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County Sells Road Bonds At 'Very Favorable' Rate

Coke County bonds in the amount \$400,000 have been sold for a surprisingly favorable interest rate, County Judge D.W. Sims said this week. The bonds will bear an interest rate of 5.169 per cent. Underwood, Neuhaus & Co., Inc., of Houston was the low and successful bidder on the

Jr. Golf Tourney Winners Named

The annual junior tour- the county's finances nament sponsored by Mountain Creek Golf Association was played Saturday with 23 entries in the four age groups.

All the young golfers played 18 holes. A trophy for being the most improved player in the 8-9 year old group was awarded to Joel Herring.

First through third places and scores in the various age groups

15-16 years old--1. Brian Burrell, 78; 2. Coy Edge, 79; 3. David Mozell, 83.

12-13-14 years old--1. G. Rodriquez, 89; 2. Jim Herring, 102; 3. Jamie Sawyer, 102. 10-11 years old--S. Alexander, 92; Brad Con- is to finance repairs nell, 127; 3. Wade Tin-

kler, 133. 8-9 years old--1. Steve Herring, 118; 2. Ja- of holes and cracks in son Herring, 125; 3. Robert Runnion, 133.

Fine Rains Fall As Month Ends

The last week of June closed out with fine rains falling all over the area. A 3½ inches measurement on Frank Percifull's place south of town was the heaviest amount reported to the Observer. J.E. Quisenberry reported his gauge in town caught 1.47 inches.

Other measurements reported were: H.L. Bloodworth, Silver, 2.0 inches; Ben Boykin, Valley View, 2.5; Dave King and David Key, west of town, 1.7; Sterling Lindsey, Hayrick, .9; Don Fields, .2.

Some clouds were still around Wednesday, but the sun was shining most of the day.

bond purchase. A total of 10 bids for the bonds was received.

Judge Sims said the effort by the commissioners' court to have the bonds rated before they were sold was the main factor in securing the low interest rate. Moody Investors of New York City gave the Coke County bonds an A-1 rating before they were put up for sale. This top rating attests to the good condition of and its prospects for continued ability to pay off the bonds on schedule.

Bob Davis, Robert Lee native now associated with Baker & Associates of Amarillo, served as financial advisor for the county in promoting the favorable transaction.

Davis said the interest rate was the best his firm had been able to secure on a bond sale in Texas this year. He stated, also, that the 10 bids matched the maximum number they had received on any bond sale this year. The \$400,000 bond issue was passed May 22 by Coke County voters. Purpose of the bonds on existing county roads and city streets. Plans call for repair pavement and seal coating all countymaintained roads and

Commissioners are hopeful there will be a small amount of the bond money left to pave a few more streets in Robert Lee and Bronte. Bids for the road work will be opened Monday by the commissioners'

Mrs. Lorraine Rubottom of Healdton, Okla. and Mrs. Theda Miles and Brett of Boise, Idaho, visited several days last week with their grandmother, Mrs. Pearlie Lacey, and Mr. and Mrs. Ted Haley. Doyle Haley, of Wichita Falls, county and other shows arrived in Robert Lee the first of the week to spend a few days with his parents, the Ted Haleys.

School Board Employs

The board of trustees of Robert Lee School had a busy session Tuesday night when they met to discuss personnel matters. The board voted to offer contracts to three new teachers, accepted the resignation of one teacher and shifted one teacher to another assignment. Roddy McIver, who has taught social studies and coached high school boys basketball, resigned to take a position

JACOBS IS HOME

Richard Jacobs, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Jacobs, is home after being hospitalized for treatment of injuries received in a motorcycle accident. The accident occurred June 10 at the motorcycle track south of Bronte. Jacobs was reported to be much improved this

Father's Day guests of Mr. and Mrs. T.E. Pitcock were Mr. and Mrs. Gaylon Pitcock, Blake and Korey, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Millican and Kannan, Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Gartman, Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Meadows all of Robert Lee and Mr. and Mrs. Darrel Pit-come here should be abcock, Audra, Judd and Jerrod of Crane.

