

# Robert Lee Observer

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## Santa's Coming Saturday

### 4-H Awards Meet Set for Monday

State Representative George Baker of Fort Stockton, 66th District, will be the speaker for the annual 4-H Awards program to be held Monday, Dec. 15. The program will be held in the Robert Lee School Cafeteria with a covered dish supper beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Seventy awards and year pins will be given to boys and girls who completed projects and special activities.

All 4-H members and their families are invited and urged to attend.

### BB Tournament To Open New Gym

Robert Lee High School will have its first basketball tournament in 20 years next weekend. It was in 1949 that the local school last hosted a tournament for roundball players.

School officials say they have been assured that the new gymnasium will be all ready to go for the tournament, and all Robert Lee citizens are anxious to show it off to the visitors.

A complete schedule of games and the participating teams will be carried in next week's Observer. The action will begin Thursday and continue through Saturday night.

### Cotton Transfer Deadline Dec. 31

Applications for transfer of cotton allotments for the 1970 crop must be filed no later than December 31, 1969, according to Daniel F. Perofull, chairman of the Coke County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation (ASC) committee.

He reported that farm allotment and projected yield notices have been mailed to farm operators so they are now able to make production plans for next year.

In Coke County, growers voting in a special referendum last May failed to approve transfer of cotton acreage allotments, by sale or lease, out of the county. So transfer of allotments locally may be made from one farm to another only within the county. Cotton allotments may not be transferred across state lines.

Transfers of allotments between farms within the county and from a farm owned to another farm owned or operated by the same individual are not subject to referendum approval. However such allotment transfers must be filed with the ASCS county office before the December 31 deadline. The deadline applies to all transfers of 1970 cotton allotments for Coke County farms—whether by sale, lease or by the owner.

Marilyn Wallace of ACC in Abilene, Jackie Smith of Lubbock and Pam McMullen of Wylie were weekend visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Wallace Jr.



### Distinguished Visitor Coming to Robert Lee

## Basketball Going Strong

Robert Lee teams have had a full week of basketball with some 16 contests having been played since last weekend.

The A boys and girls teams entered a tournament last weekend at Winters. In the girls games the local lassies lost three as follows: Robert Lee 34, Winters 57; Robert Lee 47, Eldorado 62; Robert Lee 39, Paint Rock 40. Jackie Conley was high pointer in all three games with 34, 30 and 20 respectively. She was named to the all-tournament team.

In the boys games, the Steers lost two and won one. They downed Paint Rock, 56-50, with three men scoring in double figures: Mike Mumford had 19, Joe David Key 16, and Lane Beaty 12. The Steers got trampled by Ballinger, 77-39, with Mumford scoring high with 16. Winters

slipped by the locals, 57-53. Mumford was high pointer with 16, Key had 12 and James Fields had 12. Mumford was selected on the all-tournament team, also.

#### Wylie Tourney

The B boys and girls teams took part in a tournament at Wylie last weekend. The girls lost to Aspermont, 46-38, with Nita Copeland and Kathy Prince both sacking up 16 points. In a game with Anson, the opposition slipped by 39-37. Again Copeland was high pointer with 17.

Aspermont downed the B boys, 44-24 with Bobby Mumford taking scoring honors with 11. In the second game, the Robert Lee boys lost to Wylie, 45-30. Again Mumford was high with 10.

#### Monday Night

The freshmen boys, junior high boys and junior high girls went to Winters Monday night for

three games. The freshmen lost, 47-42 with Bobby Mumford and Delbert Mathers sharing the scoring honors with 17 each. The junior high boys poured it on Winters, 37-16, as Wibby Millican sank 18 points for scoring honors, and Bill Rowoldt came in second with 12. Winters barely topped the local girls, 25-22. Phyllis Wojtek was high pointer for her team with 13.

#### Tuesday Night

Both A boys and girls took victories Tuesday night when they traveled to Mertzon. The girls downed their opponents, 45-38. Conley was leading scorer with 22. In the boys game the local lads made 54 to Mertzon's 49. Key was high with 16, closely followed by Fields with 15.

The B girls team also won a victory, more than a little lopsided with a score of 35-12. Kathy Prince was high with 12.

Saturday will be a big day in Robert Lee, for it is the date for the annual Christmas party and visit from Santa Claus. The annual affair is sponsored by the BCD and features free candy from Santa for kids of the area, a free movie, a parade, and dozens of gifts from merchants and businessmen of the city.

