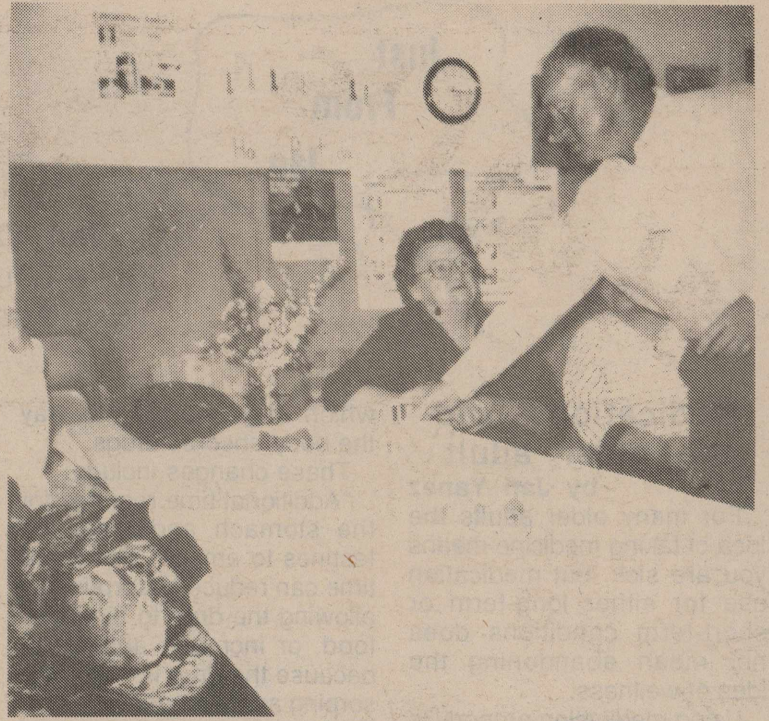
The Bronte Nursing Home adopted a smoke-free policy and a No Solicitation policy in February of 1993.

It has been most beneficial to residents, visitors and staff.

Smoking is permitted in one room for the employees. Residents who smoke are supervised by staff in a common area of the facility. At this time the facility has two residents who smoke, infrequently.

Personal

Roma Ann Shepard and Children, Raena and Zachary of California City, CA went home last week after spending a week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Johnson.



Larry Kelso, guest speaker, at the Bronte Senior Center, spoke to seniors last week concerning their medications.

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OF BRONTE

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7 Days a Week

STORE HOURS
Mon.-Sat. --7:30 am to 8 pm
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Family Pack

Ground Beef

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Lb. **1.39**

Boneless **Round Steak**

Lb. **1.99**

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Oscar Mayer

P&P & Olive Loaf

8 oz. pkg. **1.49**

Hormel Black Label **Bacon**

1 Lb. pkg. **1.99**

Boneless Skinless Family Pack

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Abuelito's

Smoked Sausage

3 Lb. bag **3.99**

Popeye **Cereal**

14 oz. bag **1.99**

Shurfine **Taco Shells**

12 ct. **.79**

Shurfine **Tomato Soup**

10.8 oz. can **2/.99**

Shurfine Hamburger **Dill Slices**

32 oz. jar **.99**

Folgers **Coffee**

13 oz. can **1.89**

Parade **Marshmallow Creme**

7 oz. jar **.59**

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WIN WHAT YOU SPEND!

You could win a weeks free groceries. Save your receipts from Hall's Super Save - Sun. 8 am - Sat. 8 pm. Add them up, turn them in on or before Sat. 8 pm. We will draw each week. If your name is drawn you win a gift certificate for the dollar amount you spent for the week before to be spent on groceries at Hall's Super Save.

(Ask for more Details in Store)

This week's Winner - Jeff Schoenfield - \$39.48

LAST DRAWING APRIL 2nd

Santitos

16 oz. bag

Buy One - Get One FREE!

