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# Ballinger, Robert Lee R-Lee Jr, High Teams 'B' Tourney Winners <br> There was plenty of basketball in the air at Robert Lee last weekend when RLHS <br> downed Ballinger 53-49 and Forsan boys took third with a 67-66 Capture Capture <br> Both Robert Lee girls <br> <br> Bronte Tourney <br> <br> Bronte Tourney <br> cifull 8; Galvan 8; <br> Dogies got by Bronte 

hosted a B team tourney involving eight boys teams and eight girls teams. Robert Lee girls defeated Bronte 55-50 in the championship finals to take top honors in the girls division. Ballin ger boys downed Wall 39-27 to win the boys championship.
In the consolation finals Forsan girls topped Water Valley 62-31, while Sterling City boys handed Bronte a 44-38 defeat.
In the race for third place Coahoma girls

## Last Rites Held For Mrs. Collett

Mrs. Victor H. Collett, 75, a lifelong resident of Coke County died at 9:45 a.m. Wednesday in the West Coke County Hospital after a lengthy illness.
Services were held Friday, Jan. 7, at 2 p.m. in the Robert Lee Baptist Church with the Rev. Roy Epperson, pastor, officiating. Burial was in the Robert Lee Cemetery under the direction of Newby Funeral Home. She was born Nov. 18, 1901, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. C. (Elizabeth Irvin) Casey in the Valley View Community in Coke County. She married V. H. (Vic) Collett Sept. 26, 1916 in San Angelo. They had lived in Coke County most of their lives where they ranched until their retirement. They lived near Uvalde and Goldthwaite for short periods of time.
Survivors include her husband; three sisters, Lillie Cowley of Robert Lee, Addie Havins of San Angelo and Nealy Pond of San Diego, Calif.; a brother, Martin Casey of Robert Lee; and several nieces and nephews.
Pallbearers were Sam L. Williams, Frankie Casey, Jack Cowley, R. W. Bowman, Cleo Havins and Mike Havins.
score over Robert Lee. Both the games were squeakers.

GIRLS CONTESTS Robert Lee girls defeated Water Valley 69 26 in their opening game last Thursday. Scoring for the girls were Linda Cooley with 22; Jana Hood 18; Karen Rasco 14; Renea Flanagan 6; Virgilla Streng 6; Carolyn Simpson 3. This contest turned the remainder of the girls play to the championship side of the bracket.
In the semi-finals the Robert Lee girls took an easy win from Ballinger by a score of

## Higginbotham

 Services Held Mrs. Oscar (Arneta K.) at $1: 30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. Tuesday, Jan. 11, in the West Coke County Hospital.Services were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 12 in the First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Lyle Pierce, pastor, officiating. Burial was in the Robert Lee Cemetery under the direction of Newby Funeral Home.
She was born March 23, 1919, in Somerset. She married Oscar Higginbotham April 17, 1939, moving to Coke County in 1952. She was a member of the Eastern Star and a housewife.
Survivors include her husband; three daughters Mrs. Jimmy Bell and Mrs. John Jacobs, both of Robert Lee; and Mrs. Claude Wheatley of Beaumont; two sons, Curtis Higginbotham of Houston and Donnie Higginbotham of Midland; her mother, Mrs. H. J. Kebodeaux of San Antonio; one sister, Mrs. Ben McGowen of San Antonio; one brother, Vernon Kebodeaux of Atlanta, Ga.; and 10 grandchildren.
Pallbearers were Earl Lindsey, John Heck and Fred Beaty, all of Robert Lee; W. W. Paul, Pint Richards and Carol Gray all of Colorado City.
and boys Junior High teams took the championship at the Bronte tournament last weekend The girls team had a rather easy time capturing their three win to take the big trophy, but the boys games were all pretty close. They won their final match with Wingate by a score of 31-30.
The action started Thursday and was concluded Saturday night. Trophies were awarded following the championship finals.

