

**NRCS announces
deadline for
Conservation
Stewardship Program**

The USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) in Texas is now accepting applications through April 9, 2021, for Fiscal Year 2021 funding for the Conservation Stewardship Program.

NRCS plans to invest more than \$8 million for new enrollments this year for Texas. The 2018 Farm Bill made several changes to this conservation program, which helps agricultural producers take the conservation activities on their farm or ranch to the next level.

"CSP continues to be a very effective tool for private landowners working to achieve their conservation and management goals," said Kristy Oates, NRCS state conservationist for Texas. "It is the largest conservation program in the United States with more than 75 million acres of productive agricultural and forest land enrolled."

While applications are accepted throughout the year, interested producers should submit applications to their local NRCS office by April 9, 2021, to ensure their applications are considered for 2021 funding.

The 2018 Farm Bill authorizes NRCS to accept new CSP enrollments from now until 2023, and it made some changes to the program. These updates include:

NRCS now enrolls eligible, high-ranking applications based on dollars rather than acres. NRCS covers part of the cost for producers implementing new conservation activities and maintaining their existing activities.

Higher payment rates are now available for certain conservation activities, including cover crops and resource conserving crop rotations.

CSP now provides specific support for organic and for transitioning to organic production activities and a special grassland conservation initiative for certain producers who have maintained cropland base acres.

New tools help producers better evaluate their conservation options, determine whether they are meeting stewardship thresholds, while also enabling them to see potential conservation payment scenarios early in the process.

The program provides many benefits including increased crop yields, decreased inputs, wildlife habitat improvements and increased resilience to weather extremes. CSP is for working lands including cropland, pastureland, rangeland, nonindustrial private forest land and agricultural land under the jurisdiction of a tribe.

For additional information about CSP, contact your local USDA service center or visit www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov.

Since 1889, newspapers have served Coke County beginning with the Coke County Rustler. In the 1980s, the Bronte Enterprise and the Robert Lee Observer combined to become The Observer/Enterprise. The history told in these publications is fascinating and we want to share it with our readers of today. Each week, we will include items from the archives.

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COKE COUNTY INTERSCHOLASTIC LEAGUE MEET

Schedule of Events, to Be Held on the Bronte School Grounds, March 24, 1933.

- 9:30 Assembly.
- 10:00 Story Telling (Primary Room) Miss Nelle Lowry.
- Debate (Auditorium) Miss Elizabeth Leonard.
- Picture Memory (Basement Study Hall) Miss Pruett.
- Essay Writing (English Room) Miss Norris.
- Arithmetic (Basement Room 7) Miss Rees.
- Three R Contest (Basement Study Hall) Mrs. Mathis.
- One Act Play (Auditorium) Mrs. Hankins.
- Noon
- 12:30 Play Ground Ball (Men) Captains, Mr. Gramlin and Mr. Hankins.
- Play Ground Ball (Ladies) Captains, Miss Morris and Mrs. Dunn.
- 1:30 Ensemble singing (Auditorium) Miss Wilson.
- Declamation (Auditorium) Mrs. Dunn.
- (Sub-Junior)
- Declamation (Auditorium) Mrs. Dunn.
- (Junior)
- Declamation (Auditorium) Mrs. Dunn.
- (Senior)
- 2:30 Extemporaneous Speaking (Auditorium) Mrs. Shelton.
- Spelling (Basement Study Hall) Mrs. Russell.
- Play Ground Ball (Grounds) Mr. Landers.

Separate Events for Rural Schools will be provided in the general program, under the direction of Mr. Silas Davenport.

Schedule of Events, to Be Held on the Bronte School Grounds, March 25, 1933.

- 9:30 Assembly Singing.
 - 10:00 Track and Field.
 - Tennis.
 - (Doubles, boys) (Singles, boys)
 - (Doubles, boys) (Singles, girls)
 - 220 Low Hurdles (First Heat)
 - 880 yard dash.
 - Junior Boys' 50 yard dash.
 - Junior Girls' 50 yard dash.
 - Senior Girls' 50 yard dash.
 - 120 yards High Hurdles (First Heat)
 - Senior Boys' High Jump.
 - Junior Boys' High Jump.
 - Senior Girls' High Jump.
 - Junior Girls' High Jump.
 - Senior Boys' Broad Jump.
 - Junior Boys' Broad Jump.
 - Senior Girls' Broad Jump.
 - Junior Girls' Broad Jump.
 - Senior Boys' 100 yard dash.
 - Junior Chinning Bar.
 - Noon
 - 1:30 Senior Girls' Volley Ball.
 - Low Hurdles (Second Heat)
 - Junior 100 yard dash.
 - 440 yard dash.
 - Junior 440 yard relay.
 - 120 yard High Hurdles (Second Heat)
 - Pole Vaulting.
 - Shot Put 12lb
 - Discuss
 - 220 yard dash.
 - 1 mile run.
 - 1 mile relay.
 - Girls' relay 200 yards.
- The public is cordially invited to attend each event.
- E. A. HANKINS,
Director General.

