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Big Crowd Greet Governor



BRIEFS GOVERNOR — O. C. Ivie, general manager of CRMWD, briefs Governor Connally on the big construction job being done to create the

Robert Lee Reservoir. Between them is Mayor Wilson Bryan and under the big hat in the background is Skinny Adams.



AUTOGRAPH PARTY — Governor Connally autographs one of the placards which was carried by an honor guard

member at Bronte. The placard message boosts the governor as a favorite son candidate for President.

Governor John Connally expressed pleasure at what he saw Tuesday morning when he looked over the construction job at the Robert Lee damsite. The governor and his party were taken to the observation point on the north side of the lake basin where they could get a bird's eye view of the huge project.

A good sized crowd met the visitors at the observatoin point and welcomed him to the community. Among those present to extend a welcome were County Judge W. W. Thetford, Mayor Wilson Bryan, O. C. Ivie, manager of the Colorado River Municipal Water District, and Gerald C. Allen, chairman of the Upper Colorado River Authority. Robert Lee city councilmen were also on hand to welcome the touring group.

The governor's dedicatory tour of the Texas Forts Trail brought him to Robert Lee. The tour began Monday at Brownwood and ended late Tuesday in that city. The Monday route included stops at Comanche, DeLeon, Mineral Wells, Fort Richardson at Jacksboro, Fort Griffin near Graham, Albany and Abilene where he spent the night.

Leaving Abilene Tuesday morning, the first stop was at Fort Chadbourne, and later included Bronte, Robert Lee, San Angelo, Eldorado, Fort McKavett, Menard, Brady and Brownwood.

The governor visited Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Wylie, owners of the site where Fort Chadbourne is located, and looked over the remains of the old fort.

At Bronte a reception was held and the governor made a short speech in which he told of the possibilities of developing tourism in the state and area. Governor Connally recognized Mrs. Bryan Yarbrough of Robert Lee and credited her and other members of Coke County Historical Survey Committee with helping preserve an interest in the history of the area.

A large number of Robert Lee residents attended the reception and met the governor.

Mrs. Yarbrough and the Rev. Bobby Palmos joined the tour at its origin in Brownwood and traveled on one of the chartered buses which covered the 686 mile trail.

The Texas Forts Trail goes through Coke County southwest and northeast direction. It comes into the county on Highway 208 south of Robert Lee, then covers Highway 158 to Bronte, and proceeds from there along Highway 277 to the Runnels County line east of Fort Chadbourne.



LEAVING THE DAMSITE—The crowd which gathered at the tip of the observation area northwest of Robert Lee return

to their cars after Governor Connally boarded his bus prior to leaving for San Angelo.

Constitutional Amendments Published; Voters to Decide in November Election

Readers of The Observer will notice that copies of sever proposed constitutional amendments are being run in this issue. A total of 14 amendments will be voted on at the general election in November. Only seven are being published in The Observer with the other seven being run in The Bronte Enterprise

State law provides that proposed amendments be published for four consecutive weeks in some legal publication in each county. Consequently, most newspapers in counties with more than one paper publish only part of the amendments

If space permits, the entire 14 will be published one time in this newspaper, as a public service.

Any amendments which are approved by Texas voters in November will become part of the patchwork Texas Constitution which already contains nearly 200 amendments. Amendments which have been added since the constitution was written in 1876 have more than doubled the words of the original document.

A large section of public opinion has been pushing several years to re-write the constitution.

A brief summary of the 1968 proposed amendments is included in the State Capitol News which is printed on another page of this newspaper.

192 Attend Silver Homecoming

A big crowd of 192 signed the register at the annual Silver homecoming held Sunday, July 28. The gathering was held in the fellowship hall of Silver Baptist Church.

No program was planned, and the meeting consisted of a barbecue lunch, lots of visiting and election of officers in the afternoon.

Ernest Clendennen is new president of the Silver organization and Mrs. Bob Odom was re-elected secretary-treasurer.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Moore of Gainesville were honored for traveling the greatest distance to attend the homecoming.

Plans are to continue to have the homecoming each year on the fourth Sunday in July.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Rives and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Rives visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Steward at Lamesa Saturday and attended funeral services for Jess Walker, uncle of the Rives' brothers.

Notes From The Oil Field

Rhoades Drilling Co. of Abilene staked two proposed 1,200-foot rotary core-tests in Coke County.

Both are in the area five miles south of Silver.

No. 1 Central National Bank is located 330 feet from the north and west lines of J. C. Brown Survey 1.

Other project is No. 1 Jewell Brannan, located 330 feet from the south and west lines of Section 460, Block 1-A, H&TC Survey.

District Court Will Convene Monday

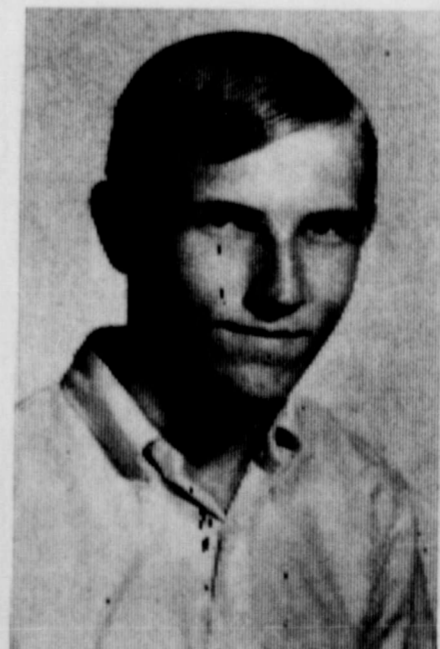
Judge Joe L. Mayes will preside when 51st District Court convenes Monday in Robert Lee.

A grand jury has been called to hear any criminal cases which are brought up. Included on the list of grand jurors are Charlie C. Boecking, Preston Davis, Norman R. Kiker, R. C. Laeswell, Carroll Robbins, J. E. Scott, Joe Rawlings, Donald G. Ballard, Carl Blair, Billy C Green, Lewis Heuvel, B. F. Jeffries, Frank Hearn W. R. Whitaker, James Arrott and Don Fields.

A number of non-jury civil cases are on the docket, some of which may be heard Monday.



Steve Rives



Bill Burns

Rives, Burns Win Lone Star Farmer Degrees at Meet

Two members of the Robert Lee chapter of the Future Farmers of America were honored at the State F.F.A. convention as they received the Lone Star Farmer Degree. They were Bill Burns and Steve Rives. The state convention was held recently in Lubbock.

Burns, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Burns, has been an active member of the F.F.A. for three years. He now holds the Greenhand, Chapter and Lone Star Farmer Degrees.

Rives, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Rives, has also been an active member of the F.F.A. for three years and holds the Greenhand, Chapter and Lone Star Farmer Degrees.