The 1980 Livestock

Show of Coke County

will have a changed

format. Show directors

a two-day show to be

urday, Jan. 4 and 5,

instead of one day

20 or more years.

show which has been

held on a Monday early

in January for the past

Plans are already un-

Five club members cer-

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next winter. John and

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as principal at Megarel. His position was filled when the board voted to reassign Ed Poehls from junior high to high school boys basketball coach. He will also teach social studies. The board voted to employ Bobby Bolding as Mary Grace Ray of Impsocial studies teacher and junior high girls

Business Firms To Close July 4

Most Robert Lee firms will be closed Wednesday, July 4, in observance of Independence Day. Some businesses, however, will remain open in order to serve ors which is expected at Lake Spence.

Robert Lee State Bank will take a holiday, along with all other banks in the country. The U.S. Post Office will be closed. County and federal offices in the courthouse will be closed, as will the city hall in Robert

ports of expected gasoline shortages in Coke County, so Fourth of July celebrants who le to get home after

a large crowd of visit-

There have been no re-

their mid-week holiday. Coke Livestock Show to Be Changed Next Year to Two Day Exhibition

fied one steer; and Lynn Gulley and Rickey Drennan certified two steers each. More than 100 lambs

are already on feed and others will be on feed shortly.

Judges for the 1980 show will be Norman Kohls, County Extension Agent in Glasscock County, who will judge the swine, and Ross Appoleton, County Extension Agent in Concho County, who will judge lambs and calves.

Coke County Extension Agent Sterling Lindsey said a great deal of interest is being exhibited and everyone connected with the show is expecting the 1980 event to be the best

Janie Raughton Coulter was hired as seventh and eighth grade math teacher. She will receive her degree in August from Angelo State University. The board also employed a new band director.

erial will direct the school's band program next year. She is a graduate of Hardin-Simmons University. Supt. Jimmy Bickley the meeting was called especially to deal with personnel matters.

Observer to Close All Next Week

The office of the Robert Lee Observer will be closed during the next week. The newspaper has made it a custom for the past several years not to publish a paper during the week of July 4.

We hope that you have arranged any business you may have with the Observer to be taken care of ahead of time so that our closing will not inconvenience

Pat and I are not plan-

ning on making a trip, but we are planning on having a lot of fun hanging around home. Our daughter, Mrs. Thom Easterling, of Decatur, Ill., is due to arrive Friday afternoon with our two grandchildren. We are expecting to have a full week during our week off playing with our little granddaughter, Heather, and grandson, Casey. While I am on this personal note, may we wish each of our readers and friends a very happy July 4 holiday and, above all, a safe one. Another personal note: The next issue of the Observer, on July 13, will mark the beginning of the 90th year of Coke County's oldest continuous business firm. It all started at Hayrick 90 years ago before the county seat was moved to Robert Lee. Have a happy holiday. Ben Oglesby, Publisher

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Curtailment of Outside Funds May Bring Belt Tightening at Local Level

Coke County taxpayers may come in for some jolting news in the next few years, if they wish to continue receiving services which are now furnished by the county.

Chances of the county's losing some of its outside financial assistance in the next few years are very good, according to the County Judge D.W. Sims.

Judge Sims called attention to a veto of a bill this week by Gov. Bill Clements which provided for state assistance for countymaintained roads. Funds for this state assistance have come from the state tax on gasoline since 1951. The governor's veto will cost Coke County about \$14, 000 a year, Sims said. The judge noted that "this is no big thing but we will have to make it up from somewhere or cut services." He also stated that this cut in money from the state is just a beginning of further cuthtening to come.

He pointed out a story in Tuesday daily newspapers which stated federal budget officials are contemplating a 30 per cent slash in revenue sharing. Coke County received \$83,000 in revenue sharing funds last year.

Another small item pointed out by Judge Sims was the auto tax exemption recently passed by the Texas Legislature. This will cut approximately \$5,000 from Coke County's annual income.

Sims said he is concerned with the recent turn of events and with the yet-to-be-implemented tax valuation restructuring which is coming to Texas. He said, "The tax relief amendment may not give us much tax relief when it finally becomes a reality in 1980-81."

