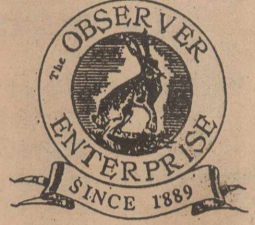


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County teams end seasons

After advancing to the area playoffs both the Bronte and Robert Lee girls basketball teams ended their seasons with close games Tuesday night.

Bronte's Lady Horns took the district crown after defeating Robert Lee in a playoff game for the honor last Tuesday night in a nip and tuck contest. The Ladies then defeated Blackwell Friday night to win the Bi-District title. The Lady Horns traveled to Colorado City Tuesday evening to face off against Grady for Area honors. Things just didn't click for Bronte as they fell to Grady in a tough game.

The Lady Steers were runner-up in District 26 1A after losing a 2 point contest

Bronte COC Banquet set for March 1

Bronte Chamber of Commerce will have its annual chamber banquet Saturday, March 1, 1997, at the Bronte Community Center. Steve Stephens will be the guest speaker and the Ballet Azteca Folklorica Dancers will furnish the entertainment.

Tickets can be purchased from any chamber director or will be available at the door. A mixer will start at 6 pm and dinner will be served at 7 pm.

UW Election will fill two positions

The Coke County Underground Water Conservation District will hold an election on May 3, 1997, to fill the positions of two members of the board whose terms expire.

Those whose terms expire this May are Wilbern Millican from Precinct 3 and R. S. (Bud) Johnson from Precinct 4. One director will be elected from each of the above precincts. Both incumbents have filed to have their names placed on the ballot for the May 3, 1997 election.

A Notice of Candidacy can be filed with the district by those who wish to have their name placed on the ballot. Forms for that purpose can be obtained from the district office in Robert Lee. The deadline for filing a Notice of Candidacy is March 19, 1997.

to Bronte at Central High School in San Angelo last Tuesday. RL's girls then traveled to Sweetwater to take on Hermleigh for Bi-District honors. The Ladies took that crown and were up against Sands Tuesday night seeking to advance down the playoff road. The Ladies suffered a close loss to a tough 3 point shooting Sands team.

Congratulations go out to both these teams for their efforts and fine performances this season. You make Coke County proud.

RL City Council Election

The City of Robert Lee began taking applications for a place on the May 3 ballot for three city council member positions February 17.

The terms of Beth Prather, Kim Hodge, and Kenneth Green will be expiring.

Anyone wishing to file for a place on the ballot may pick up an application at Robert Lee City Hall during regular business hours. The deadline to file for a position is March 19, 1997.

BISD election

Bronte ISD began taking applications February 17, 1997 for three positions on the school board. The election will be held May 3, 1997.

The positions of Jeff Schoenfield, Ben Hambright, and Wayne Coalson will be expiring.

Applications for a place on the ballot may be picked up at the Superintendent's office from 8 am to 4 pm weekdays. The last day to file for a position is March 19, 1997.

Free clinic offered

A free blood pressure and blood sugar health clinic will be held Friday, February 21 at the Tennyson Post Office.

The clinic will be held from 8:30 am until 9:30 am and is sponsored by the North Runnels Home Health Agency. A similar clinic is held the third Friday of every month. It is free to anyone regardless of age or income.

For additional information, please contact the Tennyson Post Office at 473-6002.

RL School undergoing construction

Construction on four new classrooms is well underway at Robert Lee School. Two new elementary and two new high school classrooms are expected to be completed by mid-summer. The new classrooms should be ready for use by the beginning of the school year next fall.

Long range plans for the elementary addition are to free up space with the new classrooms in order for the elementary students to have a computer lab similar to the one already in the high school wing.

The two new high school rooms were needed in order to meet state requirements for additional courses to be added to the curriculum next fall.

In addition to the construction of classrooms new air conditioning is being installed in the auditorium, cafeteria and administrative offices.

According to Superintendent Bill Hood the cost of the construction will be taken from the fund balance. He stressed that no additional taxes will be needed to pay for construction.

This is the first major construction RLISD has undergone since 1969 when the new gym and high school wing were added.

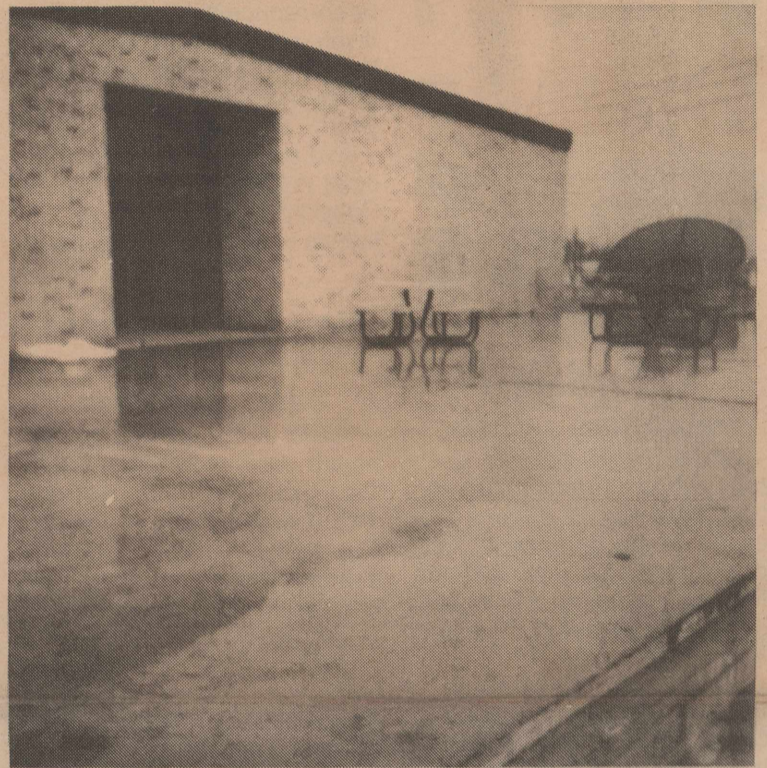
Retirement party set for Wallace

Jewell Wallace will be retiring from the United States Postal Service February 28, 1997. Jewell has been working in the Robert Lee Post Office for 20+ years. There will be a retirement party Friday, February 28 from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm at the Post Office. For additional information contact Postmaster Harrell Johnston.