In order to acquire the Lone Star Farmer Degree, a boy must have earned and invested \$500 plus showing leadership abilities in cooperative activities. Bill reached this goal by having projects of show lambs and breeding cooperative activities. Bill reached this goal by having projects of show lambs and breeding sheep. Steve completed the qualifications by having projects of poultry, beef cattle and swine.

Others attending the convention were F.F.A. teacher, L. R. McDaniel, John Service, and Jay Service.

Thomason Trial Set for Friday

Trial for Richard Perry Thomason, 18, who is charged with aggravated assault, is scheduled to be held in Judge W. W. Thetford's County Court Friday, beginning at 10 a.m.

The charge grew out of an incident which occurred June 7 in Robert Lee.

County Attorney Frank C. Dickey will serve as prosecutor and Lane Turner of San Angelo will serve as court appointed attorney for young Thomason.



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General Tel. Working on New Building

Construction has already been started on a new central office building to house 600 lines and 600 terminals of new equipment of General Telephone Co., according to Jack Goss, division manager of the company. The new building will be constructed of concrete blocks.

Successful bidder on the job at \$30,884 is the Voy-Lin Construction Co. of San Angelo. The new building will contain 1,260 square feet with completion expected in December of this year.

Equipment to be housed in the building will be "terminal per station," a type which makes number changes almost totally unnecessary. The same number can be used for a rural telephone or a straight line in town; thus customers moving from one location to another can keep the same number. The manufacturer is the Automatic Electric Co. of Northlake, Ill., a subsidiary of

GT&E.

Conversion to the new equipment will take place in July 1969, at which time a complete number change will be made—all but the 453 prefix, which will remain the same.

Goss said the changeover provided by the new building and new equipment was planned to take care of additional growth forecast for Robert Lee in years to come. There are now 483 telephone customers who have 621 telephones.

The city already has direct distance dialing which allows a local customer to dial almost any number in the country without the aid of an operator.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Wallace Jr. and family attended the Silver Homecoming Sunday morning and attended a singing at the Church of Christ in Loraine Sunday afternoon.



Austin — Campaigns will be shaping up soon on 14 more amendments to the state constitution. All 14 of the proposed changes in the state's basic laws will be voted on at the general election Nov. 5. Some are far-reaching, others routine.

Here are the amendments in the order in which they will appear on the Nov. 5 ballot:

1. Revising provisions for management and administration of the state employee's retirement system and permitting investment in securities other than government bonds.

2. Raising the state's welfare spending ceiling from \$60 million to \$75 million.

3. Permitting investment of the Permanent University Fund by UT regents in certain types of securities, within the "prudent man rule."

4. Allowing Dallas County to issue road bonds on vote of property taxpayers.

5. Authorizing a raise in state legislators' salary from \$4,800 to \$8,400 a year and extending the per diem expense allowance of legislators (\$12 a day) to 140 days of a regular lawmaking session. (Present limit is 120 days.)

6. Allowing the legislature to exempt from property taxes equipment installed by industrialists to control air or water pollution.

7. Phasing out the state property tax after Dec. 31, 1976, beginning next year, except that portion for higher education institutions.

8. Eliminating the requirement that the governor, secretary of state and comptroller approve contracts for printing and paper.

9. Providing for contributions to the teacher retirement system on the basis of full salaries. (Contributions now are limited to \$504 a year.)

10. Allowing the legislature to provide for refund of state tax on cigars and tobacco products sold at retail in Texarkana.

11. Authorizing the legislature to permit consolidation of offices and governmental functions in El Paso and Tarrant Counties.

12. Giving the legislature power to authorize cities and counties to issue revenue bonds for industrial development purposes and permit concerns to operate plants thus financed.

13. Exempting from property tax certain property temporarily stored in public warehouses.

14. Spelling out that legislators will not be ineligible for other offices because their terms extend a few days into January.

GOP OFF FOR MIAMI—Most Texas Republican delegates to the GOP national convention will be shuffling off to Miami Beach this weekend. Opening session is Monday, Aug. 5.

First caucus of the Texans (who have 56 votes in the presidential-vice presidential nominating procedure) is scheduled for 3 p.m. Sunday (Aug. 4).

Sen. John Tower and Mrs. Tobin Armstrong serve on the convention platform and resolutions committee. Douglas R. DeCluitt of Waco and Mrs. Malcolm Milburn of Austin serve on the credentials committee; Jim Collins of Dallas and Mrs. Richard M. Sowell of McAllen, permanent organization; Paul Eggers of Wichita Falls and Mrs. Basil E. Atkinson Jr. of Lufkin, rules and order of business.

DEMOCRATS PREPARING TOO—Democrats are getting ready for their own big pow-wow in Chicago starting Aug. 26.

Gov. John Connally, Texas delegation chairman and favorite

son candidate for the presidency, announced these appointments to convention posts:

Secretary of State Roy Barreira of San Antonio, delegation secretary; Cecil Burney of Corpus Christi and Mrs. Roland Boyd of McKinney, resolutions and platform committee; Will D. Davis of Austin and Miss Claudia Brummett of Amarillo, credentials committee; Tom Gordon of Abilene and Miss Julianan Cowden of Alvarado, rules and order of business; Mrs. Horace Botsford of Corpus Christi and M. J. Anderson of Austin, committee on permanent convention organization.

Also, Rhea Howard, Wichita Falls, committee to notify the presidential candidate of nomination; Mrs. Hilda B. Weinert of Seguin, committee to notify vice presidential nominee; J. C. Loohey of Edinburg, honorary convention vice president; J. C. Martin of Laredo, honorary assistant vice president; Ralph McCullough of Houston, honorary secretary; Hunter McLean of Fort Worth, honorary assistant secretary; and John Mobley of Austin, delegation sergeant-at-arms.

CONNALLY TRIMS BUDGET—Governor Connally trimmed the 1969 state budget enacted by the special legislative session \$1.3 million and sternly lectured lawmakers for setting up \$1.4 million in Agriculture Department appropriations as a lump sum item which he could not veto selectively.

Governor also vetoed seven controversial riders including those which sought to cut off funds for policing air pollution control by cotton gins and prevent use of state planes and helicopters to catch traffic law violators. Connally took the veto axe to these spending items:

\$600,000 for temporary building to house the comptroller's department; \$275,000 for two new elevators in the capitol; \$187,500 for the Port Lavaca causeway state park; \$90,000 for Somervell County state park land; \$91,000 for legal clerks in 13 courts of civil appeals; \$50,000 for insurance claim investigation; \$200,000 for Blinn College to operate Old Washington State Park museum; \$17,500 for a deputy administrator for the Liquor Control Board; \$16,500 for assistant executive director of state board

of control; and \$13,000 for assistant director of auditing for LCB.

