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BRONTE COMMUNITY SERVICE CLUB CONSIDERS REPORTS

In an interesting meeting last Friday night, December 14, the Bronte Community Service Club heard reports from various committee chairmen, paid up its dues, and voted to omit the regular-scheduled meeting for December 28 due to the holiday season. Instead, the Club will meet on January 11 for its next regular session, which is to be held in the Vocational Agriculture room where there will be more room and seats.

With President Frank Keeney presiding, the meeting opened with an invocation by Rev. C. R. Blake, following which Hubert Whitt called for the various reports from the committee chairmen.

L. T. Youngblood, discussing the irrigation project, told Club members that the 15 directors represented a total of 27 counties. He was expected to leave for Austin, Tuesday, where members of the Upper and Lower Colorado River Authorities hope to reach an agreement on water rights.

"There will be a lot of contention for water in the next 50 years," the speaker declared, "and much confusion still lies ahead."

"We don't want to die on the vine, as the UCRA expires on January 1, 1948 unless we secure an appropriation or commitment," Youngblood continued, "which will be assurance that tax remissions will be kept up."

He went on to say that San Angelo had agreed to withdraw the irrigation feature from the Concho River project, and that H. G. Wendland was willing to push the flood control feature only. (Wendland, a member of the Authority, lives in San Angelo.)

"The Army engineers are responsible for the flood control project," Youngblood noted, "and the Colorado River project will be handled by the Bureau of Reclamation of the Department of Interior as an irrigation feature."

It was also pointed out that the Texas Water Conservation Board requires \$100 dues soon, and that the San Angelo BCD gave \$1,000 to help the cause. It was moved and seconded that the Club give Youngblood the sum of \$50 to meet half this \$100 expense, as Robert Lee furnished the remainder.

C. E. Bruton, chairman of the fire prevention committee, presented a written report to the Club, indicating that the following repairs were needed: 4 new tires and wheels, hose joints need cleaning, repair pump, keep motor of truck in condition as well as the truck, and see to it that the truck faces the door, and secure cooperation from all concerned.

"We now have 8 members," Bruton said, "and we need 10."

Frank Keeney then suggested that the matter go to the City Council as a definite recommendation, and it was moved and seconded that a copy of the report be sent to the Mayor.

L. T. Youngblood noted that the improvements would be a real value to the town, and that it was necessary to spend some money in order to save it.

"If repairs are not made and we have a disastrous fire, then our rate will increase and it will cost more for all of us," he observed.

"Furthermore," he added, "we have no credit now for the fire department because the water mains do not meet the necessary requirements."

"I think it a worthwhile effort," Hubert Whitt declared, "and believe we ought to flush the fire plugs at regular intervals. I doubt if the water would run if it was turned on."

Rev. Blake then spoke up to say that it was "embarrassing to run up to a plug during a practice session and find no water coming forth."

Otis Smith told of developments with respect to better housing projects and O. W. Chapman reported that the City Council was agreeable on the matter of going along with suits to clear up land titles.

As to the tailor shop, Cecil Kemp of Kemp Kleaners expressed his thanks to the Club members for their support and encouragement, and said he hoped to have the plant in operation at the earliest possible moment.

C. R. Smith reported that he would have a written report prepared by next meeting time concerning the air-field development program.

As to the matter of roads, Hubert Whitt told the Club that progress was being made and work was now being carried out on the Winters-BronTE roadway.

M. A. Butner, Club secretary, dis-

cussed plans for the frozen locker plant, declaring that the man and the building were all ready, and the only thing needed was enough people to sign up for the service.

Whitt noted that more might be accomplished towards improving sanitary conditions in Bronte, and Barney Modgling reported that the committee concerned with church and school programs had no report to make at this time.

Butner indicated no new developments concerning the REA project could be reported now, and J. T. Henry informed the Club of the fine record the FFA boys made at the Winters show held recently and which is reported elsewhere in the paper. Henry said the group would be glad to put on a demonstration before the Club, and it was arranged to have this at a later date.

It was also pointed out that Bronte needs a city auditorium, and that one might be made out of a vacant building. The City Council is expected to consider the question at an early meeting, it was revealed.

Before the meeting adjourned, Club members discussed with the editor various aspects of the Bronte Enterprise and its news coverage, policies, and other related matters.

SANTA CLAUS IS COMING SUNDAY

Good ol' St. Nick is to make an appearance at the Methodist Church Sunday night at 6:30, an occasion to which everyone is invited. There is to be a program in honor of the old gentleman's visit, and the kiddies will want to be there on the front row. It is planned to have plenty of "front rows" so all of them can be accommodated.

H. B. EDMONDSON VISITING HERE

Lt. H. B. Edmondson, former Vocational Agriculture teacher in the Bronte Public Schools is now visiting friends in Bronte. He arrived last Saturday from Ft. Benning, Georgia, and is to report back for duty to Camp Joseph Robinson, Arkansas.

His arrival was the more enjoyable because he saw his 4 month's old son for the first time, and the reunion was a happy one.

Son of Sheriff and Mrs. H. B. Edmondson of Mineral Wells, H. B. has been in the service for 20 months. Mrs. Edmondson, the former Miss Bessie Rozelle of Millersview, is also happy to have father and son together with her.

CAPERTON RETURNS FROM BURMA

R. T. Caperton, formerly a Captain with a remount outfit, returned recently from Burma, where he had been stationed for a year. He entered the Army in June, 1941, and after being commissioned from A. & M. College on June 8, was taken into active duty 10 days later.

He received his degree from the college in animal husbandry.

