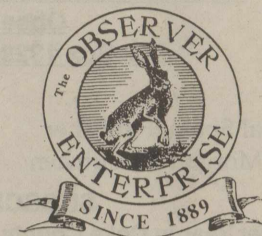


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Sunday morning, July 9th, the Tennyson Baptist Church broke ground for a 1266 square foot fellowship hall. In charge of the ground-breaking was the Building and Grounds Committee, made up of (from left:) Kenneth Dickerson, deacon, Jean Honea, Buck Arrott, Lora B. Brown, Jim Fetzner, Louise Graves, Richard Owens, Hazel Magness, Pastor Bryan Ross, and Dick Banfield.

"Senior Connections" Community Meeting

The Bronte Senior Center and the Area Agency on Aging of the Concho Valley Council of Governments are hosting a community meeting on Wednesday, July 19th at 11:00 a.m. at the Bronte Senior Center located at 613 East Oliver Street. "Senior Connections" is a community meeting designed to provide information about services and programs available to older individuals. A brief introduction to the Area Agency on Aging will be followed by a question and answer session. Senior citizens, their families and friends, and other persons who are interested in issues affecting the aging population are invited to share their insights, concerns and thoughts for solutions to the unmet needs of Coke County's older population.

A wide variety of printed information covering various topics will also be distributed. Concho Valley Rural Public Transportation officials, as well as Area Agency on Aging representatives, will meet with community members for "Lunch and Conversations" at the Center until noon. Additionally, representatives with expertise in the areas of information & Assistance, Benefits Counseling, Nursing Homes, and Long Term Care will be available.

Persons wishing to schedule individual appointments may contact Dorothy Collins at

915-473-6471, or the Area Agency on Aging of the Concho Valley toll free at 1-800-728-2592.

Make plans to attend this important event at the Bronte Senior Center and let the Area Agency on Aging staff help you get ...connected! Services of the Area Agency on Aging of the Concho Valley are funded by the Texas Department on Aging.

Praise/Prayer Service

First United Methodist Church of Bronte will begin a Wednesday Evening Praise/Prayer Service beginning this week. The new worship service will feature contemporary praise music as well as traditional gospel favorites. The service is open to the public and folks are encouraged to come dressed "as they are". The emphasis will be on praise music, prayer and fellowship according to Pastor Paul Evans. Contact the church office at 473-3281 for more information.

Silver Homecoming

The annual "Silver", Tx. Homecoming will be held on Sunday, July 23, 2000, at Silver Baptist Church. Church services will begin at 10:30. A brief business meeting will be held in the Sanctuary immediately following services. Lunch will begin at 12:30 in the fellowship hall. The meal will be covered dish, so please bring something for your family. Drinks and paper goods will be provided.

Silver Homecoming Fellowship

On Saturday, July 22, 2000, a get together fellowship will be held at the rec-hall in Robert Lee. Fun, food, and fellowship will begin at 6:00 p.m. Snacks will be provided. Everyone is encouraged to bring old photos, school annuals, dominoes, board games and etc.

Methodist Youth Fellowship Kickoff

First United Methodist Church of Bronte will kick off MYF with a cookout at the Bronte Park this Sunday afternoon at 5 pm. The youth will meet each Sunday at 5 pm at the church. Future plans include a trip to San Angelo Saturday, July 22nd, to attend a Colts baseball game. Pastor Paul Evans encourages youth grades 7-12 to "come join the fun, food and fellowship." For more information call the church office at 473-3281.

Coke County Pageant Slated

The 22nd anniversary of Ole Coke County Home of the Rabbit Twisters Pageant will be held at the Mountain Creek Amphitheater on July 27, 28, and 29, 2000. Starting at 8:00 pm there will be a choir sing-out. The drama itself will begin at 8:30 pm. Tickets will be available at the gate, \$3 for children 5-12 and \$6 for adults. For ticket information call (915) 453-2511. Concessions will be available. There will be a 20% discount for groups of 20 or more.

RL Baptists slate blood drive

United Blood Services will be in Robert Lee at the Robert Lee Baptist Church Tuesday, July 18 from 3:30 PM until 7:00 PM. The Baptist Church is located at 22 W. 11th Street. Please contact Becky Ross at 453-2724 for an appointment.

"Unfortunately the need for blood donors never takes a summer vacation," said Johnna Pevey, Community Relations Representative. "However, donors do take time off from working and donating. Help us get through our toughest time of the year."

Donors must be at least 17 years old, weigh more than

110 pounds and be in good health. We also ask that you have proof of identification and know the names of any medication you may have taken in the past 30 days.

United Blood Services is the area's not-for-profit provider. In order to supply the 12 area hospitals, United Blood Services must collect more than 300 units each week. Blood products have a shelf life of 5 to 42 days. We need your help. If you would like to make an appointment to give blood, please call Becky Ross at 453-2724. Please try to make an appointment. It will help you get in and out in a timely manner.

Morgan presented leadership award; named to Honors Band

Amy Morgan, a junior at BHS, was invited to attend band camps at Texas A&M Commerce, Stephen F. Austin in Brownwood, Texas A&M at Canyon, Texas Tech at Lubbock, Northwestern State University of Louisiana, and the University of Arkansas. Four of the universities extended a full scholarship, the other two waived half the tuition. Amy chose to attend Northwestern State University (NWSU) in Natchitoches, LA and Texas A&M at Commerce.

At NWSU the Honors Wind Ensemble was comprised of only 50 invited students from all over the U.S. who had achieved All-State Band status. They received full scholarships to attend the week long intense workshops, classes and practices. Amy

auditioned and got second chair. The music was extremely difficult and fast paced. The final concert was beautiful.

Amy left Louisiana and went to Texas A&M at Commerce. Over 250 students auditioned. Amy secured first chair in the top band. After her audition, Dr. Emge of TAMC, director of bands, requested Amy join the directors' band. Amy was then placed in the directors' band with the professors and staff in addition to her 1st chair part in the Honors Band. Amy was responsible for learning both sets of music. She had a duet in the directors' band and was granted five solos in the Honors Band. She played beautifully both performances.

