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Henry Bass Drowns In Dam Washout

The big Robert Lee dam construction job claimed its first victim last Wednesday afternoon when Henry H. Bass, 52, was drowned after a bank on which he was standing caved in.

The accident occurred about 1 p.m. and the body was recovered shortly after 6:30, about two

Steers Looking Good; Scrimmage With Angelo Set

Coach Kenneth Mitchell said this week that he is happy with most aspects of the 1967 Steer squad, but that he is going to have to iron out a few rough spots. The coach told The Observer that the spirit of the team is good and he feels sure his charges will develop into a fine team.

The Steers scrimmaged the Ozone Lions last Friday night and were able to hold the strong visitors to 2 counters while they made 1.

"We have a well balanced squad," Mitchell said, "with 10 seniors and 10 juniors, and of course there are some of the younger players that are looking real good."

Another scrimmage session is planned for this weekend, with the San Angelo sophomores. The contest will be held either Friday night or Saturday morning, Mitchell said, adding that he is waiting on San Angelo to work out the time.

Probable starters on offense are: Gary Sam Williams, qb; Donnie Devoll, fb; Roy Blair, tb; Ricky Whitaker, wb; Jackie Preslar, c; Gary Parker, rg; Mike Post, rt; Tooter Fields, re; Lynn Beall, lg; James Field, lt; Randy Hall, le. Others who are expected to start on defense include Lonnie Bloodworth, Danny Smith, Teddy Millican, Ronnie Devoll, Darrell Pitcock, Joe Key and Andy Cole.

Coach Mitchell had 39 prospective Steers out for practice Tuesday afternoon. He said, "We have good leadership among our older boys, and I'm expecting them to lead the way in making this a good year for Robert Lee."

The Steers first game will be at Menard Sept. 8, with the next contest with the Bronte Longhorns at Bronte.

Quarterback Club To Meet Monday

The Quarterback club will have a meeting Monday night, Sept. 4, since it is a holiday, it was announced this week. Everyone who is interested in Steer football and in giving assistance to the squad during the 1967 season is invited to attend and join the club.

Next meeting of the Quarterbacks will be held Monday, Sept. 11, at 7:30 p.m. This date will be after the Menard game and a film of the game will be shown.

A spokesman for the club said, "We need the help of everyone who likes to see the Steers play football." The Quarterback club finances filming of the games, and lots of members are needed to help defray this expense.

miles downstream on the Charles Sims place at the edge of Robert Lee.

Funeral services for Mr. Bass were held Saturday in the Church of Christ at Moody, with burial following in Moody Cemetery. Williams Funeral Home was in charge of local arrangements, and Denny and Witt Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements at Moody.

Mr. Bass came to Robert Lee in May from Summerville. He had been with Clement Bros. for four years. He was born May 11, 1915, in Lansing, Tenn., and married Mary Duncan Oct. 7, 1939. They had two children.

Survivors include his wife; one son, Harold Bass of Robert Lee; one daughter, Mrs. Billy Hull of Luling; two brothers, E. R. Bass of San Diego, Calif., W. R. Bass of South Bend, Ind.; two sisters, Mrs. J. C. Dean of Hawaii and Mrs. Bill Metzker, address unknown.

A massive search for Mr. Bass' body was begun after the cave-in, with practically all of Clement Bros.' employees, Parks and Wildlife officers, Sheriff Department personnel, firemen and other volunteers taking part.

Derwood McAdams, who was standing near Mr. Bass when the accident occurred, said a rise in the river apparently caused the washout. Charles Atkins, construction supervisor, said the pipes under the earthen crossing were not sufficiently large to carry the large flow of water. Larger pipes were moved in immediately, and the flow of water was diverted to prevent the washout from getting larger.

Mr. Bass' body was discovered by a wading party of 18 persons. It was found in brush two or three feet above the water level. Sheriff Melvin Childress said there were signs that the water level had been several feet higher during the rush of water accompanying the washout.

Judge Roy P. Ross ruled that death was caused by accidental drowning. Construction company officials said the drowning was the first serious accident that has occurred since the construction job was started nearly a year ago.

Powell Leases Zettler's Cafe

Announcement is being made in this week's Observer that Mr. and Mrs. Henry Zettler have leased their restaurant to Mr. and Mrs. Bill Powell, formerly of Lamesea.

Mr. and Mrs. Powell took over operation of the cafe Monday morning. They are living in one of Frank Dickey's apartments. The Powells have three children; Bill Jr., who is attending college and studying music in New York City; Wayne, who is a disc jockey at a Fort Worth radio station; and a daughter, Mrs. James Kadas, also of Fort Worth. They also have three grandchildren.

Powell said they have no plans for any big changes in the operation of the business. Mrs. Finis Harmon and Miss Connie Lara will continue as employees, and Mrs. Powell will also work.

Powell said he and his wife are anxious to meet everybody in Robert Lee and become a part of the community. "We will serve good food and offer friendly, courteous service to all our customers," he said, "and we invite everybody to come by and get acquainted."

The Powells have been in the restaurant business the past 20 years. Their last business was in El Paso, and they sold it about three months ago and have been vacationing since that time.

Mr. and Mrs. Zettler told the Observer that they have no plans except to vacation and rest.

CITY TO CLOSE FOR LABOR DAY

County and city offices, Robert Lee State Bank and most other business firms will be closed Monday in observance of Labor Day.

Exceptions will be service stations and cafes along the highway which will stay open to serve transient as well as local trade. No special observance is planned for the community, other than some possible gatherings of families and friends for the holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. Add Davis and children spent the weekend at Ruidoso New Mexico, returning home Sunday night.

Enrollment Hits 481 First Day

The 1967-68 school term began Monday with an enrollment of 481 students, the largest in many

BCD Gets Report On New Highway

The BCD held its regular weekly meeting Tuesday at noon in the recreation center. President Jimmy Bickley welcomed guest Leo Copeland, minister of Northside Church of Christ who was a guest of Bobby Palmos.