MRS. E. W. HUDMAN DIES

Mrs. Belva Hudman, beloved wife of E. W. Hudman, died at the family residence in Bronte, early Sunday morning, after an illness of only some three days. She was stricken with pneumonia Thursday night, but there were no alarming symptoms until Saturday morning. She suffered much through that day. A physician was called from Ballinger Saturday night, in consultation with the attending physician, Dr. J. D. Leonard. All was done that affection and skill knew to do, but all to no avail.

The suffering of deceased was intense yet she was perfectly rational until within a few hours of her passing. Saturday night before she went into a state of coma, she talked freely with her husband and other loved ones and friends who were present. Without any excitement or regret except that of leaving her husband and the two little motherless boys she and her husband had with them, she was perfectly willing to go. She made her last request of each of her loved ones, then, gave instruction as to her burial, going into minute details—just as if she were going away on some delightful journey. The writer for nearly forty years has stood at the bedside and seen many people die. But, the passing of this gracious woman was one of the most triumphant deaths we have ever witnessed.

Interment was in Bronte cemetery Sunday afternoon, following religious services at the Church of Christ, directed by Elder Horace Teddlie of Sweetwater aided by the writer, at the request of deceased. The obsequies were simple and quiet as deceased had requested. "I want no pomp and show at my funeral," she said, "sing some of the sweet hymns of worship, (here she named two hymns she desired should be sung) and do not say too many good things a" (Continued on last page)

Mrs. Jearrell Lattimer and sons, Robert and Kenneth, of Dallas; Mrs. Dee Henson of Breckenridge; Mrs. Rena Williams and Miss Mabel Henson of Corpus Christi, are guests in the R. R. McCleskey home. Mesdames Lattimer and Williams, and Miss Henson are sisters of Mrs. J. N. Henson and Mrs. Dee Henson is a sister-in-law of Mrs. J. N. Henson, who is the mother of Mrs. Robert McCleskey. The visitors are here to visit Mrs. Henson who is in delicate health. Miss Henson will remain for a time.

The public schools of Sanco and Maverick are closed this week on account of measles.

Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Holman attended a singing convention in San Angelo Sunday afternoon.

cause constitute the church's gravest problem and greatest burden. Let us begin now to relieve the church of this unnecessary burden by being in our places at each and every service. I wish to take advantage of this space to express our sincere gratitude to the church and also to the people of the community for the royal reception given us. Although we have only been in your town some ten days, we feel very much at home. Our one aim and desire is to serve this community. Everybody is cordially invited to attend all services at the Methodist church.

Wallace N. Dunson,
Pastor.

Vocational Agriculture Livestock Judging Contest at A. & M. College, April 17th

A Vocational Agriculture Livestock Team, composed of three boys and about ten F. F. A. band members are making arrangements to participate in the annual Livestock Judging Contest which is to be held at A. & M. April the 17th. For the next two or three weeks both Vocational Agriculture classes will make a special study and will get the actual practice in judging livestock which will include the following classes: Fat beef cattle, breeding beef cattle, fat hogs, breeding hogs, and mutton sheep and breeding sheep.

The three boys that are to make the judging team have not been selected at the present time, but will be selected in the next week or so—after they have been tried out here. The boys that saw the champion calves at San Angelo will have in their minds what an ideal calf should look like, which will help them considerably in determining how to place one calf above another in a class of four.

All members of the Texas F. F. A. Band are invited to be present on April 16 and 17 at College Station, to make the music for

the occasion, and it is our desire to have at least 10 of the 13 boys there who made the trip to the National F. F. A. Convention last fall.

