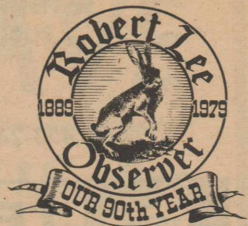


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## Rules to Be Changed for 1980 Stock Show Auction

Coke County Commissioners' Court met in regular session Monday and discussed the forthcoming Coke County Livestock Show with County Extension Agent Sterling Lindsey.

Considerable time was spent working out details of some changes in rules governing the auction sale which is held in conjunction with the show. The changes are set forth in the show catalogs which have just been delivered.

The commissioners also worked out final details for constructing a rifle range on property of Joe McCutchen for the use of 4-H Club and other youth groups of the county. County Auditor Weldon Fikes presented information concerning the county's retirement program. Fikes present-

ed two options for the commissioners to consider--one would be more beneficial to older retirees who have spent more years working for the county, and the other would have more benefits for employees with less tenure.

The commissioners decided to adopt the plan which would have more benefits for long time employees.

A discussion was held on making a few improvements at the County Recreation Center and Show Barn. Judge D.W. Sims said the building was being damaged by cars bumping into it and the court members feel some protective rails should be erected to prevent vehicles from running into the building.

Payment of bills completed the commissioners' work for the day.

Judge Sims said two items were on the agenda as of Wednesday morning for next Monday's commissioners' meeting. They will consider the appointment of the county health officer and decide on holidays to be observed in 1980. Other items will probably be added to the agenda before the Monday meeting, Judge Sims said.

## SENIOR CITIZENS TO MEET DEC. 13

Senior citizens of west Coke County will have their monthly meeting Thursday, Dec. 13, at the Recreation Center. This month's meeting will be the annual Christmas program for the group.

The date was moved up from the third Thursday of December because of conflicts with other activities.

All senior citizens of the area are invited to bring a dish of food and join in the noon meal and fun.

## LAST 1979 STORY HOUR

Tuesday, Dec. 11, will be the last day for the story hour this year at the Coke County Library. The story hour program for youngsters will resume on Jan. 8.

## RL Dogie Teams Split with S-City

Robert Lee Junior Dogie basketball teams hosted Sterling City Monday night. The girls team lost but both A and B boys teams won their games.

In the girls game the visitors downed Robert Lee 34-23. Scoring for the local team were Tracie Tomlinson 14; Car-rath Metcalf 4; Sheri Ebenstein 3; Melanie Epperson 2.

The Dogie B team really put it on the Eagles, downing them 32-5. Darryl Mulkey and Caesar DeLaPena were top scorers with 8 each; Douglas Roberts had 7; David Rodriguez 5; Phil Stephens 2; Doug Bell 2.

The Dogie A team game was much closer but the Robert Lee lads came out on top, 33-29. Kirby Rasco had a big 16; Jimmy Skinner hit 7; Jim Herring 5; Gilbert Abalos 3; Eddie Hood 2.

The Dogie teams were scheduled to go to Grape Creek last night (Thursday) and Water Valley was due to play in Robert Lee Monday, Dec. 10.

## Hackberry Johnson, Cowboy Legend, Dies While Attending Austin Concert

Hugh A. "Hackberry" Johnson, 91, a legend in his own time, is dead. The one-legged rodeo performer and showman died of an apparent heart attack Monday night in Austin.

Johnson was a guest at a Willie Nelson concert at Austin Opera House and was called up on the stage by Nelson to do a dance. After he returned to his front row seat he fell to the floor and efforts to revive him were unsuccessful.

Hackberry was known by just about everybody in Coke County for this was home to him, even though he had traveled and lived all over the United States during his long career. He had one wish come true last fall when he played a part in an \$8 million Willie Nelson movie which was filmed at Austin.

But one wish he wanted to come true did not. He wanted to return to Bronte to die. L.O. Clark, former administ-

## Annual Tourney Starts Dec. 13

Robert Lee High School's annual varsity basketball tournament will get underway Thursday, Dec. 13, and continue through Friday and Saturday. Lots of good basketball is expected from the 16 teams which are entered.