Dr. Kevin Cox, D.M.A., Director of TAMC Music Camp, presented five students with an "Outstanding Leadership Award". Amy received one of these prestigious awards. Dr. Cox stated that these five students showed respect for staff and faculty, diligence and discipline when practicing and performing and were model musicians. The recipients of these awards were invited back next year with a full scholarship.

Amy and a large group of students from BHS and BJHS will be attending band camp at ASU next week. Good luck to our Longhorn Band members!



Amy Morgan

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Death Notices

Jordan

Troy Levell Jordan, 75, of Robert Lee died July 3, 2000 at his residence.

Service was held at 2:00 p.m. Saturday at the Robert Lee Baptist Church with the Reverend Waide Messer officiating. Burial followed in the Robert Lee Cemetery.

Survivors include a son, Charlie Jordan of Houston; a daughter, Joylyn Jordan of Midland; two brotheres, Pike Jordan of Farwell, Tx, and Loyd Jordan of Odessa; two sisters, Estulee Evangelista and Noama Meador, both of Simi Valley, CA; and three grandchildren.

Fleming

Helen Kathryn "Kay" Fleming, 77, of San Angelo died suddenly at her home, Friday July 7, 2000.

Graveside service was held at 1:00 Tuesday, July, 10 in Lawnhaven Memorial Gardens.

Survivors include her daughters, Delryn Fleming and her husband, Skip Kilmer, of Carrollton, Debbi Meads and her husband, Ron Meads, a son, David Fleming of Plano, her brother, Hubert Whitt of Midland, grandchildren Melinda Goodnight, Jeff Cookston and Michael Meads.

Blair

Darlene Jackson Blair, 36, died Tuesday, June 27, 2000, at her residence in Ballinger.

Memorial graveside service was held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, July 4, in Evergreen Cemetery. Arrangements were by Rains-Seale Funeral Home.

Survivors include a son, Anthony Jackson of Bronte; a daughter, Chrystal Jackson of Ballinger; two brothers, Jimmy Jackson and Loyd Lynn Jack-

son, both of Ballinger; a sister, Belinda Jackson of Ballinger; and numerous nieces, nephews, aunts and uncles.

Bronte Health & Rehab Center to Offer CNA Classes

CNA classes will begin at the Bronte Health & Rehab Center on Tuesday, July 25, 2000.

Any interested person should come in and fill out an application prior to that date. Classes will consist of 75 hours of training in a 14 day course to mature individuals who demonstrate an interest in providing care to the elderly and disabled. Applicants must be committed to attending all classes in order to receive certification. After completion of 16 hours of classroom training, students will be given the opportunity to work in the facility performing skills they have mastered in class. They will be paid for time worked on the floor. Employment opportunities will be offered to our graduates based on our staffing needs.

We wish to encourage anyone who may be interested in attending the classes to contact Sharen Naico, RN, DON, Program Director or Marcy Holland, LVN, SDC at 900 S. State St., Bronte, Tx.

Coed Softball Tournament

Winters Projection Graduation is holding a coed softball tournament July 14 & 15 at the Winters ball fields. All proceeds will go to Project Graduation 2001. Sign up deadline is Thurs., July 13, 12:00 noon. To enter your team, call the Winters Library at 754-4251 or Carolyn at 754-5798.

Masonic Lodge Joint Installation Held

Hayrick Masonic Lodge No. 696 of Robert Lee and Bronte Masonic Lodge No. 962 held a Joint Installation of Officers, Saturday, July 8, 2000, at the Lodge Hall in Robert Lee. Bobby Roberts of Robert Lee and E. E. (Buddy) Eldred of Bronte were installed Worshipful Master of their respective Lodges. Royce Lee of Bronte served as Installing Officer and Bob Large of Robert Lee as Installing Marshall.

Other officers present to be installed were - John Jacobs, David Chesshir, Arthur Runnion, James (Red) Stephens, Bob Large, and Allen Bloodworth, all of Robert Lee; Grady Coulter, Jack Moore, J. T. Henry, Royce Lee, Gary Shaffer, and Bob Clark, all of Bronte. Other members and visitors present were O. B. Jacobs, Lee Starling, Jeffie Roberts, Polly Large, and Nancy Allen, all of Robert Lee; Gayna Eldred, Sybil Henry, and Dian Coulter, all of Bronte.

A barbeque meal was hosted by Bobby, Jeffie and Douglas Roberts, Gaylon and Kaye Pitcock, Allen Bloodworth, and Polly Large.

Hayrick Masonic Lodge held their first regular meeting for the year Tuesday, July 11, 2000. There were 12 members present and the remainder of the officers were present and installed by Bobby Roberts and Bob Large. Those officers being - Garland Davis, Donny Robertson, Gaylon Pitcock, and John Carver.

Blackwell CISD Pre-K Enrollment

Blackwell CISD is conducting a survey to determine the number of Pre-Kindergarten students for the school year 2000-2001. A child is eligible for enrollment in Pre-Kindergarten if:

A child is at least four (4) years old on or before September 1, 2000.

Unable to speak or comprehend the English Language.

Educationally disadvantaged (qualifies for the Free of



Coke County 4-H members recently attended a multi-county 4-H camp at Buffalo Gap. Counties participating were Shackelford, Jones, Nolan, Sterling and Coke. Those attending from Coke were Cassidy Wink, Cara Eaton, Sarah Philley, Kayla Medrano, Allison Millican, Katie Bessent, Morgan Hill, Kyla Millican, Brettnie Reed, Josh Conner, Taylor Percifull, and Clay Antilley.

Reduced Lunch Program

Homeless. If you have a child to be enrolled as a Pre-K student please notify Blackwell CISD by calling the school at 282-2311 on or before July 10, 2000.

City Council Reviews Need for Firetruck

The Robert Lee City Council in a regular meeting on Monday, July 10 agreed that the City should assist the Robert Lee Volunteer Fire Department with the purchase of a new "city pumper" fire truck.

An application for a grant to assist with the funding of the truck will be pursued. Another potential source of revenue for the truck purchase considered by the Council will be a conventional loan to be repaid by a water-use surcharge. The actual amount of this funding process will depend upon the amount of the grant application and the success of its being awarded.