GIRLS GAMES
The girls opened their competition by taking a 37-24 win from the Bronte girls. Scoring for the local lassies were Kellye
Percifull with a big 15; Delight English Robbie Gartman 8. In the semi-finals played Friday, the Robert Lee girls doubled the tally of their opponents with a $34-17$ score. Scoring were Gartman with 12; Per-

English 6 .
In the finals the girls bested Roscoe 28-18. Percifull was hitting the basket and made 21 points; English had 4; Gart$\operatorname{man} 4$.

BOYS GAMES In their opening game Thursday, the

## FARM BUREAU HAS GATE SIGNS READY

## The Coke County Farm

 Bureau has received a shipment of gate signs for persons who joined the Bureau this year. Mrs. C. E. Arrott, of fice secretary, has asked that these members please stop by the office and pick up their signs.Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Roe Jr. visited their son and family Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Roe III and Amber in Garland this past weekend. They also visited Mrs. Roe's sister, Mrs. A. W. Gibson of Dallas, who underwent surgery Friday.
with a 31-28 score. Edwin Wilson was high pointer with 13; Buck Duncan 5; Darren Williams 5; Steven Ray 4; Joel Percifull 4. In their second game the Robert Lee boys downed Veribest 3327. Percifull was leading scorer with 13; Duncan 6; Williams 6; Ray 4; Wilson

The thriller came Saturday night in the finals when the Dogies had 31 to Wingate's 30 when the final buzzer sounded. Wilson and Williams tied for scoring honors with 10 each; Ray 5; Duncan 4; PerMiss Garlingtion Is Pecan Queen: Of State of Texas
D'Ann Garlington has been named the 1976 Texas Pecan Queen. Miss Garlington was runner-up in the state contest and assumed


D'ANN GARLINGTON ...Pecan Queen
the duties of 1976 queen when Miss Donna Nichols could not continue because of a conflict in her work. Miss Garlington, 17, is the daughter of Mr . and Mrs. J. W. Garlington of Robert Lee. The Garlingtons lived in Rankin until the first of December when Mr. Garlington was transferred. D'Ann began school in Rankin where she was active in many activities. She was attending Rankin High School when she won the local Trans Pecos Pecan Queen, and then placed as runner-up in the state contest. D'Ann attended the regional shows this past week in San Antonio, Abilene, and Dallas and will help promote the industry throughout the state.
Miss Garlington will return to Rankin at the first of May to graduate. After she graduates she plans to attend Angelo State University where she will major in business administration.

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## GIRLS WIN, BOYS LOSE GAMES

The RLHS girls basketball team has taken two district wins since the report in last week's Observer. The Steers lost both their games. The teams played Eldorado there Jan. 4 and traveled to Big Lake Jan. 11.

GIRLS WINNERS
In the game Tuesday night of last week, the Robert Lee girls took a 64-41 win from E1dorado. Vicki Gartman and Stella Bickley were swishing the ball through the net to tie for scoring honors with 28 each; Lisa Devoll h had 8.
The girls downed the Reagan County Ow1 team Tuesday night, Jan. 11 by a score of 55-41. Gartman was top scorer with 24; Bickley had 18; Devol1 13.

BOYS GAMES
The Eldorado Eagles soared past the Steers Jan. 4 with a big score of 104-66. Scoring for the Steers were Micky Baker with 11; Clay A1len 10; She11 Williams 8; Dan Garlington 6; Ronnie Wagner 6; Brett Clark 6; David Lackey 5; Terry Ross 2.
The Reagan County boys took a 65-45 victory from the Steers Tuesday night, Jan. 11. Making points for the local lads were Wil-

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liams 11; Wagner 9 . Kerry Gartman 8; Baker 7; Garlington 5; Tom Sawyer 4; Allen 1. The Junior High teams were engaged over the weekend in the Bronte Tournament.

WEEK'S SCHEDULE Jan. 14: Wall, A and $B$ boys and girls, there, 4:00.
Jan. 13-15: Roscoe B team tourney, boys and girls Jan. 21: Junction, A boys and girls, there, 6:30.

