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Coke Area Frozen In Solid



Elizabeth Bickley



Curtis Lyn Sockwell

Elizabeth Bickley, Curtis Lyn Sockwell Named Class Favorites by Sophomores

Elizabeth Bickley and Curtis Lyn Sockwell have been selected by the sophomore class as Class Favorites for 1972-73. Their parents are Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Bickley and Mr. and Mrs. Curtis L. Sockwell.

Junior High Boys Third at Bronte

The junior high teams entered a tournament at Bronte last weekend and the boys came home with third place honors.

In their first game the Robert Lee boys downed Bronte B team 40-10. Scoring were Anthony Percifull with 12; Bobby Duncan 10; Shell Williams 6; Gary Womack 4; Tim Rowoldt 2; Randy Prince 2; Mickey Baker 2; Billy Matlock 2.

The boys lost their second game with Miles 28-20. Scoring were Rowoldt 7; Williams 6; Duncan 3; Percifull 2; Randy Bessent 2.

In their last game, played Saturday night for third place, Robert Lee downed Sterling City 37-31. Rowoldt was high with 14; Duncan followed with 13; Percifull 8; Williams 2.

The girls won their first game with Bronte B 38-18. Scores were well distributed with Kathy Deen making 9; Marilyn Wright 8; Stella Bickley 8; Vicki Gartman 7; Virgilla Streng 4; Betty Bazor 2.

The girls lost their second game to Jim Ned 25-24 in a hard fought contest that went into two overtime periods. Gartman was high with 11; Deen had 7; Bickley 6.

The girls lost their third game to Roscoe 33-16. Gartman made 10 and Bickley hit 6.

MONROE GAINES DIES IN SOCORRO, N. M.

Relatives here have received word of the death of Monroe Gaines of Socorro, N. M. He died early Sunday at his home in Socorro.

Funeral services were held Tuesday. Due to bad weather conditions relatives from this area were unable to attend. Mr. Gaines was a cousin of the late Bob Gaines.

County Has 2 New Commissioners

Coke County got some new officials on Jan. 2 when two new commissioners were sworn in. Bob Fields became commissioner of Precinct 1, replacing Fern Havins, and Jett Hood became commissioner of Precinct 3, replacing Floyd Harmon.

Other county officials who took the oath of office for another term were Sheriff Melvin Childress, Tax Assessor-Collector O. B. Jacobs, County Attorney Roy Ford and Constable Ollie Roe of Precinct 1.

Havins and Harmon did not seek reelection to their commissioner positions.

Teams Take Wins From Junction

The high school A teams hosted Junction last Friday night and took two wins from the visitors.

The girls won their game 50-40. Rhonda Askins sank 20 points to lead the scoring. Close behind her were Audrey Walker with 16 and Anna Rowoldt with 14.

The Steers whipped Junction by a lopsided score of 62-43. Betty Rowoldt was high pointer with 23; Bobby Mumford had 16; Johnny Wolfe 9; Harvey Wink 5; David Beaty 3; Jerry Wotejk 2; Terry Wotejk 2; Rudy Abalos 2.

The high school A teams were scheduled to play Mason Tuesday night but the games were called off because of bad weather. District games are scheduled Friday night at Wall.

One of the worst winter storms in several years has frozen everything in this area since last weekend. An Arctic air mass has brought Coke County temperatures in the low teens, rain which froze when it hit the ground, snow and sleet.

Driving conditions in this area had not been extremely hazardous until Wednesday when snow fell

Weather Cancels B Tournament

The B team tournament which was scheduled to begin Thursday in the RLHS gym has been postponed because of hazardous driving conditions.

Supt. Jimmy Bickley said Wednesday morning that he would try to get the tournament re-scheduled next weekend if at all possible. Bickley said he would call schools which had teams entered, notifying them of the change.

Commissioners Okay Salary Raise

Coke County Commissioners Court voted Monday to approve a resolution to raise salaries of county officials by 10 per cent.

At a December session the court voted to raise salaries of county employees by 10 per cent. County employees who received the raise, total 31 and 14 officials were recipients of the raise voted Monday.

County Auditor Weldon Fike said Tuesday that the raises will cost the county approximately \$19,000 per year.

most of the day. However, to the north of here, particularly in the Sweetwater and Colorado City areas, driving has been next to impossible. Those cities have had hundreds of stranded motorists trying to find shelter from the frigid weather. Hundreds of trucks have been unable to move and are lined up along Interstate 20.

Actually, the cold weather started more than a week ago with very little letup. Snow was on the ground last Wednesday morning, but temperatures rose high enough Wednesday afternoon to melt it. More sub-freezing weather came the last of the week and everything was iced down Sunday morning. A little more warmth melted ice off highways and streets Sunday afternoon, but Sunday night was another cold one, and temperatures have not risen above freezing since.