Weigh Down Workshop slated

There will be an orientation, organizational meeting for a new twelve week session of Weigh Down workshop on Monday, February 24, 1997, at 6 pm in the Fellowship Hall of Bronte First Baptist Church. This meeting is open for new participants, as well as Weigh Down Workshop alumni.

For more information, contact Bonnie Reed at (915) 786-2370 or Bronte First Baptist Church office at (915) 473-2331.



Slabs for the new expansion at Robert Lee school have been poured and construction will continue over the coming months on the addition of the four new classrooms.



Golf tourney slated

Spring is around the corner and golf tournaments are beginning to appear on the schedule. Singing Winds Golf Course will begin tournament play March 1, 1997, with a 27-hole two-person scramble tournament. Tee time is 9:30 am. Rental carts will be available.

For more information, call 473-2156 - Singing Winds Golf Course in Bronte.

WCCCD meeting rescheduled

WCCCD was not able to

meet Tuesday, February 18 due to the basketball playoffs. The meeting has been rescheduled for Monday, March 3rd at 5:15 pm. Please mark your calendar and try to attend this very important meeting.

Correction

An error was made in the January 27, 1997 minutes from Commissioner's Court. The minutes should have read: Commissioner Royce Lee abstained on the vote to abolish the position of constable. He voted for sending the resolution to Representative Junell.

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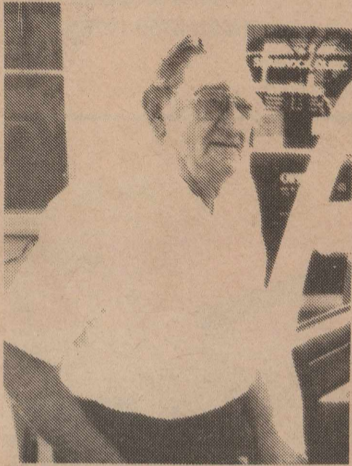
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Joe Brazier

**RL resident
welcomes clinic**

When heart patient C.O. (Joe) Brazier gets to feeling bad, he'd rather drive a few blocks to the Shamrock Clinic of Robert Lee than get his truck out on the road or prevail on friends to get him to San Angelo.

He was glad to learn earlier this month that his doctor, Gene Sherrod, MD, is beginning regular visits to the local clinic. "I don't walk very well, and it will be a convenience for me when Dr. Sherrod comes out here," he said.

Joe moved to Robert Lee more than a dozen years ago from Odessa, because of Lake Spence mostly. He doesn't fish much anymore, though, because he had trouble getting up and down the banks. His Robert Lee place started out as a weekend getaway, but once he had retired from General Electric in Odessa where he was a mechanical manager, he decided to sell his Odessa home and settle in Robert Lee permanently.

Joe got acquainted with Shamrock Clinic Physician Assistant George Zerucha after Joe "just couldn't get to feeling good." Following some tests, Joe learned he has congestive heart failure and is now on medication. He's a regular at the local clinic. "George impressed me pretty well that he knows what he's doing," Joe said. "He's a nice, friendly guy, and we've become pretty good friends." He said he likes the forthright way George talks to him about his health. "He's told me things about my health and different things that bother me that nobody else ever has, and I feel comfortable asking him questions because he doesn't rush me. He's always willing to go into detail and in words that I understand."

In addition to his heart condition, Joe has had two major surgeries: lung and kidney. But he's philosophical about

it. "I'm lucky, I guess," he grins. "Both my surgeries were on organs I have two of."

Indeed, things are looking up for Joe. Although he's on blood thinner, the dosage has been reduced, his potassium levels are acceptable, and he hasn't had any serious heart problems for a couple of years.

And now, since his cardiologist is coming to see him in Robert Lee, he can give his friends - and his truck - a rest.

**Retired teachers
hear health
care program**

Guest speakers presented health care information when the Coke County Retired Teachers met Monday, February 17, 1997. The luncheon meeting was held at the United Methodist Church in Bronte.

Robin Lowe and Barbara Hoffschneider of Ballinger told of assisted living for the independent elderly. This is provided through a personal home care residence with only three residents and a caretaker to each home.

Miriam Hoelscher of San Angelo presented information on group long term care and home health care policies. She is area agent for United Teachers Associates Insurance Co., and was assisted by Joan Rowland. This policy is endorsed by TRTA.

Alan Richey, Bronte School Superintendent, issued an invitation for volunteers to help in the laying of a new track next week. The new facility is located just west of the high school building.

C. B. Barbee introduced the guests and presided at the business meeting. Paul Gothard gave a legislative update and distributed information on upcoming bills in the 75th legislative session.

The next meeting will be Monday, March 17 at the United Methodist Church in Robert Lee.

Attending the meeting were: C. B. Barbee, Wanda Barbee, Norma Barker, Jamie Boren, Oleta Braswell, Jack Brewer, Nina Brewer, Jean Fancher, Mary Frances Glenn, Kay Gothard, Paul Gothard, J. T. Henry, Sybil Henry, Mary Lawhon, Kenneth Rasco, Nancy Rasco, Janet Wommack, and Lee Wommack. Guests present were: Rev. Elmer Beck, Rick Howell, Alan Richey, Barbara Hoffschneider, Robin Lowe, Miriam Hoelscher, Joan Rowland, Bettye Smith, Joe Smith, and Alan Barbee of Dallas.

**New tobacco
regulations
detailed**

New federal regulations implemented by the FDA are scheduled to go into effect February 28, 1997, regarding children and the purchase of tobacco products. The new regulations for retailers are:

- Must not sell cigarettes or smokeless tobacco to anyone under 18 years of age. It does not apply to cigars and pipe tobacco.