## HOSPITAL NEWS

Jan. 4: Rosa Sanchez, Mildred Davis, Alice Lara, Sam McGallion admitted. Myrtle Reeves, Lila Cope, Ailene Steffey, Essie Childress and Otis Green dismissed.
Jan. 5: L. C. Lofland admitted. Johnnie Smith, Ella Black and Ina Collett (expired) dismissed.
Jan. 6: Hattie Seay, Bob Thomason and Eula McCutchen admitted. Bessie Brice, Mary Mae Wylie and Will Capps dismissed.
Jan. 7: No admissions. Bob Thomason dismissed.
Jan. 8: Mike Martin admitted. No dismissals.
Jan. 9: Jennifer Robinson admitted. Frances Freeman dismissed. Jan. 10: 0. D. Adkins, Johnny Hollis and Wayne Stout admitted. No dismissals.

## INSUR-MATION

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68-37. Cooley was tops with 27; Hood had 13; Rasco 12; Flanagan 6; Streng 6; Simpson 4. In the game for the championship Saturday night the girls took a $55-50$ win from their Bronte rivals. Rasco was the big gun for Robert Lee with 32; Flanagan had 12; Cooley hit 11

BOYS GAMES
Like the girls, the Robert Lee boys team took an easy win from Water Valley in their first game on Thursday. Score was 69-37. Making points for the Steers were Richard Long with 21 ; Dan Garlington 18; Brett Clark 12; Wes Sawyer 4; Ricky Tijerina 4; Saul Saucedo 4; Rickey Ross 4; Mark Riley 2. The Steers B team wound up their chance for the championship when they lost their second game, 61-53, to Ballinger. Scoring for the locals were Long with a big 27; Garlington 11; Clark 5; Vic Conner 4; Sawyer 2; Tijerina 2; Ross Playing Saturday for third place the Steers lost a heartbreaker to Forsan by a score of 67 .66. Again Long was the leading scorer with 32; Clark had 10; Garlington 9; Ross 5; Tijerina 4; Sawyer 4; Lynn Gulley 2.

## Lunchroom Menu

Monday, Jan. 17: Vegetable beef soup, peaches with cottage cheese on lettuce, crackers, milk and cinnamon rolls.
Tuesday, Jan. 18: Burritos, macaroni and cheese, green salad, hot buscuits and butter, milk and rainbow jello with cream.
Wednesday, Jan. 19: Pinto beans with salt pork, french fries with catsup, greens, corn bread and butter, milk, and apple cobbler. Thursday, Jan. 20: Hot dogs with chili, cole slaw, corn, potato chips, milk and applesauce cake. Friday, Jan. 21: Barbecue chicken, potato salad, green beans, hot rolls and butter, milk and peanut butter supreme.

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## LOOK WHO'S NEW

Christy Michelle is the new daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Hendry of Sterling City. She was born Thursday, Dec. 30 at 9:45 a.m. at the Sterling County Hospital, weighed 7 pounds 10 ounces and is $20 \frac{1}{2}$ inches long. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs.
M. C. Hendry and Mr and Mrs. Cotton Frizzell all of Sterling City. Mrs. A. S. Hendry of Blackwell and Mrs. C. C. Hibler of San Saba are Christy's great grandmothers.
Mrs. Golda Smith spent 10 days in Houston where she visited with Mr. and Mrs. Carl Grubenman, Jr. and Carla Grubenman of Kerrville.

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Reports are that striper fishing in the river at Lake $E$. V. Spence has been extremely good. Biologists also reported finding fish in the $4-8$ pound class during an up-river survey but say the fish have not attempted any spawning action yet. But catches are reported to be good near Meadowcreek and from the pump station up river as far as you can go.

