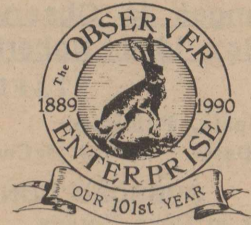


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Cities announce upcoming census plans

The 1990 Census will be the 21st in the nation's history and the largest and most complex ever undertaken. The Census Bureau expects to count 250 million people and 106 million housing units.

A Census Awareness Clinic was held by the Concho Valley Council of Governments in San Angelo, February 14. Attending from Coke County were Edna Havins and Juanita Schnabel, Robert Lee and Pat Martindale, Bronte.

The roll of the cities in the census is public awareness. The City of Robert Lee and the City of Bronte are beginning their awareness project. Posters, pamphlets, flyers, and other materials concerning the census are available at both City Halls. Materials are

being distributed and the Observer/Enterprise will be printing various information in the Weeks ahead. Any group, club, church or organization should call for materials or a presentation.

Applications are currently being taken in all counties for temporary jobs with the Cen-

sus Bureau. Information on this can be secured at City Hall. The first testing in Coke County will be held at the Courthouse February 27 at 9 am.

Census forms will be mailed out March 23, and April 1, 1990 is Census day.

Clubs join to plant tree

Two Texas Federation Women's Clubs in Bronte participated in the General Federation of Women's Club Centennial celebration activities for February when club members planted a tree at the Bronte Nursing Home last Thursday afternoon.

The Diversity Club, represented by President Helen Kirkland and Margaret Martin joined Sorosis Study Club members Betty Lee and Pat Oglesby with the able assistance of George Eubanks in planting a plum tree on the grounds of the nursing home for the future enjoyment of the residents.

Others taking part were Billy Joe Lockett, who dug the hole for planting of the tree and Royce Lee, who donated the tree to the clubs.



Club women plant a tree in celebration of 100th year of the organization of General Federation Women's Club. They are (l-r) Betty Lee, Helen Kirkland, Pat Oglesby and Margaret Martin.

Local elections slated

CCUWCD

An election has been called for May 5, 1990 by the Coke County Underground Water Conservation District for the purpose of electing three directors. A Precinct 1, Precinct 2, and Director-At-Large position will be filled.

Candidates may place their names on the ballot not later than 20 days prior to the election, or the middle of April.

More candidate application information is available by contacting Eph Cummins,

Coke County Courthouse, 453-2232.

RLISD

At the regular board meeting held on February 15, 1990, the Robert Lee ISD board of trustees called an election to be held on May 5, 1990 to elect two board members. Applications for a place on the ballot may be obtained at the school superintendent's office beginning on February 19 and ending on March 21, Monday through Friday from 8 am until 4 pm.



S. E. "Skinny" Adams prepares to taste his cake at a family party held to celebrate his 80th birthday. Enjoying the party with him are his son, Stanley Adams of Austin and Mrs. Adams.

Upcoming

Shooting Sports

All Coke County youth interested in participating in shooting sports for the upcoming session, please come (bring at least 1 parent with you) to an overall planning meeting to be held at the Coke County Courthouse from 6 - 6:30 pm on Monday, February 26. You must sign up whether you have or have not shot before so we may update our records. You may contact Richard Johnson, Debbie Wilkes, Cathy McGinley, Gaye or Gary Williams.

Blood Pressure

Ballinger Home Health Inc. will give free blood pressure tests at the Bronte Senior Center on March 1 from 8-10 am.

WCCCD Meeting

The West Coke County Community Development group will meet in regular session on Monday, February 26, in the county courtroom on Monday, February 26, in the county courtroom at 7:30 pm.

Preceding the business meeting will be the scheduled program for the night. Coke County candidates for county judge will be guest speakers on the program.

Br. Sr. 88 Tourney

Games of 88 will be played at Bronte Senior Center on Tuesday, February 27, beginning at 2 pm.

All interested participants please just sign in and join the fun.

Bring chips & dips or cookies.

WC EMT Training

West Coke County Emergency Medical Service will sponsor EMT Training, with registration set for Thursday, March 1, 7:00 pm at Robert Lee High School. The only charge for the course is for the books.

Classes will meet on Monday and Thursday nights through the end of May.

Taking the class doesn't obligate one to the service, but could prepare you to help your family or a friend in case

of emergency.

Any EMT will be glad to provide additional information, or contact Henrietta Baker at 453-2440.

40+ Dancers

The 40+ Dance Club will hold their dance on the first Tuesday of each month. Coming up is their March dance on the 6th. Tickets are available at the door.

Tuesday Special

On the 4th Tuesday of each month, the Tuesday Night Special dance will be held. This month it's February 27. Dance tickets will be sold at the door to all ages.

Horns to play Eden at Wall

The Longhorns will play Eden Friday night, February 23, in Wall to determine the Bi-District Championship. Their record is now 28-1.

Good Luck Horns!!!

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W. Coke Senior Schedule

Coordinator Neta Schnabel reminds all West Coke County Senior Citizens about the congregate meals on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. All eligible seniors are invited to join the group. A bus or van will pick up those who don't have transportation. The van also makes trips to San Angelo each Tuesday for shopping or doctors' visits. Call ahead of time to Ms. Schnabel, 453-2314.

The March schedule of activities will begin on the 1st with commodity food distribution at 8 am. The Runnels Health Care unit will hold a blood pressure check from 8-10 am at the Senior Center.

An advisory board meeting is scheduled from 12-1 pm on March 5. Food stamp questions will be answered from 1-3 pm on the March 6th and 20th at the center.

March 8 will see a W. I. C. representative available for help with programs. Jan Yanez, Home Extension Agent, will bring a health tips presentation to Senior Citizens at 12:45 pm on March 9.

Seniors will enjoy their monthly dance March 15 at 7 pm in the Rec Hall. Area volunteers will play country/western music. Those 60 and older plus their guests are welcome.

Shannon Medical Center will bring a free cholesterol clinic to Robert Lee on March 20, 9-2. Everyone is urged to have this important health

No filings for SHL positions

According to Betty Ford, director, Concho Valley Area Agency on Aging, to date no candidates have filled to run for the Third Texas Silver Haired Legislature. There are four slots available for representatives from the Concho Valley Region.

Please tell your friends, neighbors, family members and any other person with whom you may be in contact about the Silver Haired Legislature. We need candidates to run for this important body of senior citizens...The Concho Valley's concerns will not be considered without TSHL representation.

To obtain petitions, any person interested in running may contact the area agency on aging at 915-944-9666. The petitions must be signed by 25 persons and post-marked or received by this office no later than February 28, 1990.

factor checked.

Mary Cherry will give an ambulance update to Seniors at 12:45 pm on March 23. Audiologist Michael King will be available 1-3 pm March 27 for hearing checks and hearing aid repairs.

Girling Home Health Care will be with Seniors March 28, 11:30 - 1:00 pm, for a blood pressure clinic.

Ms. Schnabel also reminds everyone to fill out the census forms arriving in the mail about the 20th of the month. Reports on population distribution could affect monies received for various programs as well as the number of legislators per district.