- Verify the age of a person purchasing or intending to purchase the products through a photo identification card. Anyone 26 years old or younger must be "carded." Violations of these regulations will expose the retailer to criminal penalties and fines and seizure of cigarettes and smokeless tobacco products.

The retailer-manufacturer-agency coalition is arguing that the FDA:

- Lacks jurisdiction to regulate tobacco products,
- Cannot regulate tobacco products as drugs or medical devices.

- Violates the First Amendment by restricting tobacco product advertising.

Local retailers have expressed more than a little concern over the negative effects these new regulations will have on their business.

**Euterpean Club
meeting held**

The Euterpean Club met January 16 in the fellowship hall of the United Methodist Church.

Myrle Thompson, president conducted the business meeting, she appointed a nominating committee for new officers. Lillie Burwick read minutes from the last meeting. Dona Sanderson gave the treasurer's report. Members voted to give a donation to the County-City Library from the Euterpean Club. Each member gave a donation.

A delicious Mexican Pile-On dinner was served to members by hostess Mary Lee and Margaret Stout. Members enjoyed playing bingo after the meal.

Other members attending were Hulene Conrad, Tommie Lucas, Juanita McRorey, Bea Murray, Esther Smith, Sue Sweet, Rose TenEyck, Bobbie Varnadore, Linda Watts, and Geneva Zaranetis.

The next meeting will be February 20 at the fellowship hall of the United Methodist Church.

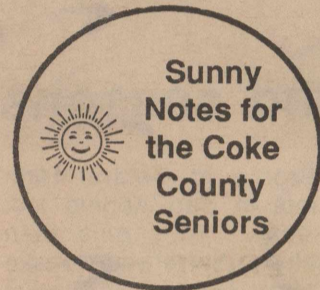
**SS Rep sets
monthly visit**

Garland Gregg, representative for the San Angelo Social Security Office, has scheduled his February visit to Robert Lee and Bronte. He will be at the courthouse conference room in Robert Lee on Thursday, February 27, from 11:00 - 11:30. In Bronte, he will be at the city hall council room, Thursday, February 27, from 1:30 - 2:00.

Anyone who wants to file a claim for benefits, get information, or transact other business with the Social Security Administration may contact him at this time.



Finis White and Johnnie Beaver were crowned Mr. and Mrs. Valentine at the Bronte Nursing Home February 14. They were presented with a red carnation. Mrs. Andrews played several numbers on the piano. Everyone enjoyed cupcakes and cookies provided by Mrs. J.B. Arrott, Mrs. Hurlin Lee, and Helen Kirkland.



Chicken Fried Steak, Oven Fried Potatoes, Carrots, Hot Rolls, Vanilla Pudding w/Fruit
Wednesday, Feb. 26
Meat w/Spaghetti Sauce, Spaghetti, Zucchini Squash, Garlic Bread, White Cake w/Caramel Icing
Friday, Feb. 28
Baked Ham, Buttered Sweet Potatoes, Green Beans, Wheat Rolls, Peach Cobbler

Tax assistance available
An AARP tax aide will be at the Bronte Senior Center February 26 at 1 pm for middle and low income taxpayers. Call 473-6471 for information.

Dominoes & Games
Bronte Senior Center will be open at 9 am February 27 for dominoes and other games. A pot luck lunch will be served at 12 noon. Come join the fun.

**Menu
Monday, Feb. 24**

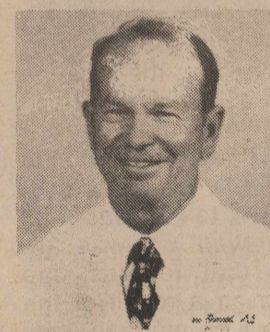
**County Court
disposition**

County court was held Tuesday, February 4, 1997 with Judge Jackie Walker presiding. Only one case was on the docket.

State of Texas vs. Daniel Clifton Calder; Charge: Criminal Trespass; Fine \$100; Court Cost \$155.

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Lantz-Wilson united in marriage

Jennifer Susanne Lantz and Donald Matthew Wilson were united in marriage February 14, 1997 at the First United Methodist Church in San Angelo. Officiating the service was John R. Elford.

Jennifer is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Lantz of Scranton, Texas. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Matthews of San Angelo. Matt is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Wilson of Robert Lee and the late Joyce Wilson and the grandson of the late Marie Hester.

Jennifer wore a gown of white satin. The bodice was beaded and sequined, the skirt and train were made of white chiffon. Her head piece was a circle of small white flowers with a back veil attached. She wore see-through nylon gloves and the traditional garter. Her bouquet was made of white roses and tulips.

Jennifer's maid of honor was Jennifer Robinson of Redmon, Oregon. Her bridesmaids were Michelle Perkins, sister of the bride, of Fresno, California, Alycia Hines of Philomath, Oregon and Rachele Linke of Boston, Massachusetts. They wore long, sleeveless red satin gowns with matching shoes and carried bouquets of white roses and tulips.

Matt wore a black tux with tails and a white tux shirt. He wore a double rose boutonniere. Best man was Michael Wilson, brother of the groom, of San Angelo. Groomsmen were Joey Millican of Robert Lee, Noal Smith and Leon Langley, both of San Angelo. They wore black tuxedos with vests of black and red brocade. Their boutonnieres were single white roses.

The bride was ushered to the altar on the arm of her father. They were married in a candle-light double ring ceremony. After repeating their vows Jennifer sang "I Do" to Matt. She was accompanied by Michael Wilson on the guitar and Billy Hawkins on the piano.