## HONOR ROLL ANNOUNCED

High School principal Jerry Gibbs has announc ed the following honor roll for Robert Lee High School for the third six weeks: Seventh Grade: Susan Ash and Tanya Grun. Eighth Grade: Dianna Tinkler.
Ninth Grade: Kerry Gartman.
Tenth Grade: Brenda Cooley, David Lackey and Karen Rasco.
Eleventh Grade: Cindy Ash and Kristen Prather. Ashand Kristen Prather. Streng
The Turney Casey family gathering for Christ mas Eve was in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bascom Chesney of San Angelo. Those attending were Mr . and Mrs. G. L. Coulter, Nelson, Turney, Tim and Layne of Bronte, Mr. and Mrs. Rocky Heffernan, Pat and Stacey of Bronte, Mr. and Mrs Bill Casey of Silver, Mr. and Mrs. David Drennan and Pam Millican of Grapevine and Mr. and Mrs. Turney Casey of Robert Lee. The Turney Caseys spent Christmas day in the home of Mr . and Mrs. M. C. Casey of Abilene.

Mrs. Turney Casey received word last week of the death of her cousin, Willie Schooley of Ft. Worth. Services for Mrs. Schooley were held Saturday in Lamesa.

## FISHING REPORT from Lake Spence

Mr . and Mrs. R. C. Rainwater of Robert Lee weighed in the largest striped bass reported at Triangle Grocery \& Bait. It tipped the scales at 12 lbs. They also caught 4 channel cat weighing up to 3 lbs Y. J.'s Marina reported the following: V. W. Pearcy, Andrews, 1 striper at 6 lbs. Donny and Joe Phillips of Levelland, 2 stripers at $10 \frac{1}{4}$ and $9 \frac{1}{2}$ lbs. John Brent, Odessa, 1 black bass at 3 lbs., 5 ozs .

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:
On the morning of Jan. 4, 1977 our son let his pet dog out and he got poisoned. This dog had been his pet and companion all of his life. He will be lost without him and miss him so ter-

## ribly.

We will give a reward for the arrest and conviction of this person, who is putting the poison out. It's so dangerous. Has he ever thought what happens should a small child pick it up?
Appreciate any information anyone can give, as we have some information.

The John Henderson family

## Visiting over the

 Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Plumlee, were their daughter and son-inlaw, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. King of Lake Jackson.Christmas holiday visitors in the home of their parents, Mr and Mrs. Fred L. Beaty were Mr . and Mrs. Lane Beaty and Christopher of Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. Jim Crowder, Lee Anne and Brent of Midland; Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Kegans, Bax and Kacey of Leonard.

## Robert Lee's

## BIRTHDAY PARTY

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Deadline to Sign For Medicare Set For March 31
People who didn't sign up for Medicare medical insurance when they first became eligible or who have cancelled the protection once can enroll now through March 31 at any social security office, according to Franklin Upp, social security district manager in San Angelo, Texas.
Medicare medical insurance is offered automatically to people who reach 65 and are eligible for social security benefits-and to disabled people under 65 who have been entitled to monthly social security disability benefits for 24 consecutive months or more. Nine out of 10 people eligible are enrolled in the program, according to Upp
"But some people decline the protection when they're first eligible," he said. "And some sign up once and cancel later. They can enroll in the first 3 months of any year." Medical insurance helps pay doctor bills and other medical expenses and is the voluntary part of Medicare, funded by individual premiums and Federal general revenues. The basic premium is $\$ 7.20$ a month through June 1977. It will be $\$ 7.70$ a month for the 12 -month period starting in July 1977
"People who decline Medicare medical insurance and delay signing up for more than a year pay a higher premium," Upp noted. "People who sign up and cancel later can re-enroll on1y once."
Medical insurance supplements Medicare hospital insurance, which is funded by social security contributions from workers, employers and self-employed people.
"People 65 and over who are not eligible for social security or railroad retirement benefits can apply at any social security office and get Medicare hospital insurance by paying a premium," Upp said. "The basic premium is $\$ 45$ a month through June 1977. It will be $\$ 54$ a month for the 12 -month period starting in July 1977. People who buy hospital insurance must also sign up for the medical insurance." he said. People who have worked long enough under social security of the railroad retirement system can get Medicare
if they have permanent kidney failure. Their wives or husbands or children may also be eligible for Medicare if they have permanent kidney failure.
Medicare is administered by the Social Security Administration, an agency of the $U$. S. Department of Health, Education, and Welfare. The San Angelo social security office is at 2214 Sherwood Way. The phone number is 949-4608.

