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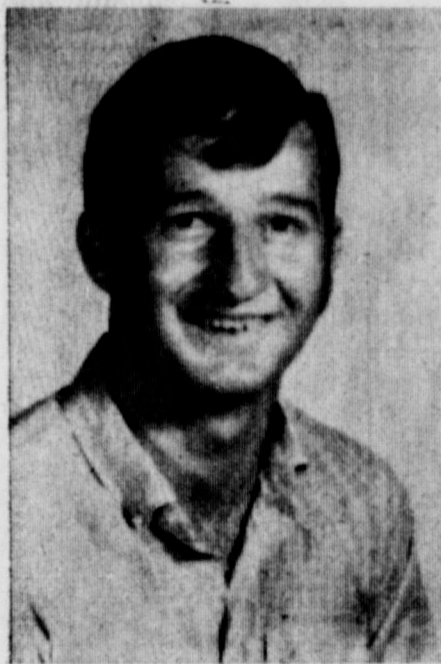
Robert Lee Observer

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Santa Due Here Saturday



FHA BEAU this year is Neil Caulder, senior in RLHS. He has been a member of the FFA for four years and is serving as sentinel. He is vice president of the FFA. His other activities include: football, 3 years; basketball, 2 years; Spanish Club, 4 years, present treasurer; UIL, 1 year; track, 1 year; and 4-H, 2 years.



1971 HERO — Donnie Mauldin is this year's Pep Squad Hero. A senior in RLHS, he is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Mauldin. He has played basketball and football for three years and was an all-district center this year. He has also had membership in the Spanish Club, FFA, and Science Club.

Christmas Edition Out Next Week

The Observer's annual Christmas edition will be published next Thursday. Christmas features, letters to Santa Claus from Robert Lee youngsters and Christmas greetings will highlight the edition.

For the young ones who have not gotten off that letter to Santa, they may be addressed to the Observer, Box 127, Robert Lee. The Observer will publish the letters and see that they get to the gentleman at the North Pole before Christmas.

A large selection of greeting ads are available and those who desire to send greetings to their friends are invited to stop by the Observer office and pick out one, or call Mary Prine at 453-2433.

Floyd Sheppard of El Paso visited here over the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Mark Chumley and other relatives, and took care of business matters while in town.

Robert Lee's annual Christmas party and visit from Santa Claus will be this Saturday, Dec. 18.

Latest word from the North Pole News Service is that Robert

Lee is on Santa's schedule for Saturday afternoon.

The party will begin with a free movie at 12:30 p.m. at the Alamo Theater. "The Andromeda Strain" will be the featured film.

At 2:45 p.m. the Christmas parade will begin with the Robert Lee Steer Band marching ahead of the fire truck which will bring Santa Claus into town. He will proceed to the parking lot at the courthouse where he will visit with the youngsters and distribute candy.

The party is sponsored by the BCD and local business men in appreciation of the patronage of area residents during the past year. Other groups assisting with the festivities include the City of Robert Lee, Robert Lee Fire Department, Robert Lee-Silver Lions Club, Coke County Sheriff's Department, Robert Lee School Band and Robert Lee Boy Scouts — and Santa Claus.



Ira A. Bird

I. A. Bird to Have 90th Birthday

Everyone is invited to attend an informal reception tomorrow, Friday, Dec. 17, honoring Ira A. Bird on his 90th birthday. The party is being hosted by his children, Mrs. Evelyn McKinley and Mr. and Mrs. Nolan Pentecost.

The reception will be held from 1 until 5 p.m. in the Robert Lee Recreation Hall. The hosts have asked that visitors bring no gifts.

EXES TO PLAY FOOTBALL GAME AT WALL MONDAY

Robert Lee High School ex-students will play a football game at Wall Monday night against the ex-Hawks. The game will begin at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend.

Decorations to Be Judged Saturday

Judging of home and industrial decorations was set for Saturday, Dec. 18, from 7 to 9 p.m. Everyone wishing their decorations to be judged should have them lighted during that time and can enter by calling and leaving their names at the Observer office through Friday noon, Dec. 17. There will be cash prizes of \$15, \$10 and \$5 for the first three places in home decorations. There will be no prizes for industrial decorations but the first three will be named.