The weather forecast called for continued cold with snow, rain and freezing rain on Thursday.

Late Wednesday, just before the Observer went to press the snow changed into sleet.

Coke Oil Activity Shows Some Life

Coke County oil exploration activity seemed to be on the upturn with the beginning of the new year. Four wildcats have been announced by Dorchester Exploration, Inc. of Midland. Five other outposts and field projects also have been contracted.

The Dorchester company will drill the four wildcats 16 miles west of Robert Lee and three miles southwest of the Milliken West Field. The Pennsylvania wildcats are scheduled to drill to 7,300 feet.

No. 1 Blanche Copeland is 660 feet from the south and east lines of 225-2-H&TC.

No. 1-A Blanche Copeland is 660 feet from the north and east lines of 246-2-H&TC.

No. 1 Addie Augustine is 660 feet from the north and west lines of 245-2-H&TC.

No. 1 Leo Ratde is 660 feet from the south and west lines of 226-2-H&TC.

Dorchester Exploration will drill two outposts and three projects to test the Harris sand pay in the I.A.B. multipay field eight miles northwest of Robert Lee. They are to test to 6,300 feet.

No. 1 Foster is 660 feet from the south and east lines of 477-1A-H&TC.

No. 1 Helen Wilcockson is 660 feet from the south and west lines of 476-1A-H&TC.

The No. 2 Helen Wilcockson is 1,980 feet from the north and 660 feet from the east lines of 480-1A-H&TC.

No. 3 Wilcockson is 1,980 feet from the south and east lines of the same section.

No. 4 Wilcockson is 1,980 feet from the north and west lines of the same section.

Another wildcat has been located in the southeast part of Coke County. It is Thomas D. Humphrey Oil Properties, Ltd. of Dallas No. 2 J. P. Arrott. Location is 660 feet from the north and west lines of 19-EL&RR, four miles southwest of Tennyson.

Coke County Stock Show Is Cold But Successful

A lot of brave and tough souls braved the sub-freezing weather Monday to take part in the 1973 Coke County Livestock Show. The show was held in the open arena adjacent to the stock show barn in Robert Lee County Park.

Judging the more than 200 animals entered was Stanley Blackwell, vocational agriculture teacher of Winters. Edward Cumbie of Bronte served as auctioneer at the sale that followed the judging.

Vicki Gartman, 13, was tops in the breeding swine show with a Duroc gilt bred by Vicki and Kerry Gartman. A 4-H member, Miss Gartman is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Gartman. She also won the reserve championship in the breeding swine show.

Troy Millican exhibited the grand champion market pig. He showed a Duroc-Hamp cross that weighed 196 pounds. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Troy Millican. The barrow was bred by Millican.

Audrey Walker, a 4-H girl, won the reserve championship in the market swine show. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. J.

Walker Jr. and exhibited a 220-pound Duroc bred by Audrey and Cindy Walker.

Miss Walker also won champion and reserve champion honors in the Hampshire class.

Wibby Millican, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Millican, won reserve champion honors in the Duroc show.

Showing the reserve champion crossbred market pig was 15 year old Eddie McDaniel, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. R. McDaniel. He exhibited a Hamp-Chester barrow bred by himself.

Denise McClure won champion, finewool lamb honors with a 127 pound Rambouillet bred by her father. She is the 14 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. McClure.

Reserve champion honors in the finewool competition went to Billy Ensor, 12 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Lee Ensor. He showed a 120 pound lamb bred by Herschel Jackson of Wingate.

Marvin Ensor, 15, was top winner in the crossbred finewool competition with a 114 pound Hamp-Rambouillet bred by his father,

J. L. Ensor.

John McClure took the reserve champion finewool crossbred honors with a lamb bred by Ray Spiegler of San Angelo. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. McClure.

Manuel Abalos captured the top place in the medium wool market lamb show. The 17 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Abalos showed a lamb bred by Paul Burns.

Mike Percifull, 15, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Percifull, took reserve champion honors in the medium wool lamb competition.

Lynn Gulley topped the market steer show with a 1,100 pound Hereford steer bred by his father. Ten year old Gulley also showed the top heifer in the breeding cattle division.

Lisa Devoll won reserve championship honors in the market steer class. She is 11 years old and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lendy Devoll. She exhibited a 1,000 pound steer bred by Cumbie Ivey Sr.

Troy Millican won reserve

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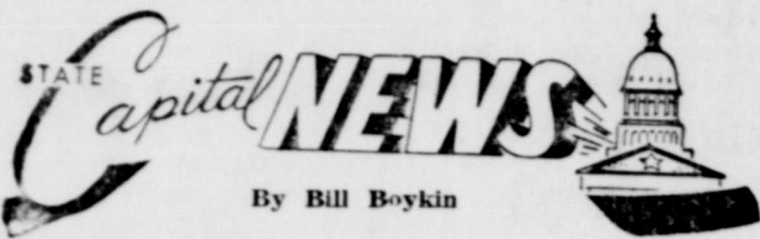
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Austin — The State Board of Insurance had good news for homeowners as the new year turned.