## Tax Form Due From Farmers

Farmers who have not filed their 1976 declaration of estimated Fe deral income tax must file and pay that tax by Monday, January 17 The sole exception to this rule is if they file their income tax return and pay the total tax due by March 1, the Internal Revenue Service said today.
Farmers are defined as those persons who earned at least two-thirds of their 1976 gross income from farming
IRS Publications 225,
"Farmer's Tax Guide," and 505, "Tax Withholding and Declaration of Estimated Tax," provide additional information and are available free at local IRS offices.

## COKE FB MEMBERS AT CONVENTION

Mr. and Mrs. Finis Harmon, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Cumbie and Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Peays were among 450 Texans to attend the 57th annual meeting of the American Farm Bureau Federation Jan. 9-12 in Honolulu.
The Texans flew from Dallas Jan. 6 and will return Jan. 16. In addition to attending the AFBF Convention, they also toured the main islands of Hawaii.

## NURSES CAPS GIVEN COKE COUNTY LVNS

Brenda Matthews, daugh ter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Matthews of Robert Lee, Mary McGuire, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. McGuire and Mrs. Carolyn Littlefield, both of Bronte, were among a class of 33 to receive their L.V.N. caps from the San Angelo Vocation al School of Nursing.
The capping exercise was held in the Nona Carr Community Center in San Angelo, Thursday, Jan. 6.

[^0]Mystery Disease Halts Swine Flu Vaccine Program
Public health officials investigating the relationship between swine flu inoculation and a fairly rare disease face problems because no one knows much about the disease itself, the Texas Medical Association says.
The biggest mystery is the cause of Guil-lain-Barre syndrome, a paralytic disease. This syndrome, which seldom is fatal, has accurred after people have had colds, flu, measles and about 40 other diseases, one report shows. Yet the same 1966 study says about one third of the cases analyzed had not been sick before they got the syndrome. Ever since scientists first described the disease. more than 115 years ago, people have been trying to pinpoint the cause. Fairly popular ideas blame viruses or certain allergies but these are just a few of the theories. The disease strikes all ages and both sexes indiscreminately and may be increasing, a 1963 Ohio study shows.
Symptoms vary but genexally there is a tingling in the hands or feet, or both. There may be weakness, muscle pain, paralysis of some body parts, breathing problems, difficulty in swallowing and other symptoms: Hospitalization often is needed during the worst part of the disease but most victims recover. Doctors can give supportive treatment but there is no known cure for the disease itself. Recovery generally ranges from three weeks to two months. A small number die ( $2-5$ percent) or never fully recover (about 10 percent). Only isolated statistics have been kept but one researcher estimates that there are $10-20$ cases per million people This would mean $120-240$ cases every year in Texas.


## EXTENSION SERVICE

 OFFERS TRAININGWould you Iike to attend and participate in a very exciting club where you can gain knowledge and experience that will help you become a better homemaker, wife and mother?
Mrs. Fay C. Roe, county Extension agent, is anxious to meet with homemakers in clubs or study groups to teach managing family resources, clothing, foods, health recreation, gardening, cultural arts, child care, buying, recyclying clothes, leadership and other subjects in which each group might have a need or interest Anyone who is interested in knowing more about the opportunity of working in such a group is invited to attend meeting on Thursday, January 20. A morning meeting has been planned for 9:30 a.m. in the Bronte City Hall and another at $1: 30 \mathrm{p}$. m . in the Robert Lee City Hall. Others will be arranged in Silver and Tennyson if interest develops.
If a person is unable to attend a day time meeting, an evening meeting will be planned later. Call the agent's office or the City Hall in Bronte and leave name if interested in night group.
1977 is a good time to become a member of an Extension Home Economic Study Group or an active Home Demonstration Club. "Let's start some new groups, plan your programs and get started doing lots of interesting things, said Mrs. Roe.
All educational programs conducted by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service serve people of all ages regardless of socio-economic levels, race, color, sex, religion or national origin.