Mrs. Caperton, the former Miss Zelma Slaughter of Robert Lee, was happy to have him back. R. T. said, and so was their daughter Jacque Marilyu, who is now 20 months old.

R. T. announced last week that he was a candidate for County and District Clerk, subject to the primaries next summer.

BRONTE-ROBERT LEE VOLLEYBALL TEAMS MEET

The Robert Lee girls' volleyball team, coached by Miss Polly Peck, proved to be too much for the Bronte team Tuesday night, as the local club went down by a score of 40-23.

Both teams had been working out about two weeks, according to Miss Peck, a former student of San Angelo College, who is now teaching in the 8th grade at Robert Lee.

The Bronte team, coached by H. R. Gassiot, gave a good account of itself, and hopes to attend the tournament to be held at Sterling City on January 5.



When wondering whether or not to invest in more Victory Bonds, think of PFC Albert H. Rohrmann, 25, Brooklyn, N. Y., a parachute infantryman, who must be under medical care for a long while. Wounded first in New Guinea and then when caught in ambush advancing on Manila, he is in a body cast at Holloran Hospital, N. Y., for a bone injury and shock to his nervous system. Bond purchases will help many more like him in hospitals all over the nation, help them to re-establish themselves in both the social and economic American way of life.

ROUND ABOUT TOWN

By Ed Nunnally, Jr.

First of all, we want to extend to you the very best wishes for the merriest kind of Christmas you ever had! We are so happy to be among you, and want to become a part of the community as soon as we can.

A lot of people have been around to see us in the office, and we're glad of that—hope you come back and bring your friends. Our first visitor, by the way, was W. C. Shamblyn of Blackwell, who came in to renew his subscription. Shortly after that Clifford Clark dropped in for a bit of chatting. Thanks for his kind invitation to go quail hunting some of these days... but we fear the quail have no need to worry, for in days gone by we could hardly hit the side of the proverbial barn.

Hubert Whitt dropped in with news of club events, and we enjoyed that chat. The many friends of M. A. Butner's father will be glad to know that he will be 92 years of age on December 28. Many happy returns of the day to that gentleman, and we'll have more to say about it next week.

Cecil Kemp and H. A. Springer, the cleaner and utilities men, respectively, had a bit of tough luck Tuesday when they ran out of gas on the way to Robert Lee. A sympathetic motorist happened along however, so they soon had a bit of gas and were on their way.

Records from Willis Smith's office reveal that R. R. Ash, et ux, sold 160 acres of land east of Bronte to D. K. Glenn for the sum of \$6,000. Papers were filed on December 13.

Be sure you go to church Sunday, where each may pray in his own way in the church of his choice. Such freedom of religion was one of the things our boys were fighting for.

We invite contributions of any and all news items. You don't need to write anything up—send in the facts of what happened. That is, who, what, when, where, why, and how, and we'll fix it up if necessary. We'd like to have school news, and activities concerning lodges, P-TA, clubs, societies, meetings, churches, socials,

EDITORIAL

MERRY CHRISTMAS ONCE AGAIN

Christmas is just around the corner! For the first time in four years, we the people of the United States will be permitted once again to sit around the festive board to celebrate one of our most joyous holidays with the usual turkey and all the trimmings.

It will and should be an occasion of the greatest rejoicing, for the whole world is comparatively at peace again, after one of the bloodiest and most cruel wars of all times. The family ties that have been broken by the absence of brother, sister, husband, father, and sweetheart will be united again by the ties of friendship and devotion to which they have been accustomed at this season of the year.

Thousands of little children for whom Christmas seems especially to exist will be seeing their fathers for the first time, and life will be beginning all over for these new families in this "land of the free and home of the brave."

But there will be the empty chair

parties, and all the rest. Bring it around, send it in, leave it, slip it under the door, or any other way—just so it gets in.

Have you noticed how friendly everyone is in Bronte? The Bronte Community Service Club is working hard to secure civic improvements. It deserves the best support we can give it, and in fact, memberships are still open. All merchants and business men are invited; that is, those who haven't yet joined up.

We invite your attention to our new sign in front of the office. Of course, most of you know where it is, but those who don't—here's an invitation to drop around and visit.

Be sure you notice the fine display of advertising in this issue... go around and buy... help the merchants... tell them you like their ads... let them know you appreciate their efforts in bringing you notice of specials and bargains that are placed there to help you.

Did you ever notice how pleasant C. E. Bruton is? And have you thought how friendly Barney and Floyd Modgling are? Miss Langford and Mrs. Stevens are always going around with cheerful smiles. Mrs. Charlie Boecking has a charming personality, ditto for Mrs. C. R. Smith.

The young people of this town surely deserve our support. They'd like for us to come to their ball games, their shows, and other activities. Jeff Dean and H. R. Gassiot are doing powerful work with those girls and boys, and they need our help and backing.

We hear that Rev. George McCrary came out with a couple of good messages last Sunday... Rev. Blake, too, was up to his usual good form. We want some news from our other churches too, but haven't been able to get any. We'd be glad to hear from members of the other churches about their activities.

Noah Pruitt, Jr. did a good job of refereeing that ball game Tuesday night, even though it had been some time since he'd performed that chore.

Frank White with his six points was high point man for Bronte—nice work, Frank... hats off to the gang coming out for basketball... they're developing good school spirit, and serve as able good-will representatives of Bronte when they're on trips elsewhere... let's all support the team!

BRONTE F.F.A. SENIORS PLACE FIRST IN DISTRICT CONTEST

YOUNGBLOOD AND WYLIE LEAVE FOR AUSTIN

L. T. Youngblood, vice-president of the Colorado River Basin Authority and County Judge McNeil Wylie left Tuesday for Austin, where they participated in a joint session held with members of both the Upper and Lower Colorado River Authorities.