The truck under consideration will be a 2000 Ferrara Commercial Pumper with a

1000 gallon water tank and a 1250 gpm mounted pump.

The truck will meet the National Fire Protection Agency pumping standards and the Texas Insurance Services Office requirements.

This effort should provide substantial fire fighting support as-well-as helping to maintain a reasonable rate for fire insurance protection.

Churches of Robert Lee

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Emmanuel Pentecostal
PO Box 609 • 1019 Colorado City Hwy
(915) 453-2360

Rev. Ray Aldridge, Pastor
Sun. 10 am & 6 pm, Wed. 7 pm

First United Methodist Church
PO Box 144 • 9th & Chadbourne
(915) 453-2417

Rev. Jim Reeves, Pastor
Sun. 10 am Sunday School
11 am Worship

Wed. 7 pm Choir
Northside Church of Christ

PO Box 388 • 9th & Chadbourne
(915) 453-2619 or 453-2270

Tommy Williams, Minister
Services: Sun. 10 am & 6 pm;
Wed. 7 pm

Pecan Baptist
PO Box 542 • 12 W. Sterling City Hwy
(915) 453-4645

Rev. Dale Patterson, Pastor
Sun. 10 am, Sunday School
11 am & 7 pm, Worship

Southside Church of Christ
PO Box 698 • 8th & Houston
(915) 453-2176

Frank J. Daniels, Preacher
Sun. 10 am, Sunday School
11 am & 6 pm, Worship

Wed. 7 pm, Worship
Robert Lee Baptist Church

PO Box 493 • 22 W. 11th
(915) 453-2724

Bro. Waide Messer, Pastor
Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School
11 am & 7 pm, Worship

Wed. 7 pm, Prayer Meeting
Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church

601 W. 10th
(915) 365-2687

Rev. Hubert Wade, Jr., Pastor
Sat. 6 pm
Victory Assembly of God

6th & Houston
(915) 453-2208
Rev. Erma Johnson
Sun. 9:45 am, Sunday School
10:45 am & 6 pm, Worship
Wed. 7 pm, Prayer Meeting

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See you there mate!

Thoughts on the Scripture
By Rev. Jim Reeves
Matthew 7:12 "So in everything, do to others what you would have them do to you, for this sums up the Law and the Prophets."
There is an old Chinese proverb that says, "A single candle may light a thousand others and never lose its light." In our relations with others, if we treat them as we want to be treated, our light will never be diminished. It will only be strengthened.
May God bless each one of you,
Brother Jim



Lynn Green leads the choir during a past performance of "Ole Coke County - Home of the Rabbit Twisters". Performances of this year's pageant are scheduled for July 27, 28 and 29.

Check out
 ✓ Coke Co.
 Library

Beat the Heat, Read

In the weekly drawing for a "Cool Reader" cup at the Coke County Library, Tiffany Rogers' name was the winner. For each book returned, readers can add their names to the drawing. There is one more stadium cup left in this summer's program. All names will be added to the final drawing to be held July 28.

Summer readers are welcome anytime to join the "Beat the Heat, Read" summer event. There are sketch books available and plenty of paper and pencils and colors to work with. Reading in the library is encouraged as well as checking out books. Car stickers are available this week.

Birthdays from the almanac this week are Erle Stanley Gardner, July 17, Ernest Hemingway, July 21 and Raymond Chandler, July 23. A quote from the almanac reads, "when you have mastered numbers, you will in fact no longer be reading numbers, any more than you read words when reading books. You will be reading meanings."

Allen Hatley who was twice elected constable in Bandera County has written Texas Constables: A Frontier Heritage. The book tells the history of the office and in doing so, also tells the history of Texas. From the beginnings of the office in the colonies to the western frontier, constables have served with little

recognition. The book retells the stories of twenty-five constables who died in the line of duty between 1910 to 1998.

Library hours are 8-12, Tuesdays; 8-4, Wednesdays; 1-5, Thursdays; 8-12, Fridays. Books may be returned in Bronte to the Main St. Market. Fines may be eliminated by adding to the collection for the Food Basket any items which are non-perishable.

OES Installs New Officers

Robert Lee Chapter No. 187 Order of the Eastern Star held the Installation of Officers for the year 2000 - 2001, Thursday June 22, 2000, at the Masonic Lodge Hall in Robert Lee. Installing Officers were Mary Poe, Tootsie Creech, Shirley Hainline, Mary Belle Hilliard, and Frankie Cornell. Others participating in the presentation of the Bible, Square and Compasses, and the Star Point Emblems were Bill Creech, Dick Bedford, Jeffie Roberts, Ouida Jackson, Earline Moore, Linda Bedford, and Bertie Loveall. Harry Hainline was the photographer. The Invocation was given by Geneva Cook and the Benediction by Jack Moore.

Beverly Sinclair, the outgoing Worthy Matron, welcomed the 62 members and visitors present and introduced distinguished members. She presented the Worthy Matron's Traveling Jewels to Nancy Allen - the newly installed Worthy Matron.

The officers installed were: Nancy Allen - Worthy Matron, James (Red) Stephens - Worthy Patron, Dolores Roe - Associate Matron, Bobby Roberts - Associate Patron,

Beverly Sinclair - Secretary, Reba Tabor - Treasurer, Jeffie Roberts - Conductress, Jackie Walker - Associate Conductress, Mary Beth Drennan - Organist, Dovie Cummins - Ruth, Gloria Ledbetter - Martha, and Jim Tabor - Sentinel.

Members and visitors came from many cities - Lockhart, Wimberly, Seguin, Austin, San Angelo, Bronte, Winters, Ballinger, and Midland.

A delicious salad supper was served by members of Robert Lee Chapter.

