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READING CHAMPS--Students awarded prizes for their accomplishments in reading for the Texas Easter Seal Society program are, from left: Becky Padgett, most books read; Tiffany Jameson,

most money collected; Malinda Klesler, field representative from the Texas Easter Seal Society; Dawn Kleiber, second most collected; Ericka Clendennen, second most books read.

Robert Lee Students Given Awards For Reading for Easter Seal Society

Students at Robert Lee Elementary School were recognized during an awards assembly on

Dec. 3 for their outstanding effort in the 1980 Texas Easter Seal Society Book-A-Thon Program.

Commissioners Have Meeting

Coke County Commissioners' Court met Monday in regular session and attended to several items of business.

Billy Joe Lockett, water superintendent for the City of Bronte, met with the commissioners to discuss the county relinquishing an office in the city hall now occupied by Justice of the Peace Cecil Kemp.

Lockett told the court that the city needs the space and the commissioners voted to relinquish the office effective Jan. 1, 1981.

Judge D.W. Sims said the action would require Judge Kemp to secure other quarters for his office.

County Extension Agent Sterling Lindsey met with the commissioners and discussed the forthcoming Coke County Livestock Show. He said the show would run for two days again this year. Lindsey thanked the commissioners for the work they have done in replacing the sand in the show barn. He also requested any help the commissioners could give in lining up purchasers at the auction which will be held in conjunction with the show.

Judge Sims said the commissioners passed an order for the county treasurer and auditor to invest any surplus funds the county has on hand in time deposit accounts in the Robert Lee and Bronte banks.

County commissioners set up the holiday schedule for county offices for 1981. The county will observe 12 holidays next year, one more than was observed this year. Judge Sims said the commissioners voted to observe Jan. 19, which is Confederate Heroes Day. "It was the court's feeling," he said, "that since our county seat was named for the greatest Confederate hero of them all, Gen. Robert E. Lee, that we should observe this holiday."

Paying bills was the last item on the agenda.

Throughout the month of October children have been reading books and collecting pledge money to help handicapped children and adults in this area.

This Easter Seal educational program is a unique way for students to combine the joys and benefits of reading and also become aware of community responsibility and help the disabled in their area.

"The children here did a great job on the Book-a-thon. They raised over \$490.00 for the Texas Easter Seal Society and at the same time learned about the importance of the many services which are provided by this organization," said Principal Bill Hood.

Money raised through the Book-a-thon Program is used by Easter Seals to provide occupational and physical therapy and orthopedic equipment such as wheelchairs and braces for physically disabled Texans.

Outstanding students received recognition in two categories. First and second place prizes were awarded to the students who read the most books and the students who collected the most money.

In addition each student who raised over \$30 received an official Book-a-thon T-shirt.

Top money winners were Tiffany Jameson, \$132.30, and Dawn Kleiber \$89.05.

Top number books read: Becky Padgett, 100 books, and Ericka Clendennen, 72 books.

T-Shirt winners were: Tiffany Jameson, Dawn Kleiber, Ericka Clendennen and Stephanie Rogers.

Personal bankruptcies in 1980 are up 25 percent over 1979, says Bonnie Piernot, a family resource management specialist. Bankruptcies are likely to increase as added financial strains on individuals and families become greater, caused by increasing unemployment and increasing debt burdens, she says.

Sell What You Don't Need With a Want Ad

County Receives Two Inch Rain

Coke County received some soaking rains last weekend, with most areas of the county reporting about two inches. This moisture, combined with plentiful rains back in the fall, will put the ground in good shape to grow winter pasture.

Most of the rain fell Sunday and Sunday night. A weather forecast predicted cold weather with possible snow Monday night, but it didn't materialize.

Nice weather is forecast for this weekend.

Time to Write Letters to Santa

The Christmas editions of the Robert Lee Observer and the Bronte Enterprise will be printed Monday, Dec. 22 and they will have lots of letters to Santa Claus in them.

Any kid who has not turned in his letter at school or one of the newspaper offices is urged to get it in not later than Monday, Dec. 15.

The Christmas editions will carry greeting ads from merchants and individuals. Anyone who has not been contacted and wishes to run a greeting ad is requested to call the appropriate newspaper office.

MOBILE HOME DESTROYED IN SUNDAY AFTERNOON FIRE

Mr. and Mrs. Antonio Proa and their two small sons lost all their possessions when their mobile home was completely destroyed by fire last Sunday afternoon.

The Proas, who were living between Robert Lee and Sterling City, were not at home when the fire occurred.

Mrs. Proa is the former Debra Reed. Presently she and her family are staying in the home of her sister, Mrs. Mac Adkins.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Bryan spent Thanksgiving at Weatherford with Della Lemons and son, Noah. They were joined there by Mr. and Mrs. Tony Dean, Dustin and Summer of Jacksboro and Dr. Jerry Dean of Austin.