COURT SPEAKS—A Dallas golfer who injured his back when he was thrown from a golf cart at Dallas Riverlake Country Club has won a new trial in his damage suit for \$134,000 against the club. High Court approved the move for George A. McRay after a Dallas court had ruled in favor of the club. McRay claims the club was negligent in allowing high grass to obscure a stump off the fairway on the 18th hole. Cart McRay was riding hit this stump and McRay was thrown out.

ACTION SPARKED—Faced with the Jan. 1 deadline for a regulation prohibiting intra-state shipments of cattle from counties having no certification for brucellosis control, several counties are hurrying into action to secure certification.

Animal Health Department reports three counties—Hemphill, Orange and Starr—qualified for certification during June. Cameron and Hidalgo Counties qualified for recertification.

Sixty-eight counties are in the process of testing initial certification.

SCREW WORM DANGER—State and federal animal health experts are becoming worried at the increase in screw worm infestation cases being filed this year. To date 1,125 cases have been reported in 1968.

After the sterile fly program was inaugurated in 1962, the screw worm count fell below 300 cases by 1964.

The rapid increase in cases this year is blamed on extremely wet weather in South and West Texas which has made a climate especially suited for the worms and their parent screw worm flies.

Ranchers are warned to perform surgical operations (dehorning and castration) only if maximum safety precautions are taken to prevent fly infestation.

Short Snorts

Governor Connally called a special election in Dallas' Third District for Aug. 24 to fill the unexpired term of the late Congressman Joe Pool.

Citizens State Bank of Refugio seeks a charter from the State Banking Department.

House Speaker Ben Barnes named a special commission of legislators and laymen to look into the economic problems of employers and employees in Texas, including the merits and demerits of minimum wage legislation.

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Sam King Descendents Have Reunion

The annual family reunion for the descendants of the late Mr. and Mrs. Sam King was held Saturday, July 27, at the recreation hall in Robert Lee park.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Eads Jr. have served as president and secretary of the family group for 1968.

The five surviving children of Mr. and Mrs. King were all present. They are Mrs. Vela Plumlee, Mrs. Lillie Gaines and Dave King, all of Robert Lee, Frank King of Socorro, N. M., and R. B. King of El Paso.

Others present included; Mr. and Mrs. Dan Hall, Judy and Dana, Columbus, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Brooks, Mrs. Bertha King, Peralta, N. M.; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas King III, Houston; Mrs. R. B. King, El Paso; Mrs. Carrie King, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin King, Moriarity, N. M.; Mrs. G. B. Smith and Angela, Carlsbad, N. M.; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Anderson and Jerry, Austin.

Also Mr. and Mrs. Francis M. Deese, Dorothy and Jimmy, Loco Hills, N. M.; Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Ray Gaines, Belinda, Randy, and Terry, Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brice, Ann, Georgia and Jackie, Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Waldrep, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Walker, Dave and Rex, Odessa; Rocky and Sue King, Edgewood, N. M.; Mr. and Mrs. Forrest L. Wanker, F. L. Jr. and Freddie, Fairview, Okla.; Mr. and Mrs. Lester King, Sugarland Mr. and Mrs. Jim Thomas, Arlington; Mr. and Mrs. Don King, Jerry, Jeana, Rhonda, Stanley, N. M.; Thomas King Jr., Kay, Bonnie and Raymond, Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie King, Wingate; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Glaze and Lauri, Abilene; Jasper M. Gaines, Joyce and Linda, Midland; Mrs. Bert McVicker and Mike, El Paso.

Present from Robert Lee were Mrs. Dave King, Mr. and Mrs. Da-

vid Key, Joe David and Dee Ann, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Eads and Jesse III, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Brice, Judy, Darlene, Kay and Pamela, Mrs. Shirley Thomason, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Blair, Alfred and Karen and Ray White and Edward.

Coming from San Angelo were Mr. and Mrs. Garland L. Gaines Steven and Tonda Mr. and Mrs. Blackie Middleton, Katie and Kenny, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Keel, Joe David and Martha, Mrs. Sam Keel and Dan, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Groat and Jena.

Also present were a sister of Mrs. King, Mrs. Lucy Lawrence, her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Roe and Jane of Odessa; another niece of Mrs. King's, Mrs. Coy Carriker, Mr. Carriker and grandson, Tom M. Hogan of Roby.

A number of Robert Lee friends attended as well as Mr. and Mrs. Dwain Blair, Craig and Gerald, Mrs. Jimmy Arrott, Wynell Ford, San Angelo; Paula Parker, Bronte; Mrs. Sally King and Sally Ann, El Paso.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Brice were elected president and secretary for the 1969 reunion.

LOGAN TO BE HERE

Bob Logan, field representative for the San Angelo Social Security office, has scheduled his August visit to Robert Lee. He will be at the courthouse on Friday, Aug. 2, from 11 a.m. until noon. Anyone who wants to file a claim for benefits, get information, or transact other business with the Social Security Administration may contact him at that time.

Roy and Robbie Taft of Pasadena, Tex., spent four weeks with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Fowler. Their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert (Pat) Taft came for them last week.

Hospital News

July 16 — Carolyn Thomason, Mrs. Glen Roach admitted. Cumbie Ivey, Jr., Mrs. Alvin Jones and baby, Mrs. Reuben Sample dismissed.

July 17 — Mrs. Bertie Clift, Mrs. J. O. McCaleb admitted. Mrs. Jim Kinney dismissed.

July 18 — Mrs. Ora Briscoe, admitted. Mrs. J. O. McCaleb dismissed.

July 19 — Mrs. Walter Hester, Ned Thomason admitted. Wm. H. Hall, Mrs. Joe Lara and baby, R. L. Vaughan dismissed.

July 20 — Frank Smith, Mrs. W. A. Payne admitted. Mrs. Ora Briscoe dismissed.

July 21 — Buter Farris admitted. Allie Bilbo dismissed.

July 22 — Mrs. Ned Thomason admitted.

July 23 — Mrs. Donald Ballard dismissed.

July 24 — E. C. Davis, Alfred Fields admitted. Mrs. W. A. Payne dismissed.

July 25 — Mrs. R. E. Smithie admitted. Mrs. Bertie Clift, Buster Farris, Carolyn Thomason dismissed.

July 27 — Mrs. J. E. Roane admitted. Mrs. Walter Hester dismissed.

July 28 — Mrs. Buster Farris, Mrs. Royce Phillips admitted. E. C. Davis, Mrs. R. E. Smithie and baby dismissed.

July 29 — Mrs. Jim Barnhill, Jimmy Mullis, Mrs. Reuben Sample admitted. Alfred Fields dismissed.

On Tuesday, there were 13 patients in the hospital and eight were in the nursing home.

Mrs. Clint Caves and two children are now making their home in Robert Lee, to be near her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Roe. Her husband is in the Navy and at present is on sea duty.

