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### **Robert Lee Swelters Under Degree Temperatures** 100

Robert Lee has joined the rest of West Texas the past couple of weeks in an effort to make it through an unusually long and unusually hot spell. Temperatures have climbed to or beyond the 100 degree mark every day for more than two weeks, causing lots of discomfort, losses to farmers and ranchmen and problems for water department.

Long range forecasts are not very optimistic about any immediate letup in the dry and torrid weather. Seems pressure areas, fronts, and other factors which determine the weather just aren't right for a break in the heat and drouth conditions.

The City of Robert Lee

### Water Situation **Slightly Better**

The water problems of Robert Lee are a little better this week, according to city water man Gary Williams. He said the situation "has improved a little, but there is still plenty of room for further conservation of water by Robert Lee users."

The city council decided several weeks ago that an every-other-day watering plan would relieve the strain on the filtering plant sufficiently to keep everything going.

Williams said the plan has worked to some extent and water usage is down a little. He noted, by themselves when the however, that the continued dry weather, along with 100-plus temp-

has no problem of not having enough water, but there is a problem at the filtering plant where the equipment has a hard time keeping up with the amount of water being used.

Farmers and ranchmen are complaining about their crops and pastures drying up, and have an additional problem of providing water for their livestock.

Meanwhile, citizens of the area are staying indoors with their air conditioners as much as possible, and helping West Texas Utilities Co. reach new highs in the amount of electricity used each day. A spokesman for WTU said the usage is at a new high but the plants have not yet been required to produce to their maximum capacity.

"A good wet cool nor-her is what we need," ther one local citizen remarked.

### **Fire Destroys Sparks Home**

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Sparks was completely destroyed by fire on June 30. The structure was burned to the ground when the Robert Lee Fire Dept. arrived. The home was located 14 miles west of Robert Lee and three miles off the Sterling City highway. Mrs. Sparks and her daughter were at home

fire was discovered. They had no telephone and were without transportation, and had to walk to the highway before they could get he-1p.



### RICHARD LONG **Richard Long** Wins \$6,000 Ag. Scholarship

Richard Dean Long, a veteran Robert Lee FFA member, this week received a four-year, \$6,000 college scholarship from the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo.

Richard, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney J. Long, of Robert Lee is a recent honor graduate of Robert Lee High School. An FFA member for the past four years, Richard has served as chapter president and vicepresident and greenhand president. He has participated in livestock judging at the area level, was a delegate to district, area and state FFA conventions and has had numerous lamb exhibits throughout the state. He holds the

Richard has been active on livestock judging, school needs someone to junior and senior chapter conducting and talent teams. While in high school, he was captain of the football team, was named as an All-District running back, linebacker and second team basketball member. He is a member of the Beta Club, Fel-Continued on Page 3

# **Annual Rodeo Kicks Off Today**

The annual Coke County rodeo will be held Friday and Saturday nights at the arena on the we-

### School Employs **Delight English**

Mrs. Delight English has accepted a position as a teacher in the Robert Lee Elementary School. She was employed at a meeting of the school board on July 6. Mrs. English is the wife of Coach Jerry English and has taught in the Robert Lee School before. More recently she was worked at the Region 15 Education Service Center in San Angelo.

The new teacher has a B.S. degree from Sul Ross State University and a M.Ed. degree from Southwestern State University at Weatherford, Okla. She has also studied at the University of Texas at El Paso and Our Lady of the Lake Graduate School in San Antonio.

ONE RESIGNATION Miss Wyniese Way has resigned her position as high school English teacher to accept a position at Wortham. Lone Star Farmer Degree. Supt. Jimmy Bickley said Tuesday that the take Miss Way's place and, also, a teacher to replace Mrs. Pauline Coalson as combination Spanish-English teacher.

Bickley said tentative assignments for teachers have been worked out st edge of Bronte. A large crowd of participants and spectators is expected for the two night performances. Action will begin each night at 7:30 o'clock.

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Participants in the rodeo and other members and guests of the Coke County Rodeo Association will have a parade through downtown Bronte Saturday at 5 p.m. Everyone is invited to participate or come out and watch as the riders and others pass by.

Admission price for each of the rodeo performances is \$1.00 for adults and 50 cents for school age children. A concession stand will be open to serve refreshments at the rodeo grounds.

Fifteen events are scheduled in both boys and girls divisions. The girls contests will be various riding events, while boys contests will include riding, roping and bull riding. Officers of the Coke County Rodeo Association said everyone is urged to attend the performances. Past rodeos have been huge successes and they said they will appreciate the support of everyone in making this year's show another big event for the county and area.

### **Carla Wojtek in** All-Star Games

Carla Wojtek, one of the stars on the 1978 RLHS state championship basketball team, has been getting some good workouts this summer. She participated in a Texas all-star game June 17 at McMurry College in Abilene and is on the team of Texas allstars which will meet an Oklahoma all-star team July 22 at Wayland Baptist College in Plainview. Carla reported in at McMurry on June 14 and the girls practiced twice a day until the day of the big game. Carla was on the South team. The South and North teams were made up Continued on Page 3

eratures over the past week or more, have continued to drain out just about all the water he can pump into the mains.

Williams said, "If this dry hot weather keeps up, we're going to need some more help". He urged everyone not to waste water and to water lawns, gardens, etc., only on the days assigned.