REPORT YOUR NEWS!



FIFTH IN STATE--Robert Lee FFA Farm Radio Team placed fifth at state last Saturday. Team members are, from left, Scott Stephens, Quint Anthony and Stan Ray.

Basketball Tourney Set For Next Week

The annual Robert Lee High School basketball tournament will get underway Thursday morning of next week. Eight boys teams and eight girls teams will be in town for the action.

The first game will be at 10 a.m. and the first round games will continue throughout the day. Semi-final games will be played Friday and the finals will be played Saturday.

Boys and girls teams from Bronte, Water Valley, Westbrook, Eden, Christoval, Irion County, Sterling City and Robert Lee will be entered.

The fortunes of the Robert Lee High basketball teams haven't been too great the past week. The girls won second place honors in the Bronte tournament, but the boys lost out in the consolation semi-finals. Tuesday night, three Steer teams went to Gail and only one of them managed to bring home a victory.

Score in the girls game was: Borden County 56, Robert Lee 44. Leigh Ann Rynnion was high pointer with 20; Dianna Tinkler and Frankie Walker both had 9; Brenda Gray 4; Martha Bickley 2.

The boys B team took the only win of the night, defeating Borden County 34-33 with a basket just as the final buzzer sounded.

Special Film at Baptist Church

"Reflections of His Love," a new film highlighting the life and ministry of Joni Eareckson, will be shown Sunday, Dec. 14, at the Robert Lee Baptist Church. Time for the showing is 7 p.m.

Carolyn Long, youth director of Robert Lee Baptist Church, said the movie is very inspiring, as it presents the struggle of Miss Eareckson to overcome the injuries sustained in a diving accident which left her paralyzed from the neck down.

Mrs. Long said everyone in the community is invited to attend this special screening. "We feel everyone who attends will be touched by the remarkable life and witness of Joni Eareckson. It's really and unforgettable experience," she said.

There is no admission charge.

Scoring for Robert Lee were Kyle Gibbs with 10; Larry Palmer 8; David Hubbard 6; Scott Stephens 4; Jimmy Skinner 4; Gary Palmer 2.

Borden County defeated the Steer A team 52-41. Scot Long had 17; Darren Williams 8; Lupe Torres 5; Buck Duncan 4; Quint Anthony 3; Matt McKinney 2; Bob Flowers 2.

Below is a summary of the games Robert Lee teams played at the Bronte tournament last weekend.

GIRLS GAMES

The Robert Lee girls swarmed all over Christoval in their opening game and took a 72-38 victory. Leigh Ann Rynnion and Dianna Tinkler tied for scoring honors with 15 each; Brenda Gray had 10; Frankie Walker 8; Mary Galvan 8; Martha Bickley 6; DeeAnna Key 6; Kellye Percifull 4.

The Winters Blizzards girls team was the next opponent for Robert Lee and it was a good close ball game. The local girls came out on the long end of a 53-48 score. Rynnion was top scorer with a big 20 points; Walker and Bickley both sank 10; Tinkler 9; Gray 2; Galvan 2.

In their game with Bronte for the championship, the Robert Lee girls lost 47-39. Rynnion was again high pointer with 13; Tinkler 7; Bickley 7; Galvan 6; Gray 4; Walker 2.

BOYS GAMES

The Steers lost their first game to Christoval, 40-32. Scot Long was top point maker with 12; Rudy Balderas 6; Buck Duncan 4; Joel Percifull 4; Darren Williams 4; Quint Anthony 2.

Moving into the consolation side of the bracket Friday in their second game, the Steers met Eola and took an easy 50-29 win. Long had 16 points; Duncan hit 10; Williams 9; Lupe Torres 6; Percifull 4; Bob Flowers 4.

In the consolation finals Saturday afternoon, the Steers couldn't stop the Loraine Bulldogs and lost 45-31. Duncan was top scorer with 10; Long 6; Williams 6; Flowers 4; Matt McKinney 2; Percifull, Kyle Gibbs and Balderas 1 each.

The high school teams will be in a tournament at Roby this weekend and Tuesday night Eula will be here for boys and girls games.

FFA Radio Team Fifth in State

The Robert Lee FFA Farm Radio team placed fifth in state competition at the Texas FFA State Leadership Contest Saturday, Dec. 6. The contests were held at Sam Houston State University at Huntsville.

Members of the team are Scott Stephens, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Stephens; Quint Anthony, son of Mr. and Mrs. Max Anthony; and Stan Ray, son of Dr. and Mrs. Phil Ray. Sid Long is coach and sponsor of the team.