Bickley made a report on the opening of the 1967-68 school term. Details of this matter are being carried in another story.

Commissioner Fern Havins reported that the new fence under construction in the south part of town is a project of the CRMWD in connection with the dam. He also said that the county has a fence building job on the Robert Lee-Bronte highway as soon as right of way can be secured. He added he felt the job would be started before long, as the new highway is scheduled to be completed in about one year. Havins estimated that actual construction time would be about six months on the project. The project was begun almost a year ago, and a two year time limit was set up at that time.

The annual Coke County Golf Tournament which is held each year to benefit the March of Dimes has been called off Labor Day. Held in Bronte this year, the tournament was originally announced to be held Monday, but the fact that many golfers will be out of town caused the postponement.

Clyde Lee of Bronte, tournament director, said he would announce a date some time in October for the tourney which each year raises a sizeable sum for the MOD.

Last year the revolving trophy went to the victorious Robert Lee duffers.

After attending school at San Angelo College, McMurry and Hardin Simmons in Abilene, and Sul Ross in Alpine, Mrs. Jameson taught in schools at Silver, Colorado City and Green Mountain.

The three wells are on the Foster S. Price lease in Section 234, Block 1-A, H&TC Survey.

No. 4-A Price was completed from perforations between 5,718-42 feet for a daily potential of 193 barrels of 45 gravity oil. Gas-oil ratio was 1,400-1.

No. 5-A Price made 201 barrels of 45 gravity oil from perforations at 5,750-73 feet, with a gas-oil ratio of 1,350-1.

The third producer, No. 2-C Price, was completed from perforations at 5,659-64 feet and 5,566-69 feet. It produced 165 barrels of 46 gravity oil.

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Court Of Honor Held For Scouts

Six Boy Scouts were advanced in rank and ten received merit badges at a Court of Honor held Saturday night in Robert Lee School auditorium. The merit badges awarded were earned at the scouts' recent outing at Camp Sol Mayer.

Advancement in rank went to Pat Lewis and Kenneth Prine who were raised to Life rank; Mike Conley and Mark Matlock were upped to First Class, and Burl Davis and Gary McDaniel were advanced to Second Class.

A host of merit badges were awarded to the Robert Lee Scouts. Work required to earn them was completed at camp this summer, and badges awarded Saturday and total earned by each scout follows:

Mike Conley, two, in swimming and first aid, for a total of five; Lane Beaty, one in camping, total one; Burl Davis, two in camping and swimming, total

two; Randy Flanagan, 2 in camping and swimming, total 2; Richard Guerrant, 5 in cooking, camping, nature, swimming and first aid, total 6.

Also, James Hood, 1 in wildlife management, total 10; Pat Lewis, 6 in citizen ship in community, basketry, nature, canoeing, rowing and citizenship in nation, total 12; Kenneth Prine, 4 in citizenship in community, canoeing, rowing and citizenship in nation, total 16; Mark Matlock, 3 in cooking, camping and nature, total 5; Buzzy Wojtek, 2 in cooking and safety, total 12.

Six other scouts were recognized for having completed requirements for merit badges; however they cannot be awarded until the boys become Second Class Scouts. Recognized were Jeff Eubanks, Carl Bagwell, Jesse Eads, Lynn Sockwell, David Beaty and Gary McDaniel.

years for Robert Lee Schools. This is almost a 13 per cent increase over the 427 enrolled at the beginning of school last year.

The figure is also one more than the enrollment showed at the closing of school last spring, when 480 students were enrolled.

Supt. Jimmy Bickley said this week that the teacher-student ratio is very good and no big problems should arise because of some teachers having too many students and some too few.

Largest class in school is the fifth grade with 50. There are 36 in the first grade and 37 seniors. Average enrollment is just a fraction more than 40 in each of the 12 grades.

Supt. Bickley said that the new school term had gotten off to a smooth start and in good order, and he was well pleased with everything during the first two days of school.

Mrs. Jameson To Open Kindergarten

Mrs. Juanice Jameson is announcing a new kindergarten for Robert Lee area students in this issue of the Observer. Her present plans are to operate the school between the hours of 8:30 and 11:30 a.m. She works at Robert Lee Appliance at the present time and will continue to manage that business and work there in the afternoons.

Mrs. Jameson is requesting that mothers who are interested in having their children attend the school check with her Friday, Sept. 1, at her home at 1123 Austin St.

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Notes From The Oil Field

Tucker Drilling Co., Inc. of San Angelo has dually completed three projects four miles northeast of Silver, across the county line in Nolan County. All the wells had previously been completed in one pay.

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AUSTIN, Tex — Texas Department of Public Safety has issued a grim warning that 45 people will die in state traffic accidents during the Labor Day weekend.

DPS will make an all-out effort to curb wrecks and to stop reckless and illegal driving on the highways, says Col. Homer Garrison Jr., veteran director of the law enforcement agency.

Approximately 150 uniformed officers from other services will supplement the regular highway patrol force for the long holiday period — Friday, September 1 through Monday, September 4.

In addition, a coordinated effort involving several state agencies and private organizations will be directed toward holding down the fatality and injury list.

Texas Safety Association will conduct a public information program stressing the need for courtesy and caution on the road and urging drivers to remain alert. TSA Vice-President W. F. Leonard will coordinate efforts of 12,000 Junior Chamber of Commerce members operating 200 rest stops which will serve free coffee to tired drivers.

DPS plans to carry on its educational program via newspapers, radio and television and will distribute maps showing highway construction sites.

A fleet of 35 or 40 cars to assist stranded motorists over the state will be operated by Texas Council of Safety Supervisors and Texas Motor Transportation Association. Purpose of the "holiday road patrol" is to relieve highway patrolmen for enforcement work.

"There is always the possibility that the estimate of 45 deaths for this period can be proved to be too high, but only if all drivers put forth every effort toward avoiding traffic accidents," Col. Garrison said.