This contest is sponsored by the BCD and the announcement set forth above was made at Tuesday's BCD meeting by Jim Bickley, who is in charge of the contest.

Hugh Lewis Jr. presided at the meeting in the absence of President W. D. McAdams. Lewis called for any new ideas for the Christmas party, slated for Saturday afternoon, Dec. 18. Most of the preparations have been made.

Bickley announced that school will be dismissed for the Christmas holidays at 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 21. The teachers will have a work day on Wednesday, Dec. 22. Classes will be resumed Monday, Jan. 3.

He also announced the basketball tournament to be held this weekend in the Robert Lee gym, Thursday through Saturday.

Youth Center Discussed
A discussion was held concerning the need here for a youth center.
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Tourney This Weekend

Eight boys and eight girls basketball teams are entered in the annual Robert Lee Invitational Basketball Tournament this weekend. Play begins today (Thursday).

Boys and girls teams are entered from Bronte, Sands, Forsan, Sterling City, Roscoe, Coahoma and Robert Lee. Sonora had been entered but dropped out and will be replaced by Robert Lee B teams.

First game scheduled is at 11:30 this morning between Bronte and Sands girls teams, followed at 12:45 by the Bronte-Sands boys contest.

Other games today will be: Forsan-Robert Lee B girls, 2:15 p.m.; Forsan-Robert Lee B boys, 3:30 p.m.; Sterling City-Roscoe girls, 5 p.m.; Sterling City-Roscoe boys, 6:15 p.m.; Robert Lee A girls-Coahoma, 7:45 p.m.; and Robert Lee A boys-Coahoma, 8 p.m.

Friday games will begin at 11:30 a.m. and the second round of play will continue until 9 p.m.

Final play will begin Saturday at 1:30 p.m. and continue through the afternoon and evening. Consolation finals will be played first, followed by the championship finals.

School officials issued an invitation to everyone in the area to attend as many games as possible. Plenty of good basketball is on schedule for the next three

days in the Robert Lee School gym. Friends of the school are running a full page ad in this week's Observer welcoming visitors to Robert Lee.



Visitor Coming to Robert Lee Saturday

OFFICES TO CLOSE DEC. 24

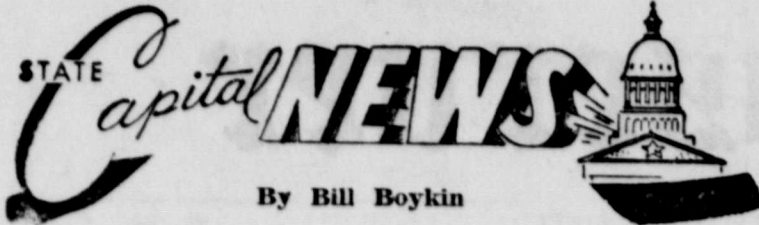
Offices in the courthouse will be closed Friday, Dec. 24, as well as on Christmas Day, it was announced this week by County Judge W. W. Thetford. He asked citizens to keep the closing in mind and arrange their business so they will not be inconvenienced by the closing.

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By Bill Boykin

Austin — Insurance bounced back into the news on three fronts here last week.

State Board of Insurance Chairman Larry Teaver promised, after a public hearing, to review all aspects of the new catastrophe pool for windstorm coverage in high risk coastal areas.

Agents and property owners complained of price gouging and of companies' allegedly unloading on the pool properties which should be insured at standard rates. Companies denied the charges.

Board also took under consideration an Allstate Insurance Company proposal to cut auto coverage rates up to 20 per cent for new model cars equipped with shock absorbing bumpers.

All 1973 and later cars must have bumpers which can withstand a five miles an hour front crash and a two and a half miles per hour rear end wallop without damage.

Allstate proposed to allow discounts to become effective with 1972 model cars equipped at own-

ers expense with the tested shock absorbing bumpers.

Initial reduction would be 10 per cent in premiums for the five mph front, two and a half mph rear safety protection. The cut would reach 20 per cent for cars which can be crashed at five mph into a test barrier, front and rear, with no damage to the vehicle.

Board members heard support and opposition for proposed new rules to curb arbitrary cancellations and non-renewals on property and casualty insurance. Under the regulations, auto insurance in effect 60 days could be cancelled only for failure to pay premiums or where driver's licenses have been suspended or revoked. Companies could cancel coverage at annual expiration dates by giving 30 days written notice.