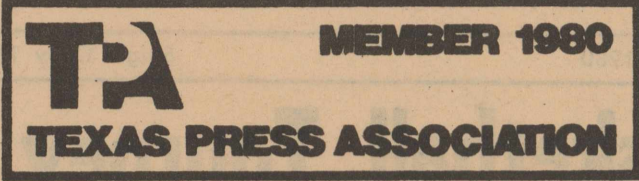
The boys' radio script was entitled "Predators and Their Control."

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County Agents News Column

By STERLING LINDSEY

When feeding cattle, producers need to know that they are actually feeding little "bugs" in the animal's rumen or stomach.

These microscopic organisms turn forage into something cattle can use.

Rumen bugs need 6 to 7 percent protein to function properly.

So, if hay has this much protein or more, no supplemental feed is necessary for adequate microbial activity and good digestion, however, with low quality hay or forage of 3 to 4 percent crude protein, a protein supplement will increase digestion, total feed intake and daily gain.

Classes of cattle such as growing heifers, fattening cattle or cows nursing calves require protein levels of 10 to 12 percent for good production--levels above those needed by rumen bugs.

One way to determine if cattle are getting an adequate protein diet is to examine their droppings. If droppings are dry and tall, it's a good sign of constipation and lack of protein in the diet.

Small amounts of supplemental phosphorus and protein stimulate these bugs and the digestion process so that mature cattle can use low quality forages that are available this time of the year. A pound of 30 to 40 percent protein supplement and a few ounces of good salt-phosphorus mineral can change poor animal performance into acceptable maintenance performance on low quality forage.

A point to remember is that young cattle do not have the digestive capacity to use low quality forage effectively. So they need higher levels of protein and energy supplement, higher quality forages or both for acceptable growth rates.

Make a few recipe adjustments, and you can microwave many conventional dishes. Adjust conventional recipes to microwave by reducing liquid by one-fourth, fats by one-half, seasonings slightly and cooking time to one-fourth of the original recipe, says Marilyn Haggard, a foods and nutrition specialist.

To get smoke stains off limestone fireplaces, scrub with household cleanser, advises Mary Lou Rowland, a housing and home furnishings specialist.

REPORT YOUR NEWS!

Time to Make Christmas Fruit Cakes

By Kathy Jobe

The holiday season is just around the corner and it's time to start thinking about Christmas baking.

The fruitcake is a Christmas tradition. It's a welcome treat for guests who stop to visit and makes a perfect personal gift because each fruitcake is unique in the homemaker's selection of candied fruits and nuts, flavoring and length of aging time.

With the aid of an electric blender, fruitcake can now be prepared in a jiffy. Fruits and nuts are chopped in seconds, eliminating the most tedious chores of fruitcake preparation. And those delicious sauces, that add a final touch to a serving of fruitcake, require only a flick of the blender switch to prepare.

The fruitcake and sauce recipes below will please your guests and those lucky enough to receive them as gifts. Bake the cake well in advance of Christmas to allow ample time for aging. After the cake is cool, wrap tightly in plastic wrap or aluminum foil and store in a cool place. For an extra flavoring

touch, brush the cake once a week with a sherry or brandy.

LIGHT FRUIT CAKE

- 1 1/2 cups flour
- 1 1/2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 6 cups walnuts or pecans
- 3 cups pitted dates
- 2 1/2 cups red and green candied cherries
- 3 eggs
- 3/4 cup sugar

Heat oven to 275 degrees. Grease a 9" spring form pan, line with paper and grease again. Sift flour, baking powder and salt into a 4-quart mixing bowl. Put 1 cup of nuts into blender container, cover and chop by turning control to Hi (Chop) and Off quickly several times until nuts are coarsely chopped. Add to flour and repeat with remaining nuts. Add cherries and mix well to coat cherries with flour. Cut pineapple in fourths, put in blender container, cover with cold water, cover container and turn control to Hi (Liquefy) and Off quickly several times until pineapple is coarsely chopped. Pour through a strainer and drain well. Spread on absorbent paper to remove as much moisture as possible. Put dates in

blender container, cover with cold water, cover container and turn control to Hi (Liquefy) and Off several times until dates are coarsely chopped. Pour through strainer and spread on absorbent paper. Put eggs and sugar into blender container, cover and process at Lo (Whip) until light yellow in color. Add pineapple and dates to flour mixture, mix well. Add egg mixture and mix well. Pack firmly in prepared pan and bake 2 hours. Cool 1 hour before removing from pan. Serve with Sauce Sabayon.