Meanwhile, DPS has announced radar sets will be placed in every patrol district over the state to aid in enforcing highway speed laws. Sets capable of accurate reading on vehicles at distances up to 1,500 feet will be carried in patrol cars.

Speeding figured in 41 per cent of last year's fatal accidents and 29 per cent of non-fatal acci-

dents.

SMITH IS RUNNING — Lt. Gov. Preston Smith broke open the 1968 political season by telling reporters he will run for governor next year regardless of whether Gov. John Connally plans to try for a fourth term.

"I want to make it clear once and for all that I am running," Smith said. "I have absolutely no idea what Governor Connally will do, and it doesn't make one iota of difference."

However, the Lieutenant Governor insisted that he would not make a formal announcement of his candidacy, complete with definition of issues, until Connally returns around Labor Day from his African Safari.

House Speaker Ben Barnes has indicated he will run for lieutenant governor if Connally seeks a fourth term.

Former Atty. Gen. Waggoner Carr also expressed some interest in the lieutenant governor race. But he emphasized that he had not made a definite decision.

Another prospective candidate for lieutenant governor is State Sen. Murray Watson of Waco.

ELECTION LAW CHANGES TOLD — Secretary of State John Hill has provided Texas election officials details of all changes in state election laws enacted by the 60th Legislature.

Major changes include:

— Voters may mark ballots with "x" or check marks rather than scratching names of candidates they oppose.

— Counties may use electronic voting machines on approval of the secretary of state.

— Those who have not yet met state voting residence requirements may vote for president and vice-president.

— Those who have moved from county to county within six months before an election can vote for statewide officials.

— Some city election dates will be changed from the first Tuesday in April to the first Saturday in April.

— Election officials will get a pay raise from \$1 to \$1.25 an hour.

— Voters in bond elections will be required to sign affidavits they own property and to identify property.

— Write-in votes will be outlawed in primaries except for party offices, like county chairman.

— Only opposed candidates will have to file campaign expense statements.

— Voters again must register between October 1 and January 31. All voters must sign up (including citizens over 60 in cities of less than 10,000 population).

FREE TUITION EXPANDED Under a new law in effect this fall, free tuition and fees in state junior and senior colleges and universities will be available to 5,000 to 10,000 young Texans from families with incomes of \$4,800 a year or less.

Students must have finished in the upper 25 per cent of their high school classes or score in the top 20 per cent on a standardized admission exam; must be under 25 years of age; and must have lived in the state at least 12 months before registration date. Only freshman students are eligible this year.

SHORT SNORTS

Texas retail sales dropped three per cent in July compared to a nationwide drop of five per cent, according to UT's Bureau of Business Research.

After a hearing before State Education Commissioner J. W. Edgar, Lake Worth school board was directed to reinstate Supt. Grady Vaughn or to pay up some \$28,000 on a two-year contract.

Texas Highway Department has asked contractors to submit bids August 29 - 30 on some 42 highway improvement projects estimated to cost \$27,000,000.

According to the State Health Department, Texas leads the nation in diseases preventable by immunizations, such as diphtheria, polio and measles but only about 5 per cent of the nation's population lives in Texas.

Visitors in the Turney Casey home last week were their grandchildren, Nelson, Turney, Tim and Layne, children of Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Coulter. The Coulters attended a police convention in Corpus Christi over the weekend of Aug. 18-20.

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By MRS. FAY C. ROE

WARNING SOUNDED ON PAPER DRESSES

Public Health Service official has cautioned people who wear paper clothing that they risk burning themselves if they wear it near an open flame after it has been laundered, dry cleaned or worn in a soaking rain.

Anyone wearing this type of garment should discard it once it becomes soiled.

Manufacturers themselves acknowledge that many dresses and other garments lose whatever flame retardant finish they have after washing.

FACT TIP

Did you know the death rate for motorcycle accidents, in relation to the number of motorcycles in this country, is twice as high as the comparable rate for automobiles and other motor vehicles.

FALL, 1967

Clothing designers call 1967 the year "anything goes" in women's fashions. The mood runs from mod to mad and back to conservative, and even the designers can't agree on hem lengths for

fall. Some show short skirts; some show long.

But one thing everyone agrees on is the "total look" in attire. Each detail of the outfit is planned to produce a becoming total picture.

One should keep the "total look" in mind when planning a fall wardrobe. And, most important is careful selection of accessories.

Accessories prove costly if good for only one or two wearings. Good leather bags, gloves and shoes are a mark of a well-dressed person and are considered investments which outlast and look good longer than the cheaper ones.

Choose accessories simple in line and neat in workmanship. A few pieces of costume jewelry of real semi-precious stones cost no more than a lot of imitation items and are in better taste.

Designers recommend subdued accessories with bright-colored garments; simply designed hats, shoe and bag with print and plaids; a touch of color to relieve the monotone with all-black ensembles.

The width and height of a hat should balance with face and figure proportions. Horizontal and curving lines round and broaden face and figure; vertical lines lengthen and slenderize; and diagonal lines help diminish poor features, such as a square chin.

The smart shopper buys accessories suited for the places she goes. But the best rule of thumb is the old cliché — when in doubt, leave it out.

SCHEDULE

Thursday, Aug. 31 — Office.
 Friday, Sept. 1 — Office.
 Monday, Sept. 4 — Holiday.
 Tuesday, Sept. 5 — Office.
 Wednesday, Sept. 6 — Office.

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Mrs. Billy Bob Highsmith

Miss Dawn Grace Boykin And Billy Bob Highsmith Exchange Wedding Vows In Robert Lee Church Rites

Miss Dawn Grace Boykin became the bride of Billy Bob Highsmith in the Robert Lee Methodist Church at 10 a.m., Saturday, Aug. 26. The Rev. Bobby Palmos read the ceremony.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Ben A. Boykin of Robert Lee and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Highsmith of Menard.

Wedding music was furnished by Mrs. Wilson Bryan.