Irion County and Water Valley will get the action going Thursday

at 10 a.m. First round games will continue throughout the day. Robert Lee will meet Sterling City in their first round. The girls will play at 7 p.m. and the boys at 8:30 p.m., to wind up first round games.

Second round games will be played Friday and finals in championship and consolation brackets are scheduled for Saturday.

Boys and girls teams will be here from Irion County, Water Valley, Talpa, Bronte, Christoval, Eula, Sterling City and Robert Lee.

Everyone is invited to attend as many of the games as possible.

## RL FFA Chapter Takes Honors

The Concho District FFA Banquet was held Monday night, Dec. 3, in Sterling City. Attending from the Robert Lee Chapter were the following: Clay Bloodworth, Scot Long, Wade Wallace, Joel Percifull, Steven Ray, Kerry Gartman, Scott Stephens, Stanley Ray, and Quint Anthony.

Also attending as guests of the chapter were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Percifull, and Chapter Sweetheart Kellye Percifull. Kellye represented the Chapter in the Concho District FFA Sweetheart contest.

Steven Ray, Concho District secretary, assisted with the banquet, and introduced the banquet speaker, Don Parrish, state vice president from Area II. The chapter received six leadership banners for their participation in the District FFA Leadership Contest, a plaque for area recognition in the FFA's Building Our American Communities award, and a framed certificate in recognition of being a Superior Chapter in Texas in 1978.

The members were accompanied to the banquet by their advisor, Sid Long.



HACKBERRY JOHNSON

## STELLA BICKLEY CHANGES POSITION

Stella Bickley, playing her first season with the Dusters basketball team at Western Texas College, is making a move.

"We're in the process of moving Stella from guard to forward, and the transition has been a good one for her," Coach Joe Cushing says. "She's only 5-7, but she's a threat because she can penetrate so well and is an excellent ball handler. Her shooting has improved from 25 per cent to 40 per cent during this time.

"She's a very aggressive defensive player, and also an excellent leader," Cushing concludes.

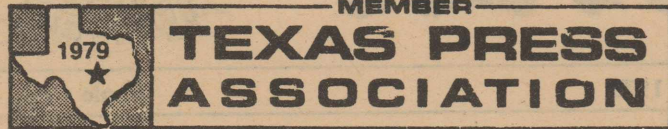
The Dusters had a 9-2 record for the season going into conference play against Howard College on Dec. 3. They will host Odessa College in another conference match on Dec. 6 at 6 p.m. in the Scurry County coliseum. The public is always welcome to attend the WTC basketball games, and tickets are available at the door. The WTC Westerners will play at 8 p.m. on Dec. 6 immediately following the Duster game.

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### Christmas Gifts, Stocking Stuffers

By Kathy L. Jobe

Accessories, fabrics, notions and sewing tools make great Christmas gifts or stocking stuffers.

**ACCESSORIES**

Belts are a fashion must this fall and range from wide to skinny. Choose from fabric belts in sashes, cummerbunds, obis or cinches.

Or, select thin belts in leather or leather-like strips, braided ropes, or shiny silver or gold metals.

With emphasis on the leg, choose opaque or textured hosiery in fashion colors or skin tones if unsure of colors.

If the person on your list is a bit daring, select knitted leggings to team with boots or pumps for a warm winter.

Jewelry is always a popular gift. Choose jeweled pins, clips or brooches, bead necklaces or pearl chokers

and ropes.

Or, select big geometric earrings and bold colored bangle bracelets.

Gold or silver chains, pins or earrings are classic and always appreciated.

Hair ornaments are fun and include feathers, combs, jeweled or plain picks, clips and bows.

Hats may be just the choice for your favorite female. Popular styles include the pillbox, brim, fedora or cloche.