LOCAL COUPLE HELP IN SEARCH FOR PLANE

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. "Tom" Conner of Robert Lee took part in the recent search for a lost aircraft. The Conners are members of Group 16, Civil Air Patrol, which was called out to help search for a lost plane on flight from San Antonio to San Angelo, and on to Midland, Odessa and El Paso.

Mrs. Conner operated the radio from their home, directing the search and relaying messages from the field units into Base Operations in Odessa and San Antonio.

Mr. Conner went into the field with his car and did ground search work, checking leads, and also assisted in ground control of aircraft from his car. He is well equipped with amateur radio, Civil Air Patrol radio, ground to air (airplane) radio, and sheriff's radio.

Miss Joyce Mize of Texas Tech at Lubbock and a former teacher in Robert Lee School, was a weekend guest in the home of Mrs. Frank Coalson.

PERSONALS

Mrs. Ray Mayhall and daughter of Ranger were weekend guests in the home of her mother, Mrs. Emma Adkins. She came to pick up her younger daughter, Mary, who had been spending the summer here with her grandmother. Mrs. Adkins returned home with them for an extended visit.

Visitors in the W. D. McAdams home this week are James Floyd of Sonora and Pamela Porter and Kathy Knight, both of Abilene.

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Gaston Reunion At Buffalo Gap



COFFEE BREAK — Following his short address at Bronte city hall, Governor Connally takes time out for some coffee and a chat with Mayor Royce Lee of Bronte and Cookie Hinard of Robert Lee.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin R. Evans and family of San Diego visited several days this week here with her father, Luther Sparks, and family. Mrs. Evans is the former Peggy Sparks and attended Robert Lee High School in the late 1940's and early 1950's.

Descendants of Mrs. S. W. Gaston, formerly of Tennyson and the late S. W. Gaston began arriving early Saturday for their two day reunion at Buffalo Gap. This was their 18th annual reunion. Church services were held on the grounds Sunday morning. Attending were Mrs. S. W. Gaston, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Gaston and Buzzy, Mr. and Mrs. John Gaston, Johnny and Jeff, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Gaston and Buddy, Mrs. R. B. Allen, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Allen, Finis and Robin, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Archer, Rebecca, Tim and Susan and Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Hale and Terry, all of San Angelo, and Sam Gaston, Tennyson.

Those coming the greatest distance were Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Allen, Buddy, Randy, Julie and Vickie of Winslow, Ariz.; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Brooks, Espanola, N. M.; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Allcorn, and Allison, Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Gaston, Sandra and Darrel, Plainview; Garland Gaston, Corpus Christi.

Others attending included Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Sanders, Kay and Lynn, Albany; Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Allen, Glynn and Vickie, Sweetwater; Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Odom, Silver; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Jones, Debbie and Kathy, Mr. and Mrs. James Mitchell, Jimmy and Kathy, Mrs. Iris Hamiter and Kathy, Miss Vara Mimmns, all of Abilene; Ricky White, Odessa.

Also Mr. and Mrs. Kendall Cowan, Mary, Kathy, Lesley Lynn, Patricia and Peggy, Mrs. Emma Farmer, Waco; Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Brooks, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Brooks, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Patterson, Robert Lee; Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Stewart, Mickey, Cindy and Kerry, Buffalo Gap; Mr. and Mrs. Russell Reas, Mrs. Catherine Hamilton, Kathy and Marilyn Carpiar, Grand Prairie; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Dickens, San Antonio; Mr. and Mrs. Allcorn and Benny, Talpa; and Mr. and Mrs. Lindsey, Cisco.

A large number of visitors also attended. Mrs. Gaston lived at Tennyson 67 years before moving to San Angelo. She is 94 years of age, has eleven living children, 27 grandchildren, 42 great grandchildren and 16 great-great grandchildren.

Kaye Roberts Is Coke FB Queen

Miss Kaye Roberts, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Artell Roberts of Robert Lee, was named Coke County Farm Bureau Queen for the second straight year at a contest held last Saturday night in the school auditorium at Bronte.

Miss Sharon McCutchen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe McCutchen of Bronte, was named winner in the Talent contest. She was also runner up in the Queen contest.

The young ladies will represent Coke County in district competition which will be held later this month. Winners in district will go on to the state contest later this year.

Other contestants in the Queen Contest were Misses McCutchen, Diane Baker and Joy Cervenka.

Weekend visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Walker were Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Wayne Walker and family of San Angelo, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Walker and children of Odessa and Mrs. Doyle Caulder and three children of Nederland, who is here on a two weeks vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Casey Candler and family of Midland were weekend visitors in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Chumley.

"LENGTH OF MARRIAGE" SS REGULATION CHANGED

The "length of marriage" requirement in social security's definition of "widow," "widower," and "stepchild of a deceased worker" has been changed, reports Ted F. Moellering, district manager of the San Angelo Social Security office. A widow, widower, or stepchild may now qualify for social security benefits based on a marriage that has been in existence for only nine months just before the death of the worker.

Moellering added that in some cases a marriage that has lasted for as little as three months may qualify the survivor. These are cases involving accidental death or death in the line of duty in the uniformed services.

Benefits under this change in the law were first payable in February 1968. Any person who has been previously disqualified because a marriage had not been in effect long enough should contact the Social Security office at 3000 West Harris Ave. in San Angelo, or see the representative when he is in this area.

SMITH FAMILY REUNION

The R. B. Smith family reunion was held in the community center at Brownwood Sunday. This is an annual event.

The two remaining brothers and one sister who attended are Kirby Smith of Mercury, Hugh Smith of Robert Lee and Mrs. Deila Patrick of Richland Springs.

Attending from Robert Lee were Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Carvile and Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Roane.

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Bids will be accepted by the Robert Lee Independent School District board until 9 p.m. Aug. 8, 1968, for the homemaking cottage only. Successful bidder is to remove the building from the premises not later than Aug. 22, 1968. May be inspected at school. Call 453-3911 for specific information.

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EDITORIAL

We were provided with a copy of a speech made by David R. Braden, outgoing president of the Oak Cliff Lions Club in Dallas. It was delivered June 12 shortly after the assassination of Sen. Robert F. Kennedy.

Undoubtedly, this tragedy and the subsequent publicity on our "sick" society prompted Mr. Braden's speech.

We are reprinting part of it below:

All America has been told this past week — over and over again — that we are a sick society.

Gentlemen, I propose to you that I am sick — and maybe you are sick too.

I AM SICK to death of being told I am sick: by government officials who will not enforce the law...by politicians who dance to the tune of minority groups...by those in the pulpit and on the college lecture platform who use their office to project the socialistic creed of radicals...

I AM SICK to death of being told I am sick...by idealistic aggressive news reporters and evaluators (of whatever media), who have the audacity to tell me I should believe whatever they believe — knowing I have no vehicle to publically voice my disagreement.

I AM SICK of being told I am sick...by foppish entertainers draped in Nehru jackets, feminine necklaces, and a cloak of pseudo intellectualism.