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News from West Coke Hospital

The following admissions and dismissals were reported by the West Coke County Hospital:

June 19: Pearlie Lacy admitted. No dismissals.
June 20: Linda Wojtek admitted. No dismissals.
June 21: W.D. McAdams,
Noah Barrett, Fred Eugene Wojtek (newborn)
admitted. No dismissals.
June 22: Martha Rodrie

June 22: Martha Rodriguez admitted. No dismissals.

June 23: No admissions. Fred Eugene Wojtek, W.D. McAdams, Linda Wojtek dismissed.

June 24: Ida Weir admitted. Emma Cumbie dismissed.

June 25: No admissions. Martha Rodriguez, Noah Barrett dismissed.

BOND SALES REPORT
April sales of Series
E&H United States Savings Bonds in Coke
County were reported
today by County Bond
Chairman Gerald C. Allen to be \$2,003. Sales
for the four month period totaled \$6,238
for 16% of the 1979

L. D. KOEN, D.D.S.

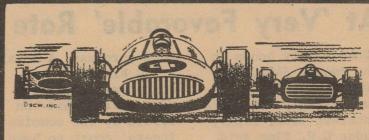
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JAMIE CAROL CRAIG AND JIM HENSHAW

Craig-Henshaw Wedding Plans Told

Mr. and Mrs. James H. Craig of Robert Lee announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Jamie Carol, to Jim Henshaw, son of Mr. and Mrs. Otis Henshaw of Seymour.

The wedding ceremony at the Minter Lane Church of Christ in Ab-

COUPLE ANNOUNCES PLANS FOR WEDDING Mr. and Mrs. Billy J. Skinner of San Angelo are announcing the eng- place Sunday, July 8, agement of their daugh- at the Recreation Centter, Barbara, to Dan Garlington, son of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Garlington of Robert Lee. The wedding is planned oneers of the Silver for Sept. 1 at Sierra Vista United Methodist Church in San Angelo. Miss Skinner is a 1977 visiting. graduate of Central High All relatives and fr-School in San Angelo. Her finance is a 1977 graduate of Rankin High School and is now a student at Angelo State turned home last week University. They are both employed at Central National Bank in



San Angelo.

LIONS CLUB MEETING

1 - 3rd Tuesday of each month - 7 P.M. Lions Club Community Center ilene.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Robert Lee High School and Abilene Christian University. She is a teacher in the Megargel Independent School District. The prospective bridegroom is a graduate of Seymwill take place Sept. 1 our High School and is employed by Walker Livestock Feeding.

> WALKER FAMILY SETS JULY 8 FOR REUNION The annual Walker family reunion will take er in Robert Lee.

Descendants of the late Mr. and Mrs. W.R. Walker, Coke County picommunity, will gather for a noon meal followed by an afternoon of

iends of the family are invited to attend.

Mrs. J.C. Harwell reafter visiting two weeks with her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. David Dixon and girls, at San Antonio.

Mr. and Mrs. H.A. Sewell left last Saturday for their new home near Shreveport, La.

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Connor Reunion Held June 23-24

Descendants of Mr. and Mrs. S.M. Connor. early day settlers of the Silver community, held their family reunion June 23 and 24 in the Recreation Hall in Robert Lee.

Attending were Eva Gray of San Angelo, Mr. and Mrs. H.T. Connor of Glenrock, Wy., Pauline Wilkerson of Carlsbad, N.M., Verna Davis of Plano and Ethel Green of Robert Lee, daughters and son of the S.M. Connors.

Also Vera Jameson and Mr. and Mrs. Arch Mathers of Silver, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mathers of Robert Lee, Gloria Burba of Carlsbad, N.M., Claudette Davis of Garland, Glenn Gray of Baird, Mr. and Mrs. J.D. Green of Cross Plains, Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Green and Cari and Mr. and Mrs. James Fields and Kelly of San Angelo, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Green of Robert Lee, Garland Green and Bob of Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. Randy Wheiles of Odessa, Joyce McBride and Scott Augustine of Burnet. Also Leatrice Nixon of Morgan Mill, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Henson, Jill and Jay and Mrs. Nancy Behrend, Robbie and Jeremy, and Kearney Lewis all of Van Horn, Mrs. Carol Woods, Robin and Timothy Robertson of Midland, Mrs. Mary Sue Alford and Curtis of Odessa, Mrs. Billy Zoet of Houston, Mrs. Wesley Kinsey, Jake Davis and Hugh Padgett of Robert Lee and Bob Davis of San Antonio.

