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Stock Show Set For Monday

By STERLING LINDSEY



Santa Visits Robert Lee Kids At Christmas Party

Christmas Party Draws Big Crowd

Hundreds of area residents were in town Saturday, Dec. 22, to take part in the annual Christmas Party sponsored by the BCD. The big thrill of the day was when Santa Claus came riding into town on the fire truck. He visited with the kids some 30 minutes, and with the help of volunteer firemen, distributed hundreds of sacks of candy to the youngsters.

After Santa completed his visit, the annual Christmas drawing began, and prizes went to the lucky persons whose names were drawn from the wire cage which was

James C. Cobb Is Buried Here

Funeral services for James C. Cobb, 86, were held at 2 p.m. Sunday in Robert Lee Baptist church. Burial was in Robert Lee Cemetery, directed by Williams Funeral Home.

Mr. Cobb, former Robert Lee resident died about 10 a.m. last Thursday in Farmington, N. M.

Mr. Cobb was born Feb. 18, 1881 in Runnels County. He had been a resident of Coke County most of his life. He was a farmer-stockman.

He was married to Mary Allen Nov. 2, 1899 in Lometa. He had been at the home of a daughter in Farmington for two years.

Survivors include his wife; a son, Monroe Cobb of Bronte; four daughters, Mrs. Delbert Harmon of Farmington, Mrs. Bertha Macey of Bangs, Mrs. Cora Wisdom and Mrs. Mattie Jeffrey, both of Fort Worth; two brothers, Phill Cobb of Arvin, Calif., and John Cobb of Oklahoma; a sister, Mrs. Cynthia Rhoden of Arvin, Calif., nine grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Will Percifull, Frankie Percifull, Raymond McCutchen, Bobby Cox, Melvin Childress and Jett Hood.

Mrs. Henry Payne of Clovis, N. M., visited a week here during the Christmas holidays in the home of her brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Wallace.

Sam Fowler Home Destroyed By Fire On Christmas Eve

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Fowler was severely damaged Christmas Eve night when fire broke out and almost destroyed the contents of the house.

It is believed that the fire started from a faulty electrical wire in a closet. The blaze began when a record player was plugged in and was quickly out of control.

All of the family's clothing and much of the furniture were destroyed. An appeal was made at Tuesday's BCD meeting for assistance of anyone who has extra furniture or clothing which is not needed.

Fowler is a janitor at Robert Lee School.

McAdams Have Fire

The home of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. McAdams was less heavily damaged by fire, also on Christmas Eve night. Cause of the fire was a candle holder which broke and threw the candle wick onto a couch setting it afire.

McAdams was awakened by the smoke, but by that time the couch was destroyed and smoke had damaged other parts of the house. However, the McAdams were able to put out the blaze before anything else caught fire.

McAdams said total damage would probably run about \$1,000, including the couch, wall repair, cleaning and painting.

Postage Increase Effective Jan. 7

Increased rates for all classes of mail except parcel post and international mail will go into effect Sunday, Jan. 7, Postmaster Hugh Lewis Jr. reminded postal customers this week.

"Even with the new rates of six cents for first class mail and 10 cents for air mail, postal service is still a real bargain," the postmaster declared. "For six cents you can send a letter to any of the 50 states, to any U. S. territory or possession, to Canada or Mexico, or to any American serviceman stationed anywhere in the world."

The postmaster pointed out that the new rate for post cards will be five cents and for air mail post cards eight cents.

set up in front of the Observer office.

Local merchants and individuals who contributed gifts and money to help make the Christmas party a success included:

Mack's Laundry & Station, Olene's Beauty Shop, West-Way Grocery, Bell Automotive, Froggy's Cafe, Denman Enco Station, Hall's Texaco Station, Bakers Grocery, Ross Conoco Station, McDorman Premier Station, Iveys Mobil Station, Add Davis Grocery and Station, Addie's Grocery and Station, Pauline's Beauty Shop, Vaughan Chevrolet, Robert Lee State Bank, Adam's Abstract and Coke County Officials.

Also Robert Lee Observer, Ivey Motor Co., Johnnie's Barber Shop, Alamo Theater, Key Feed Store, Bahlman Cleaners, Williams Funeral Home, Brown Lumber & Supply, Dawn Floral Shop, Jones Barber Shop, Hood Upholstery, Gordon's Variety Store, Roach's, Trimble Recreation Center, Farris City Drug, Fran-Cilla Flowers, West Texas Utilities, Bryan's Concrete Co., Coke County Butane, Butane Sales, Duncan Trailer Park, Robert Lee Appliance and Willie's Beauty Shop.