**FABRICS, NOTIONS, TOOLS**  
For the homesewers on your list, give yardage of fabric teamed with notions and a pattern.

Other appreciated items include a cutting board, scissors, shears, pinking shears, thread clippers, a needle board, a sewing organizer caddy, fashion or French rulers, a wall thread holder, a steam iron and/or iron cover to prevent shine when pressing, and pressing

### Reagan Backers Start Campaign

The Reagan for President campaign is getting organized in Coke County and Keith Don Lloyd has been named county chairman by the state committee in Austin.

Ronald Reagan supporters will be circulating petitions each precinct to get Reagan's name on the Texas Republican Primary ballot.

Working in Robert Lee will be Yvonne Lloyd, Leta Caston and Hazel

hems, rollers or boards. **STOCKING STUFFERS**

For stocking stuffers, choose an assortment of thread, needles, elastic, zippers, buttons, buckles and hem, bias or twill tape.

Other handy items include folding purse scissors, a tape measure with metric measurements, a knit picker to remove picks or pulls in knits, a needle threader, marking pencils and personalized embroidery name patches to sew into home-sewn garments.

Also, a small sewing kit is handy for travelers.

Abbott. Those seeking signers in Bronte will be Glenda Phillips and Jack Cervenka.

Those who sign the petitions must have a voter's registration card, Lloyd said.

The petitions are to get Reagan's name on the ballot, Lloyd said, and signing one of them does not obligate signers to vote for Reagan.

Anyone who wishes more information may contact any of the persons named above.

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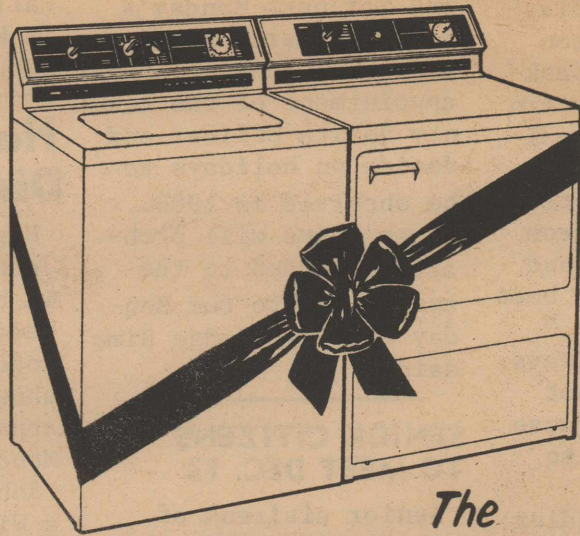
About the first of December, you will receive your new Voter Registration Certificate in the Mail. These are effective from March 1, 1980, through February 28, 1982.

### BE SURE TO KEEP THEM As You Must Show Them Each Time You Vote.

If you find any mistakes on this new Voter Registration Certificate, please bring them by the office and have them corrected.

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### Methodists List Opportunities For Advent

The following opportunities for Advent observance are being offered this year by First United Methodist Church of Robert Lee, according to the pastor, John Reynolds:

1. Every Tuesday and Thursday morning between now and Christmas, the church sanctuary will be open and warm from 7:00-7:30 a.m. for those wishing to pray and meditate quietly. Coffee will be available downstairs for fellowship afterwards.

2. Every Sunday morning through Christmas, the Agape Church School Class will be studying scriptural texts dealing with Advent themes. The class meets at 10 a.m. in the church basement.

3. Sunday, Dec. 9, the United Methodist Youth will attend the Baptist evening service, then will be joined by the Baptist youth for caroling around town, then refreshments with the R.A. Sadlers.

4. On Dec. 16, beginning at 7 p.m., the Children's Program will be presented in the church sanctuary, followed by special music by the choir and congregational singing of favorite carols. Then, St. Nick himself may put in an appearance downstairs at the Christmas Party.

5. There will be a Living Nativity Scene at the church on the nights of Wednesday, Dec. 19, and Friday, Dec. 21, between 8 and 9:30 p.m. Youth of the church will dress the parts of the Holy Family and the shepherds. Drive by and see this re-enactment.