I am sick of cynical attitudes toward patriotism and our American institutions...

I am sick of sacrificing the cream of American manhood in political wars we are not fighting to win...

I am sick of the decline in in-

tegrity and personal honor in this nation...

I am sick of the permissive attitude, laxity, and tolerance to pressure groups and the criminal element that is bringing this nation to its knees in lawlessness...

I am sick of seeing law enforcement agencies and the laws of this nation emasculated by a Supreme court and administrators who make their personal creeds the law of the land...

I am sick of dirty, unwashed, foul mouthed — whether you call them hippies, beatniks, or pseudo poor people...

I am sick of not being able to take my family to a movie because it is loaded with extraneous offensive matter whose only purpose is to shock...

I am sick of seeing the same phrases in the popular literature of the day that I see scrawled on the walls of public toilets...

I am sick of so called educators and leaders too weak kneed themselves to understand the value of discipline in the character of a man...

I am sick of a Congress which legislates out of emotionalism rather than reason, thereby taking away the rights of all...

I am sick of being told I am sick with violence because of assassinations by mentally deranged men, fed on a steady diet of violence and perversion by the nations periodicals, press, television and movies — all condoned — even aided — by courts which permit license in the name of freedom...

I am sick of riots, of marches, and those who force themselves and their ideologies down my throat without qualification...

I am sick of those who say I

owe them everything, because of the sins of my forefathers, when I have looked down both ends of a machine gun barrel to defend them and their right to be here...

Take note, gentlemen in high places — you will not see me in the streets with a placard or a gun — you will hear the thunder of the common man at the polling place — casting a vote for — Liberty, Intelligence — our Nation's safety.

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ROPING CLUB TO MEET

A meeting of the Coke County Roping Club has been called for 8:30 p.m. Monday. All members are urged to attend as plans will be completed for the Junior Rodeo scheduled for Saturday night, August 10. The meeting will be held in the Bronte Roping Arena.

Joe McCutchen, president of the Roping Club, said entry blanks for the rodeo may be secured from James Allen, Bronte. Young persons 9 to 19 will be eligible to compete in the rodeo.

Admission prices have been set at 50 cents for adults and 25 cents for those under 12. An entry fee of \$1.00 will be charged for each event.

Junior and senior divisions will be held for both boys and girls.

Marilyn Wallace and Linda McDaniel are at Abilene Christian College this week for freshman orientation. The two girls are May, 1968 graduates of Robert Lee High School and plan to enroll at ACC in the fall.

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JP RECORDS

Justice of the Peace Roy P. Ross reports the following fines assessed against the persons and for the offenses indicated below:

Grace Green, Dittmore of Robert Lee was fined \$5.00 for not having a valid operators license.

Micheal Cristiani of Midland was fined \$20.00 for failure to pass to the left safely.

Kenneth Wayne Mathers of Robert Lee was fined \$3.00 for operating a motorcycle without approved head gear.

Julia Lara De Lapena of Robert Lee was fined \$5.00 for failure to yield right of way.

Tony Barrett, no address given, was fined \$30.00 for assault.

Ralph Richards Jr., no address given, was fined \$15.00 for parking a car so as to obstruct traffic.

Dallas K. Smith, no address given, was fined \$10.00 for fishing without a license.

Rodney Mathers of Robert Lee was fined \$5.00 for failure to wear protective headgear while riding as a passenger on a motorcycle.

James Alen Calder of Robert Lee was fined \$15.00 for failure to give way while operating a motorcycle to a vehicle approaching from behind. He was also fined \$5.00 for failure to wear protective headgear while operating a motorcycle.

Cecil D. Gillespie Jr., no address given, was fined \$25.00 for being drunk in a public place.

Loncius L. Comer, no address given, was fined \$50.00 for being drunk in an auto.

Arnold R. Malish, no address given, was fined \$15.00 for driving on left side of road not in passing.

Criminal Docket

Noyle Stone, no address given, was charged with driving while intoxicated, first offense, on July 13. Bail was set at \$500, was made and approved.

Tommy Stewart of Orange returned home Saturday after spending a week here visiting friends.

Billy Trimble of Junction visited here last week in the home of his grandmother, Mrs. Ruby Farris.

RETURN FROM VACATION

Mrs. Edna Havins and girls and her sister, Miss Mildred Wallace, returned home over the weekend from a vacation trip of two weeks spent at San Antonio and Arlington. They were joined by Mrs. Tiny Hankins and Mrs. Cossie Dutterstat of Junction and attended the HemisFair at San Antonio. Mrs. Havins and Miss Wallace also visited several days in the home of their sister, Mrs. Travis Allen, and family at Arlington and in the home of Mrs. Lura Wheeler at Burkburnett. Margaret Allen came home with them to spend several days with her aunts and with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Wallace.

Mrs. Robert Wallor and son of Tucson, Ariz., is here spending a month in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne S. Reed. Mrs. Wallor is the former Anne Reed.

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PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Martin and family of Lynn, Mass., were weekend visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Vaughan Davis. Martin and Davis are old Army buddies.

Visitors in the home of Mrs. Lillie Gaines over the weekend were Mrs. Bertha King of Peralta, N. M., Thomas King of Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. Forest Wanker and boys of Fairview, Okla., and Jasper Gaines and his daughters of Midland. They all attended the King reunion which was held Saturday.

Mrs. Violet Kirkpatrick returned home last weekend from a two weeks vacation spent in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Noble Cox and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hawkins at Bangs, and with Mrs. Pat Phillips and Mr. and Mrs. Herman Cox at Comanche. She was a weekend guest in the home of her brother, Herman Cox, and family at Big Spring.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Proposed CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT NUMBER TEN ON THE BALLOT (HJR50)

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

Section 1. That Article VIII, Constitution of the State of Texas, be amended by adding Section 1-j to read as follows:

"Section 1-j. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 1 of this article, the Legislature may provide for the refund of the tax paid on the first sale of cigars and tobacco products in this state which are subsequently sold at retail within the corporate limits of Texarkana, Texas, or any incorporated city or town in Texas contiguous to Texarkana."

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

the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November 1968, at which election all ballots shall have printed on them the following:

"FOR the constitutional amendment authorizing the Legislature to provide for the refund of the tax on cigars and tobacco products sold at retail within the corporate limits of Texarkana, Texas, or any incorporated city or town in Texas contiguous to Texarkana."

"AGAINST the constitutional amendment authorizing the Legislature to provide for the refund of the tax on cigars and tobacco products sold at retail within the corporate limits of Texarkana, Texas, or any incorporated city or town in Texas contiguous to Texarkana."