Teaver advised a rule prohibiting cancellations for "age alone."

COURTS SPEAK — Texas Supreme Court ordered Cooke County district court trial of a teenager's suit against his father for alleged negligence on the job

which led to serious permanent injury.

Case was the first in which the state's top court had considered whether parents should be immune to actions brought by their children due to events outside the normal family relationship.

AG OPINIONS — Laws prohibiting dumping of refuse within 300 yards of public highways and anti-dumping statutes pertaining to public and private properties and public waters are both valid and can be harmonized, Atty. Gen. Crawford C. Martin held.

In other recent opinions, Martin concluded:

* Texas Water Rights Commission can test any claim of a right to use water under water code provisions by the legal requirement of past beneficial use of water without a formal adjudication of all claims on the stream.

* Legislators are entitled to 16 cents per highway mile for use of personally owned airplanes on official business trips.

* Authority exists for establishing a central services account for Texas Tech University and Texas Tech University School of Medicine.

LAND BIDS ACCEPTED — Bonus bids of more than \$1.7 million on oil and gas leases were accepted by the School Land Board for the permanent school fund.

Seventy-six bids covered 39,843 acres of state owned lands and averaged \$44.77 an acre.

PARTY RULES COMPLY — New state Democratic party rules on delegate selection comply with national and statutory requirements, Texas National Committeewoman Mrs. Carrin

Patman of Ganado reported.

The rules for selection of convention delegations will soon go to the State Democratic Executive Committee for consideration. SDEC Chairman Roy Orr indicated a meeting will be held in mid-January to act on them following a public hearing.

12,000 GET RAISES — Retroactive pay raises have been cleared for 12,000 (of 63,000) state employees who get \$2 or less an hour.

Raises were approved for the low pay workers back to Sept. 1 in line with a federal Pay Board definition of "severe inequity" permitting retroactivity for those paid less than the minimum wage before and after the August freeze.

Short Snorts

A. C. Turner, chairman of the State Board of Pardons and Paroles, will retire Feb. 1.

It will cost more to prove you

were born after Jan. 1. Certified birth certificates will go up to \$2, from \$1.50. Death certificates will also cost \$2.

A House committee will study state medical welfare program costs.

State Sen. Joe Christie of El Paso became the sixth Democratic entry in the lieutenant governor's race.

Suits challenging House redistricting have been lumped together and assigned Dallas Federal Judge Joe Estes.

Texas Air Control Board staff members proposed a program to reduce air pollution from autos 20 per cent. Monitoring stations were suggested for Corpus Christi, Houston, Austin, Dallas, Fort Worth, El Paso and San Antonio.

Changes in production rules in East Texas oil fields were recommended to the Railroad Commission by independent operators.

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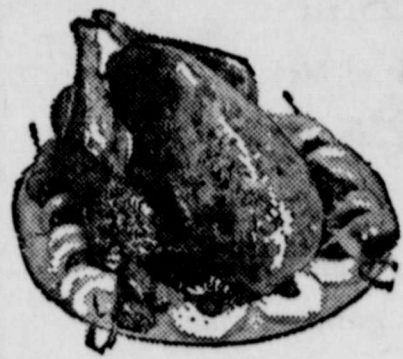
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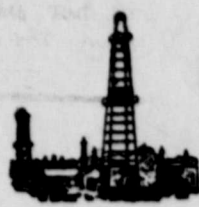


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Notes From The Oil Field

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The Harris pay will be tested at 5,544 feet.

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Bottomhole location is 1,700 feet from the southwest and 274 feet from the northwest lines of the survey.

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THORPE ATTENDS TRAFFIC MEETINGS

Don Thorpe, Coke County deputy sheriff of Bronte, is attending three separate Traffic Training sessions being held at the Naval Reserve Training Center in San Angelo.

The sessions include 120 hours of training and are sponsored by the Cimcho Valley Council of Governments. Dates of the sessions include: Nov. 29-Dec. 3; Dec. 13-17; Jan. 3-7, 1972.

Week 1 was devoted to history and current problems of traffic; Week 2 topics involve traffic accident investigations and Week 3 covers information on major traffic offenses.