These programs are funded in part by the area agency on aging, Concho Valley Council of Governments from a grant received from the Texas Department of Aging.

ECC Ambulance Contributions

These memorials to the East Coke County Ambulance Association were recently reported.

Hollis Ensor

Billy & Charlotte Tounget
 Garry & Marilyn Bivins
 Jerry & Lorena Landers

Eunice Levensailor

Garry & Marilyn Bivins
 Billy and Charlotte Tounget
 Richard & Peggy Hembree

Wayne Stout

Garry & Marilyn Bivins

J. C. (Calvin) Wallace

Ed & Pat Martindale

Luther Hester

Billy & Charlotte Tounget

Ernestine Maxwell

Ruth Hageman

Bruce & Fran Sonnenberg

John & Luther Hester

Jerry & Lorena Landers

J. S. Whittenton

Virginia Boatright

Lola McQueen

Bruce & Fran Sonnenberg

Frances Kemp

Water analysis now available

The Coke County Underground Water Conservation District was formed primarily to conserve, preserve, protect, recharge, and prevent waste of the underground water reservoirs in Coke County. In order to accomplish the above objectives, more water quality information is needed from wells over all of the county.

The district now has equipment to do limited analysis to determine the specific conductance total dissolved solids, and chloride content can now get this information from the district, by collecting a sample from their water well. The sample can be brought the district office, or can be given to any director of the district. Samples can also be left in any nearby office in the courthouse.

Some more detailed water analyses will be available from the district in the near future.

This service is being offered to benefit the well owners of the district and to gather more resource information concerning groundwater in the district.

The directors of the district are Arch Mathers, J. D. Harmon, Fred H. McCabe, Jr., Otis Smith, and Bill Thomas.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor:

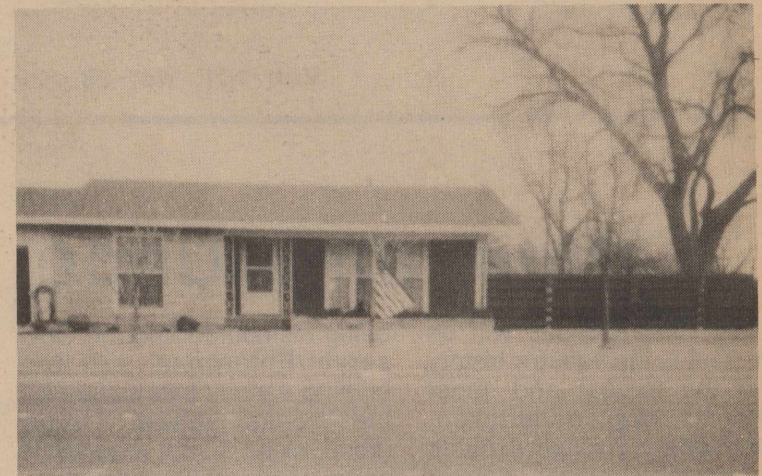
We wanted to publicly acknowledge the Bronte Evening Lions Club for their flag program on Monday, February 19th, Presidents' Day. The "Stars and Stripes" were visible all along Highway 277, Main Street, and the residential areas, allowing for a beautiful display of patriotism.

We appreciate this program and encourage those who have not yet signed up to do so by contacting one of the Lion Club members.

Sincerely yours,
 Pat Martindale
 Bronte Area Chamber of Commerce

Census test set

A census test will be given for Coke County Tuesday, February 27 at 9 am in the courthouse in Robert Lee. The test for temporary employment will be for a driving or walking follow-up on the government census in Coke County. Applicants must be at least 18 years old, a U. S. citizen, have a valid driver's license, and a social security card. Interested parties may contact Ettie Hubbard, county clerk's office, 453-2631.



Members of the Bronte Evening Lions Club were out early Monday morning placing flags on businesses and in yards of homes around Bronte. This was done in observance of President's Day.

Members of the Lions Club have been encouraging people of this area to participate in the Flag Display Program to help promote national patriotism.

Chamber drive underway

The Bronte Area Chamber of Commerce regular meeting was held Thursday, February 15 at the Learning Resource Center in the Bronte School.

Special guests included officials and board members of the Bronte Independent School District and the City of Bronte. Superintendent Michael Hartman and Mayor J. T. Henry addressed the crowd concerning how regulations and legislation affect the city and school and the importance of keeping the community informed and educated. A special challenge was issued by the officials for each member of the community to stay in contact with the elected officials in Austin and Washington so that the lesser populated West Texas Region receives fair treatment in ongoing legislation. The City

of Bronte, Bronte Independent School District and the Chamber of Commerce pledged to support each other in these ongoing causes.

The 1990 membership drive is now underway for the Chamber. Business dues are \$80 and individual dues are \$20 yearly. 1989 figures showed nearly a 100% membership for Area Businesses and many individuals. All community citizens are encouraged to enlist and reinlist as the 90's begin.

Commodities to be distributed

Food commodities will be distributed Thursday, March 1st at the Bronte and Robert Lee Senior Citizens Buildings from 8 am to 12 noon.

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Carousel hosts autograph signing party

The Carousel in Robert Lee hosted a signing party on February 8 for two successful cookbook authors, Janel Franklin and Sue Vaughn. Almost six years ago, the pair published "Calf Fries to Caviar" which was an instant hit with its concise easy-to-read recipes adapted to West Texas living. The cookbook has now topped sales of 55,000 copies.

Janel and Sue, from Tahoka and Lamesa respectively, paired in the beginning to write a cookbook for their children. After finding they could print several thousand almost as cheaply as a few, they ordered 5,000 thinking they would be stuck with them. Now they are in the fast lane with several reprintings and a new cookbook, "More Calf Fries to Caviar". Sales have already reached 15,000 copies for the second book.

The authors remarked they were pleased and appreciative that so many people were already familiar with their books.

Autographed copies of both regional cookbooks are available at the Carousel.

Robertsons retire to Robert Lee

Jesse Ray and Betty Robertson have retired to Robert Lee from Rockport after 25 years on the gulf coast. Jesse was born in Robert Lee where he graduated from high school in 1943.

He joined the U. S. Army right after graduation and spent 29 months overseas in the 3rd Army under General George Patton. He was discharged as a sergeant in 1946 and spent 2 years working for various oil-related companies in Odessa.

Joining Cities Service in 1948 proved to be a long-term association. This job partnership was to last the rest of his wage-earning career, 41 years. He spent the next 12 years in the Odessa area and was supervising foreman for all South Texas and offshore drilling until 1974. He retired in November 1989 as South Texas Production Foreman for OXY USA, Inc. which took Cities Service in years earlier. He spent 38 of his 41 career years in supervisory positions.

Perhaps one of the highlights of Jesse's career came to him in July 1989 when he was given a prestigious safety award. He was named one of the top safety honorees, with over 40 continuous years without an injury. Only 7 men with OXY (out of 17,000) received the award for no lost-time injuries. Only 233 employees have been awarded the honor in the past 34 years, due to the relative danger in extractive industries. He was presented with a framed certificate, pin, badges, and a gift certificate.