PUBLIC NOTICE

Proposed CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT NUMBER THREE ON THE BALLOT (HJR20)

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

Section 1. That Section 11a, Article VII, of the Constitution of The State of Texas, be amended to read as follows:

"Section 11a. In addition to the bonds enumerated in Section 11 of Article VII of the Constitution of the State of Texas, the Board of Regents of The University of Texas may invest the Permanent University Fund in securities, bonds or other obligations issued, insured, or guaranteed in any manner by the United States Government, or any of its agencies, and in such bonds, debentures, or obligations, and preferred and common stocks issued by corporations, associations, or other institutions as the Board of Regents of The University of Texas System may deem to be proper investments for said funds; provided, however, that not more than one per cent (1%) of said fund shall be invested in the securities of any one (1) corporation, nor shall more than five per cent (5%) of the voting stock of any one (1) corporation be owned; provided, further, that stocks eligible for purchase shall be restricted to stocks of companies incorporated within the United States which have paid dividends for five (5) consecutive years or longer immediately prior to the date of purchase and which, except for bank stocks and insurance stocks, are listed upon an exchange registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission or its successors.

"In making each and all of such investments said Board of Regents shall exercise the judgment and care under the circumstances then prevailing which men of ordinary prudence, discretion, and intelligence exercise in the management of their own affairs, not

in regard to speculation but in regard to the permanent disposition of their funds, considering the probable income therefrom as well as the probable safety of their capital.

"The interest, dividends and other income accruing from the investments of the Permanent University Fund, except the portion thereof which is appropriated by the operation of Section 18 of Article VII for the payment of principal and interest on bonds or notes issued thereunder, shall be subject to appropriation by the Legislature to accomplish the purposes declared in Section 10 of Article VII of this Constitution.

"This amendment shall be self-enacting, and shall become effective upon its adoption, provided, however, that the Legislature shall provide by law for full disclosure of all details concerning the investments in corporate stocks and bonds and other investments authorized herein."

Sec. 2. The foregoing constitutional amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of the state at an election to be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November 1968, at which election all ballots shall have printed thereon the following:

"FOR the constitutional amendment providing for investment of the Permanent University Fund by the Board of Regents of The University of Texas in certain types of securities within the prudent man rule."

"AGAINST the constitutional amendment providing for investment of the Permanent University Fund by the Board of Regents of The University of Texas in certain types of securities within the prudent man rule."

PUBLIC NOTICE

Proposed CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT NUMBER SEVEN ON THE BALLOT (SJR32)

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

Section 1. That Article VIII, Constitution of the State of Texas, be amended by adding a new Section 1-e to read as follows:

"Section 1-e. "1. From and after December 31, 1978, no State ad valorem taxes shall be levied upon any property within this State for State purposes except the tax levied by Article VII, Section 17, for certain institutions of higher learning."

"2. The State ad valorem tax authorized by Article VII, Section 3, of this Constitution shall be imposed at the following rates on each One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) valuation for the years 1968 through 1974: On January 1, 1968, Thirty-five Cents (35¢); on January 1, 1969, Thirty Cents (30¢); on January 1, 1970, Twenty-five Cents (25¢); on January 1, 1971, Twenty Cents (20¢); on January 1, 1972, Fifteen Cents (15¢); on January 1, 1973, Ten Cents (10¢); on January 1, 1974, Five Cents (5¢); and thereafter no such tax for school purposes shall be levied and collected. An amount sufficient to provide free text books for the use of children attending the public free schools of this State shall be set aside from any revenues deposited in the Available School Fund, provided, however, that should such funds be insufficient, the deficit may be met by appropriation from the general funds of the State.

"3. The State ad valorem tax of Two Cents (2¢) on the One Hundred Dollars valuation levied by Article VII, Section 17, of this Constitution shall not be levied after December 31, 1976. At any time prior to December 31, 1976, the Legislature may establish a trust fund solely for the benefit of the widows of Confederate veterans and such Texas Rangers and their widows as are eligible for retirement or disability pensions under the provisions of Article XVI, Section 66, of this Constitution, and after such fund is established the ad valorem tax levied by Article VII, Section 17, shall not thereafter be levied.

"4. Unless otherwise provided by the Legislature, after December 31, 1976 all delinquent State ad valorem taxes together with penalties and interest thereon, less lawful costs of collection, shall be used to secure bonds issued for permanent improvements at institutions of higher learning, as authorized by Article VII, Section 17, of this Constitution.

"5. The fees paid by the State for both assessing and collecting State ad valorem taxes shall not exceed two per cent (2%) of the State taxes collected. This subsection shall be self-executing."

Sec. 2. That Article III, Section 51, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, be amended so as hereafter to read as follows:

"Section 51. The Legislature shall have no power to make any grant or authorize the making of any grant of public moneys to any individual, association of individuals, municipal or other corporations whatsoever; provided, however, the Legislature may grant aid to indigent and disabled Confederate soldiers and sailors under such regulations and limitations as may be deemed by the Legislature as expedient, and to their widows in indigent circumstances under such regulations and limitations as may be deemed by the Legislature as expedient; provided that the provisions of this Section shall not be construed so as to prevent the grant of aid in cases of public calamity."

Sec. 3. The foregoing Constitutional Amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of this State at an election to be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November 1968, at which election all ballots shall have printed on them the following:

"FOR the Constitutional Amendment continuously reducing State ad valorem property taxes and abolishing all State ad valorem property taxes after December 31, 1978, except the tax levied by Article VII, Section 17, for certain institutions of higher learning."

"AGAINST the Constitutional Amendment continuously reducing State ad valorem property taxes and abolishing all State ad valorem property taxes after December 31, 1978, except the tax levied by Article VII, Section 17, for certain institutions of higher learning."

PUBLIC NOTICE

Proposed CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT NUMBER EIGHT ON THE BALLOT (HJR49)

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

Section 1. Section 21 of Article 16 of the Constitution of the State of Texas is amended to read as follows:

"Section 21. All stationery and printing, except proclamations and such printing as may be done at the Texas School for the Deaf, and paper, except that for the Judicial Department, shall be furnished under contract, to be given to the lowest and best bidder under such regulations as shall be prescribed by law. No member or officer of any department of the government shall be in any way interested in such contract."

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

the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November 1968, at which election all ballots shall have printed thereon the following:

"FOR the constitutional amendment removing certain provisions relating to purchase of fuel and refurbishing the rooms and halls of the Legislature and the requirement that the Governor, the Secretary of State, and the Comptroller must approve certain contracts of purchase."

"AGAINST the constitutional amendment removing certain provisions relating to purchase of fuel and refurbishing the rooms and halls of the Legislature and the requirement that the Governor, the Secretary of State, and the Comptroller must approve certain contracts of purchase."