Insurance rate cuts which will total an estimated \$25 million a year in savings for coverage on dwellings were ordered effective Jan. 1.

Gov. Preston Smith commended the Board and claimed that debate on insurance rating issues during the special legislative session he called last fall figured in the reductions.

Board members first announced these reductions for extended coverage and homeowners' package policies:

North-northwest territory — 30 per cent for extended coverage and 20 per cent homeowners' policies.

Central inland area — eight per cent and seven per cent.

Seacoast "first tier" counties on the Gulf — four per cent reduction for extended coverage but

a four per cent hike for homeowners' policies.

Seacoast "second tier" counties — 18 per cent and 10 per cent less.

Announcement of the first reductions were followed three days later by fire rate cuts for dwellings.

The statewide fire rate slashes amount to 12 per cent for brick veneer, asbestos and stucco houses and nine per cent for frame dwellings. A three per cent increase was directed for all brick dwellings, but the Board noted this category accounts for only two per cent of Texas housing.

BUDGET REFORM URGED — Legislators returning to work in regular session Tuesday found five budget reform proposals designed to save at least \$50 million a year.

Texas Manufacturers Association unveiled the recommenda-

tions and announced a statewide campaign to win support for them.

These proposals are expected to be introduced by prominent legislators, TMA said.

* Authority for the governor, as chief state executive officer, to review state spending on a quarterly basis.

* Authority for the legislative budget board to conduct biennial performance audits of agency and program operational efficiency.

* Limiting compromise powers of free conference committees on appropriations to adjusting reasonable differences between House and Senate spending recommendations, rather than permitting addition of new items or deletion of others previously agreed on by both houses.

* Establishing a "pricetagging" system, under which the legislative budget board must project cost estimates for a five year period on all spending legislation before committee hearings.

* Creating a two year study by a 15 member gubernatorial commission of the practice of earmarking 80 per cent of total state revenues, free of direct legislative control.

PENAL CODE REWRITE TRIED AGAIN — Lawmakers also found the 1973 version of Texas penal code revision as proposed by the State Bar on their desks at the capitol.

The new code, first proposed overall revision since 1857, was rejected by the legislature in 1971, but sponsors feel it may pass this year. Changes have been made in controversial sections, and provisions on drug laws and abortion left out.

The new code would retain the death penalty for eight classifications of murder.

Sixteen hundred sections of the old penal code have been boiled down to 246. It contains four felony punishment classifications and three classes of misdemeanors, with penalties specified for each.

AG OPINIONS — The attorney general's office recently concluded:

* County commissioners must be petitioned by one per cent of county voters before they can call a countywide road bond election.

* An advertising scheme whereby merchants award prizes by drawings and punchcards is a lottery in violation of the law.

* A requirement of persons applying for a marriage license appearing together or separately before the county clerk may be waived, and ceremonial marriages may be performed by proxy where there is a valid marriage license issued.

Short Snorts

The new Homer Garrison Jr. Law Enforcement Academy of the Texas Department of Public Safety, named for the late DPS director from 1938-1968, was officially dedicated here Jan. 4 and hailed among the best equipped in the United States.

Gross agricultural income for Texas during 1972 may exceed \$4 billion, according to Agriculture Commissioner John C. White.

Revenue from cigarette taxes dropped \$2.5 million — to \$17.4 million — from December 1971 to last month.

Governor Smith said state government will have a \$300 million "nestegg" of unexpended fund balances when he leaves office.

Texas Education Agency received a national leadership award for developing performance-based teacher education programs.

Rep. Frances (Sissy) Farenthold, unsuccessful candidate for governor last year, announced she will maintain a permanent Austin office and monitor the legislature.

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Hog Numbers Decline ... Wheat Seeding Increases ... Citrus Blackfly Survey Continues ... March 1 Is Deadline ...

Fewer hogs and pigs are reported in Texas compared to a year ago, the Texas Crop and Livestock Reporting Service notes.

In Texas, the number of hogs and pigs total 1,264,000. This is a decrease of 10 per cent from a year earlier.

Reports based on farmers' intentions indicate that during the period now through May, 124,000 sows will farrow in Texas, four per cent above a year earlier. The average value of all hogs in Texas is \$35 per head, giving a total inventory of \$44,240,000.

Nationwide, hogs and pigs total 61,500,000, two per cent less than a year ago. Hogs and pigs kept for breeding are estimated at 9,000,000, an increase of six per cent.

WINTER wheat seeding for har-

vest is estimated at 4,400,000 acres which is a nine per cent increase over a year ago and is a fourth larger than 1971.