Jesse once said his hobby was his job, but he does enjoy hunting and fishing. He and his wife, Betty, will now also have time for another hobby, R. V. travel.



Sue Vaughn (l) and Janel Franklin were at the Carousel in Robert Lee February 8 for an autograph party to promote their second cookbook, "More Calf Fries to Caviar".

CCRTA announces officers

Members of the Coke County Retired Teachers Association have given over 9,200 volunteer hours for community service according to the Community Service Chairman. The report was given at a luncheon meeting at Bronte First Methodist Church on Monday, February 19.

C. B. Barbee was the person with the most service hours. The members' volunteer hours are given to education, church, civic and service organizations, health services, etc. An average of over 485 service hours per member was recorded.

Following the meal, President Marie Guffy presided at the business meeting. A new slate of officers for 1990-91 year was presented and elected. The following will serve: President - Wanda Barbee, Vice President - Jack Brewer, Secretary - Sybil Henry, Treasurer - Jean Fancher.

The eleven members attending were Faye Roe, Joyce Rives, J. T. and Sybil Henry, Luther and Marie Guffy, Mary Frances Glenn, C. B. and Wanda Barbee and Jack and Nina Brewer.

Robert Lee members will host the next meeting of the

organization to be held at the Robert Lee First Methodist Church on Monday, March the 19th at 12:00 noon.


Dunklin honored

Lois Dunklin, president of the Robert Lee Unit of United Methodist Women was honored with a Special Mission Recognition during the morning worship service on February 4 for her fifty years of service in the organization. In 1939, Lois joined the Women's Missionary Society, as it was then known, at La Rue, Texas, and continued her membership in Roddy, Caps, Bunavestia, and Phillips before moving to Robert Lee. She was presented with a certificate and a pin. The pin was set with a sapphire stone that was a gift from her family who were present for the ceremony.

On February 14, the Unit met in Fellowship Hall for a regular meeting and Dianne Simpson concluded a very interesting and informative study on The World of Islam.

On February 28, the Unit will start a study on the Psalms led by Nina Brewer. The meetings are open to all United Methodists Women and other interested women.

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ROBERT LEE SCHOOL NEWS

RL hosts fifth annual academic meet

by Tiffany Jameson

"Where is my room?" "What's my speaker number?" Saturday, February 17, the halls were filled with over 500 students asking for directions at the 5th annual Robert Lee UIL Academic Meet.

At 8:00 am, the events began with participants from 23 area schools. After weeks of preparation, the students were finally able to test their abilities. Peering in the doors, one could see that every room was packed with writers, speakers, and math & science contestants.

Although the meet looked very detailed and organized on the outside, it took all the efforts from many important people. Several people from Robert Lee gave their time to help including Melissa Garringer, Leta Aldridge, Mary Beth Drennan, Barbara Jameson, Maureen Parks, Debbie Wilkes, Brenda Martin, Callie McCutchen, Greg Fleming, Tammy Roe, Mary Grim, Jeffie Roberts, Cookie Burns, Sheri Hood and Mitch Gibbs.

The Robert Lee meet was also assisted by several people coming from as far as Lubbock. They were Donna Poehls and Jerita Taylor - Bronte, Gary Davis - San Angelo, Becky McCarty - Miles, and Tracy Pearson - Lubbock.

Although it's hard to give up a Saturday, many school faculty members and staff personnel pitched in to help the meet run smoothly. They were Jerry Gibbs, Mimzi Horn, Linda Burns, Sammie Jo Baker, Jackie Tennison, Gena Trice, Tricia Ballew, Jerry Horn, Susan Blassingame, Sheri Millican, Winnie

McPeck, June Gulley, Nadine Davis and Kenneth Rasco.

Behind the scenes, many students filled in gaps and took care of details. Those that helped included the senior girls, Sheree Burns, Danielle Glenn, Stephanie Poehls, Shelbi Grim and many students who timed and ran errands.

After competition in 17 high school events and 8 junior high events, the winners and team totals were announced. Robert Lee won the High School meet with 135 points. In the Junior High meet, Panther Creek placed 1st with 72 points and Robert Lee placed 2nd.

When the busy day came to an end, the coaches and directors gathered up their bags of ribbons and medals. With tired happy faces, the students loaded onto the buses and headed home.

These Robert Lee students placed in the meet.

High School

Headline Writing

6th - Tiffany Jameson

Number Sense

6th - Eli Arellano

Literary Criticism

2nd - Janet Pentecost

3rd - Wendy Lamar

Ready Writing

6th - Karla Aldridge

Spelling

2nd - Aubrey Dunham

Poetry

3rd - Brent Gibbs

4th - Theopa Rodriguez

6th - Lori Wink

Informative Speaking

1st - Brandy Hayes

2nd - Warren Brasher

Persuasive Speaking

2nd - Karla Aldridge

4th - Wes Horn

Prose

2nd - Tiffany Jameson

4th - Brandy Hayes

Junior High

Science

tie for 3rd - Anthony Wink

Spelling

1st - Elaine Gibbs

3rd - Saul Arellano

Oral Reading

1st - Kim Carver

4th - Rachel Pentecost

5th - Robbye Millican

Ready Writing

3rd - Rachel Pentecost

Begnaud elected

John E. Begnaud, Robert Lee, Texas, has been elected to membership in the American Angus Association, reports Dick Spader, executive vice-president of the national organization with headquarters in St. Joseph, Missouri.

The American Angus Association, with over 24,000 active adult and junior members, is the largest beef cattle registry association in the world. Its computerized records include detailed information on nearly 11 million registered Angus.

The Association records ancestral information and keeps records of production on individual animals for its members. These permanent records help members select and mate the best animals in their herds to produce high quality, efficient breeding cattle which are then recorded with the American Angus Association. Most of these registered Angus are used by the U. S. farmers and ranchers who raise high quality beef for U. S. consumption.

'64 Study Club meets

Robert Lee's '64 Study Club, Texas Federation of Study Clubs, met Tuesday, February 11, at the United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall with four visitors present.

In the absence of President Olene Sims, First Vice-president Grade Ditmore officiated. Fifteen members answered roll call.

After minutes were read, treasurer's report heard, and correspondence discussed, the evening's program was given by three of RLHS Interscholastic League Contestants.

Theopa Rodriguez read two dramatic numbers from the League's category of Interpretive Poetry. Carrie Davis gave two entertaining numbers from Interpretive Prose, and Wendy Lamar spoke from Discussion of A Timely Subject, Abortion.

The audience was thrilled with the display of talent and excellent coaching. Club members hope to repeat this type of program each year for the inspiration that the youth give the members, and to encourage and cooperate with

Davis surgery

Mike Davis of Anson underwent surgery in St. John's Hospital in San Angelo Tuesday morning to repair two ruptured discs in his lower back. According to family members, he is in satisfactory condition but a lot of pain. He is expected to be hospitalized through the weekend.