Yield: One 4-lb. cake
SAUCE SABAYON

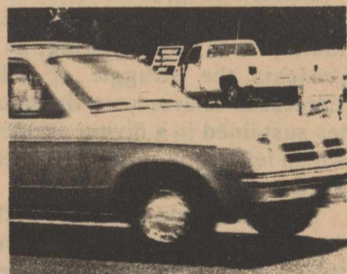
- 6 egg yolks
- 3/4 cup sherry or Marsala wine
- 1 tablespoon water
- 3/4 cup sugar
- 1/8 teaspoon salt
- 1 tablespoon light rum

Put all ingredients except rum into blender container, cover and process at Lo (Mix) until smooth. Pour into saucepan, set in another saucepan of cold water and cook, stirring constantly, until the water reaches the boiling point and mixture is thickened. Remove from heat and add the rum, stirring well. Serve warm over fruit cake slices.

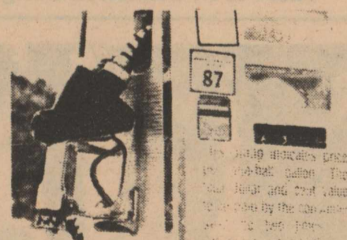
Yield: 1 1/2 cups

WHY 55?

1. Traffic accidents are the number one cause of death to America's young people ... 60% of accidental deaths of ages 1 through 19 are the result of traffic accidents.



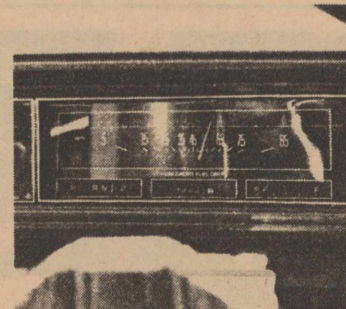
2. Excessive speed is involved in 70% of all fatal accidents.



3. You lose 1 mile per gallon for each 5 mph you drive over 50. Department of Transportation studies show that cars improve their gas mileage from 17% to 40% at 55 as opposed to 70.

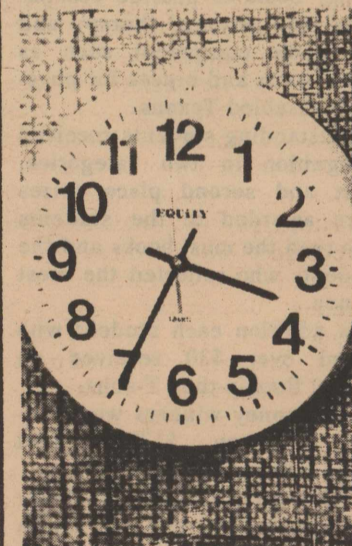


4. The average car can get as many as 50 more miles per tankful. Or stated another way, you could save two extra gallons for every ten gallons you buy, simply by driving 55 instead of 70.



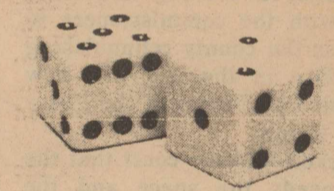
5. If more drivers would go no faster than 55 mph, we could save 4.9 billion gallons each year. (Our country uses nine million gallons of highway motor fuel a day.)

6. In spite of what you may have heard, public opinion is for driving 55 on America's highways. A National Highway Traffic Safety Administration survey showed that 77% of the public supports 55 as the speed limit.

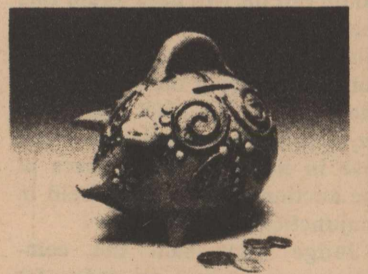


7. 55 mph may seem slow. The truth is, driving 55 costs you very little in time.

A 100 mile trip driving 65 mph takes one hour and 32 minutes. That same trip at 55 takes one hour and 49 minutes. Seventeen minutes difference.



8. Like better odds? At 55 mph, chances of a fatal accident are 1 in 33. At 70 mph, when a crash occurs, chances are 50-50 of a fatal accident.



9. You can save a lot of money by driving no more than the speed limit ... you get more miles out of the fuel you buy; you can eliminate paying fines for speeding tickets; you can reduce your maintenance costs; eventually, the reduction of accidents will decrease insurance costs. All by driving 55 mph.

DRIVELINE

Now that winter weather is coming, think about these foul weather driving tips:

1. Use low beams when driving in fog.
2. *Slow down* in the rain. The road surface is slippery. At certain speeds your car's tires actually ride on a film of water and lose contact with the surface of the road. This is called hydroplaning and can produce an uncontrollable skid.
3. Avoid sudden moves, swerves or turns on wet roads. Ditto for sudden stops. Slow and steady is the way to do it.

Maintenance Tip: During cold weather, many cars have starting problems. Often it's not the battery that's at fault. The problem may be somewhere in the ignition system or carburetor. A simple tune-up can help considerably.

How many passengers does the average auto carry? The answer — 1.3 people. According to one estimate, if the average rush hour commuter would car pool with just one other person, America would save 250,000 barrels of oil a day.