City officials said the filter plant was designed to handle 600,000 gallons daily, but usage has been running more than that amount, keeping storage facilities low.

Fire Chief Gary Williams said the house was "burned to the ground when we got there". All the contents, including furniture and personal property, was destroyed. Mrs. Sparks said the whole attic seemed to be burning when the fire was discovered. Williams said he could not definitely say what caused the fire, but it was presumed it was caused by faulty wiring in the attic.

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but he added he would prefer not to release them until a definite decision is reached.

### **Crowd Expected Sunday** For Silver Homecoming

cted to attend the Silver Homecoming Sunday, July 23, at the Fellowship Hall of the Silver Baptist Church.

Lunch will be served at noon and the ladies are asked to bring salads and desserts to go with the furnished barbecue, beans, pickles, etc.

President Hank Baker

A large crowd is expe- invites all interested persons to attend this annual event as residents, former residents and friends of the Silver community get together for the meal and an afternoon of visiting. A short business meeting will take place following the noon meal. Mrs. Beth Prather is sec.-treas. for the association this year.

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### Notes from the Extension Office

By Kathy Jobe County Extension Agent

HOW TO PREPARE AN AIR CONDITIONER FOR SUMMER

If you're like most of us, the first time you tested your air conditioner for the summer was the day it got hot. What happens if it didn't work, you probably (1) called for a service technician, (2) went out to buy a new one, or (3) suffered. Service technicians, of course, are very busy because of all the other calls they get this time of year. And the stores are often jammed.

Even if your air conditioner did work, it might work a lot more efficiently with a little help from you.

Follow a simple checklist so you can get the most from your air conditioner this summer.

-- Trim Bushes, shrubs. Free air circulation around the air conditioner is essential to good, efficient performance.

-- Check filter, Just as bushes can restrict air flow on the outside, size of the area to be a dirty filter can restrict it on the inside. Be sure to clean the filter and check it about once a month for the entire cooling season. -- Check coils, inside and out. Dirt accumulation on the coils tends to reduce efficiency. Such accumulation is most likely to occur on the outside coils. If cleaning is indicated, you'll probably need the help of a professional who can steam clean the coils.

start shopping for a new one soon. If you do decide to replace your old air conditioner with a new one, we suggest that you consider one of a bit smaller capacity than the old unit. Not only could it help keep down the initial purchase price, a smaller unit likely would cost less to operate and may do a better comfort job than a unit that is somewhat oversized.

Specialists explain that an air conditioner does two things to make a room cool and comfortable. It cools and it dehumidifies. A unit too large for a particular room will cool the room quickly, then the compressor will cycle off. Since dehumidification occurs only while the compressor is operating, an oversized unit may not dehumidify sufficiently.

A slightly undersized unit, on the other hand, will operate the compressor more of the time, and thereby control humidity more effectively. In the past, the capacity of many room air conditioners was determined by estimating the cooled, and then adding a bit for good measure. The result is that many units in service today are larger than necessary. Added to that is the recent trend to insulation and weather stripping, brought on by the increasing cost of heating. The same insulation that helps keep a house warm in the winter will help keep it cool in the summer therefore reducing the load on the air conditioner.

#### LONG TO ATTEND AG TEACHERS MEET

Vocational agriculture teachers, some 1,600 strong, will gather in Fort Worth, July 31 for the Annual In-Service Education Workshop and Meeting sponsored by the Vocational Agriculture Education Department of the Texas Education Agency, under the direction of J.A. Marshall, state director, Vocational Agriculture Education.

Attending the In-Service Education Workshop from Robert Lee, will be vocational agriculture teacher, Sid Long. Registration will begin at 3 p.m., July 31, at the Sheraton-Fort Worth Hotel. The first general session will begin at 9 a.m. on Aug. 1, in the Centre Theater Tarrant County Convention Center. The keynote speaker for this session will be Fred McClure, agriculture assistant to Sen. John Tower. Also appearing on the program will be other outstanding speakers.

no gains." "No pains, English proverb

#### Notes from the **Band Hall** Attention all Robert

Lee Steer Band Members 14-18 rehearsals will be from 6:30 to 9 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday nights. No re- will be the flag corp: hearsals will be held Wednesday and Friday nights. The same schedule will be effective during the week of Aug. 21-15.

More information will be mailed to you in coming weeks.

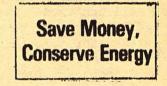
Members of the Steer band will be attending summer camps in the next few weeks. Two girls are attending twirling camp in Seguin July 17-21. Kathy White (head twirler) and Robbie Gartman will attend the

camp to work on twirling fundamentals and routines for the coming year.

During this week Karen During the week of Aug. Rasco is attending drum major camp at Angelo State University.

> Also attending camp Karen Flowers (flag captain), Mary Ann Abalos, Brenda Gray, Dianna Tinkler, Dee Anna Key and Susan Ash. Their camp will be held in Brownwood at Howard Payne University July 25-28.

Director and Mrs. Glenn Black are teaching at the Angelo State University Band Camp.





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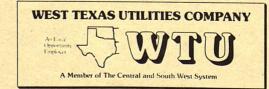
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RICHARD LONG--Continued from Page 1 lowship of Christian Athletes, Sunday school class student and senior class officer. He has also been awarded class favorite, Danforth "I Dare You" award, Most Talented and highest ranking boy in sen-

ior class. Richard, who plans to major in animal science, st of the game under was one of 50 recipients of Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo scholarships presented at the state FFA convention.