Dr. Pepper or Pepsi Cola

12 pk. 12 oz. cans **2.99**



Parade **Mix or Match Vegetables**

Sliced New Potatoes, Mexican Chili Beans, Sliced Beets, Sliced Carrots, Turnip Greens

303 size can

12/\$4

Saver's Choice **Mix or Match Vegetables**

Green Beans, Mixed Vegetables, Whole Kernel Corn, Sweet Peas

303 size can

12/\$4



Libby's **Potted Meat**

3 oz. can **4/\$1**

Shurfresh Buttermilk **Biscuits**

5 ct. 3.75 oz. can

8/\$1

Parade **Cherry Pie Filling**

21 oz. **.99**

Parade **Tomato Sauce**

8 oz. can **5/\$1**

Parade **Pumpkin**

303 size can **.39**

Hi-Dri **Paper Towels**

2/\$1

Chicken of the Sea

Tuna



6 1/2 oz. can

.59

Kraft 10-16 slices 12 oz.

Velveeta Singles 1.99

Parade Lowfat 11/2 or 1/2%

Milk Gal. jug **1.79**

Shurfresh **Yogurt**

8 oz. **2/\$1**

Russet **Potatoes**

10 Lb. bag **1.29**

FRESH PRODUCE

Texas Ruby Red **Grapefruit 4/\$1**

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Vine Ripe **Tomatoes** Lb. **.49**

Cello **Carrots 4/\$1**

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Parade **Ice Cream** 1/2 gal. rnd. ctn. **1.89**

Shurfresh 16 oz. **Whipped Topping .99**

Farmer's Choice French Fried **Potatoes** 2 Lb. bag **2/\$1**

Prices Good 3/10 Thru 3/16
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CARD OF THANKS

TO THE GOOD PEOPLE OF FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH,

Central Baptist Church, and First United Methodist Church of Bronte and Harriet Baptist Church and Pecan Baptist Church for your thoughtfulness and prayers. I'm very appreciative.

Royce Dean Clark
31B-1tp

TO ALL THOSE

who provided food, service, funds, and able assistance to the juvenile/correctional facility meeting effort, we pledge our heartfelt thanks.

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NOTICES

NOW TAKING APPLICATIONS

for Certified Nurses Aides for the 3-11 and 11-7 shifts. Competitive wages, paid holidays and vacation, insurance packages available. Apply in person at West Coke County Nursing Home, 307 West 8th Street, Robert Lee, Texas. Equal Opportunity Employer.

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NOTICE OF ELECTION

The West Coke County Hospital District Board of Directors hereby gives the notice of election May 7, for the purpose of electing three directors for a two year term.

Early Voting by personal appearance will begin Monday, April 18, 1994 and continue through Tuesday, May 3, 1994 from 8 am to 5 pm on each day which is not a Saturday, Sunday or an official state holiday.

Early Voting in person will be conducted at the Coke County Clerk's Office, 13 East 7th Street, Robert Lee, Texas. Applications for early voting ballots by mail should be mailed to Ettie Hubbard, PO Box 150, Robert Lee, Texas 76945.

The Polling place shall be Coke County Courthouse, Robert Lee, Texas and will be open from 7:00 am to 7:00 pm on the day of the election.

I AM SO GRATEFUL

to God that He led Norman and I to this beautiful little town of Bronte. Norman had three happy years here before the Lord called him home. Norman and I lived in a lot of communities, but we never experienced the love and compassion that the people of Bronte have shown us.

Your love, generosity, and kindness will always be remembered by my family and I.

My sincere thanks to each and every one of you for your prayers, visits, cards, plants, flowers, food, and most of all the love you showed us.

God Bless You,
Evelyn Alexander & children
Ed & Earlene, T.L., Jim & Montie, Doris, Mary, Bill and Rena

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NOTICIA DE ELECCION DE DIRECTORES

El consejo de directores del Deistrto Hospital Del condado Oeste de Coke hacen saber de la eleccion que se va tener el 7 de mayo, 1994 con el proposito de elegir tres (3) directores para el peridodo de dos (2) anos.