6. Christmas Eve Holy Communion will be administered between 5:30 and 7:30 p.m. in the church sanctuary. Individuals and families are invited to come and go during this time as they will.

7. New Year's Eve will be celebrated by the whole church, beginning at 6:30 p.m. with a pot luck supper. A game night will follow, with board games until 11:30, when everyone will go to the sanctuary for a Watch-Night Service of Dedication to see in the New Year in prayer.

### '64 STUDY CLUB HAS PROGRAM ON ART

The '64 Study Club met Nov. 27 in the Methodist Fellowship Hall. Hostesses were Fay Roe, Lois Dunklin, Ruth Bradley, Thelma Jo Hinnard and Jesse Yarbrough.

Theme for the evening was "Beauty Is Where You Find It." Rev. John English, retired minister, and art instructor, gave an exhibition and talk on painting what you see.

One of the club's priorities is the promotion of art and literature in the school system. The club sponsored a contest in the elementary grades. There was a display of the work of the winners in the contest.

Grand prize winner was fifth grader, Debbie Flowers with an oil painting.

Other winners by grades were:

Kindergarten--1. Eujana Putnam; 2. Esther Rodriguez; 3. Eli Arellano;

First Grade--1. Stephen Epperson; 2. Ignacio Loza; 3. Stevie Oleksiuk;

Second Grade--1. Theopa Rodriguez; 2. Dawn Kleiber; 3. Warren Brasher;

Third Grade--1. Joe Pate; 2. Ericka Clendennen; 3. Cody Anthony;

Fourth Grade: Stories and Poems--1. Jason Herring; 2. Lori Balas; 3. Wes Hood; Posters--1. Julian Torres; 2. Lori Balas; 3. Randy Gartman;

Fifth Grade--1. Jeff Meyers; 2. Lin Long; 3. Sally Torres; Poetry--1. Lin Long; 2. Lee Ann Molinar; 3. Becky Clendennen;

Sixth Grade--1. Patty Bloodworth; 2. Jana Gartman; 3. Sue Ann Millican.

The next meeting will be Dec. 11 in the home of Opal Jacoby.



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## Girls Win Championship, Boys Take Consolation at Talpa Tournament

Robert Lee High School basketball teams did well last weekend when they took part in the varsity team tournament at Talpa. The girls took first place honors and the boys brought home the consolation trophy.

### GIRLS GAMES

The girls had no trouble in any of their three games, winning all of them by big margins. They took their

first game Thursday with Novice 70-46. Lisa Devoll was top point-maker with 26; Leigh Ann Runion was close behind with 22; Dianna Tinkler had 14; Elsa DeLaPen a 4; Delight English 4.

The girls went up against Wall in their second game Friday and came out ahead 79-49. Devoll had 22; Tinkler 18; Runion 14; Carolyn Simpson 9; Debbie Askins 8; DeLaPen a 4; Kelye Percifull 4.

In the finals Saturday night the girls took an easy 60-24 victory over Christoval. Devoll was high with 18; Tinkler had 14; Percifull 8; English 6; Runion 4; Mariann Abalos 4; Simpson 2; DeLaPen a 2.

### BOYS GAMES

The Steers lost their first game Thursday to

Novice, 55-46, and went into the consolation side of the bracket. Kerry Gartman was high point man with 19; Robert Tijerina had 10; Ricky Ross 8; Darren Williams 7; Scot Long 2.

The Robert Lee team took on Wall B Friday and won handily with a 58-41 score. Gartman was high with 11; Long had 9; Ross 8; Williams 8; Tijerina 8; Joel Percifull 7; Buck Duncan 3; Jose Saucedo 2; Vic Connors 2;

The Steers had a hot contest Saturday in the consolation finals but came out on the long end of a 54-50 score. Tijerina and Williams both had 15 to lead the scoring; Gartman had 10; Long 8; Ricky Ross 6.

Lisa Devoll, Dianna Tinkler and Robert Tijerina were selected for all-tournament team honors.