The Show, which also presented 50 four-year, \$6,000 scholarships to 4-H Club members during the State 4-H Roundup in June, this year became the largest donor of argicultural scholarships in the United States. During the coming school year, the show will have 245 students, representing a commitment of \$1.24 million, on scholarship in Texas colleges and universities.

The winners, carefully selected from hundreds of applicants, are the best in the state from the standpoints of academics and leadership. The only requirements made of the students are that they major in some form of agriculture at a college or university within the confines of the state. While the Houston Li-

vestock Show and Rodeo makes available the funds for the scholarships, it does not select the winners. The evaluation of applicants and final selection of FFA winners is carried out by the appropriate personnel of the Texas Education Agency.

In presenting the scholarships, Show President Allen H. Carruth said that the presentation of each scholarship is far more than just a gesture of good will.

"The scholarship program is a direct result of the show's concern for youth and its strong commitment to agriculture. The presentation of each scholarship is an assurance that an outstanding yo-

ungster will get the chance to earn a college degree and to work in the field of agriculture.

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#### CARLA WOJTEK ---Continued from Page 1

of 16 girls each, selected from all classes of schools from throughout Texas. Miss Wojtek played mo-

coaches Kelly Chadwick and Dayle Sessions.

Incidentally, the South team won 85-78.

Girls participating were honored with a banquet and received a Texas plaque for their achievements.

GOES TO PLAINVIEW Carla traveled to Plainview Sunday and checked in at Wayland. She will be one of the 12 girls from all over Texas who will practice twice a day all this week before a showdown Saturday night against the all-star team from Oklahoma.

Coaching the girls are Dean Weise of Wayland Baptist College and Dan Stevens of Howard College in Big Spring.

### **Funeral Held for** Mrs. Campbell

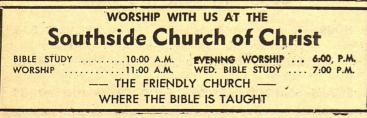
Funeral services for Mrs. Duvergne Smith Campbell, 71, were held at 3 p.m. Thursday, July 6, at First Baptist Church in Bronte. Officiating was the Rev. Cecil Harper, pastor. Burial was in Fairview Cemetery under direction of Davis-Rains-Seale Funeral Home of Ballinger.

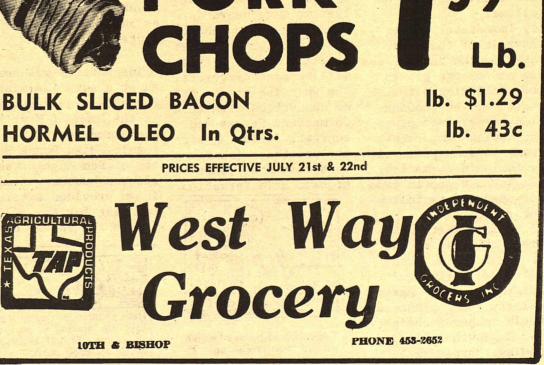
Mrs. Campbell died at 11 a.m. Tuesday, July 4, while enroute to a hospital in Hugo, Colo. She was born Jan. 23, 1907, in Bronte and was married to L.G. Campbell Dec. 24, 1928. He died in 1971. Mrs. Campbell was a longtime school teacher and taught in small schools on the west side of Coke County many years ago, and later taught in Robert Lee. Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Vergnel Smith of Dalhart; three sons, L.G. Campbell Jr. of San Angelo, Conley E. Campbell of Deer Park and James Lee Campbell of Amarillo; four sisters, Mrs. Leon Thomas of Dallas, Mrs. Jamie Davis of Waco, Mrs. Howard Golden of Abilene and Mrs. Lee Johnson of Waco.



LIONS CLUB MEETING

1 - 3rd Tuesday of each month - 7 P.M. Lions Club Community Center





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### First Screwworm **Case for County**

Coke County producers reported their first screwworm cases of 1978 during the past week. The first case was submitted by Finis Millican. The case was taken from a cow near the old city lake east of Robert Lee.

Raymond Bloodworth submitted the second case from near Silver.

All producers are encouraged to check their stock and submit samples of all worms cases that are found. The Mission officials must confirm a case before sterile flies will be dropped on a suspect area.

We hope rain will come soon. But the screwworm situation could worsen if one or more cases are not found and reported if wetter weather is received.

We have received a number of calls about prussic acid poisoning during the past couple of weeks. The reports coming from Coleman and Brown Counties, where numerous cases have been reported, have many producers in this area worried since we have similar growing conditions. Generally speaking, however, we have escaped the prussic acid problem up to this point.

Anytime a sorghum grain plant is stressed, technically speaking, prussic acid could be formed. But, fortunately, only certain plants under certain conditions seem to be bad about manufacturing prussic acid. Should we receive some rain, we can expect to see an acid build up in some of the Johnson Grass, Sudan Grass of Sorghum-Sudan Hybrid Grasses.

There are a few situations that bear watching should we receive some rain. They are as

where moisture is short and regrowth is difficult.

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5. Plants just inside the field gate where you may have run over the end of the rows with your pickup and regrowth starts or the plants that are bruised from some cause.

There are other conditions that may cause a plant to form prussic acid, but we have mentioned the more common ones.