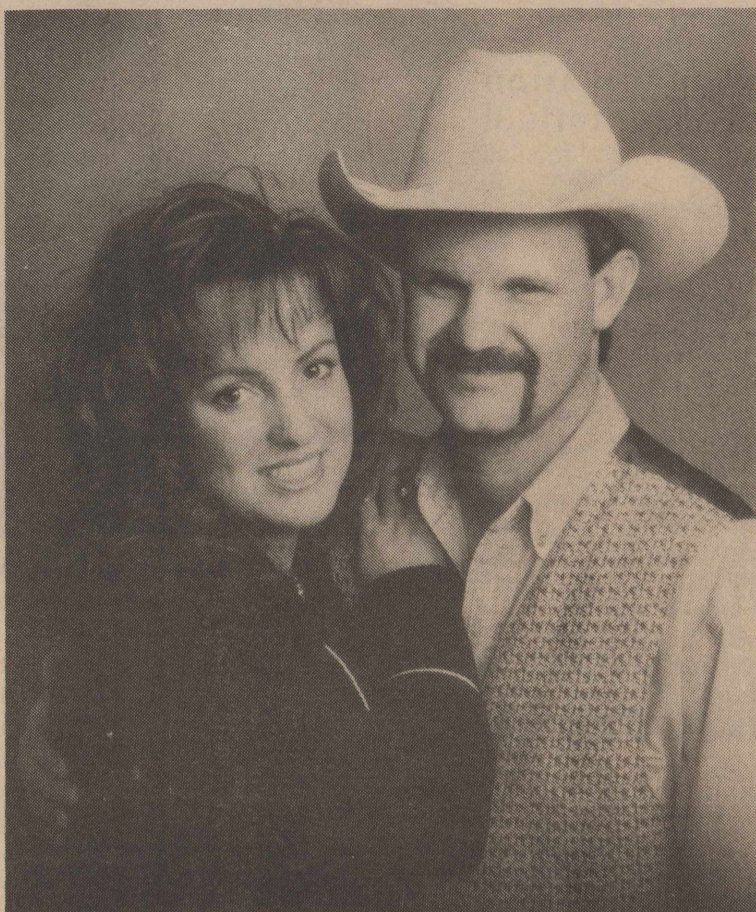
A reception was held in the fellowship hall of the church immediately following the ceremony. Coffee, punch, hors d'oeuvres, canapes, and fresh fruit were served. The four-tiered French vanilla wedding cake was trimmed with gold roses. The groom's cake was German Chocolate. A toast was made to the couple by best man, Michael Wilson. The bride and groom danced the first dance of the evening with guests joining in during the second dance.

Following the reception the couple stayed the night at the River Inn Bed and Breakfast.

Jennifer is a 1993 graduate of Redmond High School in Redmond, Oregon and received certification as a manicurist from Phagen's Beauty School. She is employed by The Eclipse.

Matt is a 1983 graduate of Robert Lee High School. He is employed by Osbornes Music Center of San Angelo.

After a wedding trip to Ruidoso, New Mexico, the couple is at home in San Angelo.



Mr. & Mrs. Matthew Wilson

ECCHD board meets in regular session

The Board of Directors of East Coke County Hospital District met in regular session February 17, 1997.

Following the reading of the minutes and acceptance of the monthly financial statement, Interim Administrator Jeanene Andrews gave the administrator's report. She stated that a number of inquiries have been received regarding admission and at least four new admissions are expected by March 1. Andrews also announced that an open house will be held Sunday, March 2, 1997, from 3 to 4 pm. The public is invited to attend.

The board ordered an election to be held May 3 to elect two board members to two year terms. The election will be held at Bronte City Hall. Early voting will be April 14-29 and the filing period to have a name placed on the ballot is February 17 through March 19. Petitions may be obtained at the Bronte Nursing Home.

The 1996 tax rollback roll was approved. It was announced that refunds due taxpayers as a result of the rollback will be made in early March. Approximately \$96,000 in refund checks will be made out to some 1,100 taxpayers.

It was stated that the indebtedness had been reduced to \$11,906, but money would again have to be borrowed to make up the refunds.

The issue of the sale of the nursing home was addressed. Board President Ed Cumbie said that a number of potential buyers had contacted nursing home officials over the past two or three years regarding the possible sale or lease of the nursing home. Cumbie stated, "The nursing home is not for sale or lease." He further explained that an aggressive marketing program is being planned as well as extensive cost cutting steps taken to put the facility in a profitable situation.

BNH donations listed

These donations were made to the Bronte Nursing Home between December 11, 1996 and February 18, 1997. Donations to the Bronte Nursing Home may be made by delivering them to Bronte Nursing Home, 900 South State, Bronte, Texas or by mailing them to Bronte Nursing Home, PO Drawer M, Bronte, Texas 76933. The thoughtfulness of generous donors is a great boost to the morale of the residents and staff.

Donations

C.V. Whittenton, Janet & Elmer Hurley, Longhorn Corral, Pauline Blair, First Baptist Church R.A.'s, Sorosis Study Club, Keith & Lanette Fletcher, First Baptist Church Team Kids, Family of Ernestine Powell and Julian Hernon, Bronte EMS, Herman Seals, Norma Gentry, Norman Kiker, Bill & Glenda Fletcher, Mrs. Hurlin Lee, Debbie Andrews, Mrs. Helen Kirkland, Martha Arrott, Jerry Davis, Larry & Diane Spivey, BNH Employees.

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The Lady Steers took the Bi-District Crown Friday night with a win over Hermleigh. The Ladies were runner-up in District 26 1A.

Stenholm announces art competition

Congressman Charles Stenholm announced plans recently for the Sixteenth Annual Congressional Art Competition for high school students in the 17th District of Texas. Since it was first launched in 1982, the nationwide competition has generated thousands of local competitions, involving more than 800,000 high school students. One winning entry from each Congressional District will be displayed in the annual exhibition in a corridor of the US Capitol, an area dedicated to the artistic talents of today's youth.

Students in grades 9 through 12 from Coke, Concho, Runnels and Tom Green counties should enter a preliminary contest to be held in San Angelo on Thursday, March 27, 1997, at the SAISD Administration Building, 1621 University. Entries must be brought to Willie Zuniga at the Administrative Building by 5:00 pm on Wednesday, March 26.