The bride was given in marriage by her father. She wore a dress of white lace over white silk peau de soie. It had a scooped neckline, and long fitted sleeves. The waist line was fitted, attached to a dress length bell skirt. A shoulder length veil of silk illusion was attached to a cluster of orange blossoms.

Matron of honor was Mrs. Ron Ladd, sister of the bridegroom, wearing a blue satin dress. Johnny Stout of Ft. Stockton served as best man.

Ushers were Ben Boykin, brother of the bride, and Ronn Ladd, brother-in-law of the bridegroom.

A reception following the ceremony was held in the fellowship hall of the church. The serving table carried out the color theme of blue and white. Miss Rosanna Boykin attended the guest register. She is a sister of the bride. Miss Sharon Walker and Miss Rebecca Walker, cousins of the bride, served punch and wedding cake.

The couple will make their home in Ft. Stockton at 1004 West Fourth Street.

The bride is a 1965 graduate of Robert Lee High School, where she was active in FHA and 4-H activities. She was also active in the Order of the Rainbow. She attended Commercial Business College in Midland and for the past two years has been employed in San Angelo.

The bridegroom is a 1961 graduate of Menard High School. He was class favorite all four years of high school. He attended Angelo State College and Southwest Texas State College in San Marcos. He was active in the Rodeo Club and D. E. Club. He worked for West Texas Utilities Co. in San Angelo before moving to Ft. Stockton where he is employed by Firestone.

A shower was given for the couple Aug. 22 at the recreation

Hall in Robert Lee. Hosting the affair were Messrs. and Mmes. Fred McCabe Jr., Frank Percifull, Bert Blaylock, Bill Allen, Pat Havins, Alton Roberts, Victor Collet, and Mrs. Guy C. Burton.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Blodworth visited Ray Coalson in the Bronte hospital Sunday afternoon.

PERSONALS

Mrs. Juanice Jameson, her father, H. E. Green and Sue Counts returned Tuesday from a four-day visit with Mr. and Mrs. Rex E. Green and family in Albuquerque, N. M.

Marilyn and Donna Wallace, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Wallace, Jr., spent the weekend in Houston attending a youth meeting of the Church of Christ. The girls went with a group of young people from Roscoe.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Weldon Phillips and three children are here visiting for two weeks with his mother, Mrs. Zerl Phillips. The family has returned from Hawaii where he has been stationed the past year. They are enroute to San Antonio where he will be with the U. S. Air Force at Brooks Air Force base.

Mr. and Mrs. Wright Thomas and Linda of Irving, and Margaret Ann Veldez of El Paso visited over the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hood and Mr. and Mrs. Keith Hood and James. Mrs. Thomas is a sister of the Hood brothers.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilton Robertson and children of Odessa were weekend guests of their mothers, Mrs. Bonnie Robertson and Mrs. C. G. Walker Sr.

Take a Look at the Ads.

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Ronnie D. Walker Now In Armored Cavalry Unit

U. S. ARMY, VIETNAM (AH-TNC) — Army Private First Class Ronnie D. Walker, 20, whose sister, Mrs. Mary Streng, lives in Robert Lee, was assigned to the 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment in Vietnam, Aug. 5.

An armored personnel carrier driver assigned to the 2nd Squadron in the regiment near Long Giao, Pvt. Walker entered the Army in October 1966 and completed his basic training at Ft. Riley, Kan.

Pvt. Walker is a 1965 graduate of Robert Lee High School.

Mr. and Mrs. Jett Hood moved their daughter, Mrs. Richard Johnson from the Odessa hospital to West Coke Hospital Saturday. She is the former Betty Hood and underwent brain surgery about two weeks ago.

PERSONALS

The D. P. Keys recently had as visitors in their home their daughter, Mrs. G. B. Shelburne, and children, Ruth Ann, Curtis and Jimmy of Amarillo. Also here was their grandson's wife, Mrs. Gene Paul Shelburne and children, Paula Jean, Jon and Audell, of Phoenix, Ariz.

Mr. and Mrs. Press Higginbotham and children of San Angelo were guests Thursday afternoon in the D. P. Key home. They are returning to Africa where they have been missionaries for some time. They will be located at Blantyre, near Zomba, where B. Shelburne, a grandson of the Keys, and his family are missionaries.

Mr. and Mrs. Sloan Boone visited at Midland over the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. John Doggett.

Mrs. Vera Allen and Melvin of Waxahachie visited here four days last week in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Sherman Williams, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Bloodworth of Silver drove to Lubbock where they spent the weekend with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Askin, and visited Sunday with Mrs. Winifred Talley at New Home.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Smith visited Sunday in Eastland in the home of her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Caulder.

Mrs. Doyle Caulder and children of Nederland are here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Walker. Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Wayne Walker and children of San Angelo were weekend guests in the Walker home. All the group drove to Odessa Sunday and visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Walker, and children.

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Embroidery Taught During Annual HD Club Camp

Needlepoint and Crewel Embroidery were taught Thursday and Friday during the annual Home Demonstration Club Camp by Mrs. Fred Beaty and Mrs. Fay C. Roe. The camp was held in the Robert Lee Recreation Hall. Other highlights included Paper Flower making, demonstrated by Mrs. Cecil Toliver, Bronte, and the use of Poly Paste to cover bottles, candy jars and other items. This was taught by Mrs. J. B. Arrott of Bronte.

Mrs. C. E. Arrott showed slides and told of her trip to Canada. She also showed films of Home Demonstration and 4-H activities taken early in the 1950's.

Arrangements for the camp were made by a committee headed by Mrs. Floyd Harmon. She was

assisted by Mesdames W. H. Robertson and Curtis Walker.