TANYA CARVER AND R. ABALOS TO WED Central United Methodist Church of Brownwood will be the setting for the June 30 wedding of Miss Tanya Carver and Rudy Abalos. Dr. and Mrs. Philip Gold of Brownwood and Grady Carver of Dimmitt are the parents of the bride-elect. Her fiance is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Willie B. Abalos

of Robert Lee. Miss Carver is a graduate of Permian High School of Odessa and is employed by Angelo Community Hospital. Abalos is a graduate of Robert Lee High School and is employed by Angelo Refrigeration and Restaurant Supply in San Ang-

One-half cup of broccoli--stalks cut into one-half-inch pieces-contains about one-third of the day's need for vitamin A and more than enough vitamin C needed daily.



LOOK WHO'S NEW

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Neil Wojtek of San Angelo are parents of a son, Fred Eugene. He was born Thursday, June 21, at 11:45 p.m. in West Coke County Hospital, weighed 6 pounds 3 ounces and is 19 3/4 inches long.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Dale Wojtek and Mr. and Mrs. Josue Longoria of Robert Lee and Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Wolfe of San Angelo. Great-grandparents are Mrs. Eugene Wojtek of Robert Lee, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Henson and Mr. and Mrs. Pete Ybarra of Abilene, and Mrs. Josue Galindo Longoria of Sterling City.

Mrs. Grace Murtishaw of Bronte is the baby's great-great-grandmother.

Tanya Zoellen is the new daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Steve Hatley of Maple Shade, N.J. She was born Thursday, June 21, at 9:15 a.m., weighed 7 pounds, 11½ ounces and is 19½ inches long. She has a sister, Tamara, age 3 ½ years. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hatley of Goltry, Okla., Mrs. J.B. Murphy of Atlanta, Ga. and Mrs. Windall Jernigan of Dunn, N.C. Great-grandparents are Mrs. Zola Hatley of Robert Lee, Mrs. Mae Irons of Tellico Plains, Tenn., and Mr. and Mrs. Z.V. Stephens of Dunn, N.C.

The baby's father is with the U.S. Navy and is stationed at Philadelphia. Penn.

chaca of San Angelo announce the birth of a son, Edward Lance. He was born Wednesday, Ju- Henry and Dee Anna Bogne 13, at 6:44 p.m. in Shannon Hospital at San Angelo, weighed 7 pounds 14½ ounces and is 19½ inches long. His mother is the former Mary Kay Baker. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Baker of Yvonne Brant, Todd, Robert Lee and Mr. and Mrs. Elias Menchaca of San Angelo. Mrs. Opal Baker of Robert Lee is the baby's greatgrandmother.

Mrs. James Herford visited in Winnsboro last week with Ernest and Karla Herford and Charlie. She was accompanied by Ernest's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. B.C. Vardy of Colorado City.

Havins Family Reunion Held

The Havins family, consisting primarily of the descendents of the late Milton H. and Clara (Wyatt) Havins, met at the Robert Lee Recreation Center on June 16-17, for its annual reunion.

They shared in a covered dish supper Saturday and a barbecue lunch on Sunday. There were 98 registrations, as follows:

From Robert Lee: Velma and Freddie Hightower, Willie Havins, Fern and Martha Havins, Edna Havins, Linda Havins, Bernice Roberts and Dee and Lois McCleskey.

From San Angelo: Jack and Shirley Brownfield, Gene and Lucy Roberts, Cleo and Eloise Havins, Wells Havins, Janice and Randy Ward, Katie and Travis Roberts, Cathryn Olsen and Jean, Rick and Marla Giddens and Keith, Kevin, and Kelly, Jimmy and Rowena Meadows, and Louis, Jamie, and Hayden Jan Havins, Joe Paul and Pat Shirley and Shannon, Mark and Sonja Thieman, and Ashley.