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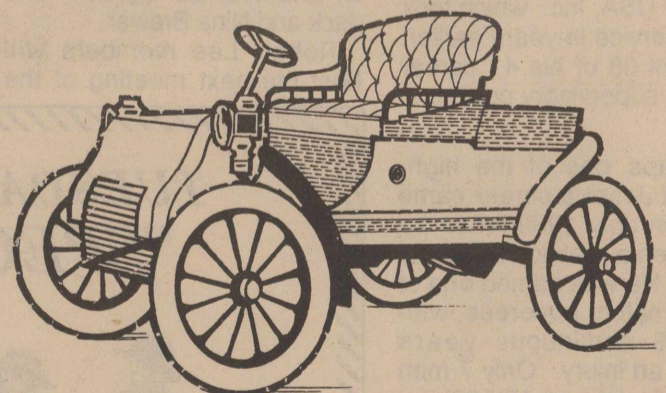
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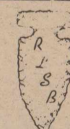
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LUNCH

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English Peas
Creamed Potatoes
Hot Rolls w/butter
Applesauce
Milk

Tuesday, Feb. 27

Lasagna
Lettuce Wedge
Green Beans
Hot Rolls w/butter
Sliced Peaches
Milk

Wednesday, Feb. 28

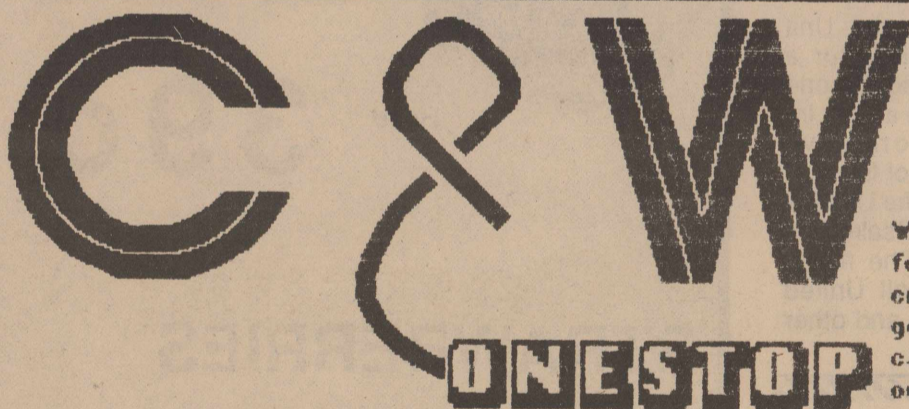
Beef & Bean Chalupas
Chopped Onion
Green Salad
Corn
Applecrisp
Milk

Thursday, March 1

Chic-Fil-A Sandwich
Sliced Pickles
French Fries w/catsup
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Orange
Milk

Friday, March 2

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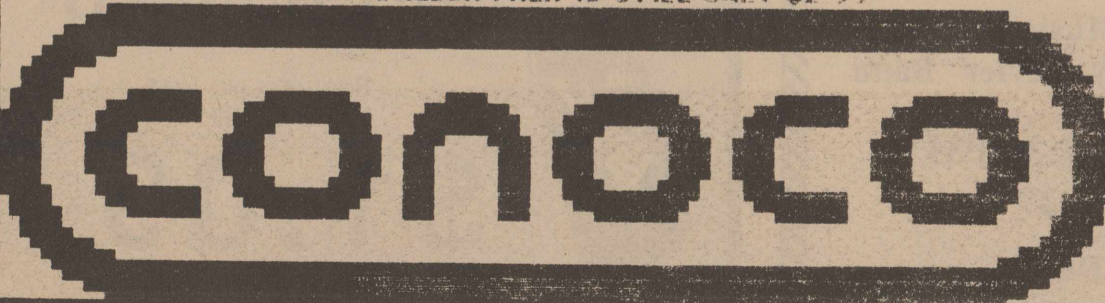
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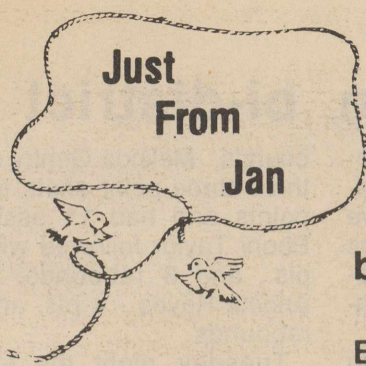
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by Jan Yanez
Coke County
Extension Agent

Glasses washed in a dishwasher can be clean, but they may still be cloudy. Cloudiness is due to build-up, a film of matter on the glass, and etching.

To identify the type of cloudiness, try scratching the surface of the glassware with a pin or other sharp object. If the pin scratches off some of the cloudiness, film build-up is the problem. Or drop vinegar on the glass and rub with your finger. If the surface is clear when it is dried, then film build-up is the problem. If the surface of the seems pitted or remains cloudy after rubbing with vinegar, the cause of cloudiness is probably etching.

The most common cause of filming is hard water. Hard water mineral drops dry on the glassware and continue to build up with each dishwashing.

Food films can form on glassware and dishes when hard water minerals combine with protein in the residue of milk, soft cooked eggs or rare meat. Hot water sets these proteins.

A hard film build-up can be removed by treating with white vinegar rinse followed by chlorine bleach, then another vinegar rinse in a dishwasher cycle. Commercial products also are available. Remove all metalware during the process.

To prevent hardness filming, use softened water or increase the amount of detergent. Using a rinse agent may be all that is needed.

Food films can be removed by hand washing and drying.

The first sign of etching is often an iridescent or "rainbow" appearance on glassware or on the glaze of china. Poor quality glassware is not necessarily more likely to etch than fine crystal. The true cause of etching seems to be related to soft water and/or overuse of detergent since the largest component of a dishwasher detergent is

polyphosphate, a water softener. Extremely hot water can speed etching process.

Damage from etching cannot be corrected. Etching can best be prevented by adjusting the amount of detergent used. If dishes are prerinsed, there may be little soil for the detergent to react with. The combined softness provided by soft water and detergent attacks the glasses. Try using only 1 tablespoon of dishwashing detergent in each detergent cup.

For antique and other glassware difficult to replace, hand washing and drying may be best.

Robinson named to state academic volleyball team

Senior Jennifer Robinson, daughter of Larry and Dana Robinson, was recently named to the 1990 Class A Academic All-State Volleyball Team.

In order to be recognized for this honor, the student/athlete must be a regular starter, have at least a 90 average and be ranked in the top 10% of her class.

A fine leader both on the court and in the classroom, Jennifer was setter for the Lady Longhorns and is a member of the varsity basketball team. She serves as Student Council president, Senior Class president, is a member of TAFE and is on the school newspaper.

The bright flowers of the prickly pear cactus bloom for only one day.

52 enter 1st SW tourney

The first ABC 18 hole select shot golf tournament of the 1990 golf season was held last Saturday at the Singing Winds Golf Course in Bronte. There were 52 entrants.

Sponsors for the tournament were Hurley Pharmacy and Singing Winds Golf Shop. Golf Directors for 1990 are Noel Percifull, Corky Collins, Ed Martindale and Wade Stautzenberger.