Purpose of the meeting was to determine water rights between the Upper and Lower Colorado River projects.

AT THE CHURCHES

Now that the Christmas season is once more with us let us turn our thoughts to the Christ child and to the fact that in our observance of Christmas, we are remembering the birth of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

On such a day, it is entirely fitting and proper that we attend the church of our choice, and that we enter it with reverence, with a prayer for those who worship there, and those who minister there.

As most of us know, the churches will observe their regular custom of uniting in the singing of Christmas carols, and of quiet meditation and communion with Him who was born and died that we might have eternal life.

Rev. C. R. Blake will give his message at 11 o'clock, as will Rev. George McCrary, of the Baptist and Methodist Churches respectively. Evening services will be held at 6:15, and all of the people are invited to come.

It is Christmas, the anniversary of the Saviour's birth. Let all the people come to the church of their choice.

THE INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON FOR DECEMBER 23, 1945

"THE MESSAGE OF CHRISTMAS TO THE WORLD"

Memory Selection, Luke 2:14—"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, goodwill toward men."

Here is good news, good tidings, great joy, and note that it is and shall be to all people. That means that even you and I are included, so great is the love of God the Father. In other words, God was glorified through the coming of the Christ child, and as Christ completed his work on earth he said, "I glorified thee on the earth, having accomplished the work which thou has given me to do."

In that way, the life and death and resurrection of Christ, all served to reveal the glory of God.

Notice how we see this wonderful expression of God's good will to men. Thus, God expresses that it is his will to redeem man, and through his forgiveness of our many sins, we arrive at the roots of any enduring peace. If men get right with God, then they may learn to live at peace with their fellow men.

Christmas, announced by the heavenly hosts, must be carried on by those now on earth. We must practice His principles, remember that it is the birthday of our Lord Jesus Christ that we are observing, and that the message of Christmas for all of us is that of "peace, good will to men."

FROZEN LOCKER PLANT NEEDS MORE NAMES

If you are interested in having a frozen-food locker, C. E. Bruton, M. A. Butner, and C. R. Smith would be glad to know about it. No payment is required now—all you do is sign up, indicating that you want a locker, and

The four Future Farmer chapters in the Ballinger District competed in the annual District Chapter Conducting Contest held in the Winters department on Wednesday, December 12, according to J. T. Henry, local Vocational Agriculture instructor.

In the Senior division for second and third-year students, Bronte placed first, Ballinger second, Wingate third, and Winters fourth. In the five sections which were scored, Bronte placed first in three of them and tied for first in the other two.

Members of the Bronte team were Portis Robbins, president; Billy Bob Herron, vice-president; Claude Ray Ash, secretary; Dolan Mackey, reporter; Homer Leathers, treasurer; Glenn Blake, sentinel; J. L. Alexander and Junior Hipp, conductors. Clyde Goss and Douglas Stevens were initiated as Greenhands.

In the Greenhand division for first-year students, Ballinger placed first, Winters second, and Bronte third. Boys on the Bronte team included Clyde Goss, president; Douglas Stevens, vice-president; Warren Beavers, reporter; Morris Payne, treasurer; Wayne Arrott, secretary. Other members included LeDrew Arrott and Marvin Lowrance.

Judges for the occasion were E. E. Turner, Vocational Agriculture teacher of Sweetwater and M. B. Templeton, County Agent of Nolan County.

The Bronte Enterprise believes that such fine work should be recognized and wants to add its congratulations to the many others the team has received.

Lofton-Richards Wedding Told

In a simple but impressive ceremony held in the Baptist parsonage, Saturday morning, December 15, at 11 o'clock, Henry Keith Lofton and Miss Norma Louise Richards were united in marriage by the Reverend C. R. Blake, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Bronte.

Attending the couple during the single ring ceremony were Mr. and Mrs. Joe McCutcheon, who served as best man and matron of honor. Also present was Miss Roma Jean Richards, sister of the bride.

The bride, who wore blue, completed the ensemble with black accessories. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rome Richards of Bronte, and following her graduation from Bronte High School in 1944, was employed at Cumbe & Wilkins Store.

The groom, who returned from the Pacific theater of war about two weeks ago, served in the Naval postal service while overseas, and is from Robert Lee.

Refusing to reveal their destination, the couple left immediately following the ceremony for a brief honeymoon, and expect to make their home in San Angelo following the groom's release from the Navy.

REV. G. B. McCRARY KEEPS BUSY

The new Methodist pastor, George B. McCrary, received a warm and hearty welcome last Sunday when he preached his first sermon to his new congregation.

For the night service, Rev. C. R. Blake dismissed his crowd so that all might come and hear the message as presented by McCrary. The Methodists appreciated this fine gesture on the part of the Baptists and enjoyed the fellowship which followed the service.

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SCHOOLS DISMISSED MONDAY, REOPEN JANUARY 2

Due to the absence of some 40 per cent of the students, on account of illness, it was decided to dismiss school for the Christmas holidays on last Monday, December 17, according to Supt. Jeff Dean.

Although this action was taken four days sooner than planned, it was believed necessary in order to try to prevent the spread of further sickness.

The schools will resume regular sessions on January 2, and until that time, Supt. and Mrs. Dean and Principal and Mrs. Gassiot along with other members of the faculty wish one and all a Merry Christmas.

TEACHERS PLAN VACATION TRIPS

Now that school is over and done with for a brief period, members of the faculty are planning trips over the holidays, from which they expect to return ready for work with refreshed minds and outlooks.