ECCAS June Contributions Memorials

Gary Boyer
 Larry & Merle Kelso
 Bill Fletcher
 Joy Rogers & Children
 Larry & Merle Kelso
 Larry Kelso's mother
 Billy & Charlotte Tounget



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Arrest/Charges Filed for June 2000

Sherri A. Sebolt of Odessa, 06-1-00
 Making alcohol available to a minor
 Jarod Paul Wilson of San Angelo, 06-03-00
 Driving while intoxicated
Brandon Lee Parker of San Angelo, 06-04-00
 Public intoxication
James William Rock of San Angelo, 06-04-00
 Driving while intoxicated 3rd or more
 Driving while license suspended
Johnny Lee Wilson of Robert Lee, 06-09-00
 Purchase/furnish alcohol to a minor
Curtis Daniel Bell of Robert Lee, 06-09-00
 Minor in possession of alcoholic beverage
Raymond Everett Walter Jr. of San Angelo
 Cruelty to animals
Frank Bryant Myers of San Angelo, 06-11-00
 Cruelty to animals
 Gambling Class C
Luis Fernando Perez of Novis, 06-11-00
 Unlawful use of criminal instrument
Toni Lynn Rainwater of Robert Lee, 06-11-00
 Sale of alcoholic beverages in a dry area
Angela Kay Millican of Robert Lee, 06-11-00
 Sale of alcoholic beverages in a dry area
Tommy Wayne Bryant of Robert Lee, 06-11-00
 Possession of alcoholic beverages for purpose of sale in dry area, cruelty to animals, promotion of gambling
Kevin Lee Woods of San Angelo, 06-11-00
 Gambling Class C
Claro Rangel Quiroz of Ozona, 06-11-00
 Gambling Class C
Mario Alberto Rodriguez of San Angelo, 06-11-00
 Cruelty to animals
Manuel Eugino Gonzales of San Angelo, 06-11-00
 Cruelty to animals
Florentino Hernandez Puente of San Angelo, 06-11-00
 Cruelty to animals
Gilberto Ruben Pena of Sterling City
 Cruelty to animals
Elias Torres Jr. of Veribest, 6-11-00
 Cruelty to animals
Favian Almanza Minjarez of Robert Lee, 06-12-00
 Driving while intoxicated 1st
Jose Colon Jr. of Robert Lee, 06-12-00
 Minor in possession of alcoholic beverage 3rd or more
Darrell Lee Lilley of Robert Lee, 06-22-00
 Driving while intoxicated 3rd (open container)
Jeremy Ortega of Robert Lee, 06-24-00
 Driving while license invalid, minor in possession of alcohol
Alberto Martinez of Bronte, 06-24-00
 Public intoxication, disorderly conduct (noise)
Joseph Lynn Shandley of Robert Lee, 06-29-00
 Vehicle noise (prohibited noise)
Zane Lamour Zabel of Robert Lee, 06-29-00
 Vehicle noise (prohibited noise)
James Marshall Bilyeu of Bronte, 06-29-00

Assault causes bodily injury - Release of surety
Michael Todd Holleman Jr., 06-30-00
 Assault causes bodily injury of Coke County Juvenile Justice Center
Edward John Ridley of Coke County Juvenile Justice Center, 06-30-00
 Assault causes bodily injury
Juveniles Handled Through S.O.
 3 male juveniles-possession of marijuana, 06-12-00
 1 male juvenile-violation of curfew (City ordinance) 06-12-00
 1 female juvenile-runaway, 06-21-00
 2 female juveniles-runaway, 06-25-00
Out of County Warrants Served
Justino DeLaCerna
 Motion to revoke deferred adjudication probation and to proceed to adjudicate guilt
 Runnels County warrant
Coke County Court Disposition
 June 6, 2000
 State of Texas vs. Jason Sanders
 Charge: Driving while intoxicated 1st
 Plea: 3 days jail, probated 6 mo. court costs \$210.25, 32 hrs. community service
Coke County Court Disposition
 June 7, 2000
 State of Texas vs. Donna Marie Elliott
 Charge: Driving while license suspended
 Plea: 2 days jail, court costs \$184.25, (time served)
Coke County Court Disposition
 June 9, 2000
 State of Texas vs. Daniel Delacerda
 Charge: Assault causes bodily injury-family member
 Plea: 15 days jail, time served, court costs \$210.25
51st District Court Disposition
 June 12, 2000
 State of Texas vs. Dora Alicia Mayo
 Charge: Burglary of a habitation reduced to a lesser charge of criminal trespass
 Plea: 60 days jail - probated 1 year, \$200 fine, \$227.25 court cost
Coke County Court Dispositions
 June 21, 2000
 State of Texas vs. Lori Michelle Eubanks
 Charge: Minor in possession of alcohol 3rd offense
 Plea: Fine \$300, 3 days jail, probated 6 mo., court costs \$210.25, 180 day drivers license suspension

State of Texas vs. Jose Colon, Jr.
 Charge: Driving while license suspended
 Plea: Fine \$200, 3 day jail, probated 12 mo., 20 hours Community service, court costs \$235.25
 State of Texas vs. Donna Dorman Reick
 Charge: Assault bodily injury
 Plea: Fine \$1,750.00, \$255.25, court costs, 10 days jail, probated 12 months
 State of Texas vs. Moses Sanchez
 Charge: Driving while intoxicated
 Plea: Fine \$1,250.00, court costs \$485.25, 10 days in jail, probated 2 yrs., drivers license suspension 1 yr.
 State of Texas vs. Moses Sanchez
 Charge: Driving while license suspended
 Plea: \$200.00 fine, 3 days jail, probated 12 mo., court costs \$235.25
Coke County Disposition
 June 27, 2000
 State of Texas vs. Alfred Ray Hambrick
 Charge: Driving while intoxicated 1st
 Plea: Pre-trial diversion, 8 mo. probation
 State of Texas vs. William Chad Lane
 Charge: Minor in possession of alcohol 3rd offense
 Plea: 3 days jail, probated 6 mo., Drivers license suspended for 180 days, 40 hrs. Community service, Fine \$300, court costs \$235.25

Walker Reunion
 Descendants of the late William Robert and Mary Eliza Walker met Saturday, July 8, 2000 at the Robert Lee Recreation building for their annual reunion.
 A sandwich lunch at noon and an evening catered meal were enjoyed by all as well as a day of visitation and reminiscing. Also, the annual auction was held during the afternoon.