The winning teams were: First place shooting a 62 were J. W. Caudle, Susie Williams

and Charlie Martinez. Second place with a 64 were Katie Campbell, Jim Badgett, Steve Ebenstein and Gregg Priddy. There was a tie for third with 65 and the team made up of Ken Campbell, Mickey Pierce, Gwen Baker, Favin Martinez and Elmer Hurley beat out the team of Lonnie Taylor, Nacho Garza, John Callison and Tone Modgling.

The next tournament will be an ABC tournament held on March 15.

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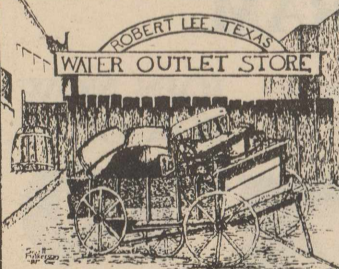
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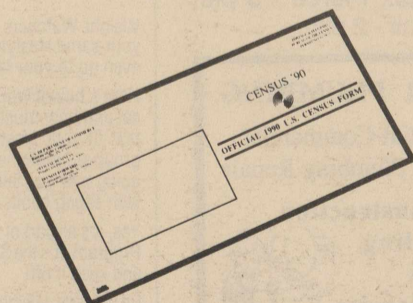


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BRONTE SCHOOL NEWS



Bronte Jr. High "A" Team Girls Basketball Team (left to right) Connie Bozarth, coach, Amie Bailey, Kim Blair, Vanessa Halstead, Jennifer McCorkle, Joni Barrett, Jill Johnson and managers, Wendy Huckabee and Lindsey Burwick. They ended with a 6-7 record.



Bronte Jr. High "A" Boys Basketball Team (left to right) Keith McCutchen, coach, Justin Lampier, Jay Parker, Gary Bilbrey, Jacob Golson, Brent Taylor, Jason Flowers, Jamie Flores, Randy Bilbrey and not pictured, Jason Cooper. Their season ended with a 12-1 record.

Horns matched up in practice games

The Bronte Longhorns met up with Gustine in a practice game last Tuesday evening in Baird. They squeezed by 54-53 to claim the win. Justin Phillips scored 26 pts. and had 16 rebounds, James Badgett followed with 14 pts., John Seales - 5 pts., 6 assists and 3 steals; Jason Pierce - 4

LOOK WHO'S NEW! Cody J. McClure

Jerrold, 7, and Jesse McClure, 6, would like to announce the unexpected early arrival of their brother, Cody Joe McClure. He was born to Mr. and Mrs. Cody McClure of Tennyson Thursday, February 15, 1990 at Angelo Community Hospital. C. J. weighed 4 lbs., 14 oz. and was 18 inches long.

Proud grandparents are Joe and Cindy Grigg of Ackerly and J. P. and Dorothe McClure of Bronte. Jack and Louise Grigg of Ackerly and Marie Gates of Elk City, Oklahoma are C. J.'s great-grandparents.

pts.; Bill Windham - 3 pts. and Sean Conway - 2 pts.

Then on Saturday, the Horns traveled to Winters where they matched up against Frost in another practice game. After trailing behind most of the game, the Horns tied the game with only a few seconds left in the fourth quarter to send the game into overtime. They never gave up and came away with a 57-55 victory.

Phillips again led the scoring with 26 pts. and 10 rebounds, followed by Seales - 12 pts., Badgett - 10 pts., Windham - 7 pts, 6 assists and 3 steals. Tim Davis had 2 pts.

The Horns were handed their first defeat of the season when they met with a tough 2-

A Bangs. It was a high scoring game for both teams with the score being Bronte 84 - Bangs 89.

Phillips again poured in 24 pts., followed by Badgett - 16 pts., Windham - 13 pts. Davis - 10 pts., Darrell Lucas - 10 pts., Seales 6 pts., Pierce - 3 pts. and Gary Blair - 2 pts.

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Ladies win bi-district

The Lady Longhorns remain the Bi-District Champions for the fourth consecutive year after defeating the Miles Bulldogs 61-44 in the Bi-District basketball game last Friday evening in San Angelo.

The game was an exciting one as the Ladies dominated the game from the very beginning. They jumped out in front early in the first quarter and never fell behind as they dominated the game both offensively and defensively. The Longhorn attack was led by sophomores Teresa Vaughn and Darla Scott who scored 12 pts apiece and each pulled down 12 re-

bounds. Melinda Gentry shot three three-point shots for 9 points and had 11 assists. Eboni Taylor followed with 6 pts., and 8 rebounds; and Angela Reyes - 4 pts. and 8 rebounds.

Tuesday night the Lady Horns ended their season when they were defeated by the Roscoe Plowgirls 55-42 in a Class A Area playoff game. The Plowgirls will advance to the Regional Tournament this weekend.

The Lady Longhorns and their coach David Tandy are to be congratulated for their hard work and success. Their overall record ends at 21-9.



BREAKFAST

Monday, Feb. 26

Cereal
Fruit Cup
Biscuits, Butter, Jelly
Milk

Tuesday, Feb. 27

Rice
Apple Slices
Biscuits, Butter, Jelly
Milk

Wednesday, Feb. 28

Grapefruit Juice
Waffles, Butter, Syrup
Milk

Thursday, March 1

Scrambled Eggs
Grape Juice
Biscuits, Butter, Jelly
Milk

Friday, March 2

Oatmeal
Cinnamon Toast
Pineapple Bits
Milk

LUNCH

Monday, Feb. 26

Chicken Fried Steak w/gravy
Creamed Potatoes
Green Beans

Hot Rolls

Milk

Tuesday, Feb. 27

Bar-B-Qued Franks
Corn
Blackeyed Peas

Hot Rolls

Milk

Cherry Jello

Wednesday, Feb. 28

Enchiladas
Pinto Beans
Spanish Rice
Tossed Salad

Hot Rolls

Milk

Thursday, March 1

Stew
Carrots & Celery Sticks
Pineapple Bits

Corn Bread & Crackers

Milk

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Friday, March 2

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Bronte NHS scholarship nominees told

That time of year is here again when the Bronte High School National Honor Society has concluded its search for two senior members to be nominated for national scholarships. Each member organization is allowed to nominate two senior members to vie for scholarships on the national level.

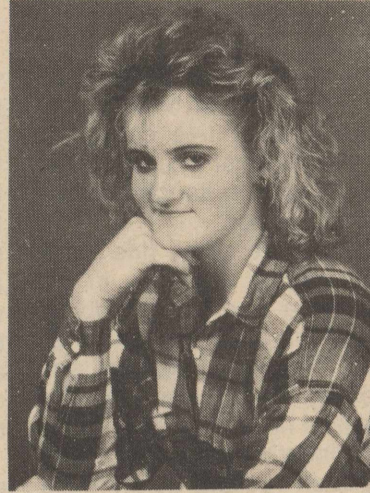
Christi McPerson, daughter of Mrs. Brenda McPherson; and Jennifer Robinson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Robinson; have been awarded the honor of being selected this year's NHS scholarship nominees.

In 1990, the NHS National Council will award 350 total scholarships of \$1,000 each. Of these 350, 100 will be awarded on the basis of financial need, as well as merit. Two hundred and fifty will be awarded strictly on merit.