As you know, prussic acid poisoning can and usually does kill animals rapidly. Actually, the poisoned animal suffocates. If an antidote material can be administered immediately an animal can be saved. But, like cyanide poisoning, when the oxygen in the system is cut off, death occurs fairly rapidly. If you plan to graze a field of Sorghum, Johnson Grass of Sudan that has stressed it would be wise to take some precautions. First. turn the animals in the field on a full stomach. An animal full of hay will be less affected by the plant material that may be toxic. Secondly, purchase a bottle of the antidote from your veterinarian. You may be able to save an animal that has been poisoned. A third measure would be to watch your animals for an hour or two after you place them in the field. Should we receive moisture and regrowth occurs, normally the toxic period will last from 10 days to two weeks. Two common beliefs we have heard mentioned have no bearing on prussic acid formation and/ or toxicity. The first one is that animals that have been in a field will have resistance to prussic acid. This is not necessarily true. That animal can still receive a lethal dose of acid. The second be-

#### SHEILA ROBERTS HONORED AT IS BRIDAL SHOWER

Sheila Roberts, brideelect of Robert Hammerton, was honored with a bridal coffee, Saturday morning at the Robert Lee Baptist Church. \*Receiving guests were the bride-elect, her mother, Mrs. Bobby Roberts, the prospective groom's mother, Mrs. Bruce Hammerton of San Angelo and Miss Roberts' grandmother, Mrs. Floyd Harmon, Each was wearing a corsage of yellow daisies with mint green ribbons representing the directed by Shaffer bride-elect's flowers and colors.

The gifts were displayed in the fellowship hall in a wedding atmosphere. Refreshments were served in the church yard under a covered walkway. From the serving table covered with a yellow and white checked gingham tablecloth were served sausage balls, cheese-olive balls, banana-nut and ver, Robert Lee and Misquash cake squares, a fresh watermelon bowl filled with melon balls, He was a production sppineapple, bananas, strawberries, and green seedless grapes. Daisies and ivy around the melon base served as the centerpiece. A choice of fresh orange juice or coffee-punch was served from a wooden serving cart. To complete the setting were hanging baskets of fern, large pots of ivy and a large yellow and white pot of yellow daisies. Guests were served and then seated under the large tree in the church yard.

Fifty-nine guests registered. Hostesses were Bobbie Allen, Donna Ash, Edna Havins, Joan Davis, Laura Herford, Pam Bauerlein, Mary Beth Drennan, Margaret Epperson, Mary Bessent, Dean Percifull, Nancy Rasco, Karen Rasco, Melinda Strickland, Zola, Hatley, Joann Runnion, Opal Jacoby, Joydell Deen, Gene Quisenberry, Frankie Hood, Nell Hines and Geneva Cook of Winters.

# For Tyrus Davis

Tyrus Aaron Davis, 57, of McAllen, died at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, July 15, in St. Joseph's in Nalley-Pickle Rose-Hospital in Houston af- wood Chapel in Big Sprter a lengthy illness. Services were at 3 p. m. Monday in the Kreidler Funeral Home chapel at McAllen with the Rev. Big Spring hospital af-Leonard Garrett, former ter a lengthy illness. pastor of First United Methodist Church in Mission, officiating. Graveside rites were at 2:30 p.m. Wednesday in Robert Lee Cemetery Funeral Home. The Rev. Arthur Kendall of San Angelo, former pastor of First United Methodist Church of Robert Lee, officiated.

He was born April 6, 1921 at Bedias, Texas, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Davis. He and Sarah Lou Sheppard were married Aug. 23, 1947 at San Angelo. They lived at Alpine, Snyder, Silssion before moving to McAllen four years ago. ecialist with Sun Oil Company.

During World War II, Mr. Davis served four years with the Army Air Corps in Africa and the European theatre. He was a graduate of Sul (Sue) Millican both of Ross College, a member of the Elks Lodge, and a member of the United Methodist Church.

Survivors include his wife; two daughters, Cynthia Garzonie and Phyllis Davis both of McAllen; two grandsons, Audie Baker and Joseph Garzonie both of McAllen; his mother, Mrs. J. V. (Minnie) Davis of Midland; one brother, Jay Davis of Odessa; five sisters, Uldine Davis of Eastland, Edna McAnally of Carlsbad, N.M., Mrs. George McCamey of Enid, Okla.; Mrs. Earl Lucky and Mrs. Charles Buckles both of Midland.

### **Rites Wednesday Watkins Services** At Big Spring

Services for E.P. Watkins, 66, of Big Spring, were at 10 a.m. Monday ing. Burial was in Trinity Memorial Park. Mr. Watkins died at 11:30 a.m. Friday in a He was born April 21, 1912, in Marlow, Okla. He and Ruby King were married in 1935 at Robert Lee. They lived in Runnels County before moving to Big Spring. He was a retired employee of James Sand and Gravel, retiring in November 1977 because of ill health. He was a member of Birdwell Lane Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife; four daughters, Mrs. Bill (Jo Ann) Stafford of Sand Springs, Mrs. Bob (Glenda) Brasel of Big Spring, Mrs. Bob (Peggy) Evans of Forsan and Mrs. Terry (Shirley) Davis of Warner-Robbins, Ga.; four brothers, Bogard Watkins of San Angelo, Ross Watkins of Denison, Robert Watkins of Brownwood and Lucian Watkins of Rye; four sisters, Mrs. C.C. (Gladys) Millican and Mrs. Finis Robert Lee, Mrs. L.C. (Irene) Trowbridge of San Angelo and Mrs. W. R. (Inez) Martin of Mesquite; and eight grandchildren.