PUBLIC NOTICE

Proposed CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT NUMBER ELEVEN ON THE BALLOT (HJR60)

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

Section 1. That Article III, Constitution of the State of Texas, be amended to add Section 64 to read as follows:

"Section 64. (a) The Legislature may by statute provide for consolidation of governmental offices and functions of government of any one or more political subdivisions comprising or located within El Paso or Tarrant Counties. Any such statute shall require an election to be held within the political subdivisions affected thereby with approval by a majority of the voters in each of these subdivisions, under such terms and conditions as the Legislature may require.

"(b) The county government, or any political subdivision(s) comprising or located therein, may contract one with another for the performance of governmental functions required or authorized by this Constitution or the Laws of this State, under such terms and conditions as the Legislature may prescribe. No person acting under a contract made pursuant to this Subsection (b) shall be deemed to hold more than one office of honor, trust or profit or more than one civil office of emolument.

The term 'governmental functions,' as it relates to counties, includes all duties, activities and operations of statewide importance in which the county acts for the State, as well as of local importance, whether required or authorized by this Constitution or the Laws of this State."

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 the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November 1968, at which election all ballots shall have printed on them the following:

"FOR the constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for consolidating governmental offices and functions and allowing political subdivisions to contract for performance of governmental functions in El Paso and Tarrant counties."

"AGAINST the constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for consolidating governmental offices and functions and allowing political subdivisions to contract for performance of governmental function in El Paso and Tarrant counties."

H D Agent's News Dept.

By MRS. FAY C. ROE

How Much to Pay for a House?

The growing price tag on new houses gives families good cause to think seriously about home ownership. "How much can I afford to pay?" they ask first.

The ready-made guidelines and rules-of-thumb never seem to apply to any family in particular. Your safest bet is to forget all these and determine your own house buying power.

To determine how much to spend safely on a new house appraise carefully your financial situation. Then match it against the price of the house and how much it costs to run it.

Add up all steady family income. For most families this will be a base salary, because it is risky to rely heavily on commissions, overtime pay, bonuses or a wife's pay unless you use a conservative figure based on a three or four average.

Subtract from the total family income all your non-housing expenses — food, transportation, clothing, debt payments, medical, etc — to find out how much you have regularly available every month for running a house and for savings.

Homeowners spend about 24 per cent of their after-tax month-

ly income on basic housing expenses, including the mortgage payment, house insurance, maintenance, repairs, heating and cooling, utilities and real estate taxes.

Families with larger incomes tend to buy larger houses and have larger monthly expenses. However, families with high incomes generally spend a smaller percentage of their earnings on housing.

More information can be secured by dropping by my office for publications and conference.

Home Economics Tips

Summer has brought many changes to the family—not the least of these is the longer hours for children to play outside. This not only makes it harder to get them to bed but demands mother to be prepared with hunger-appeasing snacks. Foods and nutrition specialists estimate that 10 to 15 per cent of a person's daily calories is supplied by "nibbles"—so make these nibbles count nutritionally. Some sensible snack foods include celery, carrots, other raw vegetables and fruits, nuts, cheese and milk. Here's a cool summer snack: Add chocolate syrup and peppermint ice cream to milk. Sounds good, doesn't it?

Sewing with cool, summery fabrics like cotton voile, dotted swiss, or cotton eyelet, calls for a little extra care with seams. They should be as invisible as possible, neat and narrow. The French seam is the best choice. Check sewing books for exact instructions for stitching this seam.

You can give cotton gloves a crisp, like-new appearance with spray starch. After washing gloves, roll them up in a terry towel to remove excess moisture. Then spray evenly with starch and let dry.

ATTEND EOFF REUNION

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. McAdams attended the Eoff family reunion held Sunday at Abilene State Park. About 60 persons from over the state attended the reunion.

Included among those who attended were the mother, two brothers and five sisters in the family. They are: Mrs. Pearl Eoff, Mr. and Mrs. Bud Eoff and family and Mr. and Mrs. Pete Eoff, all of Winters; Mr. and Mrs. V. L. Wood and children, Mr. and Mrs. Bernice Porter, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Knight and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Rogers and family, all of Abilene. An uncle, Ely Eoff of Tuscola, and his family and Dr. and Mrs. Dexter Eoff and their son, Dr. Jerry Eoff and his family, all of Ballinger, were among those who attended.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Hall, Judy and Bana, of Columbus, Ohio, are here spending a two weeks vacation in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dave King. Other visitors in the King home over the weekend were Mr. and Mrs. Harry Anderson and Jerry of Austin. Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Walker and family and Frank King, all of Socorro, N. M. The group attended the King reunion on Saturday.

Political Announcements

The following candidates have authorized The Observer to announce their candidacy for nomination to the office shown below, and on the indicated party ticket.

DEMOCRAT

For State Representative:
GEORGE BAKER
Of Pecos County

REPUBLICAN

For State Representative:
JIM KENT
Of Ward County

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Robert Lee Baptist Church

West 11th and Chadbourne
Bill Beaty, Pastor

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Proposed CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT NUMBER NINE ON THE BALLOT (SJR4)

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION No. 4 Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas, amending Section 48a of Article III thereof, so as to provide for contributions on the basis of the full salary of members of the Teacher Retirement System; providing for the submission of the proposed amendment to a vote of the people at an election and for proclamation and publication thereof.

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

Section 1. That Section 48a of Article III of the Constitution of Texas be amended so as to read as follows:

"Section 48a. In addition to the powers given the Legislature under Section 48, Article III, it shall have the right to levy taxes to establish a fund to provide retirement, disability and death benefits for persons employed in the public schools, colleges and universities supported wholly or partly by the state; provided that the amount contributed by the state to such fund each year shall be equal to the aggregate amount required by law to be paid into the fund by such employees, and shall not exceed at any time six per centum (6%) of the compensation paid each such person by the state and/or school districts; and provided that no person shall be eligible for retirement who has not rendered ten (10) years of creditable service in such employment, and in no case shall any person retire before either attaining the age fifty-five (55) or completing thirty (30) years of creditable service, but shall be entitled to refund of moneys paid into the fund.

"Moneys coming into such fund shall be managed and invested as provided in Section 48b of Section III of the Constitution of Texas; provided a sufficient sum shall be kept on hand to meet payments as they become due each year under such retirement plan, as

may be provided by law; and provided that the recipients of such retirement fund shall not be eligible for any other state pension retirement funds or direct aid from the State of Texas, unless such other state pension or retirement fund, contributed by the state, is released to the State of Texas as a condition to receiving such other pension aid; providing, however, that this Section shall not amend, alter, or repeal Section 63 of Article 16 of the Constitution of Texas as adopted November, 1954, or any enabling legislation passed pursuant thereto."

Section 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 the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, 1968, at which election each ballot shall have printed thereon the following words:

"FOR the amendment to Section 48a of Article III allowing contributions to be made on the basis of full salary of members of the Teacher Retirement System of Texas."

"AGAINST the amendment to Section 48a of Article III allowing contributions to be made on the basis of full salary of members of the Teacher Retirement System of Texas."