Scholarships must be used to pursue a course of study leading to a degree in any accredited university, college, or junior college in the U.S.

The nominees were chosen partly upon the extent to which they demonstrated the qualities of leadership, scholarship, character and service.

Results of scholarships awarded to nominees will be announced later in May.



CHRISTI MCPHERSON



JENNIFER ROBINSON



Bronte Jr. High "B" Girls Basketball Team (left to right) (back row) Wendy Huckabee, manager, Cheryl King, Micah Arrott, Mandy Dunn, Jessica Salsar, Rhapsody Weaver and Connie Bozarth, coach. (front row) Laura Thomas, Phylliss King, Scarlett Alderman, Regina Clayton and Lindsey Burwick, manager.

Sorosis meets

The home of Dorthey Pruitt was the scene of the Sorosis Study Club's regular meeting Thursday evening. President Bobbie Lee presided over the business meeting following the reading of the Club Collect and pledging the national and state flags.

The evening's program was given by Mrs. Pruitt. She is postmistress at Carlsbad Post Office. She used a video tape entitled "A Letter" to show the

route and process a letter travels from the time a sender mails it until it is delivered to the addressee. A question and answer session followed the showing at which time Mrs. Pruitt advised helpful ways in preparing letters for quick delivery.

A dessert plate was served to Bobbie Lee, Virginia Boecking, Diane Luckett, Ann Hamilton, Betty Lee, Peggy Hembree, Mary Frances Glenn, Jean Fancher, Pat Oglesby and hostess.



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Disappear to Robert Lee

[Editor's Note: The following "American Vignettes" by Johnnye Montgomery was taken from the current issue of Vista-USA (Exxon's company magazine) and submitted by Joe Brazier.]

I live in a city but I grew up on a ranch, except for the school years when I boarded in a small town. Even now, there are days when homesickness chokes me, and I cannot eat or sleep until I return to the country.

So once or twice a year, I must disappear. I pack my bags, my computer and supplies, and a few good books, and I am gone. Gone to Robert Lee.

Robert Lee is tucked into an intersection of roads going from Sterling City, Texas, to Bronte and from Silver to Water Valley, all equally good places to disappear to. I choose Robert Lee because a friend has a travel trailer here that he lets me use. The trailer sits under a spreading mesquite tree laden with mistletoe, and before it a winding trail encloses a wildflower meadow shaded by towering pecan trees. Bordering the meadow on the other side is a steep dam that holds the town's municipal lake and water supply. To the back is a two-lane highway to Bronte, and across the highway is the Robert Lee cemetery. There are three other trailers, but their owners are gone during the day.

Quiet neighbors. A wealth of birds and flowers at my doorstep, and fish (I suppose) for the taking. The first time I disappeared, I confess, other than the daily trip to the post office to mail my manuscripts, I felt no need to leave my temporary home, except for the predawn run I made each morning through the town and up the hill, 3 1/2 miles out and 3 1/2 miles back. I'd start each morning at 4:30, and by the time I got back, the cafe on the edge of town would be open. The smell of bacon frying and coffee boiling would lure me in, sweaty and out of breath, to breakfast.

Things have changed somewhat since that first disappearance. I bring my dogs now, and we don't run the old route for fear of cars on the highway and, even worse, skunks. Now I wait until dawn and we run around the lake and around the cemetery, and then come home to breakfast.

I have done more exploring of the town and have found a

museum (seldom open), a nursing home (one of the finest in the state, with a waiting list and a caretaker-to-inhabitant ratio of one to one) and at least five churches. The Methodist church, I see by the sign in its yard, has a woman pastor.

There are some fine black Dominecker chickens in the yard of a weathered redbrick house on a corner, and they walk the yard singing and looking for bugs among the grass. I have seen cats sitting prominently on doorsteps and old men rocking gently back and forth on porch swings. And each time I wave, they touch their straw hats in a little salute.

In the creek that meanders under the highway toward town, there is a pair of cranes. Perhaps they have a nest there. Once I stood on the bridge and watched them until they lifted themselves into the air and soared above the creek-bed willows, and I caught my breath in wonder. That breath, and the distant call of a blue jay, were the only sounds I heard.

Once I walked along the creek bed, using the red sandstone rock for stepping stones, listening to the gurgle of the stream and the occasional explosion of a frog leaving his warm sunning place to escape into the pool below. At one turn in the creek, I was overcome by the scent of honeysuckle. Around the next curve, a honeysuckle thicket ran from the water's edge up the steep creek bank and over an ancient barbed-wire fence. There was a chinaberry tree and a concrete slab, with two steps leading to nowhere.

What homemaker brought a honeysuckle vine here, and a sapling chinaberry, and perhaps sat on the doorstep with a churn in her lap, making butter and watching the children play in the shade below them? And when did they leave, and why? There is no answer in the scattered hints of their life here: a rusted Log Cabin Syrup container (unrecognizable except for its distinctive shape), a bluing bottle, a broken half of a child's rocker.

In the cow shed to the south of the concrete slab, the feed bin still hangs from two cedar posts, held in place by rusty baling wire. Its board sides is worn almost to the bottom, from the twice daily feeding of the milch cow.

I could find out who lived

here. There are plenty of old-timers willing to tell me stories. But I am reluctant to ask. It's almost as if I would be opening somebody's mail...reading a love letter found in a book.

But tonight as I sat in the early dusk and watched the bullbats swooping through the trees in pursuit of insects, faint voices came from across the creek, and I thought of the house that used to sit in the shade of a chinaberry tree, and how the honeysuckle would be almost unbearably sweet at this time of evening, and how a woman and a man might sit on the porch while the children played.

And tomorrow I'll type a message to bury in a coffee can under the mesquite tree.

AON scholarship fund set

As thoughts of Graduation nears, AON Service Club begins preparation for its annual Robert Lee Senior Scholarships. Last year, we were able to award two \$500 scholarships. This year we would like to award another scholarship. To obtain this goal, we are starting an AON Scholarship Memorial Fund.