Also attending were: Bill and Christine Havins of Wharton; Don and Shirley Beldon, and Nancy, Larry and Trish Baldwin, Cheryl and Casey, Bobbie Havins and Dot Havins, all of California; Ann Jackson, Elaine and Issac of Arizona; Floyd and Ona Winans, Rosella and R. D. Winans and Gary and Yvonne Winans, and Hope and Cari, all of Oklahoma City; Kay Fern Grim, Greg, Missey and Shelbi of Greenville; John and Linda Davis, Johnnie, Milton, Lisa, and Deborah of Kingsland.

Also Billie Rae and Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Men- Dudge Hallmark of Bronte; Jessie Brant, Pearl Buckholts and Patricia Kelly of San Antonio; usch, Charlie and Trent of Temple; Elder and Mrs. V.M. Bleeker of Rising Star; Paul Brownfield of Fort Lauderdale, Fla.; Paul and Jimmie Kelly, Karl and Kim of Keller; Dale and Wade, and Shane of Fort Worth.

Visitors included: Irene Maples of Robert Lee, Beatrice Bogusch of Mason and Alton and Frances Speed of Midland.

Although there is no cure for high blood pressure, it is a controllable disease. If you are on medication for hypertension, be sure to take the medication regularly.

Wednesday Rites For Mrs. Bennett

Graveside services for Berta Mae (Denman) Bennett, 73, of Cleburne, were held Wednesday, June 20, in Robert Lee Cemetery with the Rev. Roy L. Epperson officiating.

Mrs. Bennett died at Cleburne after a long illness.

She was a native of Coke County and lived in the Graham Valley Community for several years. She was a graduate of Robert Lee High School.

Survivors include a son, Dr. Jim Bennett of Euless; two grandsons; one sister, Mrs. Albert (Lois) Baze of Ft. Worth, and one brother, Roy Denman of C1eburne.

HOMEMADE ICE CREAM SAFETY---The time is at hand for some refreshing homemade ice cream. But certain precautions are necessary to avoid food poisoning. Never use cracked or dirty eggs or milk or cream of questionable quality. Fruit to be added shou-1d be clean and firm, not overripe. Always cook the ice cream mix before freezing.

Mr. and Mrs. Don L. Robertson and children of Houston recently visited in Robert Lee with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Doc Robertson. Rene, age 11, and Steven, 3, remained in Robert Lee to spend the summer with their grandparents. Don Robertson is a pilot for Thunder Bird Airways and he and his wife flew on to Anchorage, Aka, to spend two weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C.J. Fox.



one variety of mush room is grown commercially in the U.S. It can range from dark brown to pure white. Differences are negligible, but the darker ones are firmer, better for skewering, less easily bruised and-some believe - more flavorful.

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JUNIORS' - sizes 5 through 13

Dresses - Shorts **Blouses and Pants**

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MEN'S SHIRTS (one rack) 30% OFF Reg. Price

New Program To Aid Elderly

A new program is being operated in the county under the supervision of Margaret Martin, director of the Coke County Neighborhood Center.

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The new program is "Experience Unlimited," a job referral program for the elderly. The purpose is to provide opportunities for senior citizens to supplement their fixed income and perhaps, more importantly, to provide opportunities for them to remain active and feel needed in their communities.

The program works in the following way: A consumer calls the program to locate some one to perform a job for him. The program refers (does not recommend) three names of persons from a file of senior citizens, who have expressed a desire to perform the type of work requested, to the consumer. The consumer then calls the senior citizens and selects one of these for the job.

The consumer and the senior citizen determine the amount to be paid for the job.

There are no income eligibility requirements, the program is designed to serve perssons age 55 and older and is a referral program only, Recommendations are not made from the office and there is no charge for the service.

All senior citizens, age 55 and older, wishing to work are to call the Neighborhood Center in Robert Lee, 453-2314, to put your name on the list or Margaret Martin in Bronte, 473-6714.

Those who need workers should call the above numbers and make a request.

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MRS. ED HICKMAN

Mrs. Ed Hickman To Be Honored

Mrs. Ed Hickman, of Robert Lee, will be honored with an early celebration of her ninetieth birthday on Saturday, July 7, at the Recreation Hall in Robert Lee.

The occasion will be hosted by the honoree's children and grandchildren from 2 until 5 p.m. All relatives and friends are invited to attend.