Twenty persons attended the camp.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Proposed CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT NUMBER THREE ON THE BALLOT

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION No. 17 proposing an amendment to Section 49-b, Article III of the Constitution of Texas, so as to authorize an increase in the total amount of bonds or obligations that may be issued by the Veterans' Land Board to Four Hundred Million Dollars (\$400,000,000); providing for the issuance of said bonds or obligations and the conditions relating thereto and the use of the Veterans' Land Fund; and providing for an election and the issuance of a proclamation therefor.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

Section 1. That Section 49-b, Article III of the Constitution of Texas, be amended so that the same will hereafter read as follows:

"Section 49-b. By virtue of prior Amendments to this Constitution, there has been created a governmental agency of the State of Texas performing governmental duties which has been designated the Veterans' Land Board. Said Board shall continue to function for the purposes specified in all of the prior Constitutional Amendments except as modified herein. Said Board shall be composed of the Commissioner of the General Land Office and two (2) citizens of the State of Texas, one (1) of whom shall be well versed in veterans' affairs and one (1) of whom shall be well versed in finances. One (1) such citizen member shall, with the advice and consent of the Senate, be appointed biennially by the Governor to serve for a term of four (4) years; but the members serving on said Board on the date of adoption hereof shall complete the terms to which they were appointed. In the event of the resignation or death of any such citizen member, the Governor shall appoint a replacement to serve for the unexpired portion of the term to which the deceased or resigning member had been appointed. The compensation for said citizen members shall be as is now or may hereafter be fixed by the Legislature; and each shall make bond in such amount as is now or may hereafter be prescribed by the Legislature.

"The Commissioner of the General Land Office shall act as Chairman of said Board and shall be the administrator of the Veterans' Land Program under such terms and restrictions as are now or may hereafter be provided by law. In the absence or illness of said Commissioner, the Chief Clerk of the General Land Office shall be the Acting Chairman of said Board with the same duties and powers that said Commissioner would have if present.

"The Veterans' Land Board may provide for, issue and sell not to exceed Four Hundred Million Dollars (\$400,000,000) in bonds or obligations of the State of Texas for the purpose of creating a fund to be known as the Veterans' Land Fund, Two Hundred Million Dollars (\$200,000,000) of which have heretofore been issued and sold. Such bonds or obligations shall be sold for not less than

par value and accrued interest; shall be issued in such forms, denominations, and upon such terms as are now or may hereafter be provided by law; shall be issued and sold at such times, at such places, and in such installments as may be determined by said Board; and shall bear a rate or rates of interest as may be fixed by said Board but the weighted average annual interest rate, as that phrase is commonly and ordinarily used and understood in the municipal bond market, of all the bonds issued and sold in any installment of any bonds may not exceed four and one-half per cent (4½%). All bonds or obligations issued and sold hereunder shall, after execution by the Board, approval by the Attorney General of Texas, registration by the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas, and delivery to the purchaser or purchasers, be incontestable and shall constitute general obligations of the State of Texas under the Constitution of Texas; and all bonds heretofore issued and sold by said Board are hereby in all respects validated and declared to be general obligations of the State of Texas. In order to prevent default in the payment of principal or interest on any such bonds, the Legislature shall appropriate a sufficient amount to pay the same.

"In the sale of any such bonds or obligations, a preferential right of purchase shall be given to the administrators of the various Teacher Retirement Funds, the Permanent University Funds, and the Permanent School Funds.

"Said Veterans' Land Fund shall consist of any lands heretofore or hereafter purchased by said Board, until the sale price therefor, together with any interest and penalties due, have been received by said Board (although nothing herein shall be construed to prevent said Board from accepting full payment for a portion of any tract), and of the moneys attributable to any bonds heretofore or hereafter issued and sold by said Board which moneys so attributable shall include but shall not be limited to the proceeds from the issuance and sale of such bonds; the moneys received from the sale or resale of any lands, or rights therein, purchased with such proceeds; the moneys received from the sale or resale of any lands, or rights therein, purchased with other moneys attributable to such bonds; the interest and penalties received from the sale or resale of such lands, or rights therein; the bonuses, income, rents, royalties, and any other pecuniary benefit received by said Board from any such lands; sums received by way of indemnity or forfeiture for the failure of any bidder for the purchase of any such bonds to comply with his bid and accept and pay for such bonds or for the failure of any bidder for the purchase of any lands comprising a part of said Fund to comply with his bid and accept and pay for any such lands; and interest received from investments of any such moneys. The principal and

interest on the bonds heretofore and hereafter issued by said Board shall be paid out of the moneys of said Fund in conformance with the Constitutional provisions authorizing such bonds; but the moneys of said Fund which are not immediately committed to the payment of principal and interest on such bonds, the purchase of lands as herein provided, or the payment of expenses as herein provided may be invested in bonds or obligations of the United States until such purposes are needed for such purposes.

"All moneys comprising a part of said Fund and not expended for the purposes herein provided shall be a part of said Fund until there are sufficient moneys therein to retire fully all of the bonds heretofore or hereafter issued and sold by said Board, at which time all such moneys remaining in said Fund, except such portion thereof as may be necessary to retire all such bonds which portion shall be set aside and retained in said Fund for the purpose of retiring all such bonds, shall be deposited to the credit of the General Revenue Fund to be appropriated to such purposes as may be prescribed by law. All moneys becoming a part of said Fund thereafter shall likewise be deposited to the credit of the General Revenue Fund.

"When a Division of said Fund (each Division consisting of the moneys attributable to the bonds issued and sold pursuant to a single Constitutional authorization and the lands purchased therewith) contains sufficient moneys to retire all of the bonds secured by such Division, the moneys thereof, except such portion as may be needed to retire all of the bonds secured by such Division which portion shall be set aside and remain a part of such Division for the purpose of retiring all such bonds, may be used for the purpose of paying the principal and the interest thereon, together with the expenses herein authorized, of any other bonds heretofore or hereafter issued and sold by said Board. Such use shall be a matter for the discretion and direction of said Board; but there may be no such use of any such moneys contrary to the rights of any holder of any of the bonds issued and sold by said Board or violative of any contract to which said Board is a party.