Santa Claus will be brought in to town on the big red fire truck of the Robert Lee Fire Department. He will park in front of The Observer office, hand out his candy and visit with all the youngsters who have anything to talk about with him.

The afternoon program will get underway at 1 p.m. when all the children of the area are invited to see a free movie at the Alamo Theatre. Featured on the screen will be "A Challenge for Robin Hood."

A parade featuring the Robert Lee Steer Band will begin at 2:45 p.m. Anyone who wants to enter a float in the parade is welcome to do so. The band will march from Highway 208 to downtown Robert Lee. Santa's arrival will be timed to follow the parade.

After Santa has had time to visit with the youngsters, the big drawing will begin. Hundreds of registration slips will be placed in the cage and will be drawn out to determine winners of prizes contributed by merchants.

Some rules set up governing the drawing include:

Each merchant will be responsible for getting his registration slips to the cage in front of the Observer office not later than 3 p.m.

Merchants may let their customers register as many times as they wish, this being optional with the merchant.

Persons under 16 years of age should not register, as they will not be eligible to receive a prize.

Only persons who are present at the drawing when their names are called are eligible to receive a prize.

Only one prize will be awarded to an individual.

#### Chairmen Named

Those in charge of various operations of the Christmas party include the following:

W. T. Roach is in charge of the entire program.

Vic Wojtek will be in charge of the movie.

Sheriff Melvin Childress will direct the parade and be in charge of traffic control.

Sam Williams will furnish the public address system and perform necessary duties in connection with the drawing.

Fern Havins will have the drawing cage in shape for use Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Mary L. Prine has been in charge of publicity and advertising for the program and supplied registration slips.

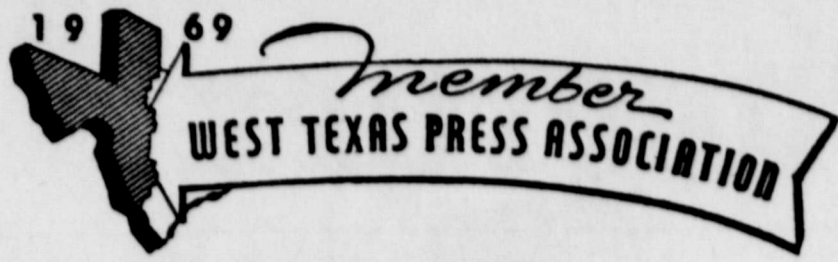
Fire Chief E. H. Ivey will supply transportation for Santa to get into town and depart from Robert Lee.

Robert Lee-Silver Lions Club and the local Boy Scout troop helped with seeing that Santa's candy was furnished and properly sacked for passing out.

Those soliciting expense money and prizes for the drawing were W. D. McAdams, Weldon Fikes,

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**4-H CHRISTMAS PARTY**

All Junior 4-H club members of the county are invited to attend a Christmas party on Friday, Dec. 12, from 7 until 9 p.m. in the Robert Lee Recreation Hall. Senior 4-H members, Mrs. Fay C. Roe and Sterling Lindsey will be in charge of the party. Games, fun, food and gifts are promised for all who attend. Parents are also welcome to attend.

**PERSONALS**

Visitors Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Smith were their daughters and their families, Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Dean Williams of San Angelo, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Carwile and Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Roane and Myna Kay, all of Robert Lee. Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Smith of San Angelo visited in the Smith home Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Shoemaker and children visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Shoemaker, and other relatives at Sherman over the Thanksgiving holidays.

INVITATIONS • STATIONERY  
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**Hospital News**

Dec. 2 — T. B. Childress admitted.

Dec. 4 — William M. McCutchen, Frank Allen admitted.

Dec. 5 — Frank Allen, Victor Conner, Mrs. Douglas Gartman and son dismissed.

Dec. 6 — Frank Allen admitted. William M. McCutchen dismissed.

Dec. 7 — Mrs. Scottie Chastain and baby son admitted.

Dec. 8 — Mrs. Mabel Mundell, Upton Mathers admitted. T. B. Childress, C. C. Parker, Mrs. Curtis Walker dismissed.

Tuesday, there were seven patients in the hospital and nine were in the nursing home.

**Lunchroom Menu**

Monday, Dec. 15

Vegetable beef soup, pear halves with cottage cheese on lettuce, milk, cinnamon rolls.