Two daughters, Pamela Diane and Barbara Gail, preceded him in death.



Playwright George Bernard Shaw was a vegetarian for "aesthetic and hygienic rea-sons." He never weighed more than 126 pounds.



#### follows:

1. Immediately after the rain if the rain comes in the heat of the day and/or the plants were suffering prior to the rain. The combination of moisture plus the cooler temperature seems to be a prime time for acid formation. 2. Any new growth from stressed plants following rain.

3. Plants that look alright at night or early in the morning, then wilt down during the afternoon heat - particularly young plants up to 18 inches in height. 4. Regrowth following mowing, particularly

lief we have heard is that Sorghum or Johnson Grass with white powder material on the leaves will be more dangerous. The whittish powder has no connection with acid formation. Stress and regrowth following stress are the major factors that contribute to prussic acid formation.



The collected bones of a 160pound man weigh only 29 pounds.

Miss Roberts was honored at a surprise miscellaneous wedding shower in the home of Mrs. Bruce Hammerton of San Angelo. Miss Donna Hughey of San Angelo was also, a hostess. A magician provided entertainment for the group before the shower began.



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### Walker Family **Holds Reunion**

The Walker family reunion was held Sunday, July 9, at the New Recreation Center in Robert Lee with 102 persons attending. Descendants of the late Mr. and Mrs. W.R. Walker, pioneers who came to Coke County and started ranching near Silver in 1893, meet each year on the second Sunday in July. Attending the gathering this year were: Mr. and Mrs. H.L. Bloodworth, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Bloodworth, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Bloodworth, Clay and Patty and Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Bloodworth, all of Silver; Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Walker and Dave, Odessa; Lori and Amy Bloodworth, Levelland; Chuck Askins, Sulphur Springs; Mr. and Mrs. Pete Palmer, Arlington; Dr. and Mrs. J.G. Smith, Stephenville; Mr. and Mrs. Jacky Wallace, Abilene; Mrs. Mary Brod and Judy and Mrs. Elizabeth Stewart of Lewisville; Mr. and Mrs. Darrel Pitcock, Audra and Judd, Crane; Mrs. Dennis Purvis, Jenny and Laura, Sonora; Artis Walker, Walden and Steven, Colorado City; Mrs. Willie Price, Jeffery and Cynthia and Amy Fredrick, Akron, Colo.; Mrs. C.L. Martin, Buddy Caulder and Eddie Caulder, Merkel; Manuel Palmer of Barnhart. Attending from San Angelo were Mr. and Mrs. Donald Walker, Gina and Stacy, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Wayne Walker, Douglas, Robert and Kevin; Mrs. Mary Streng; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wimberley; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Morton; Mrs. Dale Burnett; Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Bloodworth; Josephine Palmer and La-Lane Jones. From Robert Lee were Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Walker; Debra Caulder;

Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Hempel and Larry; Mr. and Mrs. Tilden Jones

### **2 FFA Members** Go to Convention

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Two members of the Robert Lee FFA Chapter at- convention by being prtended the State FFA Convention in San Antonio last week. Wade Wallace and Richard Long attended the convention representing the Robert Lee FFA Chapter. The boys were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Sid Long.

Wade Wallace was voting delegate for the chapter and Richard Long was honored at the esented a \$6,000 scholarship by the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo. Clay Allen received the Lone Star Farmer degree at the convention and William Simpson's application for American Farmer was approved by the state committee.

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14. C None 14 15. Other 44 assets ..... G 7 ..... 15 16. TOTAL ASSETS (sum of items 1 thru 15) ..... 8 774 16 LIABILITIES Sch. Item Col. 2 733 17 4 167 18 17. Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations ..... F 1f Α ..... 18. Time and savings deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations ... F 1f B+C ..... 18 19. Deposits of United States Government ...... F 27 A+B+C ..... 2 19 20. Deposits of States and political subdivisions 1 041 20 A+B+C ..... 3 21. Deposits of foreign governments and official institutions ...... F A+B+C ..... None 4 21 22. Deposits of commercial banks ..... F None 5+6 A+B+C ..... 22 23. Certified and officers' checks ..... F 18 Α ..... 7 23 24. TOTAL DEPOSITS (sum of items 17 thru 23) 7 986 24 a. Total demand deposits ..... F 3 034 8 Α ... a b. Total time and savings deposits ..... F 4 952 B+CL 8 b Federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreements to repurchase E 25. 4 ..... None 25 Other liabilities for borrowed money None 26 27. Mortgage indebtedness ..... None 27 Acceptances executed by or for account of this bank and outstanding ..... None 28. 28 29. None 9 ..... 29 30. TOTAL LIABILITIES (excluding subordinated notes and debentures) 986 7 30 31. Subordinated notes and debentures None 31

#### EQUITY CAPITAL

	Preferred stock a. No. shares outstanding None (Par value)   Common stock a. No. shares authorized 1,000 1,000	None		32	
	b. No. shares outstanding 1,000 (Par value)	Const Liner	100	33	
34.	Surplus		200	34	
35.	Undivided profits		488		
	36. Reserve for contingencies and other capital reserves				
37.	37. TOTAL EQUITY CAPITAL (sum of items 32 thru 36)				
38.	TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY CAPITAL (sum of items 30, 31, and 37)	8	774	37	