Those attending from Robert Lee were: Curtis and Annice Walker, Louise Walker, Terry and Cathy McGinley, J. C. and Jewell Wallace.
 From San Angelo: Don and Janis Walker, Ernest and Geneva Bloodworth, Barbara Gilbreath, Kevin, Jennifer and Hallie Walker, and Robert Walker.
 From Silver: Raymond Bloodworth, Allen Bloodworth, Clayton and Pansy Bloodworth, Lonnie and Marla Bloodworth, and Bubba Hearn.
 From Odessa: Bobby and

Joyce Walker, Dave, Donna, Laurel and Meredith Walker and Kimberley Turner.
 From Bronte: Tony Blackstock, Martha Walker, Jewel Walker, Janet, Dalton and Kendra Graves.
 From Sweetwater: Tommie and Vonzell Walker, Keith, Wanda, Matt and Kelsey Walker.
 Also attending were Lashelle Walker of San Jose, CA.; Wanda Caulder of Abilene; Shelly Sanders of McKinney; Linda and J. C. Jones of Carrizo Springs; Eddie, Lori, Ashley and Toni Caulder of Merkel; Jamie, Jeanie, Jarred and Justin Walker of Blackwell; Edith and Duane Conger of Zephyr; and Buddy, Tonya, Courtney and Aaron Caulder of Graham.

TWC Train Our Teachers Program
 The Texas Workforce Commission is granting awards to eligible child care workers as part of the Train our Teachers Program.
 The \$1,000 awards will be given to approximately 1,000 child-care workers enrolling in fall sessions. Recipients must be working toward national certification as a child-development associate or child-care professional, or seeking a level one certificate or an associate's degree in child development or early childhood education from an institution of higher education.

Applications and guidelines for the 2000 fall session are available on the TWC Web site (www.twc.state.tx.us) under education/training opportunities. They also will be available at Texas Workforce Centers and community colleges with approved programs. Completed applications and supporting documents must be mailed to the TWC address on the application and postmarked by July 31. Applications postmarked after this date will not be considered. Applicants need not be part of the Child Care Management System.
 Locally applications may be picked up at either: Concho Valley Workforce Center located at 122 South Oakes, San Angelo or the Tom Green County Community Action

Council Child Care Services offices located at 17 South Chadbourne, Suite 200, San Angelo.
 This past spring and summer 17 of 19 Concho Valley applicants were awarded scholarships under this program.
 Prospective applicants may call the Texas Workforce Commission at (512) 936-3137 or the Concho Valley Workforce Development Board at (915) 655-2005 for more information.

Boykin Celebrates 80th Birthday
 Ben Boykin celebrated his 80th birthday at the historic Gage Hotel in Marathon with a candle light evening meal in the Cafe Cenizo court yard. The meal included a chocolate cake trimmed with cactus flowers.
 Family members present were Madelon, Tyler and Craig Coover of Dallas; Charles Highsmith and Grace Thorp of Austin; Billy Bob and Dawn Highsmith of Boerne; Ben and Dawn Boykin of Robert Lee. Greetings arrived from the Webb family of Lake Kiowa and Ben Boykin family of Canton.
 Trips were taken into the Big Bend. The first trip was to Chisos Mountains and the second trip to Terlingua and on to the Lajitas and the Rio Grande River road to Presidio.
 Ben said the country was in better shape than two years ago when he and Dawn celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary there.

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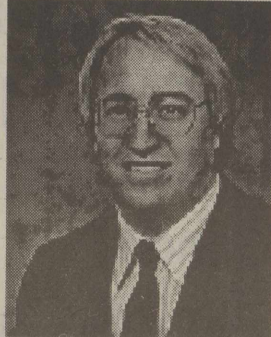
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Roberts Tour With Eastern Star Group

Bobby and Jeffie Roberts of Robert Lee toured NOVA SCOTIA and PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND with Grand Chapter of Texas, Order of the Eastern Star's Worthy Grand Matron - Betty Friend and her husband, Jack of New Braunfels, Worthy Grand Patron - H. Lee Stallings and his wife, Pat of Houston and 32 other Eastern Stars from all parts of Texas. There were three tour guides with us all the time, with three Canadian guides at various locations.

Bobby and Jeffie drove to Fort Worth where cousins, James and Blanche Harmon were their host and hostess, who drove them to Dallas-Ft. Worth Airport early morning June 28, 2000, to meet the group. The group then flew to Toronto, Canada, went through Customs, then boarded a large plane to Halifax, Nova Scotia, where Stan, our bus driver, met us to drive us to The Sheraton - Halifax.

Thursday, June 29, we took the Marine Drive of Nova Scotia, known for its "Kodak moments". We made frequent stops on our drive along the coast toward Baddeck. We stopped at Liscombe Lodge for a scenic lunch, before continuing to a restored, working sawmill near Sherbrooke. We drove across the Canso Causeway to enter Cape Breton Island. The Canso Causeway was opened in 1955 and is the deepest causeway in the world at 217 feet. Upon arrival in Baddeck, we checked into the Telegraph House, for three nights stay and toured from that point and returned each night. The Telegraph House was built in 1861, is owned and operated by the fourth and fifth generation of the Dunlop family. It was the office of the first Trans-Oceanic Cable Company, some of the first telegraph messages in North America were sent from the office in the "Telegraph House". The Alexander Graham Bell's - Bell Room No. 1 is preserved in much the same style and charm as it was when staying there in the late 1880's. Our Worthy Grand Patron, Martin Lee and his wife, Pat were honored by having this room for three nights. They were to a disadvantage on July 1, as Canada Day celebrations kept them awake most of the night.

Friday, June 30, we traveled to Fortress Louisbourg, the most ambitious restoration project ever undertaken in Canada. The original fortress was constructed by the French between 1720 and

1745, and was the focal point of the struggle between the French and English until it was destroyed in 1760. The men and women were in period costume, our group, also, experienced the firing of the canon. The Fortress is located on the shoreline of the Atlantic Ocean, the weather was windy, rainy, foggy, and cold (58 degrees). The group had coffee in Sydney, then visited the Alexander Graham Bell Museum and ate Lobster Dinner at the Bell Buoy Restaurant. This was Grading Day for the schools (the last day of school) in Baddeck. Their school terms are from about September 4 to June 30 each year.