Tuesday, Dec. 16

Ranch style beans, potato salad, turnips and greens, corn bread and butter, milk, apple cobbler.

Wednesday, Dec. 17

Hot dogs with chili, buttered corn, cole slaw, potato chips, milk, gingerbread.

Thursday, Dec. 18

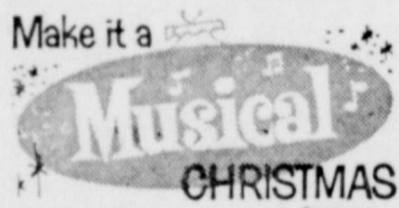
Turkey and dressing with giblet gravy, green beans, candied sweet potatoes, hot rolls and butter, milk.

Friday, Dec. 19

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## Hawley C. Allen Has 92nd Birthday

Hawley C. Allen was honored Sunday at a tea celebrating his 92nd birthday. Actually, Mr. Allen was 92 on Saturday, Nov. 29

but the family delayed the celebration so they could have it on Sunday. The tea was held in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald C. Allen in Robert Lee.

## Outstanding Teenagers Named

Debra Vosburg, Joe David Key and John Counts have been selected as Outstanding Teenagers of America for 1970, it was announced this week by the Outstanding Americans Foundation.

The students, nominated for this honor by their school, will compete for state and national awards in the Outstanding Teenagers of America program.

Recipients of this honor were selected on the basis of ability and achievement and will compete with other winners in their state for the Governor's Trophy awarded annually to the most outstanding teenager in their state. Each of the fifty winners will be eligible for one of the Two National Outstanding Teenagers of America awards and college scholarships, made available by the Outstanding Americans Foundation.

The three students are seniors in Robert Lee High School.

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Also present were Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Swafford and Mrs. Frank Burge, all of Dallas.

Mr. Allen was born Nov. 29, 1877 in Bell County, and came to Coke County in 1889. He is engaged in the ranching business and has served 16 years of his life as a sheriff, four years in Coke County and 12 years in Tom Green County. He and Mrs. Allen were married June 15, 1907 in the home of the bride's parents at Hayrick.

## Range Awards Go to Coke Men

Two Coke County men have received certificates of recognition for their work in carrying out sound principles in grazing management. They are Weldon Fikes of Robert Lee and Joe Rawlings of Bronte.

The men were accompanied to Fort Worth, where the awards were presented by Rex Brand, range conservationist with the Soil Conservation Service. The program in Fort Worth began last Friday and continued until after noon Saturday. Sponsoring the awards was the Texas Section of the American Society of Range Management. Some 40 awards were presented to outstanding range management operators in Texas.

In addition to the annual banquet where the awards were presented, there was a program beginning Friday morning and continuing through Saturday noon, with outstanding authorities speaking on more than a dozen topics pertaining to range management.

The Coke County men returned home Saturday afternoon.

Floyd Sheppard of El Paso spent the Thanksgiving holidays in Robert Lee with his mother, Mrs. A. B. Sheppard.

Albert Dale (Tooter) Fields of Southwest Texas State University at San Marcos was a guest over the Thanksgiving holidays in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Fields.

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## Football Banquet Set for Thursday

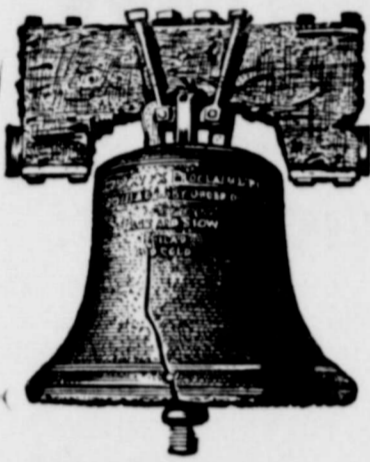
Members of the 1969 Robert Lee Steer football squad will be honored Thursday night (Dec. 11) at the annual football banquet. The affair will be held at 7 p.m. in the school cafeteria.

Featured speaker for the program will be Grant Teaff, head football coach at Angelo State University. Teaff is a former member of the coaching staffs at McMurry College in Abilene and Texas Tech University in Lubbock.

Tickets are on sale for \$1.50 each in the office of High School Principal Garland Davis.

In addition to Teaff's speech, the banquet will feature recognition of members of the 1969 football team. All Steer fans are invited to purchase tickets and attend the banquet.