Other regional shows will be held in Abilene, Big Spring, Brownwood, Colorado City, Graham, Mineral Wells and Stephenville. Winners from the entire 32 counties of the 17th District will be announced at an awards brunch in Abilene on April 26. Charlie and Cindy Stenholm will host this honors brunch.

Artwork must be no larger than 32" by 32" framed (framing not required) and two-dimensional. Eligible categories are paintings, prints, drawings or collages. Artwork must capture the flavor or depict the heritage of the West Texas area and 17th District in any category, which may include but is not limited to landscapes.

For more information, contact Stenholm's San Angelo office at 915-655-7994 or Willie Zuniga at 915-947-3823.

The secret behind higher test scores

Every year high school juniors and seniors spend a stressful Saturday morning or two taking a college entrance examination (the ACT or the SAT), followed by an anxious three to six week as they await the results, convinced that that test score alone will determine their collegiate futures.

Aside from time spent with the testing company's preparation materials, or perhaps money spent on a "professional" test preparation seminar, many students feel they are powerless to affect their test scores—that some students are just "smarter" or "better test takers." In truth, you can do a great deal to affect your scores, it costs nothing, and requires a minimal investment of additional time. You can best determine the outcome of your test NOT by "cramming" for the exam the week or month before,

but instead by simply making the right CHOICES, again and again.

The right curriculum choices act like building blocks, each providing a better foundation for the next year's classes. That's really why some high school courses are identified as "college prep;" they provide the needed foundation (preparation) for success in college.

Remember that test scores aren't the only criteria for college admissions - schools are far more interested in total high school records, which includes not only the grades earned, but the curriculum CHOICES that were made, which reflect the seriousness of the student's desire to attend college. Students who chose the courses that will challenge them in high school and prepare them for college are motivated - it only follows that they are also the students who receive the highest test scores.

For example, ACT defines "core curriculum" as: four years of English, three years of (academic) mathematics, three years of social studies, and three years of natural sciences.

Last year, the average ACT composite for Texas students with "core or more" curriculum was a 21.2; those students with "less than core" curriculum averaged an 18.0, more than three points less on a scale score of 1-36.

Taking the appropriate courses does, without question, ensure higher test scores. However, that's not the real reward for registering for the right classes. Taking a college preparatory curriculum not only makes that Saturday morning a lot easier for you, it also lays the foundation for a more successful, less stressful college career, and that's a payoff that shouldn't be kept secret from anyone!



Mr. & Mrs. Buckles Sparks

RL couple to observe 60th Anniversary

Buckles and Cova Sparks of Robert Lee will be celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary with a reception February 22 at their home between the hours of 2:00 and 4:00 pm.

Buckles and Cova were married February 20, 1937 in Blackwell. They have lived most of their married life in Robert Lee.

The couple have five children, 14 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren. Their children are Jackie Walker, Bucky and Barbara Sparks of Robert Lee; C.L. and Nada Sparks of Antioch, California; Jerry and Wallace Colburn of Lubbock; and Doris and Ronnie Fox of San Angelo.

Buckles was employed in highway construction and oil-field production. He retired from Union Texas in 1980. Cova is a retired Coke County Justice of the Peace.

The Sparks are members of the Robert Lee Baptist Church.

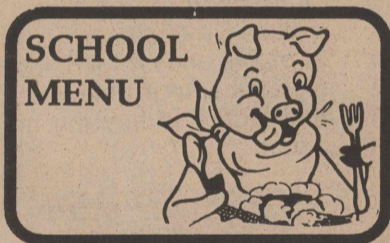
Cotton researchers team up for answers

A unique link between industry and researchers from various public entities is yielding significant progress for cotton crop improvement just one year since it began.

The project is TxCOT, a \$1-million effort funded by the Texas legislature to use biotechnology to find ways to enhance the competitiveness of Texas cotton around the world.

Cotton is the leading cash crop in Texas, generating nearly \$1.6 billion for its producers in 1995.

Already, virtually every agency involved with TxCOT has reported significant findings and successes including the transfer of genes for herbicide and insect resistance into Texas cotton varieties with field testing, progress in the transfer of a fiber strength gene from Sea Island cotton to Texas cotton, identification and transfer of a gene into cotton that may reduce gossypol in cottonseed.



RL Menu Breakfast

Menus are subject to change.

Monday, Feb. 24
Breakfast Pizza, Orange Juice, Milk.

Tuesday, Feb. 25
Donuts, Cold Cereal, Orange Juice, Milk.

Wednesday, Feb. 26
Biscuit, Sausage, Cold Cereal, Orange Juice, Milk.

Thursday, Feb. 27
Cinnamon Toast, Cold Cereal, Orange Juice, Milk.

Friday, Feb. 28
Breakfast Bagel, Orange Juice, Milk.

Lunch

Monday, Feb. 24
Nachos, Seasoned Corn, Potato Patty, Chocolate Cake, Milk.

Tuesday, Feb. 25
Barbecue Wieners, Macaroni & Cheese, English Peas, Homemade Rolls, Fruit Cocktail, Milk.

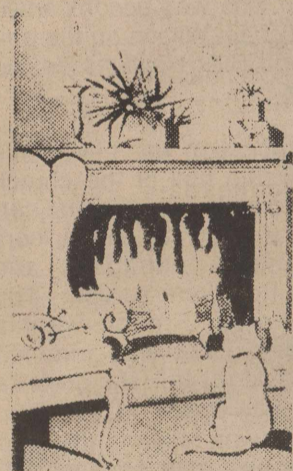
Wednesday, Feb. 26
Lasagne, Seasoned Carrots, Homemade Rolls, Pears, Milk.

Thursday, Feb. 27
Chicken A La King, Rice, Seasoned Green Beans, Homemade Rolls, Pineapple Tidbits, Milk.