Votos temprano por apariencia personal se comienzera el lunes, 18 de Abril, 1994, continuando hasta el 3 de Mayo, 1994, de las 8 de la manana hasta las 5 de la tarde. Cada dia que no sea sabado, domingo o dia festivo.

Votos temprano en personal seran conducidos en la oficina del oficial de Secretaria del condado de Coke, 13 East 7th Street, Robert Lee, Texas. Aplicaciones para votos ausentes por correro deben dirijerse a Ettie Hubbard, PO Box 150, Robert Lee, Texas 76945.

Lugar para vota sera el edificio publico del condado Coke. La ofician estara abierta de las 7 de la manana hasta las 7 de la tarde el dia de eleccion.

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TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND PARTIES:

You are hereby notified that RIM OPERATING, INC. has applied for Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) Air Quality Permit No. 24064. This permit, if approved, will authorize construction of a Hendry Point Tank Battery No. 1 in Coke County near Blackwell, Nolan County, Texas. The location of the existing facility is 2.56 miles north of the intersection of U.S. Highway 277 and Texas State Highway 70 in extreme northeastern Coke County, Texas. This facility

will emit the following air contaminants: oxides of nitrogen, carbon monoxide, particulate matter, sulfur dioxide, sulfur trioxide, hydrogen sulfide, and carbon compounds.

A copy of all materials in the public file is available for inspection and reproduction at the TNRCC San Angelo Regional Office, Air Program, at 301 West Beauregard Avenue, Suite 202, San Angelo, Texas 76903, telephone (915) 655-9479, and at the TNRCC Central Office, 12124 Park 35 Circle, Austin, Texas 78753, telephone (512) 239-1000. The facility's compliance file, if any exists, is available for public review in the regional office of the TNRCC. Inquiries about the permit application and any information concerning any technical aspect of this application can be obtained by writing Mr. David R. Lefebvre, TNRCC Office of Air Quality New Source Review Program in Austin or the TNRCC San Angelo Regional Office.

You may submit written comments concerning the permit application to the Office of Air Quality, New Source Review Section in Austin. All written comments received within 30 days after the second publication of this notice shall be considered by the Executive Director in determining whether to issue or not issue the permit. All written comments will be made available for public inspection at the TNRCC Central Office in Austin. This notice is to be published on March 11 and March 18, 1994.

Any person who may be affected by emissions of air contaminants for the proposed facility may request the Commission to hold an informal public meeting and/or contested case hearing on the permit application pursuant to Section 382.056 (d) of the Texas Health and Safety Code. The Commission is not required to hold a contested case hearing if the basis of a request is determined to be unreasonable. All requests for a contested case hearing must be received in writing within the 30-day comment period regardless of whether an informal public meeting has been held or scheduled on this matter. If you wish to request a public hearing, you must submit your request in writing. You must state (1) your name, mailing address and daytime phone number; (2) the permit number or other recognizable reference to this application; (3) the statement "I/we request a public hearing"; (4) a brief description of how you, or the persons you represent, would be adversely affected by the granting of the application; (5) a description of the location of your property relative to the applicant's operations; and (6) your proposed adjustment to the application/permit which would satisfy your concerns and cause you to withdraw your request for hearing. Requests for a public hearing on this application should be submitted in writing to Bill Ehret, Assistant Chief Hearings Examiner, Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission, PO Box 13087, Austin, Texas

78711-3087, Telephone (512) 239-1772.

Before a permit can be issued for this facility, the applicant must demonstrate that all emission sources are in compliance with all TNRCC air quality Rules and Regulations and all applicable Federal Regulations. This includes the application of "best available control technology" to each new or modified emission source and compliance with all ambient air quality standards.

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NOTICE:

It is the policy of the Bronte Nursing Home to admit and treat all patients equally. It has also been an unwritten policy of the Nursing Home to provide the community with free nursing and medical services. Due to the increase of risks and liability to the Licensed Nurses and the License of the Nursing Home, we have been advised to discontinue this practice. As of this date we no longer can give shots or other medical services to the public. We will however be glad to continue to take blood pressures upon request. Thank you for your understanding and support.