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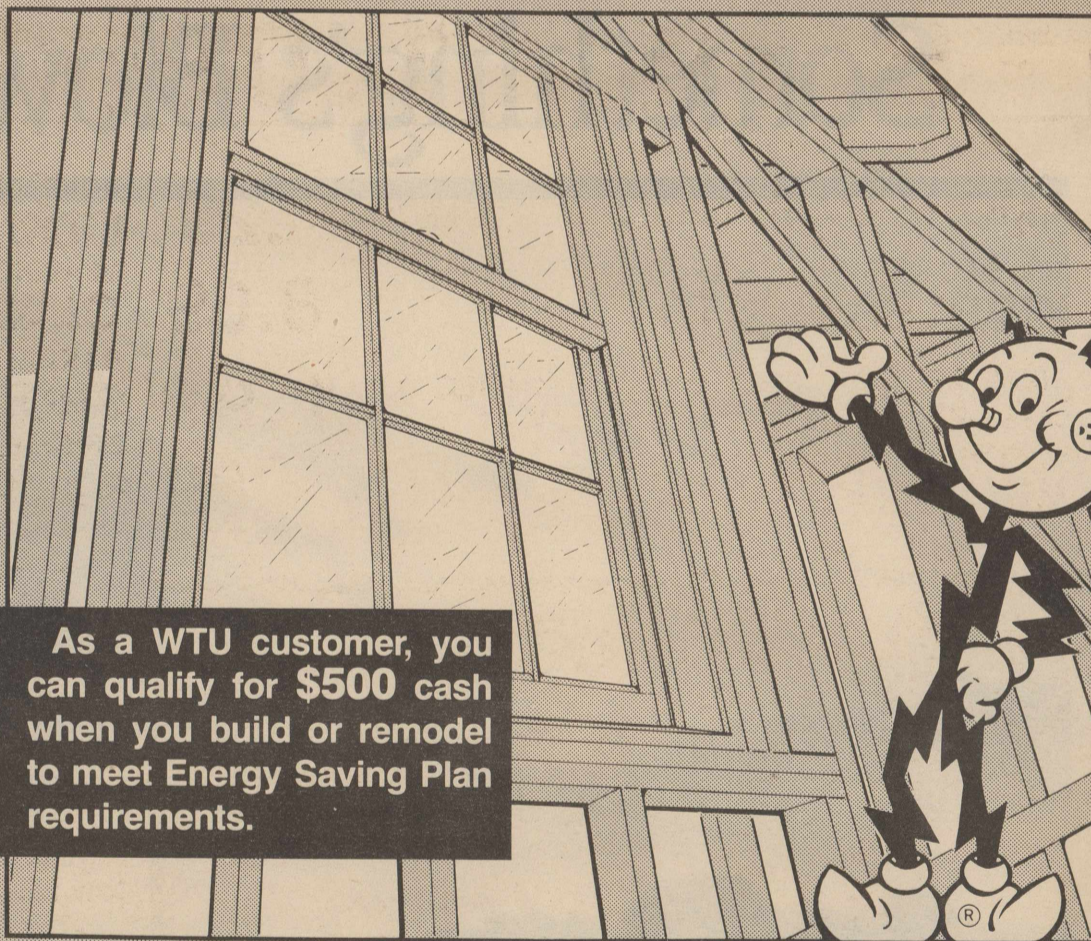
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THE FAMILY OF Emma Elkins would like to extend special thanks to all their family and friends for the flowers, food, cards, calls, memorials, and food and help by the ladies of the church. Our appreciation also goes to Minister Greg Fleming and Bill Green for the lovely funeral service and to Shaffer Funeral Home for their kindness and sympathy.

28-1tc

NOTICES

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

TO: W. C. KINKEL, ADELE MCALPIN AND LARRY DIXON, and the unknown heirs at law, devisees, legal representatives, grantees and assigns of said Defendants, who is deceased, if either is deceased, DEFENDANTS, Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before

the Honorable 51st District Court, Judge Royal Hart, of Coke County, at the Court-house thereof, in Robert Lee, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10:00 o'clock A.M. on the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the day of the issuance of this Citation, same being the 19th day of March, A.D. 1990, to Plaintiff's First Amended Original Petition filed in said Court, on the 31st day of January, A.D. 1990, in this cause numbered 3344 on the docket of said Court and styled:

GEORGE S. GALBRAITH VS.

W. C. KINKEL, ADELE MCALPIN AND LARRY DIXON
A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to wit:

Suit by owner of leases covering part of the oil, gas and other minerals in the hereafter described property for the appointment of a Receiver to give an oil and gas lease covering the mineral interest of the Defendants whose whereabouts are unknown. The Defendants own an undivided mineral interest in and to the following described property:

FIRST TRACT:

Being 88.225 acres of land out of Section 424, Blk. 1A, H&TC RR Co. Survey, Coke County, Texas, being more fully described in Warranty Deed to Veterans' Land Board from Earl F. Glenn and wife, Mary R., recorded in Deed Records in Volume 165, Page 202 at County Clerk's office of Coke County, Texas.

SECOND TRACT:

Being 160 acres of the North Eastern Part of Section 424, Blk. 1-A, H. & T. C. RR. Co. Survey, Coke County, Texas, more fully described as follows:

BEGINNING at the North East corner of Section 424; THENCE South 950 varas; THENCE West 713 varas; THENCE North 475 varas; THENCE West 475 varas; THENCE North 475 varas;

THENCE East 1188 varas to the place of beginning, and is more fully shown by Plaintiff's/Petition on file in this suit.

If this citation is not served within ninety (90) days after the date of this issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of said Court at Robert Lee, Texas, this the 31st day of January, 1990.

ATTEST: ETTIE HUBBARD
51ST DISTRICT COURT
COKE COUNTY, TEXAS
25a-4tc

VA Questions & Answers

Q - Is there a time limit for applying for service-connected disability compensation from the Department of Veterans Affairs?

A - There is no time limit, however, the date of application is a factor in establishing the effective date of payment. It may also be more difficult to establish entitlement if a claim is filed long after the disability was incurred.

Q - I am a Vietnam veteran, and I am concerned about the possibility that I may have been exposed to Agent Orange. What does the Department of Veterans Affairs offer in the way of examinations and health care?

A - Since 1978, the VA has operated the Agent Orange Registry Program for Vietnam veterans who are concerned about the possible health effects of Agent Orange. Veterans who participate in this program will receive a comprehensive physical examination and be asked to complete a questionnaire about their service in Vietnam. The examination could help to detect any illness or injury the veteran may have, regardless of origin, and may provide a basis for follow-up. Vietnam veterans are encouraged to request an Agent Orange examination at their nearest VA health-care facility.

Correct safety seat use

Safety seats can save children from injury or death in automobile accidents, but only if they're used correctly.

Since passage of the Texas child safety seat law in 1984, public awareness of the need to use child safety seats has increased. However, studies conducted in urban areas during 1988 show that only half of Texas children under age four actually ride in safety restraints.

Concern that this use rate may be even lower in rural areas has prompted the Texas Agricultural Extension Service and the Texas Department of Highways to initiate a year-long program in rural child passenger safety education. County extension programs throughout the state will also be offering educational programs on the selection and correct use of child safety seats.

According to Department of Highways figures, car accidents are the leading cause of death and serious injury for children. Infants under six months of age are at greatest risk of being killed in an accident.

The most common causes of death and injury to unrestrained children in auto accidents are being thrown into the dash or windshield, being thrown from the car or being crushed by the adults weight while being held.

Car safety seats, when used correctly, reduce deaths more than 90% and serious injuries by almost 80%.

The most common mistakes that lead to misuse of child safety seats are as follows:

* Not reading the instructions and installing the seat incorrectly. Incorrect installation may cause the seat to collapse or not function in an accident. When instructions are not provided with a used safety seat, you can write the manufacturer and obtain another set.

* Non-use or misuse of tether straps which allows the safety seat to fall forward in an accident. Tether straps must be attached to the rear seat belt for front seat installation or to an anchor bracket installed behind the seat for rear seat installations. If you do not want to use a tether strap, do not select a seat that requires one.