NIGHT VISION . . . It takes your eyes about twenty minutes to readjust to night driving conditions after you've left a brightly lit house or restaurant.

Share your questions, anecdotes and observations with us. Write to:

Texas Traffic Safety Section
State Department of Highways
and Public Transportation
Austin, Texas 78701



EXTENSION AGENTS GIVE '64 STUDY CLUB PROGRAM

The '64 Study Club met Tuesday, Dec. 2, in the home of Lucile Bryan with 11 members and two guests present. Co-hosting the meeting were Grace Ditmore and Mavis Newby.

After the business meeting the program was presented by Kathy Jobe and Sterling Lindsey, Coke County Extension Agents. They presented slides and films on conservation, health, homelife and safety.

The next meeting will be a Christmas program on Dec. 9 in the home of Nancy Allen.

Fourth Graders Produce Film

Fourth grade students in Mrs. Millican's class at Robert Lee Elementary School have produced their own colorful filmstrip on traffic safety with materials provided free of charge by the Traffic Safety Section, State Department of Highways and Public Transportation.

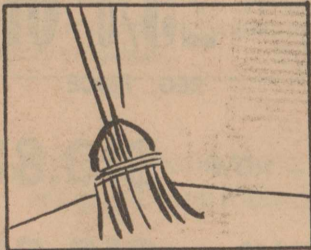
In "The Safest Show on Earth," class members create their own illustrations for a full color, sound filmstrip exploring key aspects of passenger, bicycle and pedestrian safety.

The Traffic Safety Section makes available to the school all necessary materials without cost for "The Safest Show on Earth." After the students finish their illustrations, the drawings are processed into a filmstrip by Media Intensive Learning Corporation, designers of the program.

The filmstrip is returned to the class originating the drawings, along with a lively soundtrack cassette narrated by children. Both the filmstrip and the cassette become the property of the school.

A study of more than 15,000 students in Texas by the Southwest Educational Development Laboratory has shown that participants in "The Safest Show on Earth" registered a 10 percent gain in knowledge and 25 percent increase in positive traffic safety attitudes.

Buy and Sell with Want Ads



It is said to be bad luck to bring your broom from your old house to your new one.



LIONS CLUB MEETING

1 — 3rd Tuesday
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Jr. Hi Teams Split With Grape Creek

Robert Lee Junior High basketball teams were hosts to teams from Grape Creek Monday night. The Dogie teams split the games, with the boys winning and the girls losing.

The boys had an easy time with the Grape Creek lads, as they took a 56-27 victory. Greg Grim was high pointer for the Dogies with 16; Kirby Rasco had 13; Phil Stephens 9; David Rodriguez 6; Bobby Boone 5; Joe Torres 4; Doug Roberts 3.

The girls were not so fortunate, however, as they lost by a score of 28-18. Jana Gartman had 7 points; Patty Bloodworth 4; Sue Ann Millican 2; Tracy Pearson 2; Dana Anthony 2; Carol Longoria 1.

Pee wee teams also came for Monday night games, with Grape Creek winning the girls game 7-6 and Robert Lee boys winning 12-6. Scoring for the girls were Missy Grim with 4 and LeeAnn Molinar 2. Making points for the boys were Tim Garringer 8; Robert Runnion 2; Stevie Ebenstein 2.

The junior high teams will go to Water Valley Monday, Dec. 15, for games which will start at 5 p.m.

Lunchroom Menu

Monday, Dec. 15: Barbecue wieners, pork and beans, french fries with catsup, hot rolls, butter, milk, pear half.

Tuesday, Dec. 16: Pizza, green salad, corn, milk, pineapple chunks.

Wednesday, Dec. 17: Turkey and dressing with giblet gravy, cranberry sauce, green beans, cream potatoes, hot rolls, butter, rainbow jello.

Thursday, Dec. 18: Corn dogs with mustard, tator tots with catsup, corn, milk, banana.

Friday, Dec. 19: Fish krispies with tarter sauce, english peas, carrots, hush puppies, milk, cookies.

Coke Library to Have Open House

Coke County Library will hold a Christmas Open House on Wednesday, Dec. 17, from 9 - 4. Refreshments will be served.

The week of Nov. 17 - 22 was Children's Library Week. A film was shown Saturday afternoon and a drawing for a Dr. J basketball was held at that time. Sue Ann Millican drew the lucky name of Stevie Ebenstein.

We now have Ronald Joseph's "The Glory" which is a sequel to "The Kingdom and the Power."

We would like to thank the following people for memorials during the month of November: Mr. and Mrs. R.L. McGuire, Alley and Alta Bilbo, and Hank Baker.