Hours spent in training will apply toward advanced certifications for the officers attending.

Henry C. Bilbo Buried at Sanco

Funeral services for Henry G. Bilbo, 67, of San Angelo were held Tuesday at 3 p.m. in Johnson Funeral Home Chapel in San Angelo. The Rev. J. Earl Dunn, pastor of Harris Avenue Baptist Church, officiated. Graveside rites were held at 4:30 p.m. in the Sanco Cemetery.

Mr. Bilbo died about 5 a.m. Monday in Clinic Hospital in San Angelo.

He was born Sept. 1, 1904, in Clay County. He was a Baptist and a World War II veteran. He was a retired employee of Southern Pacific Railroad and was also formerly employed by San Angelo Central High School.

Survivors include four brothers, James C. Bilbo, John L. Bilbo and L. L. Bilbo, all of San Angelo, and Robert L. Bilbo of Washington, D.C.; two sisters, Mrs. Mary T. Botkins and Mrs. Belle McKee, both of San Angelo; and several nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers were L. L. Gailey, Monroe Brock, Jim Watson, Gene Bilbo, Charles Ray Bilbo and Benny Lee Bilbo, all of San Angelo.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Smith of Gainesville, Fla., arrived home Wednesday night for a 10 day Christmas vacation with her family, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Wallace Jr. The couple flew to Dallas and her parents met them there. They will leave for their home in Florida on Christmas afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Casey of Midland were weekend guests in the homes of her mother, Mrs. Mabel Mundell, and their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Casey.

Buster Jones of Corpus Christi is here for a two weeks Christmas visit in the home of his daughter and her family, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Wayne Roe. He is employed by Sun Oil Co. and is a former resident of Silver and Robert Lee.

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Lunchroom Menu

Monday, Dec. 20

Vegetable beef soup, peaches with cottage cheese on lettuce, milk, crackers, banana pudding.

Tuesday, Dec. 21

Corn dogs, pinto beans, combination salad, corn bread, butter, milk, applesauce bars.

School will be dismissed Tuesday afternoon for the Christmas holidays.

PICTURES LOST

Efforts to secure engravings so that we may publish pictures in the Observer have resulted in the loss of several pictures during the past week. Missing are pictures of the RLHS cheerleaders and Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Gartman. Every effort is being made to find them. We are sorry they could not be printed at the appropriate time.

Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Adams and Brenda visited in Dallas over the weekend in the home of their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Bob McElvaney.

We are giving an informal reception
Friday, December 17
from one to five o'clock in the afternoon
at the Recreation Hall in Robert Lee

for our father

J. A. Bird

in observance of his

Ninetieth Birthday

We will be happy to have you come
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**ROBERTSON FAMILY HAS
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A reunion of the Robertson family took place Thanksgiving Day at the Recreation Hall in Robert Lee.

Those attending included: Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Page, Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Page and Brad, Odessa; Mr. and Mrs. James Page, Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Anderson, Austin; Mr. and Mrs. Jesse R. Robertson, Debra and Ray, Kingsville.

And, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Robertson, Herby, Rita, Janet and Tony, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Hall and April Rachele, Hobbs, N. M.; Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hester, Shelley and Linde, Portland; Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Glasgow and Travis, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Glasgow, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Cavett, Mike and Rebecca, Sweetwater; Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Robertson, Valori and Brantley, San Angelo; Mrs. Ray Aldridge and Kristi, Jal, N. M.

Attending from Robert Lee were Mrs. Bonnie Robertson, Donny Robertson and Scott, Mr. and Mrs. D. O. King, Mr. and Mrs. Waymon Robertson, Mr. and J. B. Robertson, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Hambright, Theresa and Tammy, Mr. and Mrs. Sloan Boone and Ardena, and Jim Robertson.

Friends visiting with the family were: Mrs. George Moore, M. Mahans; Mrs. Connie Brown, Fort Worth; Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Modgling, Weatherford; and Mrs. Zera Fields, Robert Lee.

JUDGE STERLING SHOW

Mrs. Fay C. Roe, County Home Demonstration Agent, and Miss Diane Durrett, Extension Assistant, were in Sterling City Saturday afternoon to serve as judges for the Sterling County 4-H Food Show. The show was held in the Community Hall and was the first food show ever held in the county. On Sunday, Mrs. Roe, Miss Durrett and Miss Gladys Waldrop were in Eldorado to assist with the Schleicher County Food Show. They were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bascom Hartgraves in Eldorado.