Board of Directors
ECCHD

30b-2tc

Threadfin Shad: Friend or Foe???

Threadfin shad are a neat little fish; they only grow 4 inches long and they spawn in the spring and the fall. Their small size and prolific reproduction make the threadfin shad an excellent forage fish (a forage fish is a fish that is preyed upon by other fish, like largemouth bass). Because it is an excellent forage fish, the threadfin shad has been stocked in many lakes across the state by Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) biologists to improve the largemouth bass, striper, and crappie fisheries by giving them more food.

Threadfin shad cannot survive in water less than 41 degrees, and often times in our area the entire population will die in the winter. Anglers know that threadfin shad are good forage and that they die out in the winter and are always excited to hear about threadfin shad being in a lake and get concerned when there does not seem to be any. They often ask TPWD biologists when they are going to stock more.

Biologists have to be careful about stocking threadfin shad, though, because those little, fast breeding fish can do more harm than good. Threadfin shad eat zooplankton (tiny aquatic insects); and they eat a lot of them. Baby largemouth bass and baby crappie also eat zooplankton. The threadfin shad compete with the baby bass and crappie for the available food. While only baby bass and crappie eat zooplankton, all threadfin shad eat them, even adults. By reducing the amount of food available to the baby bass and crappie, fewer of them can survive.

Here is where careful study by the TPWD biologists comes in. The biologists de-

termine if it is okay for there to be fewer small bass and crappie survive in order to feed the larger ones, or if the lake needs all the little bass and crappie possible to survive. For example, lakes O. H. Ivie and E. V. Spence.

Lake Ivie has super abundant brooder crappie and largemouth bass populations. Those broodfish produce more little bass and crappie than the lake could support, so it is better if a bunch did not survive. Therefore, threadfin shad can be put in to provide a forage fish for the larger mouth bass and crappie as well as reduce the number of baby bass and crappie. The largemouth bass and crappie populations in Lake Spence, on the other hand, are still recovering from low water conditions, over-fishing, and low reproduction. It needs as many baby bass and crappie to survive as possible. Stocking threadfin shad in Lake Spence would add competition to the baby bass and crappie and reduce their survival.

As a result, TPWD biologists are planning to stock threadfin shad in O. H. Ivie this spring, but not E. V. Spence

Out here in West Texas, threadfin shad are a great fisheries management tool, but we must use them correctly. Since our winters often kill them, we can control their populations and use them at the right time and the right place to make our fisheries as good as possible.

Be Aware

Thunderstorms and spring showers contribute annually to the growth of beautiful Texas wildflowers. While appreciating the benefits of thunderstorms be aware of possible severe weather resulting from thunderstorm activity.

Thunderstorms create lightning, as well as the potential for tornadoes, flooding, and flash flooding.

The safest place during a thunderstorm is in a substantial building. Avoid using electrical appliances or the telephone. Lightning can strike near a buiding and travel through power lines into the building.

During a thunderstorm, remember, keep alert to changing weather conditions and listen to National Weather Service Bulletins for weather information.

Volunteers needed for Alzheimer's research

Volunteers are needed for three drug studies at Baylor College of Medicine's Alzheimer's Disease Research Center in Houston.

All three studies are testing drugs that may reduce memory loss, disorientation and communication problems in Alzheimer's patients.

Participants must be 50 or older, in mild to middle stages of Alzheimer's disease, and free of any other major health problems. Potential volunteers will be screened for eligibility.

For additional information, call (713) 798-6660, 8:00 am to 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday.

RN's -- LVN's -- AIDES

Girling Health Care, Inc., is interested in providing home health services in the Robert Lee and Bronte areas. We offer competitive pay rates, mileage reimbursement and orientation. Please call 915-949-1108 today and ask for Carla Luck, RN, PCS. - EOE

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