Mrs. Hickman, the former Malindy Herron, will be 90 years old on Aug. 9, but since the annual family reunion is scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, July 7 and 8, it was decided to have an early birthday celebration along with the regular family gathering.

Helping their mother receive guests at the open house will be Mrs. Hickman's seven children: Mrs. Ruth Sandusky and Mrs. Robert (Bill) Forman of Bronte, Mrs. Oscar (Georgia) Higginbotham and Mrs. Hadley (Lee) Richards of Robert Lee, Ed Hickman of Killeen, Johnny Hickman of Big Lake and Fred (Pete) Hickman of Ft. Stockton.

Mrs. Hickman also has 14 grandchildren, 24 great-grandchildren and 10 great-greatgrand, hildren.

BALE EXCESS FORAGE---Forages are becoming abundant throughout Texas due to good moisture conditions. A forage specialist advises baling excess forage rather than leaving it for livestock to graze in late summer when grazing usually gets short. Grass should be cut for hay early in the season since its protein, palatability and digestibility drop sharply with age.

Only wild roses come from seed. Name varieties are hybrids and every seedling will be different.

Seal Is Important In Home Canning

By Kathy Jobe

Sealing failures in home canning can result from some common mistakes.

Avoid making mistakes in home canning by following these suggest-

1) Read and follow package instructions for using caps and lids. Don't take it for granted that all home canning caps are alike and are used exactly the same way.

2) Leave correct amount of head space when filling jars.

3) Take time to "knife out" air bubbles before sealing the jar.

4) Remove particles of food, seeds or seasonings from jar top or threads with damp cloth before putting on lid. Particles left on jar rim can cause lid to seal, then, loosen.

5) Screwing band too tight can cause lid to buckle. A band must be tight enough to hold the rubber sealing compound closely against the jar top.

However, if the band is forced as far as it can be turned with a strong hand, the jar cannot vent. When the jar cannot vent, pressure within the jar causes the lid to buckle.

Therefore, tighten bands only comfortably tight to prevent buckled lids.

6) Screw bands tight enough.

7) Heat sufficiently to seal the lid. Follow recommended processing time and method.

8) Exhaust (vent) steam-pressure canner for a full 10 minutes, or until a stream of "blue steam" is visible, before closing petcock. If steam is not exhausted, there is an uneven amount of steam pressure in the canner. As a result, some lids may seal while others in the same canner load may not.

9) Don't let pressure in canner fluctuate. This can cause food particles to be forced between jar and lid which will cause sealing failure.

The same thing may happen if steam is released too quickly after processing. Let pressure in canner reach zero degrees naturally before removing cover. Do not run cold water over canner to reduce pressure.

10) Don't reuse jars in which commercial foods are sold. These jars are designed for



FISHING REPORT from Lake Spence

PAINT CHEEK MARINA Bob and Joyce Dawson and party, Lubbock, 12 Striper to 104.

Joe and Betty Barrett, record. Robert Lee, 3 Striper to 94 lbs.; 4 Blue cat to 6 lbs.

Larry Bailey, Denver City, 5 Striper to 8

Lubbock, 5 Striper to 9½ 1bs.

Tom Aribla, Dallas, 6 Striper to 10 lbs.

Roger and Pat Moore, Midland, 3 Striper to 8 1bs.

1 Striper 11 1bs.

C.P. Wortham, Hugh Mc-Cray, San Angelo, 6 Striper - total weight 59½ 1bs.

Lonnie Muse, Tom Perry, Sweetwater, 2 Striper Odessa, 6 Striper total weight 59 lbs.

Bob Weber, Llano, 2 Striper to 11 lbs. Gene Berry, Big Springs, 10 channel cat;

use on high speed packing machines and with caps developed especially for that product, but not for home canning.

11) Don't use warped, rusty, worn bands, or old commercial caps.

12) Don't reuse lids. The lid of a two-piece metal cap should not be used more than once. This applies to all brands.

The compound is not guaranteed to seal a second time and the lid itself is often bent or warped when removed the first time.

13) Don't use old jar lids. If jar lids are old, the sealing compound may harden and not soften sufficiently

to obtain a good seal. 10 1/4 lbs. As long as the sealing compound is resillient when mashed with the fingernail the lid will Summer lawn problems probably seal. It is preferable to use jar lids the same year as purchased.

often stick together and must be heated in boiling water to separate them.