Linda McBroom of Austin and Tom McBottom of San Angelo spent the Thanksgiving holidays here in the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. T. McBroom. Linda is a student at the University and Tom attends Angelo State.

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**Paving Program
Discussed by Court**

Another step was taken toward getting a street and road improvement project underway in Coke County when the Commissioners Court met Monday. Present to meet with Judge W. W. Thetford and Commissioners Fern Havins, Jesse Parker, Floyd Harmon and Jack Corley were Gordon Charlton of San Angelo, representative of Columbian Securities Corp., and Harvey W. Schmidt, Amarillo who was retained to check out the cost of needed work.

Main item in the project is sealcoating streets in Robert Lee and Bronte. However, some additional paving, bridge building and sealcoating of paved roads in the rural areas are included.

Schmidt's estimate of the cost of the entire project amounts to nearly \$200,000. Commissioners say the only way the work can be financed is with a bond issue. Consequently, they requested Charlton to draw necessary petitions to call a bond election.

Charlton, who has been handling financial arrangements for the county for many years, said he should have the necessary papers drawn up in a few days and ready for circulation among citizens of the county.

Judge Thetford said that a 10 cents per \$100 tax would retire a \$200,000 bond issue in 10 years, at present county valuations. He pointed out that a simple majority can carry the election.

Interested citizens have been promoting this project for several months, pointing out that the tremendous investment in paving in both Bronte and Robert Lee is in danger if repair work is not done soon.

**4-H Members
Have Party**

Junior 4-H Club members of Bronte and Robert Lee had their Christmas party Friday night, Dec. 10, at the Robert Lee Recreation Hall. There were games to play, gifts to be opened and bits of cookies and punch served. Senior 4-H members were in charge of the party and provided fun and laughter for all who attended.

Senior members who helped in directing games, marking gifts and serving refreshments were: Sue Lindsey, Terri Kinsey, Jeania Tinkler, Lesa Lindsey, Lanell Flowers, Mary Lackey, Sheila Roberts, Walter Flowers, Troy Millican, Harvey Wink and Gary McDaniel.

They were assisted by Mrs. Fay C. Roe, Home Demonstration Agent, Sterling Lindsey, Agricultural Agent, and Diane Durrett, Extension Assistant. Adult Leaders assisting with the party were Mrs. Bobby Roberts of Robert Lee and Mrs. Clifford Barrett of Bronte.

**1972 FARM DECALS
TO BE ISSUED DEC. 30**

A representative from the State Comptroller office will be at the courthouse in Robert Lee on Thursday, Dec. 30, to issue and renew farm user permits for butane tax. Those who have received renewal notices are asked to bring them when they come in. The representative will begin the meeting at 9 a.m. and be present most of the day.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Marriage licenses issued during the month of November were: Henry Charles Raney and Vera Lucille Thomas; George Raminz Cortez and Maude Pitcox White; Lonnie Ray Heathcott and Marie Merck Thienfeldt; and Terry Jay Richardis and Tonda Marie Moore.

Mrs. Marjorie Gladys Miller and son, Steve, of Odessa spent the weekend here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Rives.

Mrs. Bob Lomas of Odessa spent the weekend here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Vaughan, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Killam and children spent last weekend in San Angelo visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Prime.

RETIRING from POLITICS

My term as County Commissioner expires December 31, 1972.

I do not plan to run in the 1972 primaries. I am most grateful for the support you have given me in the past. It has been a pleasure and very rewarding for me to serve you as your commissioner.

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H D Agent's News Dept.

By MRS. FAY C. ROE

Turkey Stuffings

The holiday season kindles memories of fathers and sons watching football games, and mom in the kitchen preparing the traditional family feast of turkey and stuffing.

Most families consider stuffings for the bird as important as the turkey itself. Family favorites include many different stuffings, such as bread, cornmeal, oyster, cranberry, nut, Hawaiian and sausage stuffing. Some even combine stuffings with scoops of one type in front of the turkey, and scoops of another behind it.

Whether or not you put stuffing in the bird or cook it separately is again an individual choice. The birds cook faster if it is unstuffed, but many people enjoy the flavor of stuffed turkeys.