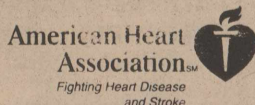
Friday, Feb. 28
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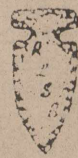
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BISD Board minutes

The Bronte Independent School Board held its regularly scheduled board meeting on February 13, 1997 at 7:00 pm in the board room. Items on the agenda were as follows:

*The Board heard the report from the Secondary Principal, Scott Turner.

*Bid was accepted from Tolver Brothers in Ballinger for a 1997 Suburban.

*The Board reviewed and accepted the policy changes recommended by the Board and recorded by Jim Williams, TASB Policy Consultant.

*TASB localized update on DEC - Compensation and Benefits - leaves and absences was adopted.

*Each board member turned in their board evaluation.

*Board member training credits for 1996 were reviewed and recorded.

*An election for school board trustees was called for and ordered on May 3, 1997 to elect three board members. Provisions were set. The positions of Jeff Schoenfield, Ben Hambright, and Wayne Coalson will be expiring. Applications for a place on the ballot may be picked up at the Superintendent's office 8 am - 4 pm beginning February 17 and continuing through March 19.

*A Deputy Early Voting Clerk was hired for the school holidays.

*Discussed salary schedules.

*Offered two year, 11 month contracts to Rick Howell, elementary principal

and to Scott Turner, secondary principal.

*Discussed teacher evaluations.

*Discussed substitute pay in lunchroom and for bus drivers.

*Accepted the track field lighting proposal from Roy Blair.

*The board amended the 1996-97 budget.

*The board heard the report from the superintendent, Alan Richey, on investment of funds, updates on track, art building, and CCJJC. A board retreat was discussed.

*Paid the January 1997 bills.

*Meeting was adjourned at 11:36 pm.

Sheriff issues appeal

Responding to the increasing number of people wanting to assist law enforcement officials and build a stronger partnership in the fight against crime, Sheriff Mike Harris recently announced that Coke County citizens are being invited to become Associate Members of the Sheriff's Association of Texas.

Membership appeals will go out in the mail shortly. Individuals not receiving a membership appeal or desiring more information can obtain it by contacting the Sheriff's Association of Texas at PO Box 4488, Austin, TX 78765. Meanwhile, residents wishing to become Associate Members can also sign up for the program by contacting the Sheriff's office.

"With government funding becoming increasingly difficult to secure, the Associate Membership drive has taken on greater importance than ever before," said Sheriff Harris. The funding is vital to helping us carry out our mission of making communities safer places to live, work and play."

The Associate Membership Program was begun to provide citizens with an opportunity to lend their support to more effective law enforcement and to better help local sheriffs protect the lives and property of citizens.

"As the need for building stronger public-private law enforcement partnerships in this country continues to escalate, programs such as this continue to grow in importance," said Sheriff Harris. "I encourage everyone receiving a membership appeal to consider joining forces with us by becoming an Associate Member. It is a valuable investment in our future."

Founded in 1878, the Sheriff's Association of Texas is a non-profit professional and educational organization dedicated to the preservation of peace and the protection of the lives and property of the citizens of Texas. Mr. Gorgon Johnson serves as Executive Director. Headquarters are located in Austin, Texas.

TxDOT to conduct public meetings

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) will conduct public meetings to solicit public input concerning project selection for the Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) and to disseminate information about the United Transportation Plan and the TIP.



The Lady Horns celebrate after taking the Bi-District Crown Friday night in a win over Blackwell. Bronte's Ladies were District 26 1A Champions.



COUNTRY AGENTS NEWS

by Tommy Antilley
Coke County Agent

Beware of herbicide telephone sales

Several inquiries have been received concerning the effectiveness of herbicides that are being sold by telephone. These herbicides have a variety of trade-names that are not readily recognizable. The salesperson will contact farmers and ranchers by telephone. The product is promoted as a highly effective, broad spectrum herbicide for control of weeds and brush. The salesperson promises a quick and long-lasting kill of the unwanted plants. The herbicide or herbicides in the product vary. However, it often contains 2, 4-D and may contain bromacil, mecoprop (MCPP), dichlorprop (2,4-DP) and petroleum distillates. The percentages of the herbicides in the mixture vary. Often the petroleum distillates may make up more than 96 percent of the mixture. The cost per gallon of the herbicide mixture is high (\$50 to \$90 per gallon). In some cases, equivalent results may be obtained by using diesel fuel without herbicide.

These herbicides have an EPA-approved label. Thus, farmers and ranchers should be encouraged to ask the salesperson to send a copy of the label that lists the active ingredients before they agree to purchase the herbicide.

The telephone salespeople are persistent. Farmers and ranchers should be in a position to make informed decisions about purchasing herbicides. Thus, they should be strongly encouraged to ask for a label to examine before they agree to buy the herbicide.

Aggies study bacterial bio clocks

Scientists are re-thinking what they know about how bacteria tell time.

New studies of a laboratory bacterium show that the organism passes on a biological clock even while it divides to produce new generations of offspring, says Susan Golden, a molecular biologist at Texas A&M University.

The circadian clock is a biological time-keeper that in humans governs functions like hormone levels and the wake-sleep cycle. The new findings complicate the picture of the circadian clock that researchers have been building through decades of research, Golden says.

"It suggests that a lot of cells have their own clocks - cells that we might not expect them to have," Golden says.

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Projects within the 15 county San Angelo District will be considered. The San Angelo District includes Coke County. Meeting will be held at the following locations and times:

San Angelo - Texas Department of Transportation District Office, Assembly Room, 4502 Knickerbocker Rd., - 1:30 pm - Monday, March 23, 1997.

Eden - Burn's Bldg., Chamber of Commerce Room, 106 Paint Rock St. - 10:00 am - Wednesday, March 5, 1997.