SAVING BONDS SALES RESULTS ANNOUNCED October sales of Se ries E and H United States Savings Bonds in Coke county were reported today by County Bond Chairman G. C. Allen. Sales for the nin-month period totaled \$1,222 for $46 \%$ of the 1976 sales goal of $\$ 45,000$.
Texas sales during the month amounted to $\$ 21$, 175,451 , while sales for the first nine months of 1976 totaled $\$ 232,326,820$ with $85 \%$ of the yearly sales goal of $\$ 272.4$ million achieved.

NOTICE OF BIDS FOR
COUNTY DEPOSITORY--
Notice is hereby given by the County Judge of Coke County, Texas, for Depository of said Coke County and Coke County School District Funds for the next two years, in accordance with Article 2544 (2550) Revised Civil Statutues, 1925 of Texas, at the February Term, beginning on the 14th day of February 1977. Said Court will receive proposals from any banking corporation, association or individual bank in said County that may desire to be selected as the Depository of said County.
Any banking corporation, association or indivisual bank in said County desiring to bid, shall deliver to the County Judge on or before the first day of the Commissioners'

COKE COUNTY LIBRARY NEWS
The Library has just selected several new books. Just a sample: "Walt Disney: An American Original" by Bob Thomas: a man who developed the animated film into an art form and made a massive contribution to the folklore of the world. Thomas' biography of America's Cinderella in sneakers, tells the exciting life of today's number one women's tennis player.
"Loretta Lynn: Coal Miner's Daughter" by Loretta Lynn: is the story of a resourceful woman whose talent has taken her far. If you've ever listened to Loretta Lynn sing a song and paid close attention to her words, then you've already kept company with a lot of people and feelings in this book. Fiction
"Ceremony of the Innocent" by Taylor Caldwell: one of this country's most acclaimed novelists returns to late nineteenth and early twentieth-century America as the setting for her most personal novel: the parallel stories of a woman and a countryand the loss of innocence.
"Moira" by Caroline Stafford: "A breathless tale of a girl alone, faced with the malice of an imperious invalid." "Stafford's style, sense of humor, and excellent characterization make this a successful Gothic."
"The Slipperdown Chant" by Jennifer Rigg: the setting for this light-hearted novel is the Edwardian Era, and


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the tone is both graceful and witty. The Lady Dorothea Clifton is a most unusual heroine to find herself in such a "gothic" situation; not only is she an adventuress, but she finds, to her dismay, that she is one with a conscience. The Library has added to it's childrens books recently three Value Tales books. If you are not familiar with these books they are tales of great people and remind us of values we've needed in this country for a long time. The books in our collection are the following: "The Value Tale of Elizabeth Fry: The Value of Kindness" "The Value of Humor: The Story of Will Rogers", and "The Value Tale of The Wright Brothers: The Value of Patience".
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## Mr. and Mrs. Jackie

 Smith of Stillwater, Okla. and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lee Wallace of Abilene spent Christmas weekend with Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Wallace Jr., Susan and Buddy.JERRY WOJTEK IS AWARDED DEGREE Jerry Wayne Wojtek of Robert Lee was one among 180 Angelo State University students who completed degree requirements at the conclusion of the fall 1976 semester.
Wojtek completed work on a bachelor of busines administration degree, graduating cum laude, one of 25 students to graduate with honors. Of the 180 graduates, 16 were awarded masters degrees, 46 bachelors of arts, 40 bachelors of business administration and 78 bachelors of science.
Jerry is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wojtek of Robert lee.

## Visitors of Mr. and

 Mrs. W. E. Jacoby during the Christmas holidays included Mr. and Mrs. Robert Jameson and family, Linda Link of Long Island, N. Y., Mr . and Mrs. Rob Billingsley of San Angelo and Ricky Hatch of Red River, N.M.Recent visitors of Mr and Mrs. Turney Casey were Mr. and Mrs. Troy Casey of Houston, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Casey of Abilene, and Mrs. and Mrs. Bascom Chesney of San Angelo.