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## Public Invited to Have Blood Pressure Checked

Everyone is invited to have his blood pressure checked Saturday when a nurse will be on hand at the West Texas Utilities Co. office in Robert Lee from 1 to 5 p.m.

The clinic was set up Dec. 1 when the Coke County Division of the American Heart Association met at West Coke County Nursing Home. Dec. 13 has been designated as Hypertension Day in Texas, and everyone is urged to have the blood pressure check. Readings cannot be given to those taking the test, but will be sent to their doctors.

Present at the Dec. 1 meeting was Earl Palmer of San Angelo who has been serving as regional director of District 5. He announced that he is transferring to the state office and will serve as state campaign chairman.

Palmer introduced Dennis McDaniel, also of San Angelo, who will take over the regional director's job in this district.

In other business, local members discussed plans for presenting programs next year on heart disease.

Linda Heuvel of Seguin and Lois Heuvel of San Marcos spent the Thanksgiving holidays here in the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Heuvel. Guests in the Heuvel home Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Stout of Snyder.

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## Cemetery Assn. Reviews Work

Robert Lee Cemetery Association met last Friday to review the past year's work and to make plans for another year. Members present were L. B. Menielle and Delbert Shoemaker, of the Masonic Lodge; Freddie White, Robert Lee-Silver Lions Club; Jeffie Roberts, Eastern Star; Fern Havins and Bill Beaty, BCD; Hugh Lewis Jr. and George Newby, members at large; and Wilson Bryan, city official. It was noted that more than \$800 was contributed to the upkeep of the cemetery by individuals last year. The Association expressed heartfelt thanks for this good support. A separate ad is carried in this paper to this effect.

There was a discussion on a general cemetery working next spring. Also plans were laid to investigate providing more adequate water in parts of the cemetery. Lodge members indicated the Lodge had expressed an interest in a sign being erected at the gate showing the name of the cemetery and designating it as a Masonic cemetery. The Association encouraged them in this venture.

The Association again expressed appreciation for the interest of individuals in keeping their own plots since the part-time caretaker usually has time only to mow and give general care.

The same officers were re-elected for the coming year. They are: President, Bill Beaty; vice-president, L. B. Menielle and secretary-treasurer, Jeffie Roberts.

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## Approved Water Signs Arrive

Mayor Wilson Bryan announced at Tuesday's meeting of the BCD that signs have arrived which state Robert Lee has an approved water supply. The signs have been set up on the highways leading into the city. Announcement was made last week that the city had been approved for erecting the signs, which indicate all requirements have been met as to the purity of the water supply and all personnel connected with operation of the water system are qualified to do their jobs efficiently.

Mayor Bryan also stated that the city council has met with a representative of Lone Star Gas Co. to discuss the company's request for a rate raise. The mayor said action on the request was deferred until more study could be made.

BCD President Garland Davis announced two upcoming school events which are mentioned in other news stories in this week's Observer: the annual football banquet which will be held tonight (Dec. 11) and the basketball tournament which is scheduled for next weekend, Dec. 18-20.

Announcement was also made that plans are complete for the annual Christmas party which will be sponsored Saturday by the BCD.

Richard Dodson, new drivers license examiner with the Department of Public Safety, was a guest of Melvin Childress,

## NOTICE OF HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT OR CONSTRUCTION

The Texas Highway Department is planning to proceed with the development of the proposed highway improvements on U. S. 87 from 3.6 miles northwest of the Coke County Line, southeast a distance of approximately 8.2 miles to the Tom Green County Line.

This project will be developed in cooperation with the Bureau of Public Roads and financing of construction will be 50 per cent State and 50 per cent Federal; therefore, Bureau of Public Roads' approval has been requested.

Improvements will consist of construction of a four lane divided highway along the location of the existing highway and the utilization of the old railroad right-of-way for the north bound traffic lanes. The Right-of-way width varies from 220 feet to 435 feet. No additional right-of-way will be required.

Maps, drawings showing geometric design and all other available data concerning the development of this project may be inspected at the Resident Engineer's office at Sterling City, Texas.

Art Revelle is again pastor of Miracle Revival Pentecostal Church in San Angelo at 425 Montague, two blocks off Pulliam, first street west of St. John's Hospital. Services Sunday at 10 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. and Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend.