Garland Davis, chairman of the party for the BCD, expressed his appreciation to everyone who helped make the party a success.

Coke County Politics Get Started; All Voters Urged To Register

1968 politics got off to a good start this week with three candidates announcing for office.

On the county level, O. B. Jacobs has entered the race for reelection as county tax assessor-collector, and Melvin Childress has announced that he will seek another term as Coke County sheriff.

George Baker of Fort Stockton, who announced several weeks ago that he would seek the office of state representative for

the 66th Texas district, is running his formal announcement this week. He is seeking the office now held by Gene Hendryx of Alpine, who is not running for reelection.

Other offices which will be filled in 1968 balloting include county attorney, commissioners of precincts 1 and 3, and constables. State, district and national offices will also be filled this year.

Registration Necessary
Attention of all potential voters

Annual Coke County Livestock Show will be held at the show barn in Robert Lee next Monday, January 8. About 75 youngsters will be competing for the honors in the various classes and divisions. A total of 180 head of lambs, pigs and calves will be exhibited.

The show gets underway at 8:30 a.m. with the judging of the breeding swine classes. The

classes of market swine, market lambs, breeding sheep, steers and breeding cattle will follow in that order. The auction sale for approximately 60 lambs and pigs will begin at 3 p.m.

Judging the 1968 county show will be Frank Brownfield, vocational agriculture teacher at Colorado City, Louis Bridges, VA teacher at Eden, will classify lambs for the show.

Club members expected to be exhibiting this year are as follows:

Market lambs — Riley Waldrop, Lesa Lindsey, Jay Lynn, Kathy and Konnie Service, Linda, Jean, Gary and Eddie McDaniel, Danny, Mike, Deanna and Teresa Percifull, Walter and Jeania Tinkler, A. J. Roe III, Lane Beaty, David and Johnny Balderas, Jan Magness, Danny Parker, David, Richard, Eugene and Randy, Scott, Nicky, Mike and Kim Arrott, Susan and Diana Arrott, Randy Flanagan, Mark Matlock, Jeffrey McCabe, Doug and Bill Burns, Jackie Preslar, John Counts, James Hood, Daniel Jasso, Ynes Lara, Johnny Service, Keith Waldrop, James Wright.

Breeding Sheep — Connie Blaylock, Jerry Parker, Danny Parker, Marvin Ensor, Edwin, Sue and Lesa Lindsey.

Market swine — Wibby, Waldon and Teddy Millican, Darrel and Sheri Pitcock, Rhonda Askins, Harvey and Terry Wojtek, Audrey, Rebecca and Sharon Walker, Harvey Wink, Gary and Eddie McDaniel, Neil Calder, Vic Dodson, Pat Lewis, James Hood, Joe David Key, Steve Rives, Marshall Millican.

Breeding swine — Audrey, Rebecca and Sharon Walker, Edwin, Sue and Lesa Lindsey, Rance Brunson, Joy Cervenka, Sharon McCutchen, Eddie McDaniel, Joe David Key, Steve Rives, Waldon Millican, Joe David Key.

Steers — Darrel Pitcock, Marvin C. Simpson.

Heifers — Marshall Millican.

Teams Split Games With Aspermont

Robert Lee's basketball teams split a pair of games with Aspermont Tuesday night. The boys lost their contest, 61-46, and the girls won their, 52-49, in a thriller.

Gary Parker and Quinn Conley tied for scoring honors with 12 each.

Judy Gartman was high pointer for the girls with 28.

Coach Bob Jameson reported this week that his girls have received the trophy they won recently at the Stanton tournament where they took consolation honors.

He also reported that Jackie Counts was selected as a member of the all-tournament team.

Jim Ned will be here Friday night for a couple of games. The girls game will get underway at 7 p.m., followed by the boys at 8:30 p.m.

Robert Lee's girls swamped Rotan 89-46 in a contest played Dec. 21. Judy Gartman was high pointer for the locals with 33. Others scoring in the double digits were Jackie Conley 23, Lois Heuvel 20 and Kathy Denman 10.



G. B. Shelburne

Malawi Missionary To Show Slides

Color slides of Malawi, Africa, will be shown at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 10 at the Northside Church of Christ, 9th and Chadbourne, by missionary G. B. Shelburne.