### EOLA BLISTERED

Robert Lee teams went to Eola Tuesday night and made a clean sweep in three games.

The girls A team took a lopsided 73-47 win from their hosts. Devoll hit 16 to lead the scoring; Runion was close on her heels with 15; Tinkler had 13; Simpson 8; English 8; Askins 1; Brenda Gray 1.

The boys A team downed the Eola lads 57-49. High pointer was Williams with 15; Gartman had 13; Ross 12; Percifull 8; Tijerina 6; Long 3.

The boys B team won their game 50-31. Kyle

Gibbs had 12; Steven Ray 7; Scott Stephens 6; Jamie Sawyer 6; Bob Flowers 5; Quint Anthony 4; Lupe Torres 4; Rudy Balderas 4; Bobby Phillips 2.

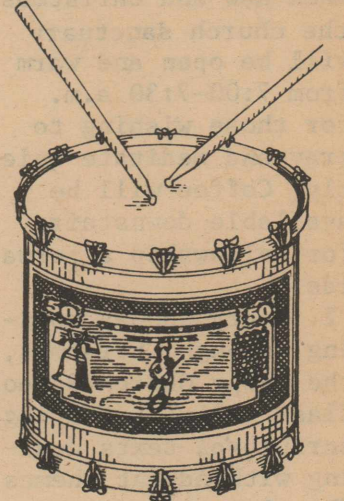
The teams will be in the Bronte tournament this weekend and Garden City will be here Tuesday, Dec. 11.

Visiting with the Turney Caseys during the Thanksgiving holidays were Mr. and Mrs. James V. Kane of Eatontown, N.J.; Mr. and Mrs. A.J. Hinton, Mrs. Pearl Dittmore, Rheba Taylor and Becky, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Schooley and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Casey of Robert Lee; Mr. and Mrs. Jim Allen, Burleson; Mr. and Mrs. G.L. Coulter, Tim and Layne, and Mr. and Mrs. Rocky Hefferman, Pat and Stacey of Bronte; and Mike Casey of Abilene. Sunday, the Bascom Chesneys of San Angelo visited the Caseys.



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The referendum will be by mail ballot which will be provided to all eligible voters of record at least two (2) weeks prior to the referendum date. Ballots must be mailed to the polling place (Texas Mohair Producers Board office, Post Office Box 5337, San Angelo, Texas 76902) before midnight on the date of the referendum.

Any person qualified to vote who does not receive a ballot prior to January 22, 1980, may obtain one at his/her local County Agent's office, through his/her local warehouse, or from the Texas Mohair Producers Board office at the above address.

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The TDH is soliciting applicants from any health agency (s) in Coke County for the purpose of providing the Special Supplemental Food Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC). The WIC Program is a federally funded supplemental food program administered by the U.S. Department of Agriculture through the Texas Department of Health. The purpose of the program is to provide nutritious supplemental foods to women (pregnant and lactating), infants, and children through 5 years of age who have been identified through regular clinic visits to be in nutritional need.

Standards of participation in the program are the same for everyone, regardless of race, color, or national origin.

First priority for selection of a local agency shall be given to a public non-profit health agency which can provide both on-going health services to women, infants, and children and administrative services. If no such agency exists or applies, other agencies shall be considered pursuant to Title 7, Section 246.4 (3) of the Federal Regulations governing the program.

Any interested agency should contact within 30 days of the appearance of this notice:

C.R. Allen, Jr. M.D., Director, Chronic Disease Division, Texas Department of Health, WIC Program, 1100 West 49th Street, Austin, Texas 78756, Phone: (512) 458-7534.



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**PLACE AT STATE**--Placing ninth in the Junior Farm Skill Contest Saturday were, from left, Scott Stephens, Quint Anthony and Stanley Ray. The team won area and advanced to the State Leadership Contest held at Sam Houston State University in Huntsville. Robert Lee FFA team's skill was "Farm Use and Installation of Plastic Pipe."