"The Veterans' Land Fund shall be used by said Board for the purpose of purchasing lands situated in the State of Texas owned by the United States or any governmental agency thereof, owned by the Texas Prison System or any other governmental agency of the State of Texas, or owned by any person, firm, or corporation. All lands thus purchased shall be acquired at the lowest price obtainable, to be paid for in cash, and shall be a part of said Fund. Such lands heretofore or hereafter purchased and comprising a part of said Fund are hereby declared to be held for a governmental purpose, although the individual purchasers thereof shall be subject to taxation to the same extent and in the same manner as are purchasers of lands dedicated to the Permanent Free Public School Fund.

"The lands of the Veterans' Land Fund shall be sold by said Board in such quantities, on such terms, at such prices, at such rates of interest and under such rules and regulations as are now or may hereafter be provided by law to veterans who served not less than ninety (90) continuous days, unless sooner discharged by reason of a service-connected disability, on active duty in the Army, Navy, Air Force, Coast Guard or Marine Corps of the United States between September 16, 1940, and the date of formal withdrawal of United States troops from the present armed conflict in Viet Nam, and who, upon the date of filing his or her application to purchase any such land is a citizen of the United States, is a bona fide resident of the State of Texas, and has not been dishonorably discharged from any branch of the Armed Forces above-named and who at the time of his or her enlistment, induction, commissioning, or drafting was a bona fide resident of the State of Texas, or who has resided in Texas at least five (5) years prior to the date of filing his or her application. The foregoing notwithstanding, any lands in the Veterans' Land Fund which have been first offered for sale to veterans and which have not been sold may be sold or resold to such purchasers, in such quantities, and on such terms, and at such prices and rates of interest, and under such rules and regulations as are now or may hereafter be provided by law.

"Said Veterans' Land Fund, to the extent of the moneys attributable to any bonds hereafter issued and sold by said Board may be used by said Board, as is now or may hereafter be provided by law, for the purpose of paying the expenses of surveying, monumenting, road construction, legal fees, recordation fees, advertising and other like costs necessary or incidental to the purchase and sale, or resale, of any lands purchased with any of the moneys attributable to such additional bonds, such expenses to be added to the price of such lands when sold, or resold, by said Board; for the purpose of paying the expenses of issuing, selling, and delivering any such additional bonds; and for the purpose of meeting the interest or principal due or to become due on any such additional bonds.

"All of the moneys attributable to any series of bonds hereafter issued and sold by said Board (a 'series of bonds' being all of the bonds issued and sold in a single transaction as a single installment of bonds) may be used for the purchase of lands as herein provided, to be sold as herein provided, for a period ending eight (8) years after the date of sale of such series of bonds; provided, however, that so much of such moneys as may be necessary to pay interest on bonds hereafter issued and sold shall be set aside for that purpose in accordance with the resolution adopted by said Board authorizing the issuance and sale of such series of bonds. After such eight (8) year period, all of such moneys shall be set aside for the re-

tirement of any bonds hereafter issued and sold and to pay interest thereon, together with any expenses as provided herein, in accordance with the resolution or resolutions authorizing the issuance and sale of such additional bonds, until there are sufficient moneys to retire all of the bonds hereafter issued and sold, at which time all such moneys then remaining a part of said Veterans' Land Fund and thereafter becoming a part of said Fund shall be governed as elsewhere provided herein.

"This Amendment being intended only to establish a basic framework and not to be a comprehensive treatment of the Veterans' Land Program, there is hereby reposed in the Legislature full power to implement and effectuate the design and objects of this Amendment, including the power to delegate such duties, responsibilities, functions, and authority to the Veterans' Land Board as it believes necessary.

"Should the Legislature enact any enabling laws in anticipation of this Amendment, no such law shall be void by reason of its anticipatory nature.

"This Amendment shall become effective upon its adoption."

Sec. 2. The foregoing constitutional amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of this state at an election to be held on November 11, 1967, at which election all ballots shall have printed thereon the following:

"FOR the amendment to extend the Veterans' Land Program by authorizing the sale of bonds to increase the Veterans' Land Fund for the purpose of purchasing land in Texas to be sold to Texas veterans who served in the Armed Services of the United States between September 16, 1940, and the date of formal withdrawal of United States troops from the present armed conflict in Viet Nam, which amendment would amend Section 49-b, Article III of the Constitution of Texas, and provide for an additional \$200,000,000 in bonds, such funds to be expended in accordance with instructions and requirements that may be provided by law."

"AGAINST the amendment to extend the Veterans' Land Program by authorizing the sale of bonds to increase the Veterans' Land Fund for the purpose of purchasing land in Texas to be sold to Texas veterans who served in the Armed Services of the United States between September 16, 1940, and the date of formal withdrawal of United States troops from the present armed conflict in Viet Nam, which amendment would amend Section 49-b, Article III of the Constitution of Texas, and provide for an additional \$200,000,000 in bonds, such funds to be expended in accordance with instructions and requirements that may be provided by law."

Sec. 3. The Governor of the State of Texas shall issue the necessary proclamation for the election and this amendment shall be published in the manner and for the length of time as required by the Constitution and laws of this state.

Heard At Sanco

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Evans, Maxie and some friends of Cisco were recent visitors of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Green Preslar.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Gartman gave a Sunday birthday dinner in honor of their daughter, Rhonda, and their son, Dennis, who will be attending college soon. Guests included their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Gartman, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Wink; also Rev. John Early, Marsha Dodson, William Hood, Roy Blair, Harvey and Robert Wink.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Carwile of New Mexico visited his mother, Mrs. Fannie Carwile over the weekend.

Lunchroom Menus

Tuesday, Sept. 5

Barbecue beef on bun, buttered corn, combination salad, potato chips, milk, gingerbread.

Wednesday, Sept. 6

Hamburger patties and gravy, creamed potatoes, green beans, celery sticks, hot rolls and butter, milk, honey and peanutbutter.