# Home Furniture Co. Annual Pre-Christmas STORE-WIDE SALE

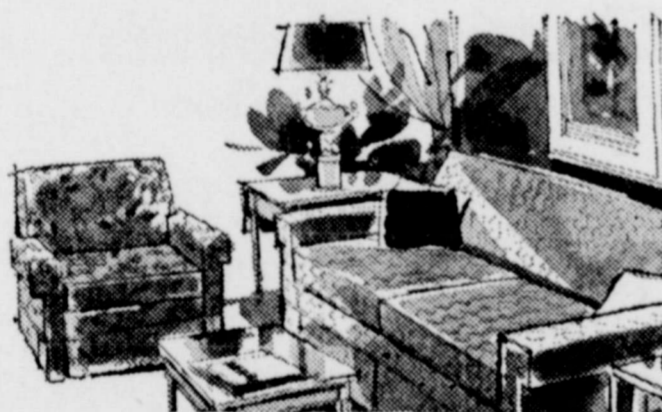
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# STATE Capital NEWS

By VERN SANFORD

AUSTIN, Tex. — January's draft call for Texas is 573. That is up 117 from December's 456.

Col. Morris S. Schwartz, State Selective Service director, said allocation of the call will be delayed until he receives official instructions on procedures for random selection.

Induction period is January 15-31.

Under the new Selective Service rally, men from 19 to 26, born on September 14, whose last names start with the letter "J" will be the first drafted after January 1.

Under the new lottery procedure 365 capsules are dropped into the hopper. Each capsule bears a number representing a day in the year. These are regarded as birth dates.

Order in which capsules are drawn thus determine the order in which men with matching birthdays will be drafted next year. Same sequence applies to those now deferred, or exempt in the future, when they return to "I-A" classification.

Texas quota for pre-induction physical and mental examination next month is 5,800.

In addition to available men

19-26, all these 18 years and six to 11 months old in January of 1970, may be ordered for examination to fill the call. Oldest will be ordered first.

**COURTS SPEAK** — Texas Supreme Court refused to change its rule that the Sunday closing law is constitutional. However, it granted a motion by challengers to stay its mandate pending appeal to the U. S. Supreme Court.

Federal district court here threw out atheist Madalyn Murray O'Hair's suit to prevent broadcasting of prayer and Bible readings by astronauts from outer space. She says she will appeal.

State Supreme Court agreed to send back for retrial a medical malpractice suit brought by a farmworker against an Ennis doctor.

High Court was asked to reconsider its finding that a young Army Sgt., Albert Buckman Wharton II, is sole heir to Electra Waggoner's \$45 million estate located in six North Texas counties. A foster sister challenged the will.

**SMALL TOWN SAFETY VALVES** — Interest in developing the small town as a safety valve of galloping urbanization is gaining momentum.

Governor Smith started the new-interest in small town development when he announced his "Texas Communities Tomorrow" plan, which offers a program of self-help for the state's decaying rural communities.

Texas Municipal League devot-

ed an entire issue of its magazine, Texas Town and City, to the problems — and the solutions.

Governor Smith has said "if we continue to worry about urban problems in a relatively exclusive way, without attending to the plight of small towns, we will have only rural wastelands and urban slums."

**Short Snorts**

Attorney General Martin announced he would run for a third term.

Bob Shannon of Austin, formerly of Brownwood, said he will run for the Third Court of Civil Appeals, the Austin appellate court which reviews virtually every appeal involving a state agency.

Cigarette tax revenues jumped nearly \$2 million from November, 1968, to last month—due to the 4.5 cent-a-pack increase which became effective October 1.

Sen. Jack Long of Longview announced he will not seek reelection to his District 2 Senate seat.

A state regional planning assistance grant of \$18,400 went to the 17-county West Central Texas Council of Governments, with headquarters in Abilene.

## PERSONALS

Mrs. Frank Coalson spent the weekend in Abilene visiting in the home of her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Derwood Coalson.

Mrs. John Gregston and Gannell spent Thanksgiving weekend in McCamey visiting her mother, Mrs. Bessie Land, and also with the S. B. Taylor family.

Alneer McFadden of Abilene was guest speaker at the North Side Church of Christ Sunday for both morning and evening services.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Jones and two sons of Winters were Sunday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Jones.