The program will feature pictures of this rapidly emerging nation, showing its people and their surroundings. The pictures were taken during Shelburne's work at Namikango Mission near Zomba, Malawi's capital.

He will relate some of his experiences among the African people and will explain the mission activities seen in the slides.

Namikango Mission was established in 1961 by Churches of Christ and is supported by American congregations and individuals. Shelburne and a co-worker operate a Bible school in which African church leaders receive training. The American missionaries also make frequent trips to villages in the bush country to work personally among the Afri-

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George Baker Announces For Representative

George Baker, Fort Stockton newspaperman, who is a candidate for the office of State Representative from the 66th district, is officially announcing his candidacy this week. He submitted the following statement this week for information of voters in the district:

TO THE VOTERS OF THE 66TH DISTRICT:

In announcing for the office of State Representative of the 66th district, I do so with full realization of its importance in these critical times.

I seek the Democratic nomination for the position which is being vacated by Gene Hendryx. After a trip through the 13 counties of the district I realize some of the many problems which confront the people of the state's largest district. I do not presume to suggest solutions for all of these problems, nor am I making any broad promises of things to be accomplished; but I do pledge my best effort to careful study of the various problems pertaining to the district, and to all legislation which may affect the district, and the state as a whole.

There is little chance that state spending will be reduced—it would be unrealistic to predict otherwise. Should I be chosen as your representative I do pledge continuing effort to do what is possible to get honest value for money spent, to get maximum possible support for projects vital to the growth and progress of the district and to the basic industries which support its people.

For your information I offer the following background summary:

Native Texan, 58, born and attended public schools at San Saba; two years majoring in civil engineering at North Texas Agricultural College; two years at the University of Missouri with a degree in journalism; 37 years as an editor-publisher, 3 in Sonora and 34 in Fort Stockton; business background includes experience in ranching, irrigation development, banking, office supply store; married, father of five sons, two daughters; elder in the Presbyterian Church; first lieutenant in local Texas State Guard two years; past president of Fort Stockton Lions Club, Chamber of Commerce, Fort Stockton Development Corp.; past president Texas Press Association and West Texas Press Association; seven years on Fort Stockton school board; six years on hospital board, including period of construction of Memorial Hospital in Fort Stockton; active many years in both Boy Scout and Girl Scout work; no previous political race.

I have a general knowledge of the problems of the basic industries of our area, of the people who work in them both in management and as wage earners. I would strive to represent all fairly and intelligently, and on this basis ask your support in the Democratic primary and in the general election.

Sincerely,
GEORGE BAKER
 Fort Stockton (Pecos Co.), Texas

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Ramsey and family of Colorado City, Mr. and Mrs. Travis Elliott and children of Snyder, Charles Elliott of Voca, Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Golf and two children and Milt Dendy, all of Mason and Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Squares and family of Hamilton were New Years Day visitors in the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Elliott.



George Baker

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. John Doggett, Fatima, Rodney and Renee of Midland, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Glasgow, Ann, Travis and Bill and Carlton Boone of Sweetwater, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Hicks, John, Genie, Kathy and Danny of Grand Prairie and Richard Boone of Monahans visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sloan Boone during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Anderson and family of Houston and Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Walker and children of Odessa visited during the holidays in the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dave King.

Tony Dean of Texas Tech, Lubbock, and Kitten Dean of Angelo State College, visited over the holidays with their mother, Mrs. Wilson Bryan.

James Bird Pentecost, who is attending Hardin-Simmons University at Abilene, spent the holidays here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nolan Pentecost.

WANT ADS

FOR SALE — Girls long coat, size 14. \$10. 453-2681.

PUPPIES to give away. Call 453-3501.

HOUSE FOR SALE: Just spent \$4200.00 on inside. Wall to wall carpets. Real nice large living room, two baths. Built in stove and oven. Partly furnished. Four lots. The price is right. Leave name and telephone number at Observer office.

LOST — Vicinity of school, hood from boys' brown and black plaid car coat. C. N. Webb, Box 448. Itc

NOTICE
 Persons who have taken dishes, cooking utensils and other items from the Recreation Hall kitchen are asked to please bring them back as they are badly needed. Persons who have odd dishes, bowls and pans and other kitchenware that is not needed are asked to donate them to the Rec Hall.