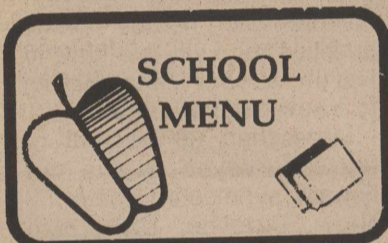
Written comments concerning projects will be accepted through March 17, 1997 and should be addressed to: Walter G. McCullough, PE, District Engineer, TxDOT, 4502 Knickerbocker Rd., San Angelo, TX 76904.

All interested citizens are invited to attend and participate in these meetings. Persons attending the meetings who have special communication or accommodation needs are encouraged to contact the Public Information Officer at (915) 944-1501. Requests should be made no later than two days prior to the meeting. TxDOT will make every reasonable effort to accommodate these needs.

In 1918, Dr. Annie Webb Blanton became the first woman elected to statewide office in Texas. She was elected State Superintendent of Public Instruction two years before women won the right to vote in the general elections. Women received full suffrage in 1920, and two years later Dallasite Edith Wilms became the first woman elected to the Texas House of Representatives. In 1926, Margie Neal of Carthage became the first woman elected to the Texas Senate.

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Monday, Feb. 24
Pancake, Sausage on a Stick, Apple Juice, Milk

Tuesday, Feb. 25
Cereal, Apple Sauce, Biscuit, Milk

Wednesday, Feb. 26
French Toast, Grape Juice, Pop Tarts, Milk

Thursday, Feb. 27
Sausage, Orange Juice, Waffles, Milk

Friday, Feb. 28
Scrambled Eggs, Apple Slices, Biscuit, Milk

Lunch

Monday, Feb. 24
Chicken Strips w/Gravy, Creamed Potatoes, Sweet Corn, Rolls, Milk, Brownies

Tuesday, Feb. 25
Burrito w/Cheese, Fresh Fruit Salad, Tossed Salad, Spanish Rice, Milk, Peanut Butter Cookies

Wednesday, Feb. 26
Fish Sticks, Macaroni & Cheese, Sweet Peas, Sliced Apple, Roll, Milk, Jello w/Mixed Fruit

Thursday, Feb. 27
Hot Dogs, Chili, Cheese, Tator Tots, Apple Sauce, Bun, Milk, Gingerbread

Friday, Feb. 28
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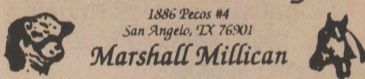
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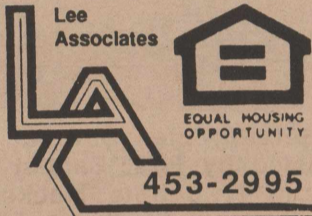
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cards, and for the food after I
came home from the hospital.
Winnie Pitcock
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Dalton Millican October 23,
1922, and set on February 4,
1997. Thank you so much for
all of the expressions of love,
cards, flowers, calls, visits,
food, prayers, etc. A special
thank you to Rev. R. W.
Blackmon, Bro. Jimmy
Rogers, and Kelly Nichols.
The Family of Dalton Millican
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to Mike Lomas and Jim Bass
Ford for the advise,
understanding, and financial
assistance during 1996. No
matter the hour or the
problem with our ambulance,
aid was given to us
immediately and always met in
a friendly and professional
manner.

With appreciation, the West
Coke County EMS Directors
and Volunteers.
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A BIG THANK YOU
to the Robert Lee Volunteer
Fire Department and to the
Coke County Sheriff's
Department for their prompt
action at the fire in our mobile
home. Your quick action and
attention were greatly
appreciated.

The Neil McDonald Family
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NOTICES

THE CITY OF BRONTE
will accept bids for the sale of
a Kelley Series 20 Backhoe
Attachment.

The Backhoe Attachment can
be inspected at the City's
Water Plant located at 123
West Jackson between 8 am
and 4 pm Monday through
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1997. The City of Bronte
reserves the right to accept or
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**NOTICE OF
IMPOUNDMENT OF
ESTRAY**

On the 10th day of
February, 1997, I impounded
the following estray:
Kind of Animal: Cow
Breed: Hereford
Color: Red & White
Sex: Bull
Age: 2 years
Size: 650 pounds
Brand, Marks, Identifying
Characteristics: None
and, on the 13th day of
February, 1997, I filed a
Notice of Estray in the Estray
Book of Coke County, Texas.

I have made a diligent
search of the register of
recorded brands in Coke
County, Texas, for the owner
of said estray, but the search
did not reveal the owner.

Notice is hereby given that,
if the ownership of said estray
is not determined by the 5th
day of March, 1997, said
estrays will be sold at public
auction sale at Producers
Livestock Auction.

Witness my hand this 13th
day of February, 1997.
Rick Styles
Designee of Sheriff of Coke
County, Texas
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**NOTICE OF
APPLICATION FOR
FLUID INJECTION WELL
PERMIT**

Pittencrieff America, Inc.,
PO Box 6129, Abilene, Texas
79608, is applying to the
Railroad Commission of Texas
for a permit to inject fluid into a
formation which is productive
of oil and gas.

The applicant proposes to
inject fluid into the Odom
Lime Formation, Ft.
Chadbourne, Odom Lime Unit

NOTICES

Lease, Well Number 8-26,
which is a horizontal well. The
proposed injection well is
located 9 miles northeast of
Bronte in the Fort
Chadbourne Field in Coke
County. Fluid will be injected
into strata in the subsurface
depth interval from 5430 to
6298 feet. The horizontal
segment will extend 868 feet
in a southerly direction.

LEGAL AUTHORITY:
Chapter 27 of the Texas
Water Code, as amended,
Title 3 of the Texas Natural
Resources Code, as
amended, and the Statewide
Rules of the Oil and Gas
Division of the Railroad
Commission of Texas.