Saturday, July 1, was Canada Day as is July 4th is to us in the United States. Our local (native of Cape Breton) tour guide for the day was Peter. We visited Gaelic College, a unique museum of ancestry and Acadian history. The rest of the day was spent on the Cabot Trail, the most scenic and spectacular highway in Nova Scotia. The group traveled 184 miles along the shores, past majestic rock bluffs, and beautiful valleys. We saw a whale, bald eagle, and a moose of which there are many to be seen on this island and many whales in the blue waters of the North Atlantic. We stopped at Neils Harbour to see the Lobster fishermen and look for more whales. We ate lunch at the Keltic Lodge, situated in a beautiful setting overlooking the blue waters of the North Atlantic. We returned to Baddeck, a township about the size of Robert Lee, with many tourists. We joined in their celebration watching fireworks across the bay near a lighthouse as we sat on a large dock.

Sunday, July 2 we departed Cape Breton Island for Caribou and boarded the large NFL Ferry to Prince Edward Island. We spent two nights in Charlottetown at the beautiful Inn on Great George Street, overlooking the Northumberland Strait. We walked and shopped on the Wharf, then ate our evening meal at Peake Quay Restaurant on the Wharf.

Monday, July 3, our local tour guide for the day was 23 year old, Carolyn. We toured the St. Dunstan's Basilica (Cathedral - church) across the street from our hotel (Inn on Great George), and then walked to the Province House for a guided tour. Driving through the beautiful countryside, we saw many fields of potatoes and native grass being baled, also, dairies with dairy cattle. The soil is bright

red-orange because of the iron content in the soil. We had lunch in the Tea Room at Prince Edward Island Preserve Company and watched them make and can the preserves. We continued our tour of the beautiful island and stopped to walk on Cavendish Beach for a short time. Then on to "Green Gables Farmhouse" the setting for Lucy Maud Montgomery's series about the life of a little girl - Anne Shirley of Green Gables. We saw the grave of L. M. Montgomery which is always covered with flowers. We had a Lobster Dinner on Prince Edward Island at the World Famous Fisherman's Wharf-Lobster Suppers with a 60 foot salad bar. Back to our hotel - Inn on Great George Street in Charlottetown - for the night.

Tuesday, July 4, Independence Day in the United States, we celebrated with our U. S. flags on our name tags and readings by our guides. We left the Island - P.E.I., by way of the 9 mile long bridge - Confederation Bridge - which was built in three years by a workforce of 6000 men and women and was completed in 1997. We entered the province of New Brunswick, Canada. Drove on to Halifax, ate at the Fisherman's Warehouse on the Harbor, checked into the Sheraton, dressed in our formals, tuxedos, and drove to Truro, Nova Scotia, to attend the Eastern Star Grand Chapter Session of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island. Five more Texas Eastern Star members drove to Nova Scotia to attend the Session.


Wednesday, July 5, a local tour guide, Ryan, who teaches History at a local High School and a native of Halifax, conducted our sightseeing for the day. He told us about the sinking of the Titanic in 1912. The bodies that were discovered were buried in the Halifax cemetery beside the railroad track. The railroad is why they were buried in Halifax. This cemetery became very popular after the movie - Titanic - was filmed. We visited the cemetery. There were 2200 people on the Titanic and only 705 survived. He told us of the Explosion in Halifax Harbor 1917 that leveled most of the city - two ships ran together - one was loaded with ammunition and black powder. On to

Peggy's Cove, the Light-house, and DeBarth Memorial. These are in a quaint little fishing village which stands on solid rock and is a picturesque scene that attracts thousands of artists every year. An Egypt Air airplane crashed in the Atlantic Ocean just off Peggy's Cove in 1998 and many times the television showed all the people anxiously awaiting on the rocks beside the Light-house on Peggy's Cove. Back in Halifax, we visited Citadel Hill which gives a spectacular view of the harbor. Citadel Hill is a Fort with a wall and mote around it. The Fort was used during the wars and still has a Guard at the entrance. We walked with our local guide through a beautiful garden of flowers and trees (a small version of the Butchart Gardens on Victoria Island, Canada) where the Queens of England and Princess Diana often visited. We ate our evening meal at the Five Fishermen Restaurant, then walked to the Metro Center to attend the Nova Scotia International Tattoo. This world-class extravaganza is one of the largest indoor shows in the world, featuring hundreds of international military and civilian performers...bagpipes and drums, marching bands, comedy, singing, dancing, gymnastics, history, displays, and much more. The United States was represented very well with bands, singers, etc. A three hour show with excitement, music and beauty.

Thursday, July 6, we all departed Halifax on three separate flights, we, Bobby and Jeffie, were with the group that flew to Boston then to DFW where James and Blanche Harmon met us. On to Robert Lee July 7.

The temperature averaged

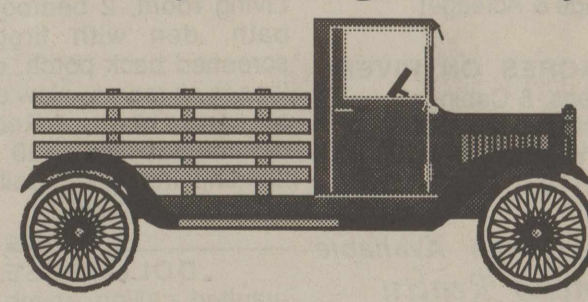

55 to 80 degrees. The population of Halifax, Nova Scotia (Capitol of Nova Scotia) was 320,000, Province of Nova Scotia was 900,000, Prince Edward Island was 127,000. The main industry for all was fishing -(lobster, crab, clams, scallops, tuna, haddock, halibut, Atlantic salmon, oysters, shrimp) and mussel farming. Prince Edward Island was noted for their potatoes, dairies and dairy cattle. Average rainfall is 36 inches, highest elevation is White Hill 1750 ft., trees do not grow very tall because the island is surrounded by the ocean (salt waters), salt being in the air keeps them from growing. There are many varieties of trees - pine, spruce, birch, red oak, red maple, and many others that make beautiful fall foliage. Regardless, the trees were a beautiful green and the Lupine flowers in colors of blue-violet, pink and white grow along the highways. Lupines are in the flower family with our bluebonnets. The bluejay is the state bird, Lady Slipper the flower, and the red maple tree. In Canada, the metric system is used for highway speeds and distances. The maximum speed on major highways is usually 90km/h or 55 mph. The temperature is reported in Celsius Scale (centigrade), 12 centigrade would be (12 + 12 + 32 = 56 degrees). The people are very friendly and the crime rate extremely low.