PUBLIC NOTICE
 The Commissioners Court of Coke County have decided as indicated by order duly entered upon its minutes to that effect, and so intend to raise the salary of the County Judge from \$5,000.00 per annum to \$6,000.00 per annum and pursuant to such decision and intention will on the 8th day of January, 1968, at 10:00 o'clock A.M. at a regular term of the Commissioner's Court of said County, make and enter such order.
 Publish Dec. 28, '67, Jan. 3, '68

FOR SALE: Baled hay. S. E. Adams, 453-2501. tn

BACKHOE service, sewer connections, trenching, and storm cellars. Duncan and Williams, Phone 453-4071. tf

Hugh Lewis New Head Of BCD

Hugh S. Lewis is new president of the BCD for 1968. He and other officers were elected at Tuesday's meeting of the organization. Bill Allen was elected vice president and Mrs. Mary L. Prine re-elected secretary-treasurer.

Outgoing President Jimmy Bickley presided at the meeting and welcomed Commissioners Floyd Harmon and Jack Corley, who were guests of Commissioner Fern Havins.

Bickley told those present about the fire Christmas Eve at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Fowler.

Garland Davis, chairman of the Christmas Party committee, reported that winners of the Christmas lighting contest were: Rev. and Mrs. Bill Beaty, first; Mr. and Mrs. O. L. White, second; Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bickley, third.

Sewer About Ready

Mayor Robert Vaughan reported that work is just about completed on the city's new sewer system. All the work is finished, he said, except the installation of a minor piece of equipment and some painting. The contractor feels confident that the job will be completed by Jan. 15 unless bad weather prevents it.

The mayor said that city officials are asking everyone to tie on to the new sewer system as soon as possible.

Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Wanker and children of Aline, Okla., visited her mother, Mrs. Lillie Gaines during the holidays.

Christmas visitors in the Pete Davis home were their daughters and families, Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Black and children of Del Rio and Mrs. Sheridan Myers and baby of Colorado City.

NOTICE!

This is to remind you that everyone who wishes to vote this year must have a voter registration regardless of age. There is no charge for these and they may be obtained by either coming into the office or writing for an application by Jan. 31st.

Also wish to remind you that Jan. 31st is the last day to pay 1967 taxes without penalty.

Statement of Condition

ROBERT LEE STATE BANK

ROBERT LEE, TEXAS

DECEMBER 30, 1967

RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts	\$1,259,131.47
Overdrafts	2,327.77
Banking House	35,905.00
Furniture and Fixtures	3,271.12
U. S. Bonds and Securities	795,300.78
State and County Securities	228,604.79
Other Bonds	99,921.88
Cash and Exchange	669,242.15
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	\$3,093,704.96

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus	125,000.00
Undivided Profits	17,044.72
Deposits	2,894,509.98
Reserves	7,150.26
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	\$3,093,704.96

OFFICERS

G. C. Allen, President

Wm. H. Allen, Vice President

Willis W. Smith, Cashier

Gladys Waldrop, Assistant Cashier

Louise R. Hatch, Assistant Cashier

DIRECTORS

G. C. Allen
 Victor Wojtek

Wm. H. Allen
 Cumble Ivey

Willie I. Tubb

Willis W. Smith
 Vaughan S. Davis

STORE-WIDE

January CLEARANCE

BEGINS JANUARY 4

SPORTSWEAR

Sweaters — Third Off
Jackets — Third Off
Teen Skirts — Third Off

Piece Goods

Creslan - - \$1.25 Yd.
45" Wide — Reg. Price \$1.98
Brushed Denim - 69c Yd.
Reg. Price 99c
Corduroy - - 89c Yd.
Reg. Price \$1.69
Bates Preferred - 69c Yd.
Reg. Price 98c
Printed Broadcloth - 59c Yd.
Reg. Price 79c

LADIES' BLOUSES

1/4 OFF Reg. Price

LADIES' CAPRI SETS

Reg. \$19.95 — NOW \$12.95

ALL JEWELRY

One-half Price

Ladies Mercury Shoes

Reg. \$5.00 — NOW \$3.99

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Ladies' Red Ball Shoes - Only \$4.95

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IT'S A BALL — It's Hanes Annual Sale! Stock up now and
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Regular Price	SALE PRICE	
	1 Pair	6 Pairs
\$1.35	\$1.15	\$6.90
\$1.50	\$1.25	\$7.50
\$1.65	\$1.35	\$8.10
\$1.95	\$1.65	\$9.90

MEN'S JACKETS

ONE GROUP

1/3 OFF

MEN'S SHIRTS

\$2.95 VALUE — NOW \$1.99
\$4.00 VALUE — NOW \$2.89
\$5.00 VALUE — NOW \$3.89
\$6.00 VALUE — NOW \$4.89

BOYS' SHIRTS

\$1.99 VALUE — NOW \$1.39
\$2.99 VALUE — NOW \$1.99

STETSON HATS

WESTERN TYPE

\$12.95 Value — NOW \$7.99

BOYS' BLUE JEANS

\$2.99 Value — NOW \$2.49

KHAKI TROUSERS

\$3.98 Value — NOW \$3.29

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Men's DRESS SHOES

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Mr. and Mrs. Richard Sims and daughter of Houston were weekend guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sims. Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Sims and daughters, also of Houston spent the Christmas holidays in the Sims home and with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Sawyer.