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A. Bird, was finaled July 30, 1975 to pump 22 barrels of 40.1 gravity oil, plus two barrels of water, with gas-oil ratio of 182 1 , through perforations at 5, 231-239 feet. It topped the Saddle Creek at 4,043 feet; Odom, 6,492 feet; and Ellenburger, 6,805 feet on ground elevation of 2,068 feet.
The San Benito field produced at 6,495 feet.

Twenty six persons were present for a Christmas Eve dinner and tree in the home of Mrs. Helen Fowler and Janis. All of Mrs. Fowler's children were present with the exception of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Fowler and family. Mrs. Fowler recently had her second eye surgery for the removal of a previous implant.
Mrs. Delbert Hamm (Inez Harmon) of Kildare spent several days with her parents Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Harmon.
Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Plumlee attended funeral services in Comanche last week for T. D. Black of Robert Lee.

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## Commissioners Meet Monday

The Coke County Commissioners' Court agreed at its Monday meeting to continue to pay all county officials on an annual basis rather than a fee basis. Determination of the method of payment of county officials is required by the state each year at the first regular meeting of the commissioners.
The commissioners also voted to advertise for bids for a depository of county funds. The notice of depository bid opening is being run in this week's paper. In other business, the court agreed to advertise for bids for a new car for the sheriff's department.

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Roberts January 3, 4, and 5, were Mrs. Rennie Ofton, Mrs. Mary Spencer, Mrs. Corinne Pope, Mrs. Helen Clark, Mrs. Thelma Fitzwater, Mr. and Mrs. Kermit Schnelle, all of San Antonio and Mrs. Beth Walker of Hurst. They, along with the Roberts attended the Eastern Star School held in San Angelo.
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1st \& 3rd Tuesday of each month - 7 P.M. New Recreation Center


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With some tender loving care, that poinsetta plant you received for Christmas can be brought into flower again next Christmas season. Once the plant loses its color, reduce watering and store it in a cool place. Cut the stems back about mid-April, repot the plant, water it thoroughly, and place it in a sunny window. As new growth begins, fertilize the plant every two weeks. When danger of frost is past, move the plant outdoors and pinch back new shoots as they develop. Move the plant back indoors before frost in the fall and put it in a sunny location. Start ing the first week in October and continuing through Thanksgiving, keep the plant in complete darkness from 5 p.m. to 8 a.m. In the daytime, keep it near a sunny window.

Christmas day guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Bloodworth of Silver included Mr. and Mrs. Perry Posts of Laverne, Okla.; Mr. and Mrs. Allen Bloodworth of Mason Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Smith and Mary Bloodworth of Stillwater, Okla.; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Askins, Chuck and Miki of Euless; Mr. and Mrs. Carl Bloodworth, Lori and Amy of Midland; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bloodworth of Kermit; Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Bloodworth and Donna Wallace of San Angelo; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wallace of Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Ray mond Bloodworth, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Bloodworth, Janice, Clay and Patty all of Silver; and Mr. and Mrs. Waymon Robertson, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Wallace, Jr., Susan and Buddy and Troy Millican of Robert Lee.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

Lone Star Gas Company, in accordance hereby gives notice of the Company' inten to implement a new schedule of rates fo natural gas service to be charged to the
residential and commercial consumers in the

City of Robert Lee
effective February 10
1977
The rate schedule is expected to furnish a 12.44 percent increase in the Company's gross revenues in the City of Robt. Lee
A Statement of Intent has been filed with the City of Robert Lee
and is available for inspection at the Company's business office located at 111 W . Twohis, San Angelo, Texas
tone Star Gas Company