* Seat belts routed through or around the seat improperly so the seat may tip over, fall apart or move too much even in normal driving.

* Facing an infant seat forward. Infants up to about 20

pounds must ride rear-facing so that crash forces can be distributed across their strong backs.

* Not using seat harnesses or adjusting them too loosely, which allows children to be ejected from seats in an accident.

Youth place livestock at SA

Several Coke County youth placed market barrows during last weeks San Antonio Livestock Show. Corey Thorn placed 4th in the heavyweight crossbred. Ray Wallace placed 12th, and Gary Blair placed 21st.

In the intermediate crossbred class, Julie Blair placed 19th and Kim Blair placed 14th in the Heavy Hampshire class.

In the Jr. Steer Show, Jeff Wilkes placed 8th in the lightweight charolais and Casey Antilley placed 5th in the lightweight shorthorns.

Yanez presents club program

The Bronte Extension Homemakers Club met Friday, February 16, in the home of Virginia Boatright.

A short business meeting was held and then a program on safety was presented to the club by Jan Yanez, County Extension Agent. After the program, a crafts project was enjoyed by everyone. The ladies learned how to make butterflies out of magazines.

Refreshments were served to 4 guests, Juanita Parker, Johnnie Pearl Beaver, Eula Taylor and Jan Yanez.

Members present were Marie Arrott, Beulah Corl, Ella Clyde Black, Anna Laura McShane, Drexel Ragsdale and the hostess, Virginia Boatright.

Omega Coterie meets at B'well

by Mildred Wood, reporter
The Omega Coterie Club held its regular meeting February 14 at the fellowship hall of the First Baptist Church in Blackwell. Jane Wheat called the meeting to order. Rosie TenEyck called the roll. We discussed having a bake sale for which the date will be announced later. The valentine gifts for the Bronte Nursing Home were made by Shirley Walston and her helpers, and delivered to the home by Maida Belew. Our guest speaker, Betty Cole, gave a very enjoyable talk on the origin of Valentines Day.

Our hostesses, Luvine Aikins and Verla Smith, served refreshments to Betty Cole, our two new members Colleen Fletcher and Sue McClure. Also, Margaret Stout, Laura Seales, Dorris Hagler, Marie Romine, Shirley Walston, Maida Belew, Emma Lee Lanier, Gloria Lewis, Lillie Walters, Billie Murray, Eppie Crain, Rose Mary TenEyck, Jane Wheat, Bertha Smith and Mildred Wood.

Our next meeting will be March 14.

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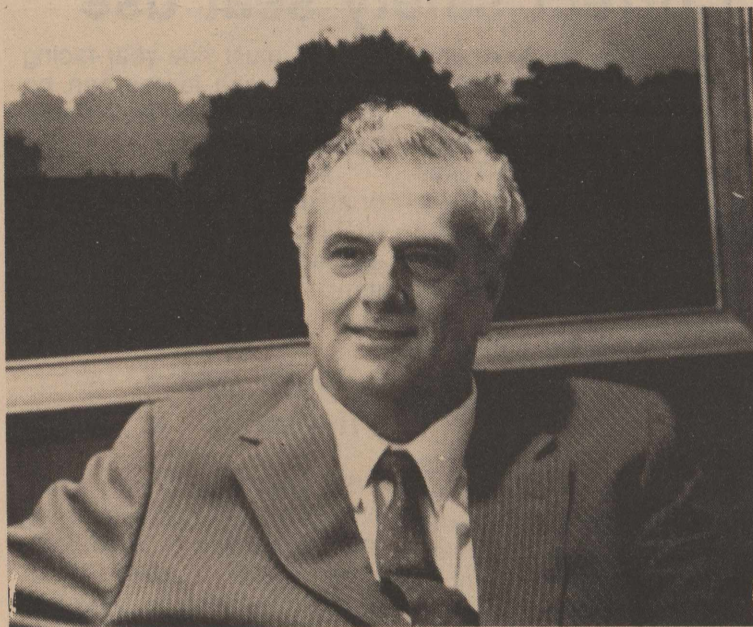


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Stanley Adams of Austin, and a native of Robert Lee, took time off from his busy campaign schedule as a democratic candidate for governor of Texas to visit with his parents, Skinny and Elsie Adams last week. Accompanying him were his wife, Christi, and several friends and campaign workers. The group was present for Skinny's 80th birthday party on Valentine's Day.



COUNTRY AGENTS
NEWS

by Tommy Antilley
Coke County Agent

Onion planting time is here! Onions do well in Texas if growers plant the right variety at the appropriate time, said Tommy Antilley, county agent with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Success with onions has to do with understanding the phenomena of bulbing, he said.

Bulbing occurs as a result of the length of daylight hours. Day-length requirement differs among varieties which have broken down into short-day, intermediate-day and long-day types.

Antilley said that a variety's day-length requirement must be met or bulbing will not occur.

Short-day varieties, such as the new 1015Y or Texas Super Sweet onion, require about 12 hours of daylight and will produce anywhere in Texas if planted at the right time, Antilley said. Medium-day and long-day types, which produce hotter and more pungent onion, grow only in specific areas.

Antilley said the larger the plant, or the more leaves it has when bulbing is initiated, the larger the bulb will be.

The best way to have the right sized plant at the right time is to set out pencil-sized transplants six weeks before the average frost free date, Antilley said.

Most Texas soils are adequate for growing onions, but some may need more organic matter to increase drainage, Antilley said.

Planting onions on top of raised beds will improve drainage and will enable the soil to warm up more quickly in the spring, said Antilley.

Several weeks prior to planting, evenly scatter about 1/2 pound of a complete fertilizer, such as 10-10-10, over each 50 square feet of bed surface.

To plant onions, make small holes in the row 3 to 4 inches apart and about 1 inch deep. Set one transplant in each hole, firm the soil around it and water immediately.

After three to four weeks, sidedress plants with one cup of ammonium sulfate or 2/3 cup of ammonium nitrate. Place the fertilizer about 4 inches from the onion plants.

Keep the soil moist, especially once bulbing (swelling at the base of the plant) begins.

Mulching around plants with 2 to 3 inches of organic matter is highly recommended, Antilley said.

Once plants start to mature, as indicated by a softening of the "neck" just above the bulb, allow the soil to begin drying. When bulbs are mature, the softened necks will cause the plant tops to fall over. At this time, pull up the onions and place them in a dry area to cure.

Several days later, clip the roots and tops, leaving 1 inch of stem attached to the bulbs to prevent entry of decay organisms.

Onions usually are ready for harvesting between May and late July, Antilley said.

Runnels Baptists
slate meeting

The regular meeting of the Runnels Baptist Association will be held February 26 at the First Baptist Church, Ballinger.

The W. M. U. and Executive Board will meet at 5:30 pm. The evening meal will be served at 6:30 pm. The program begins at 7:00 pm.

The program is to be on church revival committee training. Jerry Howe is in charge of the program. Doug Holtzclaw, Pastor of First Baptist Church, Goldthwaite, will lead the training.

The public is invited to attend.



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