Thursday, Sept. 7

Italian spaghetti and cheese, peach jello on lettuce, English peas, hot rolls and butter, milk, raisin cookies.

Friday, Sept. 8

Baked ham, potato salad, cabbage and carrot slaw, pickled beets, hot rolls and butter, jelly.

PERSONALS

The children of Mrs. Daisy McCutchen and their families gathered at the Robert Lee Park Saturday evening for a picnic supper. Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Welch and children of Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. Don Weathers of Norman, Okla.; Mr. and Mrs. Joe McCutchen, Bronte; Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Salvato, Mrs. Gayle Britt and Mr. and Mrs. Wynn Reagan Weathers and family, San Angelo; Mr. and Mrs. John Conley and children, Mrs. Eula McCutchen, Gordon McCutchen, Mrs. Daisy McCutchen, all of Robert Lee.

The Ray Shandley family left Wednesday for Oklahoma City where they enrolled their son, Lynn, in Technical Electronics school. They returned home through the Amarillo and Canyon area where they toured the Palo Duro Canyon.

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A little time spent in reading them is time well spent.

We're Not inquisitive
But... Your Neighbors
Always Like to Know

IF YOU HAVE—

- been on a trip
- entertained guests
- celebrated a birthday
- caught a big fish
- moved
- eloped
- had a baby
- been in a fight
- sold your sheep
- cut a new tooth
- sold
- had an operation
- bought a new car
- ainted your house
- had company
- been married
- been robbed
- been shot at
- stolen anything

Report all News of Local Happenings to this paper. Call now.

Hospital News

Aug. 22 — Mrs. Pearl Mayo admitted. Mrs. J. C. Harwell transferred to Shannon Hospital.

Aug. 23 — Billy Roe admitted. Mrs. C. J. Brooks, Eugene Brooks dismissed.

Aug. 24 — Mrs. Ora Briscoe, Mrs. C. J. Brooks, Frank Smith, Mrs. Sebastian Torrez admitted.

Aug. 25 — Mrs. Bert Blaylock admitted. Bill Roe, Mrs. Sebastian Torrez and baby, R. L. Vaughan dismissed.

Aug. 26 — Mrs. Richard Johnson transferred here from Odessa; Mrs. C. E. Bell admitted. Mrs. C. J. Brooks, Mrs. W. B. Hale, Mrs. Pearl Mayo, Mrs. J. E. Roane dismissed.

Aug. 27 — Mrs. J. C. Harwell transferred here from Shannon Hospital. Mrs. Ora Briscoe dismissed.

Aug. 28 — Mrs. T. F. Bryan admitted.

Eleven patients were in the hospital and eight were in the nursing home Tuesday.

THERE'S HOME TOWN NEWS IN THE HOME TOWN ADS

WANT ADS

Classified Advertising Rates: Minimum charge 75c per insertion. First insertion 5c per word; subsequent insertions (with no changes in copy) 3c per word. Initials, abbreviations and figures (except telephone numbers, house numbers and post office box numbers) count as one word. All classified advertising is payable upon publication.

CARD OF THANKS

It is with grateful hearts that we acknowledge the many acts of kindness and sympathy from our neighbors and friends during our recent sorrow.

The flowers, cards, visits, food and all other expressions of your love and concern were sincerely appreciated.

The Family of Henry H. Bass

FOR SALE: Browning automatic, 16 gauge; boat and trailer, cheap. Call 453-2761, W. B. Gardner.

Piano and organ lessons at the homes of Edna Havins and Mrs. Bonita Copeland (near school) on Fridays. Call 453-4221 on Friday. 2tc.

Elderly gentleman wants to rent a place where room and board is available. Write J. L. Scarborough, 212 West 1st St., San Angelo, Texas.

HELP WANTED — Good waitress. Contact Bill Powell, Zettlers Restuarant.

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

On this 2nd day of August, 1967, an order having been issued by the Board of Directors of West Coke Hospital District calling a public hearing on the budget of said district, notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held on the budget of West Coke Hospital District from the hour of 3 o'clock p.m. on September 5, 1967, at the courthouse in Robert Lee, at which time any taxpayer of Precincts 1 and 3 in said Coke County, Texas, shall have the right to be present and participate in said hearing.

Board of Directors
West Coke Hospital District
Fred McCabe, President

FOR SALE: Conn alto saxophone. Excellent condition. James Fields. 453-2621.

FOR RENT: 3 bedroom house located on corner lot. Completely remodeled. Call 453-2501 or 453-2531.

We Will Be Closed

Monday Sept. 4 (Labor Day)

Double S&H Stamps Every Wednesday On All Purchases of \$2.50 or More Excluding Cigarettes



6 CAN CRT.

Coca Cola 69c

FOR YOUR LABOR DAY OUTING

BETTY CROCKER CAKE MIX - 3 for \$1.00
(EXCEPT ANGEL)

GANDY'S FROZAN, 1/2 Gal. - 3 for \$1.00

GANDY'S ICE CREAM - 1/2 Gal. 69c

SWIFT'S JEWEL 3 Lb. Can

Shortening 49c

Kuner's Cut Green Beans, 300 Can - 5 for \$1.00

Del Monte Sweet Peas, 303 Size Can - 4 for 89c

Del Monte Catsup, 14 Oz. Bottle - 4 for 89c

Del Monte Fruit Drink, 46 Oz. Can - 3 for 89c

MARYLAND CLUB

Coffee lb. 69c

RIBBON CANE SYRUP - - 1/2 Gal. 63c

COLD POWER - - - Giant Box 69c

RUSSET POTATOES - 10 Lb. Bag 39c

HORMEL OLEO - - - 6 Lbs. \$1.00

CANNED BISCUITS - 3 Cans 25c

Round Steak lb. 79c

RUMP ROAST - - - Lb. 69c

Prices Effective Aug. 31st, Sept. 1st & 2nd



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AS IT LOOKS FROM HERE

By **OMAR BURLESON**
Congressman, 17 District, Texas

WASHINGTON, D. C. — Too often the Congress rushes in with "crash" programs in an attempt to solve problems after they have reached the crisis stage.