**News from West  
Coke Hospital**

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

Nov. 27: Michelle Galvan, Erika Galvan (newborn), Frank Seltz, Iris Conner admitted. Jeff Wilson, Jessie Mackey dismissed.

Nov. 28: Lula Walker, Carl Martin, Alice Lara admitted. Lena Russell dismissed.

Nov. 29: No admissions. Michelle Galvan, Erika Galvan, Frank Seltz, Iris Conner dismissed.

Nov. 30: Dee T. McClesky admitted. No dismissals.

Dec. 1: No admissions. Georgia Ratcliff (expired), Alice Lara dismissed.

Dec. 2: No admissions. No dismissals.

Dec. 3: Eugenio Reyes, Zona Snead admitted. Lula Walker, Dee T. McClesky dismissed.

**Lunchroom  
Menu**

Monday, Dec. 10: Barbecue wieners, cream potatoes, baked beans, hot rolls and butter, milk, peanut butter cookies.

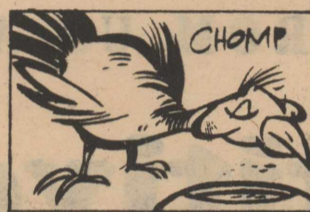
Tuesday, Dec. 11: Chili frito pie, whole kernel corn, lettuce wedge, crackers, milk, banana.

Wednesday, Dec. 12: Pinto beans, turnip greens, pickled beets, corn bread and butter, milk, fruit cobbler.

Thursday, Dec. 13: Corn dogs with mustard, french fries with catsup, corn, milk, apple sauce.

Friday, Dec. 14: Turkey and dressing, giblet gravy, cranberry sauce, sweet potatoes, green beans, hot rolls with butter, rainbow jello.

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About half the meadowlark's diet is insects harmful to man, and the other half, weed seed.

**Benton Services  
Held at Midland**

Sterling (Pete) Benton, 63, of Midland, died Sunday, Nov. 11, in a Big Spring hospital following a lengthy illness.

Services were at 2 p.m. Nov. 13 in the Assembly In Christ Fellowship Church with the Rev. Glenn McNelin officiating. Burial was in Resthaven Memorial Park.

He was born Oct. 28, 1916, in Comanche County. He spent his early life in Big Spring and was employed as a house-mover there in later years prior to moving to Midland in 1959.

After moving to Midland, he was a building engineer until his retirement in 1975.

He was married to Billie Yell July 9, 1947, in Robert Lee. He was a member of Assembly In Christ Fellowship Church.

Survivors include his wife; three sons, David Benton and Daniel Benton, both of Midland, and Larry Chatman of Houston; three daughters, Rita Coonce of Midland, Betty Kartous

of Pasadena and Shirley Dowdy of Arcadia; two brothers, Charlie Benton of Rochester, Wash., and Lewis Benton of Marysville, Calif.; two sisters, Eva Pierce of Oklahoma City, Okla., and Margaret Terry of Chickasha, Okla.; and 14 grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Don Huenstler, Danny Pinkerton, Buddy Bradley, Monroe Copeland, Frank Edwards, and Jack Coonce.

Mr. Benton was the youngest brother of the late Oda Benton and the late Mrs. Jim McCutchen, who were Robert Lee residents for many years.

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## Methods for Storing Pecans Given

By Sterling Lindsey

Many people have a bumper crop of pecans this year. Some are selling the extra production, others are keeping them to enjoy through the year.

If you have wondered where you should store pecans, there are several suitable places around the home. They may be stored as shelled kernels or in the shells in a number of locations. The kitchen cabinet, store room, refrigerator, or freezer, But, the various locations have a different storage life.

For best quality without becoming discolored, rancid or stale, use the following guideline:

| Shelled Kernels                | In-the-shell |
|--------------------------------|--------------|
| Cabinet (70F.) - 3 months      | 4 months     |
| Refrigerator (50F.) - 6 months | 9-18 months  |
| Freezer (0 F.) - 2 years       | 2 years plus |

Storage areas should be clean, dry and free of odors, have some air circulation, and be out of contact with ammonia gas. Unshelled nuts will store for about twice as long as shelled nuts.