Miss Betty Ruth Crow is expected to visit her parents in Chicago, and Misses Thelma and Lillian Carr will spend their time in Van Court.

Mrs. Frankie Beth Nelson will go to Snyder, and J. T. Henry will spend part of the time in Fort Worth with Mrs. Henry's parents.

Supt. and Mrs. Jeff Dean will be in Balmorhea on Christmas day, but

will be in Bronte for the remainder of the holidays.

Other faculty members will remain here, or else plan short trips if possible.

The Bronte Enterprise salutes these faculty members for their work with the young people of this area, and wants them to know that the citizens are behind them in their work.

MASONS FORM AN ACTIVE GROUP

Lodge No. 962 now has around 55 members, and holds its regular meetings on the first Monday night of each month, with practice occurring each Thursday night. A. E. (Pete) Gentry is Master, C. R. Blake, Senior Warden; L. R. Scott, Junior Warden.

It is interesting to note that Hubert Whitt, local Santa Fe agent, was Master of the Lodge for three years, which is an unusual honor for any one individual.

ROBERT LEE RODEO A SUCCESS, PROCTOR WINS ROPING

Despite the biting cold, a fairly large crowd attended the Robert Lee rodeo last week, and saw Merle Proctor of Bronte win the matched roping contest over Bill Guest of Abilene. Proctor's time was 140.5 seconds on four calves, while Guest failed to rope his last calf.

Bud Clark, Bob Fields, Fred Parker and Audry Jones of Ozona made bronc rides.

Among winners in the calf roping contest were Bob Field, Wayne McCabe and Merle Proctor, with Field showing a time of 24.6.

In the second go-round, Roy Scholler was low with 28, followed by Buster Fields and B. W. Waldrip, and in the third go-round, Proctor was low with 16.5, followed by W. H. McFarland and McCabe.

Brahma calves were used, and they really put up quite a tussle.

The W.H.D. Club furnished hamburgers and hot coffee to the crowd, and received a nice patronage from the chilly people, who were bustling around trying to keep warm.

MRS. B. G. TIMMONS AND MRS. NEDRA BROCK IMPROVING

Injured nearly two weeks ago when their car collided with another near San Angelo, Mrs. Nedra Brock has now been released from the hospital, and Mrs. Timmons is reported to be better. Contrary to previous reports, three of the children did receive injuries in the wreck, which abolished both cars.

Robert Glenn Brock, 8, and his sister Ellen Carol, 4, were injured on the head, and Patsy, 6, has been suffering from bruises.

"I'm thankful it was not any worse than it was," Brock declared, "for it was lucky that my wife, the children, and Mrs. Timmons got out as well as they did."

DID YOU KNOW?

That during 1944 and 1945 there have been only two deaths in Bronte? That is, only two deaths have occurred in the city limits for the past two years.

That J. T. Henry is really on the job - very interested in his work, likes what he's doing, and is always planning for more activity?

That Bronte is a friendly city, that it's people always greet others cheerfully and with big smiles? Notice it the next time you walk around.

That the Bronte Community Service Club has a wide range of projects already underway, and that its next meeting is on January 11?

That there are four Future Farmer chapters in the Ballinger District?

Ever hear of this trick in mathematics? Multiply your age by 2 and add 5 to the result. Multiply by 50. Add change in your pocket, if less than a dollar. Subtract the number of days in this year, 365. Add 115 for good measure. Then - the two left hand figures will show your age. The two right hand figures will show the change in your pocket. Yowsh! Try it. (Wall Street Journal).

AMERICAN LEGION TO OMIT THURSDAY MEETING

The George Scott Post No. 394 of the American Legion is not planning to hold its meeting next Thursday night, December 27, due to the holiday season.

Now with 52 members, it ordinarily meets on the last Thursday in each month.

T. H. Rogge is the Commander, and H. O. Whitt serves as Adjutant of the organization.

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

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That is the principle of chiropractic! A bone in your spine presses on a nerve which goes from your brain to your stomach, let's say. Isn't it logical, then, to remove that nerve pressure by a chiropractic adjustment, just the same as you'd take the rock off the hose? Of course it is!

Your X-Ray shows HOW the bone is pressing on the nerve - your neurocalograph record shows WHERE and HOW MUCH pressure exists. Following this check, you may receive an adjustment, which merely removes the pressure on the nerve which goes to the stomach.

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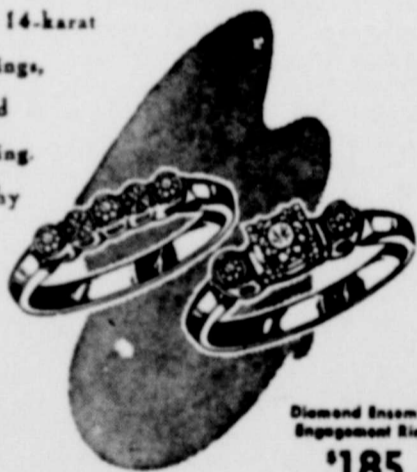
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TERMS ARRANGED, IF DESIRED

BRONTE DROPS PRACTICE GAME TO ROBERT LEE, 28-9

The Bronte quintet fought gamely throughout the four quarters, but were unable to overcome a half-time score of 13-2, and the game ended with the local team on the short end of a 28-9 score. Played in the Bronte High School gymnasium Tuesday night, the affair was witnessed by a small crowd, due no doubt, to the chilly weather.

According to Coach H. R. Gassiot, the game was only for practice, and the result will have no effect on Conference standings.

"They put up a good scrap," Gassiot said, "but still need lots of practice."

"Yes, it was a good game," declared Robert Lee coach George Taylor, following the final whistle, "but I agree that my boys still need a lot of polishing too."