If jars do not seal, you may reheat and process over again.

However, the product will be over-cooked and lose food value, flavor and texture. You may keep a few jars in the refrigerator and use them within a short time instead

of reprocessing.

1 yellow cat 194 lbs. Bill Merideith, Denver City, 1 yellow cat at 44 lbs 10 oz. Lake

WILDCAT FISH-A-RAMA L.W. Palmer, Odessa, 1 Striper at 5½ 1bs. Stippy North, Odessa, Striper at 9½ 1bs. Lance Brown, Beadie Gary and T.J. Etchison, Brown and Beodie Mason, Hamlin, 17 Striper to 7 1bs.

Mr. and Mrs. Evern and Naaman Slon, Odessa, Wall, El Paso, 3 Striper to 11½ 1bs.

Larry and Barbara Casey, Westbrook, 6 Bluecat to 6 lbs. 14 Jay Purser, Big Spring, Channel cat to 3 lbs.; 6 Striper to 12 lbs. C.E. Collins, Sweetwater, 1 Striper to 9

> Tom and Gary Wedeman, to 8 lbs.

Gary Gillihan, Big Springs, 1 Striper at 12½ 1bs. Vaughn, Johnson, Ode-

ssa, 1 Striper at 11 1bs 14 oz. Tommy Keil, Odessa,

1 Striper at 11 lbs 10 oz. Lloyd Funk, Lloyd C.

Funk Jim Funk, Ron Gilmer, Levelland, 4 Striper to 3½ lbs. Ron Gilmer, Levelland, Ron Gilmer, 2 Striper

to 8½ 1bs. Milton Williams, Dwight Clark, San Angelo, 5 Striper to 7 lbs. J.N. Walker, Sweetwater, 1 Striper at 7 3/4

SKINNYS GROCERY Richard and Jimmy Arthur, Colorado City, 2 Striper to 12 lbs. Bill Merideth and party, Denver City, 75 channel to 3 lbs.

EDITH COUNTRY STORE Howard Swanginger, Maryneal, 3 Striper to

SUMMER LAWN PROBLEMS-include drouth, weeds, insects and diseases. notes a turfgrass specialist. Dry spots, thin When kept longer, they turf and weeds can result from improper watering, fertilizing and mowing. Certain grass diseases increase when lawns are under stress due to hot weather and dry conditions. Also, chinch bugs and white grubs can cause heavy damage to lawns during mid-summer, so an insecticide should be applied.

REPORT YOUR NEWS

Robert Lee Observer

'Ole Coke County' Rehearsals Start

Rehearsals are under way for the production of the annual musical history OLE COKE COUNTY-Home of The Rabbit Twi-

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DENNIS WEAVER COKE-STERLING FARM BUREAU

Dates of production are the last two weekends in July - July 20-21, 27-28, in Mountain Creek Amphitheatre, Robert Lee, the facility owned and operated by Coke County Pageant Association, Inc.

Author-director Lucile Bryan reports good cooperation from all parts of the county, and several of the 150-member cast travel many miles to practice. John C. Odom of Killeen will again play his grandfather, Col. Odom of Fort Chadbourne.

Several new scenes and

songs are to be used, and many family names not called before are added, as well as additional history, especially concerning the east side of the county. A group from Bronte is preparing a scene to take place in The Blue Goose, a saloon in town at the turn of the century, before Larkin Haley drew up the petition to bring liquor to a vote. Temperance women "got their dander up" and determined to make Coke County "PLUM BONE DRY." Leroy Moore of Ballinger will be the piano player in the bar room scene.

Your purchase of a membership in the Association will help to finance the equipment needed for the best possible show! City hall is the place to choose from several levels. "Please show your concern by helping out with this type of deductible contribution." Mrs. Bryan said.

Membership makes you eligible to vote in association general meetings, and to purchase reservations in the best viewing area at time of production. See or Call Diane Luckett, County Judge's office, Box 28, Robert Lee; or Box 21, Bronte; or call 453-2641, 473-3501.