O. H. (Judge) Campbell
LICENSED REAL ESTATE
BROKER

Your Listings Appreciated

WELCOME

Robert Lee Baptist Church
West 11th and Chadbourne
Bill Beaty, Pastor

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Training Union 6:00 p.m.
Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday
Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

HAYRICK LODGE
No. 696 A. F. & A. M.



Meets second Tuesday night in each month
Visitors welcome.

BILLY WAYNE ROE, W. M.
A. H. JONES, Sec.

ROBERT LEE CHAPTER
No. 187 O. E. S.



Meets Second Thursday Night in Each Month
Visitors Welcome.

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HELEN JONES, Sec.

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is proud to have a part in helping the Robert Lee Area of the new lake grow. Serving in the lake vicinity, the cooperative will be glad to help in any way to secure their needs in the electrical service to cabins or commercial establishments.

Lunchroom Menus

Tuesday, January 9

Sausage whirls, vegetable beef soup, peaches with cottage cheese on lettuce, milk, pineapple upside down cake.

Wednesday, January 10

Hamburgers, lettuce, tomatoes, onions, pickles, buttered corn, potato chips, milk, chocolate pudding.

Thursday, January 11

Tamale pie, buttered rice, pineapple applesauce jello on lettuce, milk, hot rolls and butter, apple cobbler.

Friday, January 12

Fried chicken and gravy, creamed potatoes, combination salad, hot rolls and butter, milk, pink applesauce.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Raymond and family of Waco spent Christmas holidays visiting here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Davis, and other relatives.

Buddy Vosburg and Linda Jacoby, who are attending Abilene Christian College, spent the Christmas holidays at home with their parents, the Javan Vosburgs and W. E. Jacobys.

Visitors in the Ray Shandley home during the Christmas holidays were their son, Lynn, who is attending Lewis Electronics School in Oklahoma City and Mrs. Shandley's sisters and their families, Mr. and Mrs. Odie Adams, Mike and Rick, of Odessa, and Mr. and Mrs. John Gaddy and four children of Roswell, N. M.

BAND BOOSTERS TO MEET

Robert Lee band boosters will meet Tuesday, January 9, at 7 p.m. in the school music room. Everyone is invited to attend.

The band calendars have come in and been delivered. Anyone who failed to get theirs is asked to call Mrs. W. W. Smith, president, or Mrs. Mert Donley, vice president.

THERE'S HOME TOWN NEWS IN THE HOME TOWN ADS.

PERSONALS

Mrs. Susie Belle Tanner of Tyler and Mr. and Mrs. W. T. McAdams and family of Wellington were Christmas holiday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Mitchell.

Ned Thomason suffered a stroke on Sunday, Christmas Eve, and was admitted to West Coke Hospital. Latest report was that he was doing as well as could be expected.

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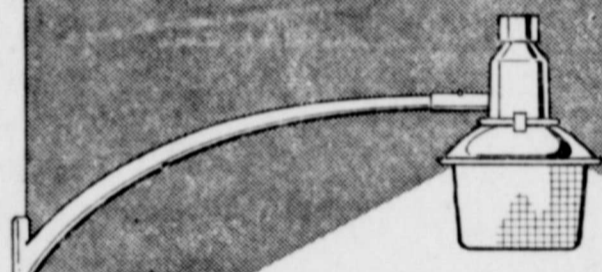
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Jacobs Seeks Re-election To Tax Office Collier Service Held At Ralls

The Observer, Robert Lee, Texas

Jan. 4, 1968

O. B. Jacobs this week authorized this newspaper to announce his candidacy for re-election as tax assessor-collector of Coke County. He announced his candidacy subject to the Democratic Primary in May.

Jacobs' statement to the voters of Coke County follows:

In announcing for re-election for the office of Tax Assessor-Collector I want to first thank all of you for the many courtesies shown me and my Deputies in the past and tell you how much we have enjoyed working for you.