Mrs. Ivey Subject Of News Feature

Mrs. Cumbie Ivey Jr. of Robert Lee was featured in a story in las Sunday's San Angelo Standard-Times concerning the feelings of two State Democratic Committee members from the 25th Senatorial District of Texas. Mrs. Ivey is one of the committee members and Ben Bock of New Braunfels is the other.
The interview concerned the opinion of the members toward the forthcoming administration of President-elect Jimmy Carter. Both the Texas committee members have an optimistic outlook on the success of the new Democratic administration.
Mrs. Ivey was quoted as saying: "I do feel they (Carter and the Congress) will work bet ter together. What we needed in Washington was a leader--one who was not a hangover from the Nixon regime. She added that she was "particularly joyful that the rest of the world can look at us and see how we clean house."
"This district is sparsely populated, she said, "and the people are people of the land. Carter is a man of the land and I feel he will have a better understanding of our needs.'
Both Mrs. Ivey and Bock were elected to represent the 25 th Senatorial District during the State Democratic Convention last September in Ft Worth. Mrs. Ivey has been active and held a number of positions in the Democratic Party organization during the past several years.

## Cut electric bills

AUSTIN, Texas (Spl.)-If you want to cut your annua electric bill almost in half, don't march on city hall but take some simple steps at home, a University of Texas energy conservation expert advises.
Energy-saving tips offered by Dr. Jerold W. Jones in clude:
-Increase insulation in the attic to six inches.
-Weather-strip doors and windows, seal structural gaps with caulking, plug air leaks at light switches and electrical outlets.
-Use 60 -watt bulbs except in work or reading areas. -Set thermostats at 68 degrees in winter, 78 in summer
Freezone is for corns that hurt.



## BITTER COLD ENGULFS AREA LAST WEEKEND

Bitter cold weather engulfed West Texas last weekend and included Coke County in its sweep across the state. TEmperatures as low as 10 degrees were reported.
Snow fell in the west part of Coke County, but stopped between Robert Lee and Bronte. Bronte residents experienced sleet which covered the ground.
Icy roads in the West part of the county made driving hazardous. An especially heavy coating of ice covered the highway from Robert Lee to Silver
Freezing temperatures have occurred every morning until Wednesday when light mist was falling over the area, continuing through the day. Forecasters were afraid the falling moisture might turn into ice Wednesday night. Robert Lee and Bronte Schools were dismissed Monday because of gas shortage for heating the buildings. Dozens of other schools in this area also were dismissed.

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## NOTICE

This is to give notice of the intenSession of the 65th "Relating to the authority of Coke County Hospital District to acquire or build related facilities." Signed: Robert E. Owen ROBERT E. OWEN
Attorney for West coke County Hospital District

## FOR SALE

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HARMON FAMILY ENJOYS REUNION
The family of Mr . and Mrs. T. R. Harmon held their annual dinner Dec. 26 in the Robert Lee Recreation Hall. Relatives and friends in attendance were Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Harmon, Mr. and Mrs. Elton Millican, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Millican, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Mashburn, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Roberts and Douglas, Mr . and Mrs. Finis Harmon, Mr. and Mrs. Crowley Harmon, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Harmon, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Box, Mrs. W. E. Burns, Miss Juanita Barger, Dale Wojtek and Carla, all of Robert Lee.
Mr. and Mrs. Alf Harmon, Sheila Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Boyd and Joey, Mr. and Mrs. Jerrell Harmon, Clint, Dana and Brint, Mr . and Mrs. Randle Harmon, Sharon, Debra and Judy and Cindy, Mrs. D. C. Harmon, Teresa and Betsy, Ricky, Mrs. Dona Clawson, Mrs. Velma Lovell, all of San Angelo.
Mr. and Mrs. Jerry H Harmon, Darwin, Damond, Tammy and Jason of Sands Springs; Mr. and Mrs. Milton Harmon and Sabrina of Denver City; Mr . and Mrs. Jimmy Ike and family of $\bar{B} i g$ Spring; Mr. and Mrs. George Harmon, Glenda Charlie and Kindi of Midland; Mrs. Mary Brothers and Marguerite of Stanton; Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Sturgill and daughter of Ft. Worth; Alton and Gerald Sparks, sons of Mrs. Eula Sparks of Robert Lee.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Roberts, Sheila and Douglas spent the weekend in Lubbock visiting Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Griffith and Duane and Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Griffith and family.
County Judge W. W. Thetford is attending a Law School in Houston this week.

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