Christmas Gift Ideas

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- "FROM THE TOP OF OLD HAYRICK"
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State Department of Highways and Public Transportation

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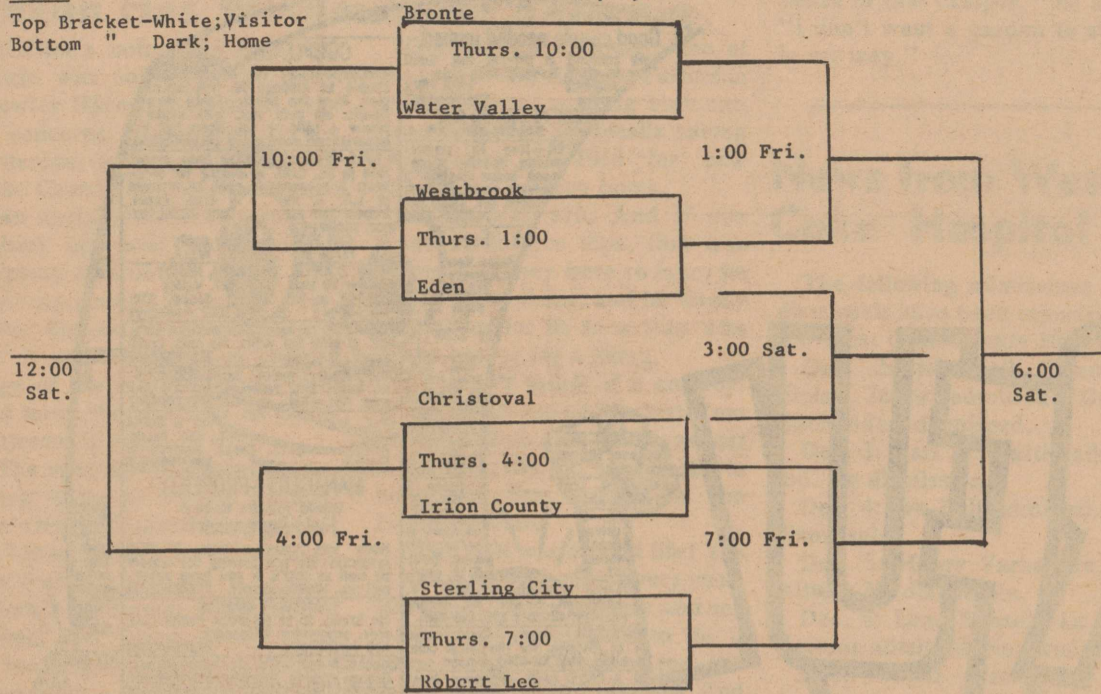
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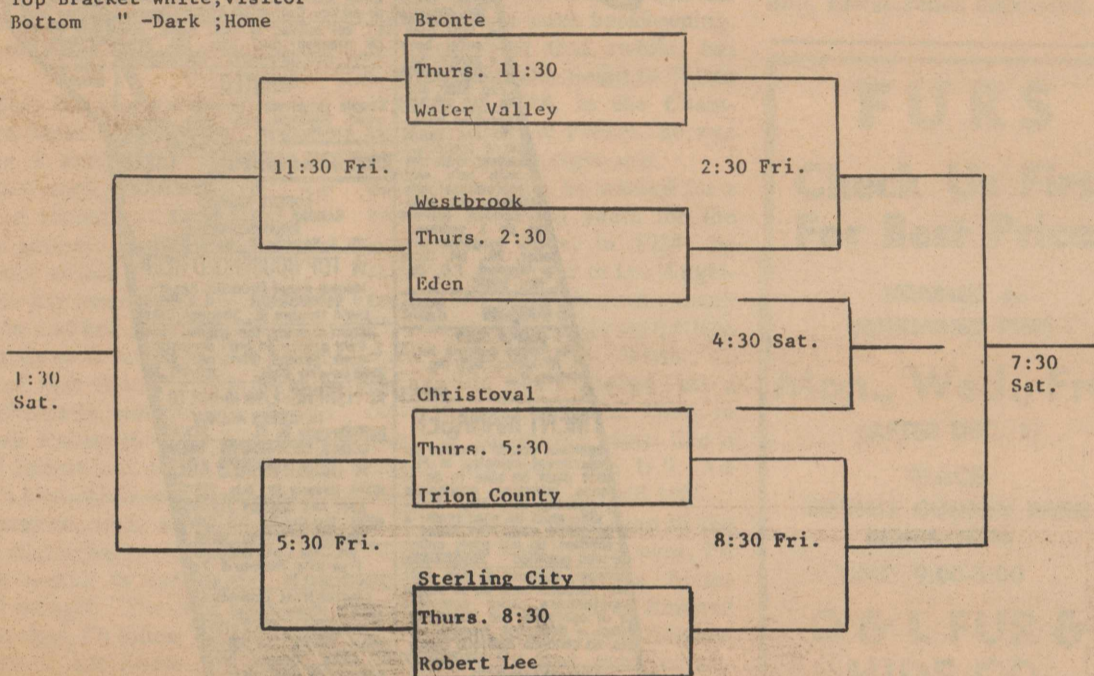
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PUBLIC NOTICE