I feel that I have the experience needed to help you with any problems arising from your taxes or automobile license and titles.

If you see fit to re-elect me to this position I promise that I will do my best to give you the very best service I possibly can. As in the past, I will devote full time to the office.

I want to again thank you for all past favors and ask you for your influence, support and vote in the May primary.

Sincerely yours,

O. B. Jacobs

Coming to Coke County in early childhood, Mr. Jacobs grew up in the Silver community. He moved to Robert Lee in 1940. In 1947, he started working as deputy in the office of the sheriff and tax assessor. He resigned in 1950 and worked for five years in Coke County oil fields. In 1955, he returned to the sheriff's office as a deputy, and continued in that capacity until the offices were divided and he ran for tax assessor-collector.



O. B. Jacobs

Mr. Jacobs is a member of the Masonic Lodge and is a Past Master of the Hayrick Lodge. He is a member of the Tax Assessor-Collector's Association of Texas.

He was married in 1939 to the former Vivian Roane and they have two children, John, who is married, and Jim, who is a student in Robert Lee School. They also have two grandchildren.

Christmas holiday visitors in the J. B. Robertson home were their four sons and their families. They are Harold of Carlsbad, N. M., Douglas and Doyle of Abilene and James of Robert Lee.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Roberts and family of Jal, New Mexico visited here in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Bell, during the holidays.

Funeral services for William Dewey Collier, 70, of Ralls, were held Wednesday, Dec. 20, at 2 p.m. in the Ralls First Methodist Church. The Rev. H. B. Coggin, pastor, officiated, assisted by the Rev. Conrad Ryan, pastor of the First Methodist Church at Abernathy.

Collier, former resident of Robert Lee and Bronte, died at 2:30 a.m. Dec. 19 at Methodist hospital in Lubbock of a cerebral hemorrhage.

He was born August 1, 1897 at Edith. He and Grace Truman Prewitt were married in Bronte Oct. 24, 1916. They moved to the Ralls area from Coke County in 1921.

He owned and operated the Cap Rock gin from 1926 until 1953, having entered the ranching business in 1933. He also raised Registered quarter horses and some thoroughbreds. At the time of his death he was co-owner with Tom B. Simmons of Lubbock in the Cap Rock Cattle Co.

Survivors include the wife; a daughter, Mrs. Don Austin of Lubbock; a son, Gerald Collier, the Mayor of Ralls; a brother, Dan Collier of Sterling City; four sisters, Mrs. Mac Vandyke of Detroit, Mich., Mrs. Oriette Shyrover, Mrs. Morgan Jett and Mrs. Bill Meeks, all of San Angelo, and four grandchildren.

Robert McBroom, a senior, and Linda McBroom, a junior at Angelo State College spent the holidays in Robert Lee with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Russell T. McBroom.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Riley and family and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hardcastle, of San Angelo, Mr. and Mrs. Buz Thorp, Jahew and Frederick of Throckmorton, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Russell Ash, Russell, Cynthia and Susan of Jacksboro, were Christmas and New Year holiday visitors in the Clifford Wilson home.

Mrs. Wesley Kinsey and girls visited in Gatesville a few days last week with relatives, the John Huntley family.

Mr. and Mrs. James Robertson and family spent the Christmas holidays in the home of her mother, Mrs. Vera Burson at Kerrville.

Mrs. Vera Allen and Melvin of Waxahachie visited here during Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Wallace's Christmas holiday visitors were Mrs. Henry Payne of Clovis, N. M., Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Wallace of Pecos and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Pickett and three daughters of Burkburnett.

Visitors on Christmas Day in the H. H. Bloodworth home at Silver were Mr. and Mrs. Jack Walker, Mr. and Mrs. Perry Post and Mike, Laveta Todd, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Wallace Jr. and family, Mr. and Mrs. Waymond Robertson, all of Robert Lee, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Bloodworth, of San Angelo, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Askin and Carl Bloodworth of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Bloodworth and boys and Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Bloodworth and family, all of Silver.

Mrs. Bonnie Robertson's holiday visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Wilton Robertson and children of Odessa, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hester and family of Portland, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dumas and family of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Keith Tomes and children of Amherst, Elaine Robertson of Abilene, Donnie Robertson of California and Mr. and Mrs. Winifred Talley.