If you do stuff the bird, estimate about one half cup of stuffing per pound of bird. The bird should be stuffed just before roasting. Fill the body cavity lightly so stuffing will have room to expand. Extra stuffing can be baked in a separate pan for about an hour.

Remember, bacteria grow when food is neither very hot nor very cold, so put the turkey in the oven immediately after stuffing.

Cook the stuffed bird until the stuffing temperature reaches at least 165 degrees. The internal temperature of the thigh should be between 180 and 185 degrees F., whether or not the cavity is stuffed.

It is very important that leftover stuffing be removed from the turkey first before being refrigerated or frozen. Cooked poultry

may be safely frozen in a home freezer at zero degree F. for up to six months. Use cooked poultry and stuffing in the refrigerator within one to two days; flavor deteriorates in poultry if held under poor storage conditions for too long a time.

New Look in Wigs

Holiday festivities spark the imagination to try something new, and what better way to don a new look than with a wig?

The wig industry has provided several new products to inspire women to do away with the "one seasonal hairstyle." One new type is a completely restyable synthetic wig that allows use of heated rollers and hair dryers. The new modacrylic fiber is heat resistant up to 340 degrees F. Temporary rinses may also be applied to the hair fiber.

A vinyl based hair fiber is another development produced by withstand indirect heat. Heated curlers and hair dryers can be used without causing frizzing with this type wig, also. But labels should be read carefully. Only wigs with instructions that specifically permit use of heat can be exposed to heat without damage.

The wig industry is also altering construction techniques of wigs. Instead of the solid mesh cap, a stretch framework has been developed, in which soft bands hold together free floating strips of the fiber. Every strand of hair can thus be brushed in any direction and parts placed anywhere. And the wearer's own hair can be pulled through to blend with the synthetic fiber.

These new developments, then allow the wearer to completely restyle her wig and to combine natural and synthetic hair fibers for creative holiday styles.

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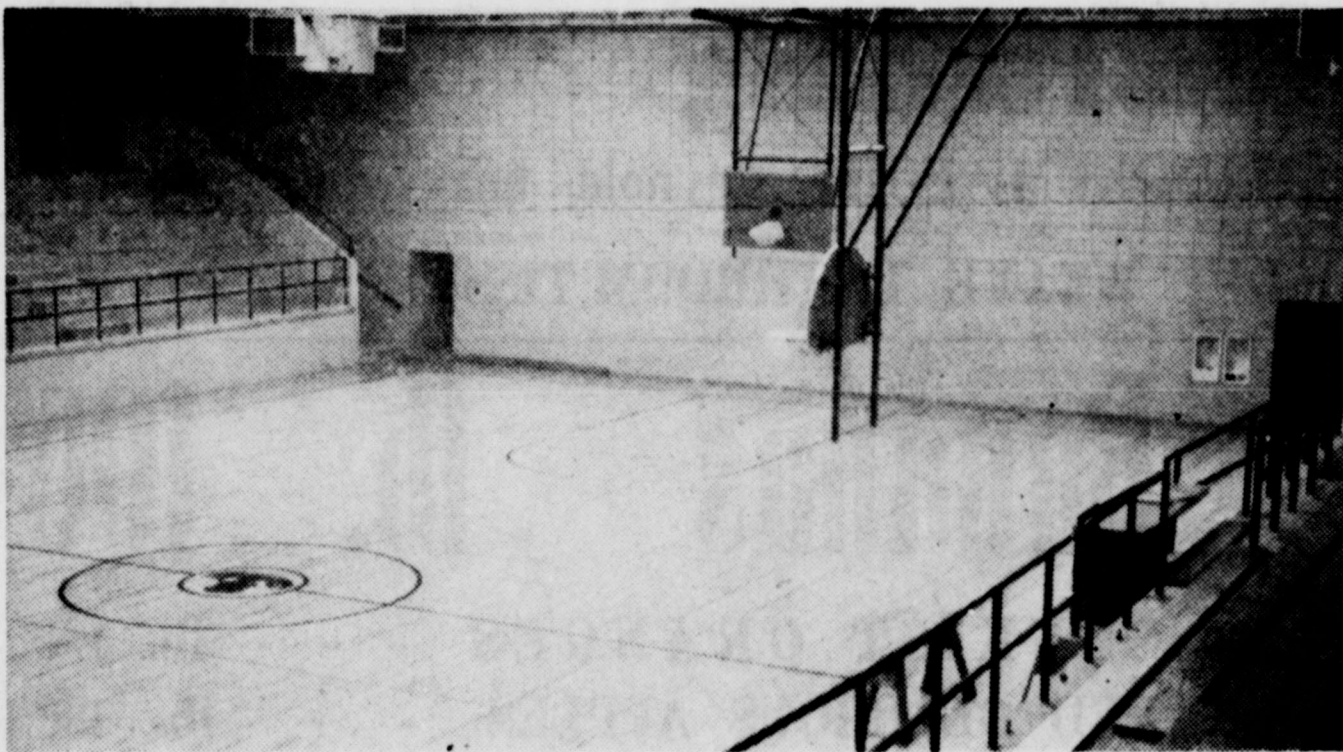
Basketball Tournament Dec. 16, 17, 18