MEMORANDA

Tom, Glen, Lynell, Mac-	1. Average for 30 calendar days ending with call date:			1				
hell, Ryan, Rochell and	a. Cash and due from banks (corresponds to item 1 above)		839	1a				
Darla; Mr. and Mrs. Go-	b. Federal funds sold and securities purchased under agreements to resell (corresponds to item 8 above)		400	b				
rman Walker, Jimmie and	c. Total loans (corresponds to item 9a above)	2	969	1				
Cathy; Mr. and Mrs. Wa-	d. Time deposits of \$100,000 or more (corresponds to Memoranda items 3a plus 3b below)		645	d				
yland Drennan, Rickey	e. Total deposits (corresponds to item 24 above)		816	e				
and Debbie; Mr. and Mrs.	f. Federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreements to repurchase (corresponds to item 25 above)	None						
0.B. Jacobs; Mr. and	g. Other liabilities for borrowed money (corresponds to item 26 above)	None						
Mrs. J.C. Wallace Jr.	2. Standby letters of credit outstanding (as of call date)	None		2				
and Buddy; Mr. and Mrs.	3. Time deposits of \$100,000 or more (as of call date):			-				
Waymon Robertson; Mr.	a. Time certificates of deposit in denominations of \$100,000 or more		645	3a				
and Mrs. Troy Millican;	b. Other time deposits in amounts of \$100,000 or more	None	1	54				
Mr. and Mrs. D.J. Walk-								
	I, Willis W. Smith, Cashier , of the above-named bank, do solemnly { SWEAR } that this report of condition							
	is true and correct, to the dest of my knowledge and delief.							
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MRS. JACK THOMASON Darla Faye Smith, Gary J. Thomason Exchange Wedding Vows at Diboll

Darla Faye Smith of Diboll and Gary Jack Thomason of Robert Lee were united in marriage in a ceremony Saturday, June 15, in the Pine Grove Missionary Baptist Church in Diboll. The Rev. Van Harris, pastor, performed the ceremony.

Parents of the bride are Mr. and Mrs. Morris Smith of Diboll and the bridegroom's parents are Mrs. James A. Thomason of Robert Lee and the late James A. Thomason.

Wedding music was provided by Lisa Harris, soloist, and Tina Grantham, organist, both of Diboll.

The bride wore a formal length gown of white quiana featured with a modified Queen Ann neckline and a slightly gathered bodice with the bust accented by Venice lace. It had bishop s1eeves adorned by English net motif. Her headpiece was a Juliet cap of silk Venice lace and pearls held by a double tiered finger tip veil of silk illusion. The maid of honor was Sherri Smith, sister of the bride, and flower girl was Debra Hannah, cousin of the bride, both of Diboll.

bride, of Robert Lee. David Earl Smith of Diboll, brother of the bride, was ring bearer. A reception was held in the Fellowship Hall of the church following the ceremony. The rehearsal dinner was hosted by the bridegroom's mother at the Ramada Inn

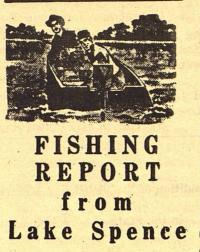
Smith, cousin of the

in Lufkin. The bride is a graduate of Diboll High School. Her husband is a 1970 graduate of Robert Lee High School and a 1975 graduate of the University of Texas at Austin. He is employed by Texaco.

After a wedding trip to South Texas, Lakeway and Austin, the newlyweds will be at home in Big Spring.

Out of town guests included Mrs. James A. Thomason, Mrs. Kathryn Smith and Randy Smith of Robert Lee; Mrs. Roy Threadgill of Gladewater; Mr. and Mrs. Craig Thomason of Belton; Mr. and Mrs. Danny Percifull of Big Spring; Debbie Burckett and Gary Mis of Longview; Mr. and Mrs. Jacky Preslar of Knoxville, Tenn; Mr. and Mrs. J.Q. Counts of Sterling City. Also Mr. and Mrs. John Counts of Conroe; Mrs. Irene Edwards of Garland; Mr. and Mrs. Andy Anderson of Canton; Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Allen of Alvin; Mr. and Mrs. Dan McClanahan, Sharee and

July 21, 1978 Mark of Garland; Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Sharp and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Sharp and children of Arlington.



Eddie Farmer, McCaulley, 1 striper 10<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> 1bs. Mary Lee Purser, Big Spring, 1 striper 19 1bs.

Tom and Lee Levens, Abilene, 2 stripers to 15 1bs.

Dennis Givens, Brownfield, 6 stripers to 41/2 1bs.

Elbie Rogers, Rotan, 6 stripers to 8 lbs. Charlie Travis, Robert Lee, 1 striper 6 1bs. Larry Casey, Westbrook and Lanny Skelton, Garden City, 1 yellowcat 18 lbs., 5 bluecat 31/2 1bs., 5 channelcat to 2 1bs.

WILDCAT FISH-A-RAMA Eddie Tormer, McCaul1ey, 1 striper 10<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> 1bs. Wayne Wilson, Sweetwater and Jim Davis, Sweetwater, 4 stripers to 64 1bs.