Supt. Jeff Dean revealed that there would be no round-robin playing in

the Conference, but that the matches would be played off in a tournament.

Percifull of Robert Lee was high-point man for the visitors, as he racked up 10 tallies. Frank White of Bronte scored 6 of his team's 9 points, to lead the scoring for the Longhorns.

Noah Pruitt, Jr. refereed the match in a way that pleased both the teams and coaches.

Coach Gassiot indicated that practice would continue during the school holidays, and asked that all boys who could report for limbering up drills and ball-handling practice.

Among those out for the team are the following: Frank White, Portis Robbins, Homer Leathers, J. B. Clark, Bobby Scott, Joe Landers, James Taylor, Judge Sandusky, Bobby Joe Vaughn, Troy Richman, and Billy Bob Herron.

LCRA PLEDGES COOPERATION WITH UCRA, WEDNESDAY

As we go to press, we learn from Grady Hill of the San Angelo Standard-Times that the Lower Colorado River Authority on this past Wednesday, December 19, pledged "the fullest possible cooperation" with upriver agencies in developing the water resources of the Central and Upper Colorado River basin, including the Robert Lee irrigation project.

In an earlier story on our front page is an account of L. T. Youngblood and McNeil Wylie having gone to Austin for this meeting, which evidently turned out quite successfully.

It was revealed by Max Starcke, general manager of LCRA, that an expert authority on the Colorado basin had been employed to make a special study of upriver projects.

It was reported that this study, with others, would be speeded up as rapidly as possible, and Starcke predicted that the accumulation of information would "probably confirm the water needs of the different interests." He also noted that it was probable the interests could be coordinated "so that no project will be damaged."

Paul Sharkey of Amarillo, regional planning engineer of the Bureau of Reclamation, indicated that the Upper Colorado River project would have an estimated runoff of 230,000 acre feet each year, and that more than 60 per cent might be expected to proceed on downriver.

In other words, following the irrigation of 58,000 acres of Coke, Runnels, and Concho County lands, some 138,000 acre feet of water would go down the river in a flow that of course would be better regulated along the way.

As another indication of the cooperation of the LCRA group, it was revealed by members that they were convinced that the building of the

upriver control project would be an aid to them and help prevent further floods.

However, it was pointed out by Spencer L. Baird of Amarillo, regional attorney for the Bureau of Reclamation that this agency would abide by the water laws of Texas, and that these laws needed further interpretation. In other words, the Bureau does not care to begin a project which is not feasible or which would ruin or harm another, according to the account as given by Grady Hill.

J. E. Sturrock of Austin, who appeared at the San Angelo meeting held recently, noted that the major issue facing the group was one of the adequacy of water and who had the first chance at it.

According to generally-held views expressed to this editor, the issue was whether or not the LCRA would work with the UCRA in adjusting the question of water rights. It was believed that in case a compromise could not be worked out, then a friendly suit be initiated and taken up through the courts in order to determine how the water might be divided.

As we go to press, the editor does not know whether this meeting has settled the issues, or whether a suit may still be necessary. According to what Spencer Baird said, as reported above, it would seem that the Bureau of Reclamation does not intend to start any project until fully convinced that all parties are in agreement as to the water division.

In trying to summarize recent events, this editor would like to note the following: All parties concerned are trying to push the dam project to a speedy completion so that actual work may be undertaken. If work is not begun before January 1, 1948, the UCRA will expire. Accordingly, some project must be initiated before that time. Therefore, efforts are being made to push the North Concho flood control project, in that its initiation will insure the continued existence of the UCRA. Bronte, Robert Lee, and all of Coke County and this area approve of this plan.

Then, in the meantime, efforts are being made to clear up the question of water rights between the Upper and Lower Colorado River authorities. Such was the purpose of this meeting held in Austin this past Wednesday. Now if these two, who have expressed sentiments of full cooperation, can come to a satisfactory agreement over the division of the water, then it appears that quite a large advance has been made. If more than such an agreement is needed, such as a court suit on a friendly basis, then this cooperation will speed that along too.

It would seem that a good deal of progress has resulted from this meeting, and the Bronte Enterprise wants to congratulate members who attended the conclave for their fine exhibition of true friendliness and compromise.

L. T. Youngblood told the group of efforts that had been made for the last half century toward establishing the project, and Gerald Allen of Robert Lee and H. C. Wendland of San Angelo also addressed the assembly.

HAPPINESS

Happiness is a way of life, which some persons find easily and others win after much personal disaster, and which, indeed, many never find. Who of us is happy in this world? Not the empty possessors, the dominating, the self-loving or self-pitying. Happiness belongs to people whose courage and integrity, whose habits of emotional stability are developed, whose sympathies extend beyond the narrow boundaries of self or even the family.—Prescott Bulletin.

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POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

R. T. CAPERTON
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Subject to action of Primary Election in July, 1946.

WASHINGTON NEWS LETTER

By Congressman O. C. Fisher

Labor Legislation — President Truman's proposal that Congress immediately pass a bill to provide for fact-finding commissions to be appointed to deal with the big industrial disputes, was warmly received by the Members of Congress but met militant opposition in the Labor Committees of both the House and Senate.

The President's plan is to appoint fair and unbiased men to study the issues where strikes are going on, or are about to begin, and then let the public know what those findings are, together with the recommendations. Strikes would be unlawful while such investigations are going on.

The theory of this procedure is that, once the public is informed of what the true facts are in a dispute, the parties involved would hesitate to oppose the public opinion resulting from such findings.

As to whether the law, if enacted,

would work, I do not know. The President thinks it will work, and so does the Secretary of Labor. In my opinion it should be enacted at once and given a trial.