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Gandy's Frozan 3 for \$1.00 ^{1/2 GAL. CRT.}

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

HORMEL OLEO - - - 3 Lbs. 49c

CHOICE FED
Round Steak lb. 79c

RUMP ROAST - - - Lb. 65c

LEE'S SAUSAGE - - 2 Lb. Bag \$1.29

HORMEL THIN SLICED BACON - Lb. 59c

RUSSET ^{10 LB. BAG}
Potatoes 33c



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IF WE DON'T HAVE IT, PLEASE TELL US AND WE'LL GET IT.

ZEE TOWELS - - Lge. Roll 29c

KLEENEX, 200 Size Box - 2 for 49c

KING SIZE BOX

TIDE \$1.09

DEL MONTE TUNA - 3 for 85c ^{FLAT CAN}

DEL MONTE Double Luck Green Beans - 2 for 29c ^{303 CAN}

HUNT'S TOMATO JUICE - 2 for 29c ^{300 SIZE CAN}

HUNT'S CATSUP - 5 for \$1.00 ^{14 OZ. BOTTLE}

MORTON'S SALAD DRESSING - - Qt. 39c

SWIFT JEWEL ^{3 LB. CAN}
Shortening 47c

Double S&H Green Stamps every Wed. on all purchases of \$2.50 or more excluding cigarettes.

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can people. The mission maintains one village school.

Like many other African countries, Malawi recently received its political independence. Shelburne explains that by teaching principles of Christianity, the missionaries hope to prepare Christian converts to accept their new responsibilities in peace and order.

There will be no collection taken at the report and the public is invited.

Shelburne is on leave in the U. S. after two tours of service in Malawi totalling six years. He has been with the mission since its beginning. He is preparing to return to Malawi about July.

Shelburne is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Key of Robert Lee, and has spent quite a bit of time here, including preaching on various occasions, and for over a year held a regular preaching appointment at the Northside Church.

He is married to the former Helen Ruth Hayes of Eden and they have two sons, Ian Key and David Paul Hayes, both born in Africa.

Shelburne was graduated with honors from Abilene Christian College where he first served as a minister. He later served in Phoenix, Ariz.

Melvin Childress Running For Sheriff

Melvin Childress this week announced that he will be a candidate for re-election as sheriff of Coke County. His candidacy is subject to action of voters in the Democratic Primary in May.

In authorizing this newspaper to announce that he is a candidate, Sheriff Childress issued the following statement:

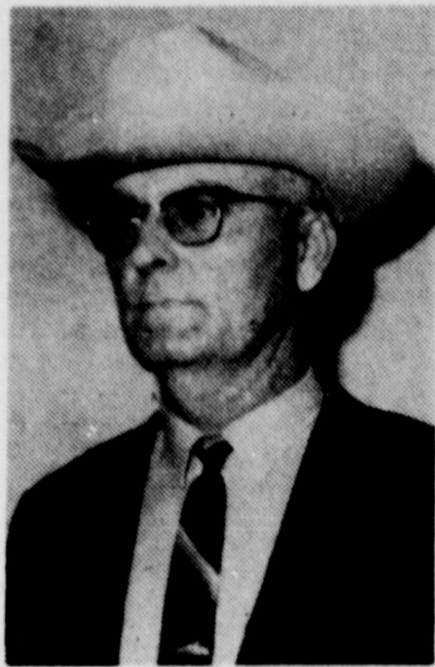
In making this announcement, we want to say thanks to the people of Coke County, for the support and co-operation given the Sheriff's Department in the past. This includes those who have worked directly with the department, the fine support given by other officials of the county, and by the citizens in general.

It has been my purpose, as well as those who have served with me, not to betray the trust of this office, which has been entrusted to us by the people of Coke County. We are aware of the fact the authority of his office is delegated by law and have endeavored to work within this area, at all times.

Since Jan. 1, 1966 we have been working under a new Criminal Code, which in the beginning seemed to be quite confusing, but as time passes and changes are made in this code, some of these changes made by the last legislature, perhaps we will enter a new era, where law enforcement is concerned, which will offer the law abiding citizen of our country the protection and security needed in a society such as ours.

Through the years of service in this office we have recognized the fact of the importance of an educational program, where the law of our Country is concerned, and we have endeavored, at every opportunity to assist in this matter, in the different types of programs we have been requested to assist with.

We feel much has been accom-



Melvin Childress

plished in the area, but there is much work to do where this type of educational program is concerned. I have given undivided attention to the administration and duties of the office as they have arisen.

In seeking re-election to this office I ask the people of Coke County for their consideration and support in the coming election.