Although shelled pecans weigh less and take less space than unshelled nuts, they absorb moisture and flavors readily, become "dirty" and stale easier, and, consequently, require good packaging and more careful handling. Pecan kernels will lose quality in storage; therefore, the lower the storage temperature, the longer their quality is retained.

Pecans should be air-dried after harvesting and before storing. This will help prevent mold on the shell surface as well as inside the shell while in storage.

### HACKBERRY JOHNSON—

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appearances in charity rodeos won him the praise of folks from all over and his rodeo skills won him a place in the Cowboy Hall of Fame. He was an active rough and tumble rodeo performer, in spite of his handicap until 1936, when he went into the production of unusual rodeo performances. In 1956, he purchased some buffaloes from the U.S. Wildlife Commission and worked up an act which was billed as "the first public exhibition of buffalo roping in the world."

During the time Johnson spent in Bronte a few years ago, he kept his buffaloes on the J.L. Brunson ranch south of town.

He was known to all rodeo performers and also numbered among his friends many singing stars, especially those who come from Texas and the Southwest.

He wrote in the margin of one of the clippings sent to Clark: "Best Wishes to all, same old Hackberry. Get the Bronte paper to write a story about me."

He is getting his story this week.

## New Edition of Texas Almanac Comes Off Press

The 1980-81 Texas Almanac and State Industrial Guide, now off the presses, marks a major milestone in book publishing. It is the 50th edition of this unique book since the first edition was published in Galveston in 1857.

A special article in the new edition, written by Lee Milazzo, director of archives at Southern Methodist University and book reviewer for The Dallas Morning News, traces the history of the Texas Almanac since Willard Richardson, who was the Galveston News publisher at the time, launched the enterprise.

There have been several time gaps in the book's publication, the longest being from 1873 until 1904, when publication was resumed in Dallas by A.H. Belo & Co. The Belo Corporation, publisher of The Dallas News, has been the book's publisher since that time. Throughout most of this century, it has been published every other year, except for a gap of several years during World War I.

Another article tells of the colorful and sometimes tragic history of the city of Galveston. The account and another on the Port of Galveston were written by Robert A. Nesbitt, writer, editor and former president of the Galveston Historical Foundation.

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For Texas political historians, Richard M. Morehead, who for many years was chief of The Dallas News' Austin Bureau, has written a history of Texas politics since 1857.

The 1980-81 edition has many other features as well as updated data on Texas weather, statewide political races, business, agriculture, mining and petroleum production, state boards and commissions, organizations--almost every subject about Texas that Texans will want to know. Also included are the lists of state and national parks, lakes and rivers--plus a special feature on floating on Texas rivers

--and interesting places to visit.

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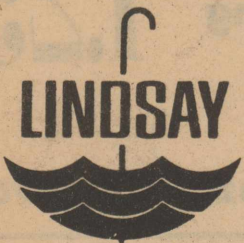
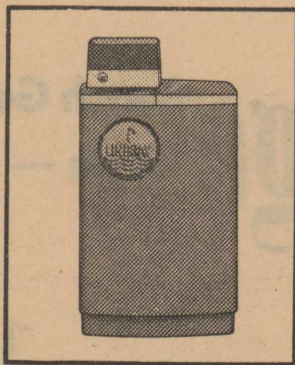
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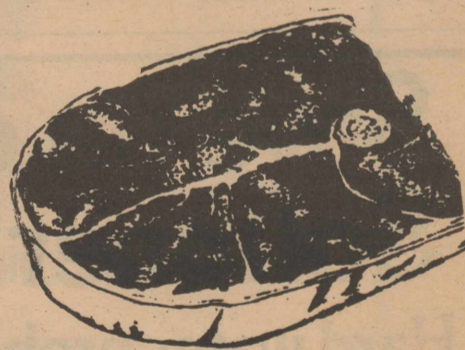
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