The proposal is not a cure-all and would apply to only a limited number of disputes. It is clear that other legislation of general application is badly needed.

Anti-racketeering Bill — Last week the House passed by an overwhelming vote what is known as the Hobbs Anti-racketeering Bill. It is interesting to note the incidents that resulted in this bill being passed.

For several years a racket has been going on by certain labor unions whereby union members stop farmers' trucks at the outskirts of New York, Detroit and other cities and demand that a union member be employed at from \$8 to \$10 a day to go with the farmer and help unload his produce at the market. The money is collected and sometimes the union man goes and helps and at other times he does not. But in either event the farmer has to pay the money, regardless of whether the one employed actually goes with him or not.

If the farmer says he doesn't need any help and refuses to pay the demand, he must turn back, or else he is assaulted and in many cases his truck overturned or his produce destroyed. This racket has been going on for years.

A few years ago the Grand Jury in New York indicted twenty-six members of Local No. 807 of the Teamsters Union for violating the Federal Anti-racketeering Act, by engaging in the practices that have been described. The trial lasted six weeks and the twenty-six defendants were convicted. But by a strange decision the Supreme Court held the anti-racketeering law does not apply to labor unions or to members of labor unions.

The Hobbs bill, which the House passed, makes labor unions and members of unions subject to the anti-racketeering law just like all other people are subject to it. The House passed this same amendment nearly three years ago but it died in the Senate because of pressure from certain labor leaders. The same fate may befall the present effort.

It is, of course, an insult to the rank and file of laboring people to say the Hobbs bill is anti-labor. The measure simply makes labor unions and union members subject to the robbery and extortion law and does not interfere with lawful and legitimate activities of any kind.

NEW FARM CREDIT ADMINISTRATION BOARD MEMBER

Charles C. Thompson of Colorado City has been re-appointed by Governor I. W. Duggan of the Farm Credit Administration, Kansas City, Mo., for a three-year term on the board of directors of the Farm Credit Administration of Houston.

LETTERS TO THE ENTERPRISE

December, 15, 1945

The Bronte Enterprise, Bronte, Texas.
Dear Ed, Jr.:

I received your first issue of the Bronte Enterprise and I thought that it was a very fine paper and the people of Bronte should be proud to have such a paper.

In the ad you placed for me, you have my room number wrong. It should be 902. You might add Attorney-at-Law some place in the ad so that people will know what I am doing.

I will let you know when I pay for this month whether I want you to run the ad next month or not.

I hope that you will have a great success and will render a service of uncounted values to your community.

Very truly yours,
Marvin C. Hanz,
San Angelo, Texas.

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WEALTH IN FORESTS

Over 14 million acres in Tennessee are covered with oak, yellow poplar, maple and gum trees. Memphis is the world's largest hardwood market and one of the nation's greatest wood-working centers. Wood products in this state will continue to contribute to the Nation's wealth behind Victory Bonds.

U. S. Treasury Department

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Production of Tung oil in Mississippi will be a constantly growing security behind your Victory Bonds. Tung trees yield up to 9,000 pounds of oil worth \$243 per acre when eight years old. The oil is used in making paint and varnish, and promises to be the basis of a \$100,000,000 industry.

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FIRST IN POULTRY

Huge resources that will help the nation guarantee Victory Bonds are produced by the poultry trade in Iowa. It is the largest egg-producing state, and its poultry output also stands at the top. Turkeys and capon raising are growing projects that promise additional resources to guarantee bonds for years to come.

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As we observe this CHRISTMAS SEASON let's remember that the best way to start a New Year is with a paid-up account. We invite your attention to this fact and should like to discuss the matter with you for we appreciate your patronage—
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MAY THE CHEER AND CHARM OF CHRISTMAS CARRY OVER THROUGH THE YEAR —

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A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO EVERYONE
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FARM, RANCH AND LIVESTOCK NEWS

Menard held its annual pecan show last week, offering \$115 in cash awards.

Hamlin predicts 42,000 bales of cotton for 1945 ginning.

I. B. Cauble, Big Spring rancher, celebrated his 40th year as a Hereford breeder this week. He brought 18 registered Hereford yearlings into Howard County in 1915 to start his herd.

The Extension Service of Texas A. & M., in cooperation with Sears-Roebuck Foundation, plan to make the Mexican-Texas 4-H Club tour an annual affair. It was first staged last month. . . Anderson, Clayton & Company of Houston have published a book, "Want to Farm in Texas?" in cooperation with Texas A. & M. designed for war workers and returning veterans. Your copy may be secured from your local County Agent.

Walter King, Sterling rancher, has bought Blakeney Downs, near San Angelo, and will convert the pole field into a rodeo arena and race track.

A 4-H Club is being organized in Ozona. . . The Winters Chamber of Commerce has formed a Rodeo Association. . . J. C. Elliff, Tulia dairyman, recently sold a Jersey bull for \$17,000 to set a new record price in Texas.

The Department of Agriculture reports that in 1944 Texas produced 4,406,000,000 pounds of milk valued at \$143,662,000, and stands 10th when compared to other states.

Cotton ranks first in value of Texas crops, since farmers receive in average of \$256,000,000 annually for the five-year period 1939-1943 from the sale of lint and seed, or approximately 60 per cent of cash income from all crops. Texas ranks third in acreage devoted to wheat in the nation, running behind Kansas and Oklahoma.

Consignors to Producers Livestock Auction and Commission Co. sheep sale last week included P. W. Millican, Edith, 17 ewes, 80, \$5.30; Barney Westbrook of Tennyson, two lambs, 110, \$13; Claud Ditmore of Tennyson, 22 lambs, 90, \$11.90; C. R. Pinkerton of Robert Lee, 11 ewes, 95, \$5.50.