Sunday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frankie Percifull were Mr. and Mrs. Pete Hickman and children of Fort Stockton, John Hickman and David of Big Lake, Mrs. Ruth Sandusky and Gerald of Bronte, Mrs. Ramona Woody of Bronte, Mrs. Wallie Trimble, Mr. and Mrs. Hadley Richards and Mrs. Ed Hickman, all of Robert Lee.

Mrs. Turney Casey and her mother, Mrs. Pearl Schooley, returned home after both had been hospitalized about ten days in Bronte Hospital. Mr. and Mrs. Casey, Mrs. Schooley and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Casey were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Coulter in San Angelo Thanksgiving day.

Lynn Shandley of Oklahoma City spent the Thanksgiving holiday weekend here visiting in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Shandley. The Shandley family all visited in Odessa in the home of Mr. and Mrs. I. N. Eubanks and other relatives during the weekend.

Ray Shandley and Gene Hinnard spent Sunday until Tuesday in an allergy clinic in Oklahoma City.

Thanksgiving guests of Mr. and Mrs. V. V. Wojtek were V. V. Wojtek Jr. and family of Midland; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wojtek and family of Eden; Mr. and Mrs. Walker Cobb and family of San Angelo; Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Wojtek and children of San Angelo; Mr. and Mrs. Marlow Wojtek and family of San Angelo; Troy Montgomery and Eugene of Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. Victor Wojtek and children of Oklahoma City. Sunday visitors of the Wojteks were O. C. Wojtek, Troy Montgomery and Melvin Johnson of Junction.

Martha Kinsey of Abilene spent the weekend here in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Kinsey.

**TUESDAY BRIDGE CLUB**

Mrs. Vaughan Davis and Mrs. R. L. Flanagan were hostesses to the Tuesday Afternoon Bridge Club at the Recreation Hall Monday night, Dec. 1. Husbands of the members were guests.

Mrs. Bill Allen won the women's high. Mrs. Marvin Simpson was second high. Marvin Simpson won the men's high. Tom Sawyer won second high.

The club will meet with Mrs. Cumbie Ivey Jr. in January.

**WILL GO CAROLING**

The FHA met Monday, Dec. 8, for a regular meeting. Plans were made to go Christmas caroling Wednesday, Dec. 17. All girls will meet at the Recreation Hall at 8 p.m. After caroling the girls will return to the Rec Hall for refreshments and a gift exchange. The girls are to bring gifts which later will be distributed to underprivileged children.

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By MRS. FAY C. ROE

## Gyps That Thrive at Christmas

That Ho! Ho! you hear at Christmas may not be Santa Claus. It may be the chortle of a prosperous gyp-artist on his way to the bank to make another deposit. Every holiday season, says the National Better Business Bureau, millions of dollars are funneled into the pockets of seasonal swindlers with schemes like these:

**The perfume hoax.** That is one of the most common and profitable of the perennial swindles. Most of the victims are men. The racket involves rebottling well-known brands of cologne or toilet water in tiny, perfume-size bottles and then selling them at perfume prices.

Variations include the use of

counterfeit labels on cheap imitations and the use of initials of nationally known perfume brands rather than their full names. The victim is led to believe he's getting a famous perfume at a bargain price.

To avoid wasting your money, buy perfume only in well-established, reputable stores.

**Mail-order flim flams.** Most mail-order companies are on the up-and-up, but some are not, and it's sometimes tough to tell the difference.

Because of pilferage and the sheer volume of mail at Christmas time, many honest but understaffed small companies fall way behind in their orders. Presents ordered long before Christmas may fail to arrive on time, or the stock of a particular item may run out. Take with a grain of salt such promises as "your order processed within 48 hours" or "quick delivery guaranteed."

**Unordered merchandise.** Many fly-by-night firms send you something you never ordered and then hope to browbeat you into paying with threats and dunning letters. You don't have to pay. You can treat the merchandise as an out-right gift in about half the states, including Alaska, Arkansas, California, Connecticut, Florida, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Texas, Washington, West Virginia, and Wisconsin.

Even in states without the unordered-merchandise laws you don't have to acknowledge receipt, return it, pay for it unless you use it, give it any particular care or keep it beyond a reasonable length of time. In the unlikely event someone calls in person to demand the return of the package, you must give it back, but, says the NBBB, you can charge storage for the time you kept it. You can also mark an unopened package "Return to Sender" and drop it back into the mail.

Beware, too, of attempts to collect on C.O.D. packages for a neighbor who, the deliverer says,

is not at home. The packages may contain unordered merchandise or nothing at all.