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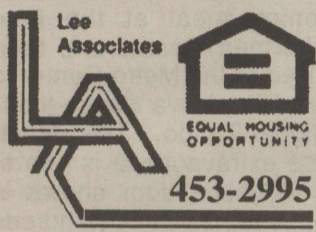
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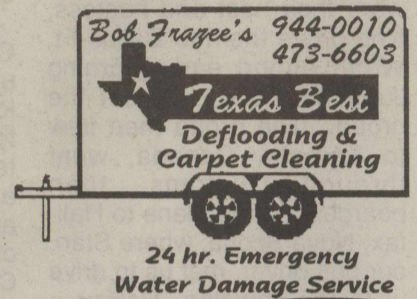
LOST PET

Black, white & brown Border Collie. Has been lost since late July 4th. Her name is Indy and she is missing her collar. If anyone has seen her, please contact Sarah or Logan at 453-2213. We really miss her!

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NOTICES

August 4, 2000, at 1:00 pm at the State Office for an estimate of \$339,385.00. Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at applicable State and/or District Offices listed below. Bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available at reproduction companies in Austin, Texas, at the expense of the contractor. NPO: 1703 State Office, Construction Division, 200 E. Riverside Dr., Austin, Texas 78704, Phone: 512-416-2540. District Office(s), San Angelo District, District Engineer, 4502 Knickerbocker Road, San Angelo, Texas 76904, Phone: 915-944-1501. Minimum wage rates are set out in bidding documents and the rates will be part of the contract. TxDOT ensures that bidders will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, or national origin.

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PUBLIC NOTICE CITY OF ROBERT LEE TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

The City of Robert Lee will hold a Public Hearing on July 17, 2000, at 5:00 pm at the City Hall. The purpose of the public hearing is to allow for final public comments regarding the completion of the 1998 Texas Community Development Program - Water, Sewer, and Street Improvements project (Contract Number 718581). The general public is invited to attend and participate. Should any non-English speaking citizens desire to address the City during the public hearing and needs the assistance of an interpreter, the City will attempt to provide one if sufficient notice is provided. Persons with disabilities that wish to attend this meeting should contact City Hall to arrange for assistance. Individuals who require auxiliary aids or services for this meeting should contact City Hall to arrange for assistance. Individuals who require auxiliary aids or services for this meeting should contact City Hall at least two days before the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

Mayor, Garland Davis
City of Robert Lee
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COUNTRY AGENTS NEWS

by Tommy Antilley
Coke County Agent

Summer Lawn Care Tips

Increase Mowing Height

There is a correlation between the cutting height and the total amount of root mass. The taller you allow your turfgrass to grow, the more volume there is to the root mass. The taller you allow your turfgrass to grow, the more volume there is to the root system. Therefore, you should increase your mowing height by several inches during the hot summer months to encourage the development of the root system.

Water Smart

Water, either too much or too little, will hurt the health of your turfgrass. Over watering is not normally a problem this time of year-it occurs more commonly in the spring during periods of high rainfall (often homeowners make it worse by failing to turn off their sprinkler systems). Lack of sufficient moisture is a more common problem in the summertime. It is best to water just before your lawn starts to wilt. In the early stages of wilt, grass leaves take on a dull, purplish cast and begin to roll. Also, if you walk across a lawn that is starting to wilt, you will leave tracks.

Learn to recognize these signs and apply water on a timely basis. If possible, water during the early morning hours. Watering later in the day wastes water due to higher evaporation rates. Watering in the evening encourages disease development and should be avoided.

Aerate Your Soil

All plants, including turfgrass, need oxygen to survive. If the soil is compacted through years of traffic the plant roots cannot get oxygen in sufficient quantities to continue healthy growth. Next to proper watering, aeration is probably the most important

thing you can do to improve your lawn right now. Water and fertilizer that is applied to a highly compacted lawn will simply run off down the street into a storm drain on its way to the Gulf of Mexico. Most rental companies have machines that you can rent to do this job or you can hire a contractor.

Compost-Yes. Fertilizer-No

Do not apply any synthetic fertilizer during the hot summer months. Lawns that are highly fertilized going into fall and winter are likely to suffer damage from cold weather. Instead, wait until September and apply one of the winterizer fertilizers that contains a slow release form of nitrogen in a 1-2-2 ratio. You can go ahead and apply a 2 or 3 inch layer of compost now. If you notice iron chlorosis (yellow leaves) on your St. Augustine turf apply iron sulfate or an iron chelate according to the label directions.

Personal

Crystal and Lauren Hamerton, daughters of Sheila (Roberts) Farrar and Bob Hamerton, drove by themselves to San Angelo to visit their dad who was visiting his mother, Bernice Hamerton of San Angelo. The girls drove to Robert Lee Sunday, July 9, 2000, to visit in the home of their grandparents, Bobby and Jeffie Roberts. Also present were Douglas, Denise, Kacee, and James Roberts. Monday, the girls took Bob to San Antonio to catch his bus, then drove home to Houston. Crystal is on the Drill Team at Klein Forest High School and will be a senior. Two a day practice will start in two weeks. Lauren will be in the seventh grade in Middle School. She is in the band and plays the trombone. School begins August 10.

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Preview ASU is scheduled for July 28-29 and Aug. 4-5. A Preview Express program is scheduled Aug. 5 for students who cannot attend a two-day session. Students can register for any program by phone at (915) 942-2191 or by e-mail at previewasu@angelo.edu. Almost 500 students have participated in the two previous sessions of Preview ASU earlier this summer.

Nolen Mears, associate dean of student life, said the orientation programs provide students and their parents with a look at all aspects of university life. Additionally, Preview ASU allows incoming students to receive individual academic advising and to register for their fall classes.