The City Council of the City of Robert Lee will be conducting a public hearing at 7:30 p.m., Monday, December 15, at City Hall for the purpose of finalizing the activities and elements contained in the City's Community Development Block Grant Preapplication. Authorization will be given by the City Council to submit this Preapplication to the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development. All citizens, particularly low income and minority residents, are invited and encouraged to attend.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Applications are now being taken at the Sheriff's office in the Coke County Courthouse, Robert Lee, Texas, for the position of deputy sheriff. An equal opportunity employer. 23-2tcBP

Veterinarians learn acupuncture methods

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The class will merely examine the theory and scientific literature pertaining to such therapy, said McMullan.

About 50 students — all due to graduate next August — are expected to enroll, he said.

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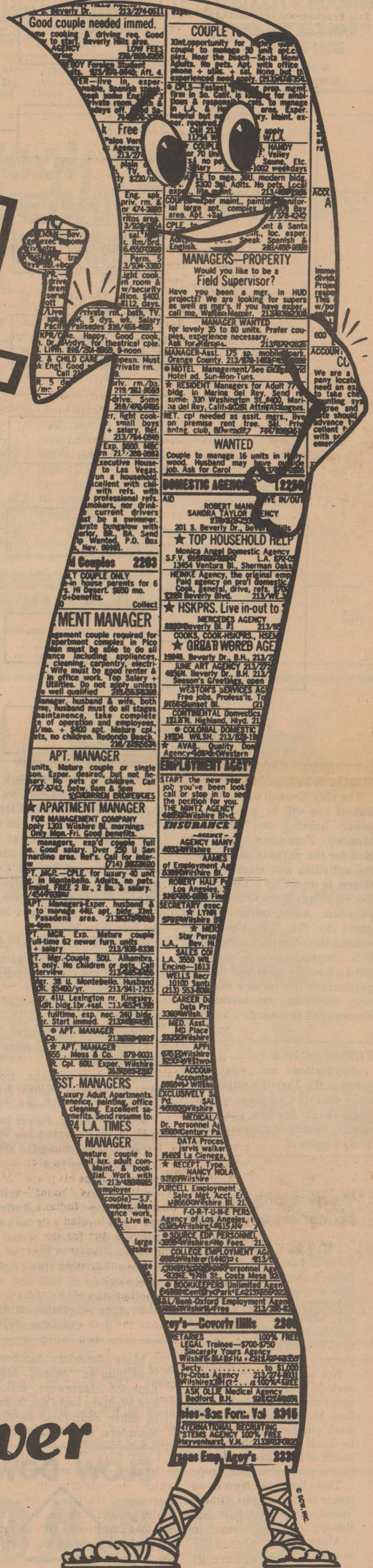
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(Editor's note: The following article was submitted by Mrs. Crowley Harmon of Robert Lee. It concerns her uncle, Lewis Patterson, a former resident of Coke County. Mr. Patterson also is an uncle of R.C. Patterson of Robert Lee and Mrs. Aubrey Denman of Bronte.)

Along about 1:30 every afternoon, the southwest wind starts up. It stirs the dust at the far edge of the freshly-plowed field and turns the windmill on Lewis Patterson's place.

The windmill's spinning blades pump water to irrigate Patterson's five-acre spread - a little bit of Texas, set within Riverside's city limits.

Lewis Patterson, formerly of Robert Lee, Texas - that's north of San Angelo, at the base of the panhandle - is 87 now. He still does the outdoor work on his farm, on Indiana Avenue near La Sierra Avenue. Patterson does a lot of other things too. Always has.

Over his years, Patterson has been farm boy, cowboy, World War I doughboy, bookkeeper, postal clerk, cotton buyer, Air Force Lieutenant and Christmas tree grower. He also has been a farmer all his life.

He has owned this place for 45 years and has lived on it most of that time. It has been his home all of that time. It was here in 1937 that he met his wife, Jessie Clark Patterson. She was born and raised just down the road.

"I kept chickens around here," Patterson says, waving a walking stick at his yard. "A little dog kept comin' in and gettin' 'em. So I thought, 'The heck with you, little dog, I'll follow you!' I went down to her house. It was her dog.

"She hadn't never been married or anything," grins Patterson. "She was still free and handsome." They were married in 1941 and, but for two years in England, have lived here ever since.

Lewis Patterson's windmill smacks as much of the Texas plains as does his accent or his cowboy hat. The windmill provides a good example of Patterson's approach to life.

He ordered the windmill from Argentina some years ago. When it came, crated and unassembled, all the instructions were in Spanish. Patterson does not speak Spanish.