**Charities.** If you receive mail, phone or personal solicitations for donations to charities you never heard of view them with suspicion. Check with the nearest Better Business Bureau before you contribute. The same goes for unfamiliar organizations that send you unordered merchandise with an appeal for a donation.

To help you with your Christmas shopping, the NBBB makes these suggestions. Plan before you shop. Make a list, with alternates, of the things you need. Include sizes, color and style preferences, price ranges etc. If the gift is expensive, consult with the recipient or his friends or relatives.

Know the policies of the stores with which you are dealing. Are their wares guaranteed? Can they be exchanged? What about refunds and deposits? If you're buying on time, read contracts and make sure all the blanks are filled in. Credit charges should be itemized.

Carry small packages home with you when possible. Try to be home when deliveries are made, and examine merchandise immediately.

Keep all sales slips. Check names and addresses written by store clerks who take your order. On mail-order items, print your name and address leg-

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gibly.

Guard your valuables — pocketbook, charge cards, packages. Thieves and pickpockets flourish when the Christmas spirit is highest and the crowds are thickest.

## HAS HEART SURGERY

TSgt Glenn W. Michaels, Mindy and Mrs. Walter Hester returned last week from San Antonio, after being with Mrs. Michaels, the former Sondra Hester, who underwent heart surgery Nov. 26 at Hall Medical Center at Lackland AFB. The report on her condition is good, and she expects to be out of the hospital by Christmas.

Buddy Vosburg, a student in Abilene Christian College, spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Javan Vosburg.

## Robt. Lee School Honor Roll Given

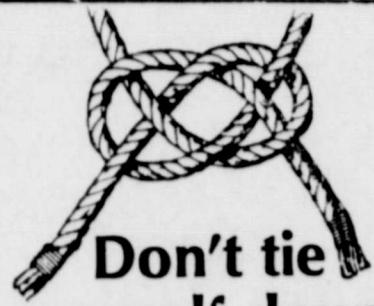
Honor roll for the second six-weeks period at Robert Lee High School was released this week, and is as follows:

7th grade — Jan Green  
8th grade — David Beaty, Theresa Hambright, Bill Rowoldt, Phyllis Wojtek.  
9th grade — Steve Meadows.  
10th grade — Melinda Breeding, Mary Donley  
11th grade — Jo Adkins, Kay Cole  
12th grade — John Counts, Debra Shoemaker.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Welch and family of Irving were weekend guests in the home of Mrs. Daisy McCutchen during the Thanksgiving holidays.

## MANY THANKS

The Robert Lee Cemetery Association wishes to thank each one who contributed to the upkeep of the cemetery last year. We hope to continue to improve the looks of our cemetery. Your gift indicates community pride as well as individual pride. Thanks again.



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**CHRISTMAS PARTY —**  
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Cumbe Ivey Jr., Fern Havins and George Newby. Each participating firm was asked to donate a prize and \$2 toward expenses of the project.

Merchants and others who are participating in the party include:

Addies Gro. & Mkt., Adams Abstract, Alamo Theatre, Allen Ins. Agency, A & B Automotive, Bell Automotive, Bakers Gro. & Mkt., Bahaman Cleaners, Brown Lbr. & Supply, Bryan Concrete Co., Butane Sales, County Officials, City of Robert Lee, Coke Co. Butane, Denman Enco Station, Dawn Floral Shop.

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BCD President Garland Davis said this week he hopes everybody in the area knows that a great deal of work and time on the part of many persons goes into the annual Christmas party. "We feel the annual Christmas party is a valuable asset to the town and everybody who works at it is glad to contribute to the welfare of the business community and other parts of the community."

**Gift Time**

Robert Lee stores are brimming over with Christmas merchandise and they would like for everyone in town Saturday to come by and see the many gift items, either before or after the Christmas party. Gift items will be on sale at special prices, and Robert Lee food stores will offer special items for Christmas feasting from now right up through Christmas Eve.

Everybody in the area is invited to come to town Saturday afternoon and enjoy the Christmas party. BCD officials pointed out that "having a good time and showing appreciation to customers" is the entire purpose of this project.

Visitors in the home of Mrs. Caroline Markham for Thanksgiving were her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Latimer, and Jr. Chatham, all of San Angelo. Mr. and Mrs. Henson Fikes of San Angelo were Sunday guests in the Markham home.

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