A recent sale at Fort Worth included M. R. Proctor of Bronte, 14 cows, 989, \$10.75.

Consignors to San Angelo Livestock Auction Co. cattle sale last week included Carroll Russell and Alton Roberts of Robert Lee. The former, 17 whiteface heifers, 450, \$12.65, five others of same weight, \$12.15, and 10 whiteface heifers, 500, \$12.35. Roberts, two fat calves \$13 - \$13.50.

E. D. Welch of Water Valley, two roan heifers, 515 and 550, \$13.50 and \$14.

B. F. Alldredge took a load of sheep to San Angelo last Saturday, feeder lambs, and said he got quite good prices for them. Nice going B. F.

WEST TEXAS LIVESTOCK CALENDAR FOR 1936

Jan. 8 - Arledge Ranch Hereford Sale, Seymour.

Jan. 21 - Mid-Texas Hereford Breeders' Sale, Stephenville.

Jan. 25 - Anxiety 4th Hereford Breeders' Sale, Amarillo.

Jan. 26 - J. F. and J. H. Sedwick, Albany.

Jan. 26-29 - Brownwood Livestock Show, Brownwood.

Jan. 28 - Brown County Hereford Breeders, Brownwood.

Jan. 29 - Brown County Polled Hereford Breeders' Sale, Brownwood.

Jan. 30 - C. C. Sanders' Hereford Sale, San Angelo.

Feb. 23 - Howard County Breeders' Sale, Big Spring.

Feb. 26 - Top O' Texas Breeders' Sale, Pampa.

March 6 - Panhandle Tereford Breeders' Sale, Amarillo.

March 23 - Sand Hills Hereford Show and Sale, Odessa.

ABOUT PEOPLE YOU KNOW

Among the service men who recently received an honorable discharge from the Army at McCloskey General Hospital in Temple was Pfc. Ollie L. Keesee of Bronte, radio operator with the 361st infantry regiment in Italy. Keesee, wounded on July 18, had been in the service three years.

Staff Sergeant Heidel H. Brunson, 21, received his discharge on December 6 from Bruns General Hospital in Santa Fe, New Mexico. Serving his country for 23 months, he saw duty in Europe and the United States. He wears the Purple Heart, the Good Conduct Medal, the Distinguished Unit Citation emblem, the European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal with four bronze clasps, the American Theater Campaign Medal and the Victory Medal. A farmer before entering the Army, the sergeant

states that he will go back to that work. His mother, Mrs. Bessie Lois Brunson, lives in Bronte.

This issue tells the tale for C. F. Benton of Olton Route, at Plainview. Just before the paper came out, he left a dime with George Thomas, asking that he give it to us in return for sending him the first two issues of the paper. If he likes it, he'll continue, if not—all is over. We're anxiously awaiting the verdict, C. F.

Ruth Olson and Sara Beauford said they'd like to see their names in the paper. Here you are, young ladies.

Pfc. Harvey Allen is expected home soon, after having seen service in the Philippines, while brother Alvin Allen has already been discharged. Both are sons of Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Allen, and their sister is Mrs. C. B. McAdams.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Kirkland are really facing a Christmas problem. As he declared, "we've got three girls, ages 2-4-6, and can't find but two sleepy-eyed dolls." Hope you folks come out all right!

Brother C. R. Blake, speaking to the Parent-Teacher Association last week, discussed "What Can We Substitute for War." The Rhythm Band consisting of members from the second and third grades, also contributed their part to the program. Mrs. W. H. Maxwell, Mrs. Marcus Tubb, and Mrs. Connell McAuley served refreshments following the program.

Little Jackie Moore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Moore, has received another blood transfusion in the battle against leukemia. Their only daughter, the little girl is suffering from a disease which medical doctors say cannot be cured. As news of her plight has spread, Christmas gifts have come pouring in, although Mrs. Moore has asked for prayers from everyone instead of gifts for herself.

TIMMONS CHILDREN IMPROVING

According to reports from a San Angelo hospital, Charles and Wanda Jean Timmons are showing improvement from the highway accident in which they were recently involved.

Charles was operated on Wednesday for a foot ailment which he suffered in the the accident, and Wanda Jean, whose knee became infected as a result of the mishap, was said to be resting in better fashion. Her fever was reported to have gone down, and attendants said the condition of the two was improving.

NOTES ON OUR FIRST EDITION

Our sincere thanks to all you readers—but our face is red—we ran out of copies. It just happened that the demand outran the supply, so please accept our apology if you failed to get a copy.

In most cases, we have learned, the regular subscribers received their paper, and to make doubly sure, we have had quite a number of people coming in this past week to check up on their subscriptions and get their accounts in shape. Our thanks to all of you. The more the merrier!

Our grateful appreciation too, goes to our first advertisers. Sight unseen, they had faith in us and in the Bronte Enterprise, and wanted to place their ads in a paper that had not yet reached print. We are grateful.

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The Army and Navy tell us that better than a half million service personnel will be returning in December. That means 17,000, on the average, must be taken care of each day.

Our trains are already overcrowded. We don't want to disappoint a single soldier, sailor, marine, coast guardsman, Wac, Wave or Spar we can possibly find space for.

So won't you help us to do our share in playing Santa Claus to them by postponing your trip until after the holidays—unless it has to be made.