Participating students meet with academic advisers to discuss majors and to select courses. Student counselors are available to assist with class scheduling. By the time new students complete Preview ASU, they will have their fall semester class schedules.

"Preview ASU guides students through what to expect at ASU and assists them in registering for their first classes," Mears said. "Over the years we have found that this helps reduce anxiety not only for students but also for their parents as their children begin new phases of their lives."

In addition to reviewing facilities, courses and student activities, students will be able to tour the campus and meet with representatives of student organizations, academic advisors and the counseling staff.

Celebrating the Fourth With the Lucketts

It was nice and pleasant at "The Box L Ranch" setting in shade of the big mesquite trees or down at the dock by the tank fishing, catching frogs, lizards while celebrating the Fourth of July.

Dewey and Joy were the chefs cooking lots of hamburgers. Billy Joe was cooking samples of the shark and king fish he caught while he and Diane were deep sea fishing out in the Gulf. Most everyone said the shark tasted best but the king was okay.

Those present enjoyed visiting, taking pictures, and eating lots of hamburgers, apple pie and a freezer of home made vanilla ice cream and watching a Fourth of July fireworks show after supper were: Joy and A.J. McDaniel, Scott Bayer, Aaron, Amanda, and Corey, Evona Liles Ritchie from San Angelo; Dale and Cindy Luckett, and Stormy, and Marcy Luna from Abilene; Jim and Lois Dunklin from Robert Lee; Jerry McShan, Billy Joe, Diane Luckett and Joey; Dewey Luckett and Helen Murtishaw from Bronte.

Joan Davis Spends Holiday with Family and Friends

Nadine Davis of Abilene and Joan Davis of Robert Lee spent July 3 and 4 in Ft. Worth with her sister and brother-in-law, Billie and Dub Wallace. Twenty assorted family members and friends enjoyed their two days together. The outdoor grill and smoker never cooled off with beef brisket, sausage, burgers, and on Monday, the families had a feral pig on the pit brought from south Texas. A catfish supper with fresh garden vegetables was also worked in. The annual picturethon was not dull with eight teenagers in the group. All sported patriotic t-shirts for the get-together.

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Trauma Care

Trauma can occur anywhere, at any time. To help prevent death or disability, critical trauma victims must reach definitive care within a short period of time, often called the "golden hour". A set of resources include informed citizens, communications systems, pre-hospital care providers, and multidisciplinary trauma teams in emergency departments. With the inclusion of public information, prevention activities, and rehabilitation, this coordination of resources is called trauma system. Studies have shown that coordination of the emergency medical resources available in an area can result in a major decrease in preventable trauma deaths.

The Texas Legislature required that trauma care resources be made available to every citizen. The Omnibus Rural Health Care Rescue Act, passed in 1989, directed the Bureau of Emergency Management of the Texas Department of Health to develop and implement a statewide emergency medical services and trauma care system. The Texas Board of Health adopted rules for implementation of the trauma system in January 1992. These rules divided the state into twenty-two regions called Trauma Service Areas and provided for the formation of a Regional Advisory Council in each region to develop and implement a regional Trauma System Plan. System development activities around the state have clearly demonstrated on-going positive support for this project. A Regional Advisory Council (RAC) has been established in each TAS (Trauma Service Area) and since January 2000, each RAC has an approved regional Trauma System Plan.

Trauma Service Area K is the Concho Valley Regional Advisory Council. The RAC meets monthly in San Angelo. Meetings are hosted by Shannon Hospital and San Angelo Community Medical Center. The RAC consists of fourteen counties and is one of the largest RAC's in the state. Among those fourteen counties there are nine hospitals and seventeen EMS agencies. The RAC's purpose is to improve trauma care in the Concho Valley. The RAC's board of directors is one representative from each hospital and EMS service that is in compliance with state regulations. The executive board is composed of a Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary, and Treasurer. Since the RAC's recognition by the state, it has provided hospital and pre-hospital trauma classes for nurses, doctors, and EMS personnel. The RAC has received grants from the Tobacco Settlement Endowment, Texas Department of Health Bureau of Emergency Management System Account (formerly Senate Bill 102), and 911 funds. The grant money has made it possible to hold these classes out in the rural areas. The RAC is also involved in public injury prevention programs through out the Concho Valley in public locations and in the school

districts.

Once again, trauma can occur anywhere, at any time. Victims must reach definitive care within a short period of time, the "golden hour". Each hospital and each EMS agency that meet state regulations that are based in one of the fourteen counties in the Concho Valley is involved with the RAC. Please support your local hospital and EMS agency, for they provide a service that is very much needed in your area. When you see injury prevention programs sponsored by the RAC, support them. Send your employees to the programs. If you need injury prevention programs, get in touch with the RAC to help find a program that meet your needs.

The Regional Advisory Council, Trauma Service Area K, greatly appreciates the hard work that its members voluntarily undertake, also all the hospitals and EMS agencies for the outstanding volunteer work they provide.
Ramiro Perez, RN
Concho Valley RAC Chair

June Ambulance Runs By Robert Lee EMS

- 06/03 11:05 p.m. Medical Transport
- 06/08 1:18 p.m. Medical Transport
- 06/11 2:58 a.m. Medical Transport
- 06/13 6:28 a.m. Medical Transport
- 06/14 11:25 a.m. Medical Transport
- 06/18 12:16 p.m. Medical Transport
- 06/24 9:34 p.m. Medical Transport
- 06/24 - No Transport
- 06/28 12:50 p.m. Medical Transport

Angelo Civic Theatre Auditions

The Angelo Civic Theatre is holding try-outs for Music Man on Monday, July 17th and 24th, at 7pm. 13 men and 10 women, are needed for this musical. In addition, people to make up a chorus and some children, set builders, costumers and others are needed. All parts are open and anyone interested is encouraged to audition. Scripts can be checked out at the ACT Box Office. THE MUSIC MAN opens September 14 and plays weekends through October 7th. Questions call 949-4400.

Inmate Families Organization

Inmate Families Organization, Inc. meets the fourth Monday of the month at 7:00 pm in Meeting Room 1 at the First United Methodist Church, 37 E. Beauregard, San Angelo, Tx. FMI call (915) 942-8694.

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