We invite everybody in the Robert Lee area to attend the basketball games this weekend. There will be 8 boys and 8 girls teams in the competition, and you can see lots of basketball — at its best. Attend every game you can.



Welcome Visitors

It's a pleasure to have all you out-of-town folks visit our town and school. We hope you enjoy your stay in Robert Lee, and we invite you to call on us if we can serve you in any way.



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center and how the BCD and community could establish one. It was agreed that the need is here but that more study is needed and more discussion will be held at the next meeting. Sheriff Melvin Childress and County Attorney Roy Ford said the teenage center had worked well in other small towns, giving young people a place for entertainment.

A committee was appointed to work on a slate of officers for next year. Cumbie Ivey Jr. is chairman and members are Fern Havins, Elsie Adams, Wilson Bryan and Willis Wayne Smith.

Fifteen members were present for the meeting and Charles Releverett, Internal Revenue Service from Washington, D. C., was a guest of Roy Ford.

Teams Wins Some But Lose Some

Robert Lee teams took a trouncing at Roscoe last Friday night when three games were played. The boys B team lost 52-34, with Wibby Millican making 10 points for high on the local team. The girls team lost 53-31 and Kathy Prince was high for Robert Lee.

The boys A team was defeated 90-57. Johnny Wolfe made 16 and Bill Rowaldt had 15 for the Steers.

Local teams had better luck Tuesday night at Bronte, winning three out of four games. The girls B team won 44-34. Elizabeth Bickley and Ginger Salmon tied for scoring honors with 17 each.

The boys B team won by a close 46-45 margin. High scorer for the locals was Wibby Millican with 12.

The varsity girls team was beaten by Bronte by a close 34-37. Kathy Prince was high for Robert Lee with 17 points.

A close victory was gained by the boys A team as they edged Bronte 48-46. Bobby Mumford was high pointer for the Steers with 16 points.

Schedule for the Week

Robert Lee A and B teams will be entered in their own tournament this weekend with both the girls and boys B teams playing Forsan at 2:15 and 3:30 p.m. today, Thursday. The A teams will play Couthonia at 7:45 and 9 p.m. today. Play will continue through Saturday.

Winters teams come here next Tuesday for three games beginning at 5 p.m. There will be two girls games and one boys game.

Hospital News

Dec. 7: No one admitted nor dismissed.

Dec. 8: Jim Robertson, Mrs. Tom Wington, H. W. Keener admitted.

Dec. 9: Ouida Scott, Velma Thomason admitted. Mrs. David Key, Mrs. Lou Ella Bessent, C. A. Bowen dismissed.

Dec. 10: Mrs. Antonio Carrasco, Sam McGallion, Mrs. James Counts admitted. Mrs. Tom Wington dismissed.

Dec. 11: Sloan Boone, Mrs. Lena Russell admitted. Ouida Scott, Mrs. Don Thorpe dismissed.

Dec. 12: H. W. Keener, Mrs. Lena Russell dismissed.

Dec. 13: Mrs. Sam Williams, Mrs. Gilbert Basquez, E. C. Davis admitted.

As of Tuesday morning there were 11 patients in the hospital and 27 in the nursing home.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Derrick spent several days during the Thanksgiving holidays visiting relatives at El Paso.

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