"Well," he says, "I grew up in the shade of windmill, you might say. We had windmills all my life there. Now, I'd never really assembled one.. But when you grow up with machinery - tractors and wagons and harness and such - you learn to make do."

The lesson has served him well.

For more than 20 years, he has used his 1952 Massey-Ferguson tractor to plant casabas, potatoes, okra, onions and black-eyed peas in long furrows that angle down and across the back field by the freeway. He once worked this field with plow pulled by two powerful, gray Percheron horses.

He keeps his tractor in a shelter fashioned from wood scraps and railroad ties during World War II when building materials were hard to come by.

A row of Monterey pines, 40 feet tall, stand between field and house and serve as a windbreak. They were part of Lewis Patterson's first Christmas tree crop. Closer to the house are fruit trees - orange, lemon, peach. Other, taller trees shade the gardens, almost 200 feet long, grow in front of the rambling house.

Everything seems to have its use.

Growing up in Robert Lee at the turn of the century, Patterson recalls, meant working both cattle and fields. He recalls saving his money in 1914 for new shop-made cowboy boots.

"That was \$10. And if you wanted Morocco tops, that was \$2 more." They were so fancy he hardly wore them, and he finally sold them for \$6 to a man who broke horses for a living.

"I wasn't much of a cowboy. We'd brand 'em and castrate 'em and crop their ears off. I was just a kid then. My job was mostly to keep the fires going for the branding irons.

"Oh, that was a good life! Yes it was. I go back most every year. But I'm 87 years old now and my wife doesn't want me to do it alone. I kind of hesitate, too. It's 1,200 miles. But if I could find anybody to drive with me..."

Patterson left Robert Lee for Fort Worth to learn bookkeeping. He worked at that awhile, but wound up in the Army in World War I. In 1918, in the Champagne District of France, he was wounded in the right arm.

Home in 1919, he worked for a bank and several years for the post office. Then, in 1924, he accepted a transfer to Los Angeles. But Los Angeles wasn't much like Texas, and the job lasted less than a year. He moved to Bakersfield and worked as a cotton buyer until 1928. Then, in quest of something more like a career, he joined the U.S. Air Force. He stayed in until 1957.

"Oh, I had a good time in the service. If I had it to do over, I'd do it. Only I'd get a better education. See, I never finished high school. And I never finished college. If I'd had more education, I could have done more.

"I got more education out of school than I did in school! See, I know a lot more history than most people do because I've majored in it - on my own. I want to know something, I've got sets of encyclopedias here. I go look it up."

He was stationed two years in England. Stacked on bookshelves, Patterson has a separate book of history on each of England's shires, or counties.

Jessie, his wife, went with him and worked as an exchange teacher; her own career as a teacher and school administrator in Riverside spanned 42 years.

When he retired from the Air Force, Lewis Patterson had so much energy that he started raising Christmas trees. That business flourished for more than a decade. Last Year, he sold perhaps 500 trees.

In 45 years, Patterson has seen a lot of things change around Riverside. A wooden sign at his front gate names his place "Montview," but his "mont"-a high dusty hill across Indiana from his house - was leveled a decade ago to provide dirt for the construction of the Riverside Freeway.

A new subdivision sprawls up a nearby slope.

Another sign of changing times is the other windmill, directly across the freeway from Patterson's. The two have little in common. Patterson's runs on wind and pumps water to irrigate crops. The other one runs on electricity and turns its blades to block golf balls; it is a mock-dutch model at the Castle miniature golf course.

These days, Patterson has just a handful of Christmas trees which he expects to sell in December. He has no seedlings in the ground, and he is thinking of a less ambitious garden than in the past. But it is not because the work is too much for him.

He has a trailer rig parked

under a tree out back. "If I can get somebody to go with me to Texas in that camper," he says, "I don't want a garden to stand in my way."

News from West Coke Hospital

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

Dec. 2: Marshall Freeman, Eloise Jones admitted. Grace Hochendorf dismissed.

Dec. 3: Carl D. Martin admitted. No dismissals.

Dec. 4: Iva Bell admitted. No dismissals.

Dec. 5: Henry Varnadore admitted. No dismissals.

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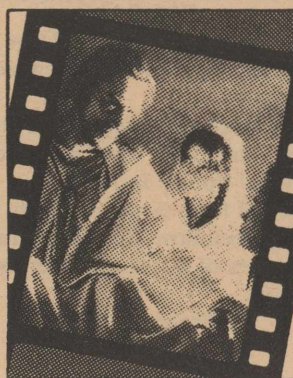
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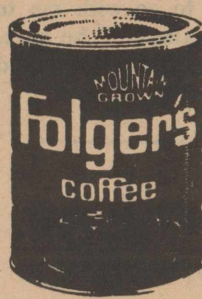
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