The boys that fed and exhibited calves this year were very much pleased as to the financial outcome, as well as the educational point of view. The sole purpose of taking projects is not to make money, but to put into practice the things they study. After the boy has mastered the theory and then puts it into practice we feel that he has really accomplished something that will stay fixed in his mind.

The problems that are being taught in our Vocational Agriculture Department are practical problems, and such as confront our farmers every day. Such problems as judging livestock, culling poultry, soil improvement, plant improvement, saw sharpening, soldering, diseases of plants and animals and various such practical problems, are included in our programs of work.

R. R. Petty,
Vocational Agriculture Instructor.

COMMISSIONERS' COURT

The regular monthly term of the Commissioners' Court met March 13, 1933, and transacted the following business:

The court ordered that no further bounty be paid by the county on wolf or cat hides after April 10, 1933.

The county depository was ordered to disburse or pay out no county funds on county warrants and to pay only treasurer's checks.

The tax collector's report for January 1933 was approved.

The court allowed accounts to the amount of \$479.00, and allowed the following amounts for supervising roads:

- E. T. Sparks, 7 days \$35.00
 - E. T. Holman 10 days \$50.00
 - J. K. Lofton 11 days \$55.00
 - Ben Brooks 9 days \$45.00
- The county judge and each commissioner were allowed \$5.00 each for one day's attendance at court.

Mesdames Wade Rees of Center Point and Carroll Wood of San Antonio, returned to their homes Tuesday, after a visit of a week with relatives and friends.

Thirty years from now the children of today will recall the panic of 1932 and 1933 and they will be telling the people how to overcome the panic of that day, by relating how it was done in 1933.

RECEPTION TO NEW PASTOR

It was a hilarious crowd that joined in a reception to Rev. and Mrs. Wallace N. Dunson at the Methodist church Tuesday evening. Rev. Dunson is the new pastor of the congregation, and it was that all the members of the congregation might have opportunity in an informal way, to meet the pastor and his wife and bid them welcome to their new field of labor.

A "church and Sunday school impersonation stunt" was held as one of the entertainment features of the evening, which was a highly enjoyable feature, and gave the leaders in the church and Sunday school work, an opportunity to "see themselves as others see them," in, at least an humorous way.

George Thomas was the impersonator of the Sunday school superintendent, who is Robert Knerim. Mr. Thomas fully "killed the bill," it is said, when it comes to taking the superintendents' place.

When the "Sunday school superintendent" had finished the Sunday school program, he announced, "we will now turn the service over to the pastor." Rev. Dunson supposed he was "that man" and started for the pulpit. But, behold, not so! Bud Maxwell outran the "real pastor" to the pulpit and "took charge of the services." Mr. Maxwell fulfilled.

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SEEKS ORIGIN OF THE NAME OF BRONTE

Mrs. Pearl G. Boynton, local postmaster, received the letter below from a lady in Arkansas, whose name was formerly "Miss Bronte":

Holly Grove, Arkansas,
February 15, 1933.

Postmaster,
Bronte, Texas.

Dear Sir:

I am very desirous to know where and how Bronte, Texas got its name. Will you kindly give me any information that you might know? Or give me the names of some of the older settlers that I might find out the desired information.

I was (Miss) Willye Bronte before I was married.

Thanking you in advance,

Yours very truly,
Mrs. P. E. Terry.

A copy of The Enterprise of its issue of June 5, 1931, was sent the lady. That issue has an article by Miss Mildred Heide, entitled, "Bronte." Miss Heide's article has the following relative to the question about which the lady asks:

"An application was made for a post office in 1888. 'Bronco' was suggested as a name but

THE METHODIST CHURCH

Announcing services at the Methodist church for Sunday, March 19:

Sunday school, 10 a. m.; preaching service, 11 a. m.; Epworth League, 6:45 p. m.; Evening worship, 7:30.

As your pastor, it is my sincere desire to meet everyone who is a member of this church at these services. This is your church. I am your pastor and leader. I will not be in position to render the service and spiritual leadership, I so much desire, unless you take advantage of these services each Sabbath. These services—the sermon, the prayer and the exhortation—represent the pastor's thought and concern for you. His sermon will be an expression of his deepest thought and greatest concern for you, and his desire and effort to give spiritual leadership for the weeks to come.

Those who are habitually absent from the worship without

was rejected by the Postal Department, as there was already a post office by that name. The name 'Bronte' was finally decided upon. It was named after Miss Charlotte Bronte, an English novelist."