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and Charlie are always happy to see you . . . Red & White Store, where Mr. Cumbie quietly attends to his business . . . Carlisle & Co. of Blackwell, where Mr. Carlisle always has a cheery greeting for those who enter . . . C. R. Smith Hardware Store,

where C. R. and wife discuss events of the day, including his flying . . . San Angelo Telephone Company and John Robbins, who is so affable and friendly . . . R. T. Caperton, who has done his part overseas and now participates in civic affairs . . . Bronte Cafe, where Miss Langford tries to see that all are made comfortable . . . Pruitt's Store, where the whole family takes part in a common and worthy enterprise . . . Texas and Alamo

Theaters with the Wojtek boys, where you see a good show plus extra features. . . Butane Service and Otis Smith, who likes to see "a hot time in the old town tonight." . . . Alldredge Grocery and Mr. and Mrs. Aldredge, who are Bronte boosters. . . the Santa Fe lines, whose agent Hubert Whitt is always planning things to help the people of Bronte. . . Day Furniture Co. of San Angelo and Mr. Day, where Bronte people like to meet. . . Edwards Jewelry Company, and Mr. Ray, who also believes in Bronte. . . Hicks Rubber Company, where Mrs. Ragsdale is keeping the home fires burning for the return of her husband from the war. . . Marvin Hanz, a swell fellow and able lawyer. . . The Bronte Pharmacy, where Mr. and Mrs. Rippetoe do all they can to see that you get what you want. . . McNeil Wylie, a qualified county official who believes in the future of Coke County. . . Liberty Cafe of San Angelo, where Theo Alexander can always find an extra cup of coffee. . . J. M. (Red) Cruse, everybody's friend. . . Barbee's, where you always see Mr. Barbee talking with someone from Coke County. . . Modern Way Food Market and Pat Bunnell, who started from the bottom and has come a long way. . . Sedberry & Williams, a firm of lawyers that can get your job done. . . Otis Parris Optical Company, where Otis and Dr. Parks give you a typical West Texas welcome. . . Leddy's Boot Shop and Dale Leddy, who is planning things for the future. . . Willis Smith, a public servant who likes and is liked. . . Nathan's Jewelry of San Angelo, where Nathan Donsky holds forth and is glad to see you. . . Robertson Grocery, where E. E. and wife plus two young ones are getting ready for Santa. . . Central Drug Store, where George Thomas and "Miss Vera" serve as ideal hosts to all who enter in. . . Leon's Flowers, where you tell it to George and "say it with flowers." . . R. A. (Dick) Wagner, the typewriter man, who pounds out a mean key. . . Betty Lee Shop, with a new manager who really believes in West Texas, and last but not least, the Grupe Chiropractic Clinic, where Doc Grupe sees to it that sick people get well.

Merry Christmas!

May the Joys of the

CHRISTMAS SEASON

and the happiness of this gladsome holiday occasion cause us to strive ever onward toward the goal of lasting Peace on Earth and Goodwill to Men.

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HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON

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Wishin' all day,
Couldn't do better than just to say,
We hope you'll be happy on
CHRISTMAS DAY

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C. R. SMITH TAKES FLIGHT TEST

It was last Friday that C. R. Smith took and successfully passed his written examination for a private pilot's license. Given by a C.A.A. instructor, the test covered a multitude of questions, and will now be followed by an actual flying test. This is to occur at the end of 30 hours of flying time, when Smith can then receive his private pilot's license. Best of luck to you, C. R., and may you pass them all with flying colors.

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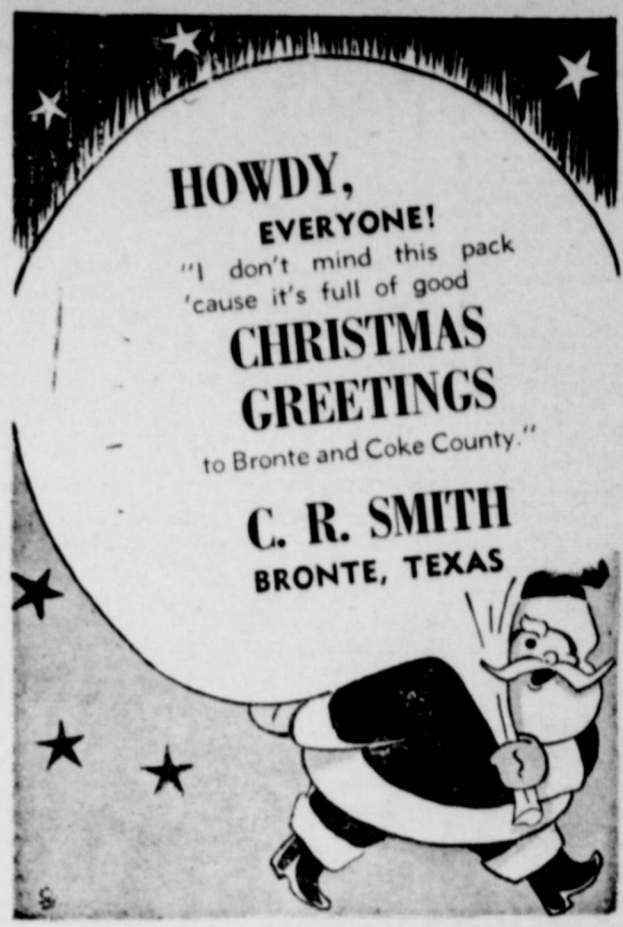


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Iowa's big contribution to national funds guaranteeing Victory Bonds will be enhanced in future years through its expanding production of soy beans and flax. It produced 39,312,000 bushels of soy beans and 2,820,000 bushels of flax seed in 1943 to aid the war. With increased demand for both products, farmers will be encouraged to expand their production. Iowa is first in output of red clover and timothy seed.
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Also Comedy

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— PLUS —

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