Each voter shall mark out one of said clauses on the ballot leaving the one expressing his vote on the proposed amendment. If it appears from the returns of said election that a majority of the votes cast were in favor of said amendment, the same shall become a part of the state constitution and be effective from the date of determination of such result and the Governor's proclamation thereof.

Sec. 3. The Governor of the State of Texas is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for said special election and shall have the same published as required by the constitution and laws of this state.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Proposed CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT NUMBER TWO ON THE BALLOT (SJR41)

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

Section 1. That Section 51-a of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended, and the same is hereby amended, so as to read as follows:

"Section 51-a. The Legislature shall have the power, by General Laws, to provide, subject to limitations herein contained, and such other limitations, restrictions and regulations as may be deemed expedient, for assistance to and/or medical care for, and for rehabilitation and any other services included in the Federal legislation providing matching funds to help such families and individuals attain or retain capability for independence or self-care, and for the payment of assistance to and/or medical care for, and for rehabilitation and other services for:

"(1) Needy aged persons who are citizens of the United States or noncitizens who shall have resided within the boundaries of the United States for at least twenty-five (25) years and are over the age of sixty-five (65) years;

"(2) Needy individuals who are citizens of the United States who shall have passed their eighteenth (18th) birthday but have not passed their sixty-fifth (65th) birthday and who are totally and permanently disabled by reason of a mental or physical handicap or a combination of physical and mental handicaps;

"(3) Needy blind persons who are citizens of the United States and who are over the age of eighteen (18) years;

"(4) Needy children who are citizens of the United States and who are under the age of twenty-one (21) years, and to the caretakers of such children.

"The Legislature may define

the residence requirements, if any, for participation in these programs.

"The Legislature shall have authority to enact appropriate legislation which will enable the State of Texas to cooperate with the Government of the United States in providing assistance to and/or medical care on behalf of needy persons, and in providing rehabilitation and any other services included in the Federal legislation providing matching funds to help such families and individuals attain or retain capability for independence or self-care and to accept and expend funds from the Government of the United States for such purposes in accordance with the laws of the United States as they now are or as they may hereafter be amended, and to make appropriations out of state funds for such purposes; provided that the maximum amount paid out of state funds to or on behalf of any individual recipient shall not exceed the amount that is matchable out of Federal funds; provided that the total amount of such assistance payments and/or medical assistance payments out of state funds on behalf of such recipients shall not exceed the amount that is matchable out of Federal funds; provided that if the limitations and restrictions herein contained are found to be in conflict with the provisions of appropriate Federal Statutes as they now are or as they may be amended, to the extent that Federal matching money is not available to the state for these purposes, then and in that event the Legislature is specifically authorized and empowered to prescribe such limitations and restrictions and enact such laws as may be necessary in order that such Federal matching money will be available for assistance and/or medical care for or on behalf of needy

persons; and provided further, that the total amount of money to be expended per fiscal year out of state funds for assistance payments only to recipients of Old Age Assistance, Aid to the Permanently and Totally Disabled, Aid to the Blind, and Aid to Families with Dependent Children shall never exceed Seventy-five Million Dollars (\$75,000,000).

"Nothing in this Section shall be construed to amend, modify or repeal Section 31 of Article XVI of this Constitution; provided further, however, that such medical care, services or assistance shall also include the employment of objective or subjective means, without the use of drugs, for the purpose of ascertaining and measuring the powers of vision of the human eye, and fitting lenses or prisms to correct or remedy any defect or abnormal condition of vision. Nothing herein shall be construed to permit optometrists to treat the eyes for any defect whatsoever in any manner nor to administer nor to prescribe any drug or physical treatment whatsoever, unless such optometrist is a regularly licensed physician or surgeon under the laws of this state."

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 the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November 1968, at which election all ballots shall have printed thereon the following:

"FOR the Constitutional Amendment raising the limit on the amount that may be expended in any one year out of state funds for Public Assistance payments only to Seventy-five Million Dollars (\$75,000,000)."

"AGAINST the Constitutional Amendment raising the limit on the amount that may be expended in any one year out of state funds for Public Assistance payments only to Seventy-five Million Dollars (\$75,000,000)."

BCD Members Hear Reports on Visit Of Governor, Progress on New School

Mayor Wilson Bryan reported on Governor John Connally's tour of the Robert Lee Reservoir when the BCD met Tuesday at noon. The mayor said he was well pleased with the tour and felt it went over "in a big way."

Bryan stated that he was glad to see the large number of local citizens who met the governor at the damsite, as well as with the good crowd of Robert Lee residents who attended the reception and heard the governor's speech in Bronte.

More details of Connally's visit are contained in another story in this week's Observer.

Supt. Jimmy Bickley gave a brief summary of progress on the school's building program. He said the school board is waiting

on drawings and specifications on the work shop and gymnasium. As soon as they are received and approved, the board will be ready to advertise for bids, the superintendent said.

Bickley said that county workers and Clement Bros. have been helping the school clear and level some lots which will be used for playgrounds and parking area.

President Hugh S. Lewis invited everyone to drive by the new city park which is being developed along the river front in the south part of town. He said that some Robert Lee Boy Scouts have been helping with the project as part of their work for merit badges in soil and water conservation. Earning of this merit badge will help them advance to either Life or Eagle rank.

Mayor Bryan brought up a point for discussion when he suggested that Robert Lee needs an organization to gather information on lots, acreage and business locations along the lake front. He suggested inviting some person to attend a BCD meeting who might be helpful in providing information on how to handle this situation. W. D. McAdams said he would ask James Glenn of the Abilene West Texas Utilities organization to the BCD meeting next Tuesday. It was brought out that any such organization would have to work with owners of the property involved.

Four visitors and 14 members were present.

Mr. and Mrs. William Hood of San Angelo visited over the weekend with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jett Hood and Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Gartman.



GOOD CATCH — This 17½ pound beauty was caught late last week by James Hood, son of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Hood of Robert Lee. James took this yellow cat from the Colorado River near here. He said something about this being the biggest fish he ever caught.

CITY SERVICES FOR MRS. FEASTER

Funeral services were held Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. for Mrs. Linnie Feaster, 81. The last rites were held in Kiker & Son Funeral Chapel in Colorado City. Mrs. Feaster died Monday in Colorado City. Burial was in Colorado City Cemetery.

Born Sept. 18, 1886, in Alabama, Mrs. Feaster came to West Texas in the early 1890s. She married Clint L. Feaster in January 1921. Mr. Feaster died June 17, 1968.

Survivors include two brothers, H. L. Bloodworth of Silver and Charlie Bloodworth of Colorado City.

Mrs. Kenneth Powell is now in Robert Lee making her home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Roe, since her husband has been sent overseas. She is the former Sheila Roe.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Askins and Chuck of Lubbock are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Foy Askins of Robert Lee and Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Bloodworth at Silver this week.

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