Requests for a public
hearing from persons who can
show they are adversely
affected, or requests for
further information
concerning any aspect of the
application should be
submitted in writing, within
fifteen days of publication, to
the Environmental Services
Section, Oil and Gas Division,
Railroad Commission of
Texas, PO Box 12967,
Capitol Station, Austin, Texas
78711, (Telephone 512/463-
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**Hard to compete
with fictional
heroes**

Whether it's Tom Clancy's
Jack Ryan, Clive Cussler's Dirk
Pitt, or "The Lieutenant" in L.
Ron Hubbard's Final Blackout,
Americans are looking for
courage, leadership, integrity
and compassion in their
favorite fiction heroes - prime
qualities they say are hard to
find in everyday life, according
to a new nationwide poll.

More than 60 percent of
those surveyed by the na-
tionally syndicated cable TV
show, Dateline, USA, also
cited charm and a touch of
recklessness - and vulnerabil-
ity as attributes they prize in
their literary heroes but en-
counter far less often than
they'd like to in their daily
lives.

Action-adventure fiction
personalities - and their signa-
ture qualities - mentioned by
65% of the men and 40% of
the women in the Dateline:
USA poll included Clancy's
Jack Ryan for "resourceful-
ness, and daring"; Cussler's
Dirk Pitt for his "resilience and
ingenuity", and Ian Fleming's
James Bond for reckless
charm and "calm under fire".

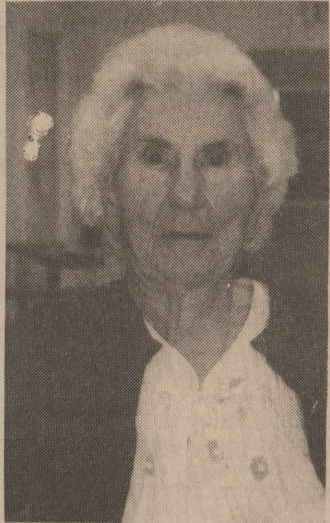
"The Lieutenant", enigmatic
central character in Hubbard's
novel Final Blackout, was sin-
gled out for personifying at-
tributes of "dedicated valor
and high principle", a highly
prized combination for real-life
fictional heroes.

As for traits they least like in
fictional - or true-life - heroes,
more than 70 percent of the
respondents most frequently
named dishonesty, ruthless-
ness, and a "lack of basic
humility".

Over 70 percent of men and
55 percent of women sur-
veyed also told Dateline: USA
they read adventure-thrillers
for "sheer excitement", "es-
cape into suspense and in-
trigue" or to "vicariously expe-
rience out-of-the-ordinary
dangers and environments".



Norman "Wink" Kiker presents Keith Fletcher with a donation to the Bronte Nursing Home.



Celebrating only one birthday for February at West Coke County Nursing Home was Thelma Roberts. Needless to say Thelma got all the attention. Bobbie Varnadore hosted the party with a beautiful birthday cake. Punch and cake were served to 18 residents and 9 guests. Entertainer for the occasion was Virginia Munsey of Maryneal with her keyboard.

Torres receives commendation

Marine Gunnery Sgt. Luis A. Torres, whose wife, Jan, is the daughter of Charline Champion of Hurst, recently received a Certificate of Commendation while assigned with Marine Fighter Training Squadron 401, 4th Marine Aircraft Wing, Yuma, AZ.

Torres was recognized for his superior performance of duty. Torres consistently performed his demanding duties in an exemplary and highly professional manner.

Torres is an essential part of today's naval forces as they shift focus away from long-distance war at sea to handling the challenges of regional conflicts affecting US interests.

Whether helping provide humanitarian assistance and disaster-relief or projecting power ashore and providing forward presence, Marines like Torres are making a difference as they work assigned to ships, squadrons or shore commands around the world. Torres is not only improving his knowledge and skill, but also is serving as part of the most highly technical naval force in history.

The 1981 graduate of Denton High School joined the Marine Corps in June 1981.

Goat the newest lean meat

The newest lean meat is probably as old as time itself, and a recent survey by Texas A&M University shows that retailers in the United States would put more into their meat cases if they had a steady supply.

Goat meat offers consumers a lowfat meat, according to Dr. Ernie Davis, agricultural economist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

"It's a very tasty item," said Davis, who helped conduct the survey of wholesale meat distributors, chain restaurants, independent restaurants, chain food stores and independent grocery stores.

These commercial retailers felt like they would be able to sell an estimated 4.8 million carcasses a year if supplied the meat.

Presently, there are about 800,000 meat goats in the United States, and 700,000 of those are in Texas, according to Zane Willard of San Angelo, executive secretary of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers Association.

"Goat meat is the number 1 consumed meat in the world," Willard said. It's also been consumed for centuries.

Ice storms may cause oak wilt to spread

Recent ice storms across Texas could increase the spread of oak wilt disease in Texas trees, plant pathologists at Texas A&M warn.

Oak wilt is deadly for red or live oaks because beetles, which have touched fungal mats from infected trees, are attracted to sap that begins to flow from tree wounds.

The disease is particularly prevalent in those counties on or adjacent to the Edward's Plateau where serious ice damage has occurred, Dr. Dave Appel, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station plant pathologist, noted.

"All pruning cut and wounds from broken limbs must be treated with a protective covering," added Dr. Jerral Johnson, plant pathologist for the TAES.

The pathologists recommended that pruning operations be done by professional tree pruners to insure continued tree health and development.



A crowd of young people enjoyed a meal during the Youth Valentine Banquet at First Baptist Church in Bronte.



Youth Valentine Banquet held

First Baptist Church Bronte was the setting for a Valentine Banquet February 12. The youth were served a delicious meal of brisket, baked potatoes, salad, green beans, and cheese cake by the adult Pairs & Spares Sunday school class. The guest speaker was Myron Halford from Ballinger. The youth as well as the adults enjoyed the evening.



Serving the youth at the Valentine Banquet hosted by First Baptist Church in Bronte were (from l) Debbie Mackey, Lisa Turner, David McMullan, Susan DeLaGarza, Bonnie Reed, Jeanna Lee, Wendell Lee, Deanna Reed, Clifton Reed, and Harold Dunn.



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