America has been undergoing changes more severe than occurred when it entered into the industrial age. The leap forward in scientific development and social evolution since the end of World War II have had staggering effect. With all the factors involved, one result, if not a cause itself, has been the influx of urban settlement. A brief 25 years ago Texas, for instance, was approximately 75 percent rural and small towns. Today, the reverse is true. The same is true generally all over the United States. It is obvious this accounts for some of the social, political and economic upheaval which has resulted.

People are not likely to be happy in the big cities standing on one another's shoulders. The problems of crime, traffic, wretched housing, health and education are not likely to be solved under such conditions. Billions of Federal dollars are being spent on sort of a scotch-tape, baling wire and twine string approach, but it is already proved the patch can not stand the strain.

Riding along a city street, looking at the teeming thousands living on their front steps, in the alleys and on sidewalks, one wonders why these people would not seek some wide open spaces, but it is what they know and the way they want to live.

There are others, however, who,

for economic reasons, are being driven from the farms and rural areas to the larger centers of population, seeking opportunity to make a living.

Probably no incentive would be large enough to bring some of them back to the farms and the country, but there is a need for jobs in many of our small towns and those from farms who need to supplement the family income.

Legislation has been introduced to offer certain incentives for small town industries. The measure provides a tax incentive for plants to locate in rural small towns. It is proposed to increase to 14 percent the normal 7 percent investment credit on machinery, and give a 7 percent investment credit on the cost of constructing quarters for housing business. It provides for a stepped up depreciation of two-thirds of the normal life of machinery, equipment and buildings. It proposed to allow 125 percent deduction for wages paid to newly hired low income workers for a period of three years. It also permits what is known as a carry-back for three years and a carry-over for ten years for all credits and deductions.

To guard against unfair treatment of communities in other parts of the Country, the incentives are applied to a new operation so as not to induce a business already in operation to leave one community to go to another. The idea also propose safeguards against coming into an area in competition with local business, but, rather, to engage in an enter-

prise not competitive and one which furnish jobs for people not employed. The proposal also carries a provision for training for new jobs.

These proposals are not viewed as simply benefiting a rural population. Rather, they should be viewed as a major effort to revitalize rural communities, with the residual benefit to our national economy. One of the most beneficial features of such effort is the fact that only people with roots in a community will have a pride and a dedication toward making that community what it should be. The rural people, in their independence, have been one of the greatest factors in making our Nation great. People's interest in their local institutions — their churches, their schools, their concern for the welfare of their neighbor, recreation and cultural improvement — is the foundation of good government and good living.

There is little encouragement to believe conditions will get better before they get worse. A more solid and long-range approach should hold the greatest prospect for solutions not now in sight.

HELP NEEDED WITH INFORMATION ABOUT COLLEGE STUDENTS

The Robert Lee Observer would like to publish information about every Robert Lee student who is going to attend college this fall. The only way we can accomplish this is for you to call or write us and let us know about your student. We would like to know the college which they will attend, classification, major subject, if known, and any other information which might be pertinent to their college work.

Please contact The Observer in the next week.

Take a Look at the Ads.

PERSONALS

Mrs. Pearl Schooley and Mr. and Mrs. Turney Casey returned Monday from a trip to East Texas. They visited the Casey's daughter and family, the B. N. Chesneys at Keller, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Schooley and family at Ft. Worth and the B. D. Taylors at Springtown. Also while away they visited Six Flags Over Texas.

Jackie Schooley of Ft. Worth, a grandson of Mrs. Pearl Schooley, was injured in a horseback riding accident. He is in a Fort Worth hospital with a broken ankle and an injured back. He is reported to be making a good recovery.

Observer want ads are very effective and cost very little.

ALAMO THEATRE

ROBERT LEE, TEXAS

Evening Show 7:30 — Sunday Matinee 1:30

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 1 & 2
Burt Lancaster, Claudia Cardinale, Lee Marvin in
"THE PROFESSIONALS" in Theatrecolor
Also Cartoon

SUNDAY 1:30 MATINEE & MONDAY, SEPT. 3 & 4
"How to Succeed in Business without Really Trying"
In Color with Rudy Vallee, Robert Morse, Michalee Lee
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ICE CREAM 1/2 gal. 69c

CATSUP, Del Monte, 14 Oz. Bot. - 2 for 43c

VANILLA WAFERS - - 1 Lb. Pkg. 23c

5 BOTTLE CARTON

RC or Diet Cola 39c

SUGAR - - - - - 5 Lb. Bag 55c

GLADIOLA FLOUR - - - 5 Lb. Bag 55c

ALL POPULAR BRANDS

COFFEE 1lb. 65c

BISCUITS - - - - - 3 for 25c

HORMEL OLEO - - - - 4 Lbs. 69c

JACK SPRAT SALT - - 1 Lb. Box 10c

BAKER'S Groc. & Mkt.

HIPOLITE JAR
MARSHMALLOW CREAM - 24c

SALAD BOWL
SALAD DRESSING - Qt. 39c

3 LB. CAN
Snowdrift 69c

PARD
DOG FOOD, 15 Oz. Can - 2 for 29c

DEL MONTE
PEAS, 303 Can - - 2 for 49c

PET OR CARNATION
MILK, Tall Can - - 2 for 33c

SLICED 10 OZ. PKG.
Frozen Strawberries - 4 for 99c

JOHNSTON Peach, Apple, Dutch Apple, Pineapple
FROZEN PIES - Family Size 65c

PRE-TRIMMED MEATS

FRESH DRESSED WHOLE
FRYERS 1lb. 29c

GOOCH'S 1 LB. PKG.
FROZEN BEEF STEAKS - - 79c

GOOCH'S
GERMAN SAUSAGE - Lb. 69c

GOOCH'S 2 LB. BOX
THICK SLICED BACON - \$1.25

Closed Monday For Labor Day