Carolyn Blum, Big Spring, 1 striper 8 1bs. Jerry Tredway, Midland, 1 striper 5½ 1bs.

HILLSIDE GROC. Jimmy Lohse, San Ange-

lo, 1 yellowcat 30 lbs., 15 bluecat to 2 lbs. Perry Smith and Party, San Angelo, 127 channelcat.

### "Ole Coke County" Pageant Being **Rehearsed for Showing July 28-29**

Rehearsals and other plans for the presentation of "OLE COKE COUN-TY, Home of the Rabbit Twisters" are going

recently been completed and facilities will be ready for the pageant. Approximately 150 citizens, all Coke County



GRASS INCREASED -- Forage production has been increased tremendously in the pasture to the left of the fence. Brush has been controlled and improved grasses have been seeded. The pasture received periodic rest periods and proper grazing to maintain the stand.

### **Brush Control Very Important Part Of Range Improvement Program**

Heavy infestations of brush has long been a problem for ranchers. This problem can be traced back to the abuse and heavy use of our rangeland beginning when man first settled this region. According to records at the experiment station near Sonora, early settlers in the region were stocking at a rate of one animal unit to every five acres. Over use of the palatable forage plants resulted in vacancies in the plant co- aerial spraying are sover. These vacancies provide invading plants a foothold. With continual abuse of the land and left untreated, these invading plants will completely infest rangeland.

Not only are most invading plants of little grazing value, but also inefficient moisture users. While grass uses

400-600 lbs. of water to produce 1 1b. of grass, it requires 1700-1900 lbs. of water to produce 1 1b. of mesquite. Brush uses 146 million acre feet of water annually or 40% of the state's water usage.

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Ways of controlling these invading plants can be done in several different methods, depending on the ones which most suit the situation. Rootplowing, grubbing, chaining, and me of the most common methods used to combat this problem. These are only effective if the rancher follows up with proper management practices, such as proper grazing use and deferred grazing. Information concerning these practices can be picked up at the Soil Conservation Service, Coke County Courthouse.

ns to attend the pageant. Tickets are available at the city halls in Bronte and Robert Lee or they may be purchased at the gate.

Craig Thomason of Belton served his brother as best man. Ushers were Morris Lynn Smith, brother of the bride, of Diboll, and Randy

ahead at full speed as the cast and other workers prepare for the presentation of the production Friday and Saturday, July 28 and 29. Lucile Bryan, author and director of the pageant, said that memberships in the Coke Cou-Inc., are still available and everyone in the county is invited to purchase a membership and support the project.

The play will be presented on the two nights in the new amphitheatre located in the Robert Lee County Park. The amphitheatre has

residents or with a Coke County background, will participate in the play, Mrs. Bryan said. A special guest performer will be John C. Odom of Killeen, grandson of Col. T.L. Odom of Fort Chadbourne, founder of the Chadbourne nty Pageant Association, Ranch northeast of Bronte. He will play the part of Colonel Odom. Mrs. Bryan said she took most of the material for the pageant from Jessie Yarbrough's forthcoming book, "History of Coke County, Home of the Rabbit Twister".

> Everyone in the area is invited to make pla-



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**Robert Lee Observer** 

### **Governor Wants to Cut School Taxes**

Governor Dolph Briscoe this week said he is very interested in a proposal which could effectively reduce property taxes levied by Texas school districts. The proposal, as put forth by Representatives Jim Nugent of Kerrville and Lynn Nabers of Brownwood would dedicate one-fourth of the revenue from the State's general sales and use tax to reduce school ad valorem taxes throughout the state.

"The Legislature currently is meeting in a special session to consider legislation and proposed constitutional amendments which would return a portion of the current and projected state surplus to the people of Texas," Governor Briscoe said, "I am extremely interested in any proposal which could result in a lowering of property taxes and particularly those levied by our Texas school districts."

Nugent and Nabers have expressed hope for a hearing early this week on their proposal. Nugent and Nabers ex-

plained that to be eligible to receive additional state funds, under their proposal, a school district must reduce the ad valorem taxes it levies for maintenance and operation purposes by \$200 for each \$220 it will receive. The maximum amount by which a school district would have to reduce its taxes would be 50 percent. The "new" state money, the two House members said. would be distributed to school districts on a per Average Daily Atte-

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the 1978 share being \$220 per ADA. "The existence of the surplus in the State Treasury and the projected surplus has to mean that the State is taking too much money from the pockets of Texas taxpayers. In our opinion it is time to return part of that money to the taxpayers and we think our approach is most equitable," Nugent and Nabers said.

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Preliminary statistics show the proposal would have the following effect in Coke County:

School School	Reduction	"New"
District	in	State
The science of the	Property Tax	Funds
Bronte ISD	24%	\$6,349
Robert Lee ISD	15%	\$5,883

"New" State Funds means the amount of additional state money to be received by a school district in excess of

the amount the district currently is raising through ad valorem taxes for maintenance and operation purposes.



Vincent Named WTU Director Dr. Lloyd D. Vincent, president of Angelo State University, has been named to the board of directors of West Texas Utilities Company.

His election was announced Friday morning in Abilene at a regular WTU board meeting, which was attended by Dr. Vincent.

'He was presented by Durwood Chalker, president and chief executive officer of WTU, who said he was "immensely pleased" at having Dr. Vincent become a director.