If I am re-elected to this office I will endeavor to improve the efficiency of this office in every way possible.

Melvin Childress

The sheriff grew up in Coke County and was engaged in ranch work and as a ranch foreman until he became sheriff. He is married to the former Miss Essie McCullough, and they have three daughters, all of whom are married.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kinsey and children of Goldsmith spent the Christmas holidays and New Years day here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Kinsey.

HARMON REUNION

All 11 of the children of Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Harmon were here Sunday for a family reunion. It was the first time in several years that all the children had been here for the annual event.

Children of the couple who were here with their families are: Floyd, Finis, Crowley and J. D. Harmon, all of Robert Lee; Alf, Randell and Cortez Harmon, all of San Angelo; Mrs. Ruby Lee Blair of Odessa; Mrs. Roy Davis of Linden; Milton Harmon of Denver City and Alfred Harmon of Channelview.

Others attending from Robert Lee were Mr. and Mrs. Elton Millican, Mrs. Bobby Roberts and children, Mrs. W. E. Burns and Luther Sparks and boys. From San Angelo were Mr. and Mrs. Marion Sparks and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jerrell Harmon and family, Rev. and Mrs. Jimmy Rogers and Mr. and Mrs. Don Thomas.

Also attending were: Mr. and Mrs. Verg Brothers, Stanton; Mr. and Mrs. Al Genazzio and girls, Big Spring; Mr. and Mrs. George Harmon, Midland; Mrs. Jimmy Griffis, Lubbock; Lloyd Murrell, Sterling City.

Water Pate and friends of Brownwood visited in the B. B. Pierce home last week.

Last Rites Held For Mrs. Dodson

Funeral services were conducted Dec. 23 for Mrs. Kate Dodson, 80, who died Dec. 21 in West Coke Hospital after a long illness. Last rites were conducted at Robert Lee Baptist Church, with the pastor, the Rev. Bill Beaty, officiating.

Burial was in Robert Lee Cemetery under direction of Williams Funeral Home.

Mrs. Dodson was born May 24, 1887, in Grimes County. She married Joe Dodson May 28, 1908. She was a member of the Baptist Church.

Survivors include a sister, Mrs. Lela Barker of Wichita Falls; nine grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

Mrs. Juanice Jameson visited in Albuquerque, New Mexico with the Rex E. Green and Bob Barnett families during the holidays. She made the trip by jet plane from Midland.

Carolyn Prine of Ranger Junior College spent the holidays here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Prine, Jr. Another visitor in the Prine home was Ocie Devoll of Amarillo.

Notice Taxpayers

Starting Jan. 2, I will be in my office at Robert Lee Mon., Tues. & Wed. of each week and at my Bronte office Fri. & Sat. to assist you with your Income Tax Returns. Over 20 years experience in all types of Tax Accounting.

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This motion picture reveals the shocking truth about the events leading up to one of the most violent days in American history!
Jason Robards, Gorge Segal, Jean Hale in
"THE ST. VALENTINE'S DAY MASSACRE"
Also Cartoon

SUNDAY 1:30 MATINEE & MONDAY 6:15, JANUARY 7 & 8
It's Elvis with his foot on the gas and no brakes on the fun!
Elvis Presley, Shelley Fabares, Deborah Walley in
"SPINOUT" in Color
Also Cartoon



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KIMBELL'S

Coffee 1b. 65c

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

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

BAMA

RED PLUM JAM, 18 Oz. - - - - 3 for 99c

STOKELY'S

CUT GREEN BEANS, 303 Can - - 4 for 89c

STOKELY'S

CREAM CORN, 303 Can - - 4 for 89c

STOKELY'S

TOMATO JUICE, 46 Oz. Can - - 3 for \$1.00

SWIFT'S

Vienna Sausage 89c

BAKER'S Groc. & Mkt.

TUNA, Del Monte - 3 for 89c

3 LB. CAN

Snowdrift 69c

PUREX - - - - 1/2 Gal. 33c

VAN CAMP'S

PORK & BEANS - - 2 for 29c

300 CAN

MEAD'S BISCUITS - 3 Cans 25c

Potatoes 10 lb. bag 39c

PRE-TRIMMED MEATS

ROUND **Steak 1b. 79c**

FRESH GROUND MEAT - - 2 Lbs. 95c

GOOCH ALL MEAT WIENERS - 12 Oz. Pkg. 39c

GOOCH THIN SLICED BACON - Lb. 57c