Save energy by using cold water instead of hot water to operate the sink food disposer.

TWO 4-H'ERS WIN AT DIST. HORSE SHOW

Two Coke County 4-H Club members were among the 112 participants in the District 7 Horse Show held at Sweetwater Saturday, and both placed among the top contestants.

Jana Ragsdale, member of the Bronte Senior 4-H Club, placed second in the grade mare class, Under present policies, while Lynn Gulley of Robert Lee place eighth in the registered mare

Both Miss Ragsdale and Gulley were winners in the Coke County 4-H Horse Show held the previous Saturday in the roping arena at Bronte.

It'll Be Crazy At Dead Cow

Some zany activity is going on at Dead Cow Raceway, located east of Bronte on the Ballinger highway. An old Volkswagon which has been rolling regularly for a long time has been refusing to turn over since drivers have been trying to make it take a roll in front of the stands.

The old Beetle is No. 0-6 and has been named Heinz Catsup since "it runs so slow.'

Pete Plant of Lake View is owner of the old 0-6 and he has been offered a small premium for his work if he can make the Bug take a double roll in front of the stands. Nolan Northington, Alfred Woods and other drivers also are in on the effort to make the old car do their bidding.

The VW has taken a total of 13 rolls at various places along the track, with two of them occurring this season. But in spite of its inclinations to roll around in the dirt, it refuses to perform right in front of the audience.

Jimmy Bell, operator of the track, said everybody is hoping old 0-6 will be on good behavior and give a good performance Saturday night.

Races start Saturday at 8 p.m.

KEEP STOCKING RATES DOWN---Ranchers should resist the temptation to increase stocking rates even though pastures now have abundant vegetative growth. Since warm season perennials are still recovering from drouth conditions of the past few years, ranchers should shape up herds now by reducing overall numbers or by keeping numbers constant.

GOODFELLOW CLINIC TO REDUCE HOURS

Effective June 30, the Goodfellow clinic will cease its extended hours of operations and will remain open only during normal duty hours, 7:30 until 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

a physician is available at the clinic from 4:30 through 8 p.m. on weekdays and from 1 to 4 p.m. on Saturdays. This service will be terminated June 30. Active-duty military living off base and dependents, retirees and their dependents should go directly to whatever local civilian facility they desire after the regular duty hours.

Persons desiring add-

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GARAGE SALE Saturday, June 30, 9 A.M.-5 P.M. 410 West 17th Street. Children's clothes, shoes, toys, misceltaneous items.

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MOVING SALE: All day Friday and Saturday. Refrigerator, stove, sewing machine, mattress, air conditioner, TV, vacuum cleaner, furniture and miscellaneous. 1603 Bishop, Donna Bryan.

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> ADAMS LAND & REALTY CO. Phone 453-2723 or 453-2757 or 655-9429

FOR SALE: 1959 Chevrolet Pickup, 6 cyl.; 1977 Skeeter Wrangler bass boat; 3.5 acres Townview Estate w/water. Home for 3 kittens free. Bill and Donna Hayden, 453-2338. 50-4tc

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AUCTION every Thursday, 7 p.m. FLEA MARKET every Saturday and Sunday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Spaces available, dealers welcome. Phone 694-5985, Midland, Texas. South Midkiff at 1-20. Call for more information 52-2tc mation.

GARAGE SALE: Some furniture, evaporative air conditioner, clothing, miscellaneous. Saturday, June 30. James Craig, 453-2443, 1718 N. Austin, far end of swimming pool street.

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We would like to thank everyone for your prayers and support in our time of need. We cannot find words to exprses our deepest and sincere gratitude to each and every one of you. God bless you. The Tommy Bryant Family

ATTENTION ROBERT LEE SCHOOL TAX PAYERS

Recently the Governor signed another tax relief law which will benefit all those who are 65 years old and over. If you were 65 years of age on or before Jan. 1, 1979, you should come by the school tax office and sign an application for this tax benefit. Cut off date is July 31, 1979. This benefit is in addition to the application signed earlier for homestead benefits. 52-4tc

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Equalization of the City of Robert Lee will meet July 10, 7:30 p.m. in City Hall. All persons having business with the Board are invited to appear.

> Edna Havins Secretary





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