Chalker told the board that Dr. Vincent has been "much more than just a college president; since he moved to San Angelo in 1967. He mentioned Dr. Vincent being chosen by the San Angelo Chamber of Commerce and Board of City Development as Citizen of the Year in 1975 for "outstanding leadership and abilities so generously given to his community during the year.'

"This means," Chalker said, "that WTU must share him with other good and worthy extracurricular affairs.'

"The fact that most of Angelo State's student body comes from West Texas Utilities service area and that its campus is in one of the company's principal cities appeals to us," Chalker said, "but we were attracted to Dr. Vincent because of his own accomplishments." Dr. Vincent holds three degrees, including the Ph.D. in nuclear physics, from the University of Texas at Austin. He taught physics at the University of Southwestern Louisiana, at Texas A&M University. and at Sam Houston State University before becoming president of Angelo State.

He also participates in numerous professional activities, and has held leading positions in educational organizations. Dr. Vincent takes the place on the board formerly held by W.K. (Bill) Ramsey, who was WTU's district manager at San Angelo before retiring July 1.

### News from West **Coke Hospital**

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

July 11: No admissions. Jason Cowart dismissed. July 12: Pearl Dismore and Lillian Caperton admitted. Lillie Gaines and Emma Elkins dismissed.

July 13: Michael Adkins and Dwaine Clanton admitted. Michelle Salazar dismissed.

July 14: Mae Russell

#### dismissed.

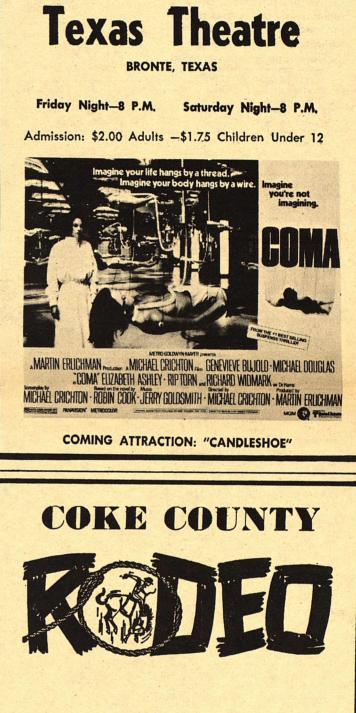
July 15: W.E. Burns admitted. Lillian Caperton and Michael Adkins dismissed.

July 16: Lester Webb and Dolores Stewart admitted. Joe Wilkins and Mattie Tinkler dismissed.

July 17: No admissions. Dolores Stewart, Georgia Roe and Bessie Hallmark dismissed.

July 18: Amanda Harman and Margaret Webb admitted. Pearl Dismore and Dwaine Clanton dismissed.

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By LUCILE BRYAN

In Our New Amphitheatre In Robert Lee

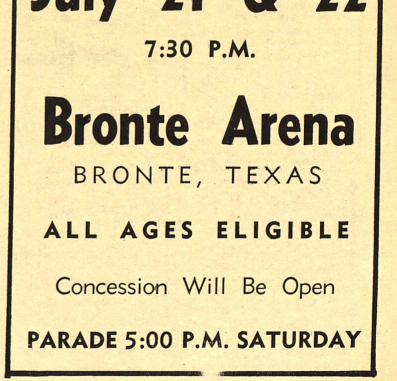
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WANTED TO BUY: Ten to twenty acres of land in Coke County. Phone 573-2710. Itc

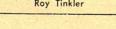
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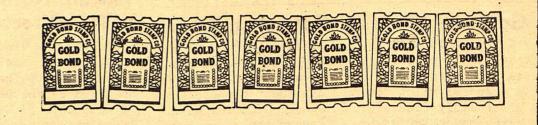
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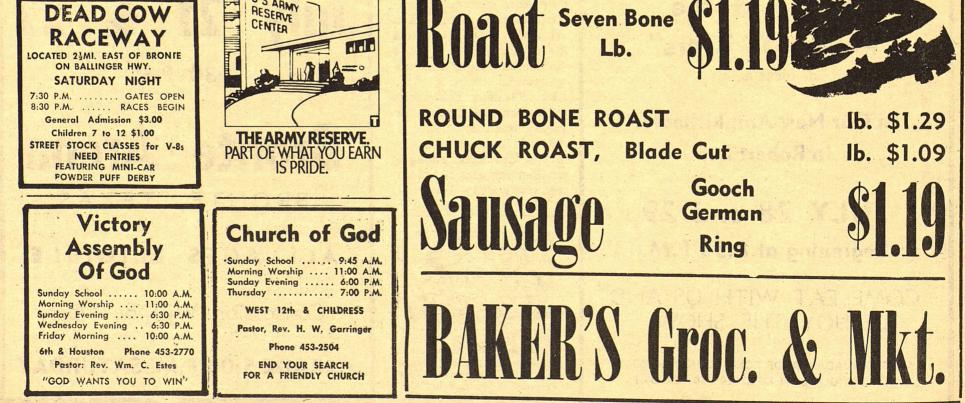
In behalf of the Howard Sparks family we wish to thank everyone in and around Coke County for their kind gestures because of the recent fire which destroyed our home.

I would like to thank everyone for the cards, visits, flowers and wellwishes during my recent convalescence from surgery. All were greatly ap-preciated. A special thanks to the Teenage Girls Softball Team for their gift.









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