A crop of 70,400,000 bushels is now expected in Texas. This compared with 44,000,000 bushels produced in 1972.

Wheat seeding for all practical purposes is completed with bad weather causing some delays.

Nationwide, the 1973 prospective winter wheat crop is a record 1,278,000,000 bushels. This would be eight per cent more than the 1972 crop and 12 per cent more than in 1971.

Generally, condition of the crop is mostly good to excellent. Estimated yield is 29.9 bushels per acre, just slightly below the 1971 record yield per acre.

Indications are now that 88 per cent of the seeded acreage will be harvested for grain. If realized, this would be the highest percentage since 1966 when 90.3 per cent was harvested.

SURVEYS of the citrus blackfly continue in the Rio Grande Valley. A new infestation has been found in the San Benito and Harlingen areas. The blackfly can cause great economic damage in commercial citrus. Even infestations of short duration may reduce crop yields as much as 50 per cent.

Personnel of the Texas Department of Agriculture are cooperating with the U. S. Department of Agriculture specialists in combating the fly. The survey will provide a specific picture of the extent of the problem.

Federal-state crews will survey the Valley once each month for six months, examining more than 100,000 points. Entomologists said the survey is sensitive enough to detect infestations as low as one infested tree in 33,000.

After the survey is complete, federal and state officials will decide on appropriate courses of action.

MARCH 1 is deadline for submitting your ideas on proposed changes in the Packers and Stockyards Act as it relates to bonding regulations.

Proposed changes would include recovery under bonds, bond equivalents, termination of bond, and separate coverage for selling and buying activities.

Anyone wishing to submit comments should write the Hearing Clerk, U. S. Department of Agri-

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culture, Washington, D. C. 20250. Copies of the amendments may be obtained by writing Informa-

tion Officer, Packers and Stockyards Administration, U.S.D.A., Washington, D. C. 20250.

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Robert Lee BCD Items of Interest

A number of needs of Coke County were discussed at Tuesday's meeting of the BCD. New President Roy Ford presided at the first meeting of 1973.

A membership drive was discussed and it was decided to have 100 new cards printed. It was also decided to draft an mimeograph a letter to mail to prospective members. A committee was appointed to work on the drive.

Also discussed was the need for attracting industry to the area and the need for straightening and widening Highway 208. More and more traffic travels this route each year and there is definite need for improvement of the highway.

Another item brought up for discussion was the need for a new barn in which to hold the Coke County Livestock Show.

WINS BICYCLE

Joey Millican, 8 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Bunyon Millican of Silver, was winner of a three-speed bicycle given away recently by KTXS television station. Joey wrote a letter to Santa Claus in care of the station and each letter received was put into a cage for a drawing. Joey's name was drawn as winner of the bike.

PERSONALS

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Bunyon Millican at Silver during the Christmas holidays were her brother, Jerry Johnson of Waldon, Ark.; her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Metcalf, Jerry Bob, Phillip and Lora, also of Waldon; another sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. John Dooley, A. B., Jodie and Shanna of Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. Dub Metcalf and children of Robert Lee; Jimmy Millican and Sharon Burik of Odessa; Mr. and Mrs. Francis Millican and family of Silver; and Mr. and Mrs. Royce Gene Hood and children of Robert Lee.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Walker and baby daughter, Christy, of Winnie, spent a two weeks' vacation here during Christmas and New Year's holidays with his sister, Mrs. Mary Streng, and his brother and family Mr. and Mrs. Geuman Walker, and other relatives, and with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Dorotik, of Vancouver.

Thomas L. King and family of Fort Worth were guests during the New Year's holidays of his mother, Mrs. Bertha King.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bloodworth, Robert and Gina of Stillwater, Okla., and Mary Bloodworth of Lawrence, Kans., were weekend visitors of their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Bloodworth of Silver, and other relatives.

Hospital News

Jan. 2: Elmer Adkins, Mildred Rose admitted. Lena Russell dismissed.

Jan. 3: W. J. Capps, Lois Mae Smith dismissed.

Jan. 4: No admissions, no dismissals.

Jan. 5: Gary Sam Williams admitted. Elmer Adkins, Mrs. Elmo Bell dismissed.

Jan. 6: D. P. Key admitted. Mildred Roe dismissed.

Jan. 7: Marie Hester admitted.

Jan. 8: No admissions, no dismissals.

Tuesday morning there were four patients in the hospital and 28 in the nursing home.

Everyone agreed that an enclosed arena is needed badly and that metal construction would be cheapest and strongest. It was brought out that such a building could be used for many other activities, making the cost more feasible.

A committee was appointed to study the possibility of getting a new barn and to work toward getting the highway widened. Named to serve on the committee were Cumbie Ivey Jr., chairman, Ferry Havins, Gerald C. Allen and Bill Allen.

A letter has been received from the San Angelo BCD inviting local members to their annual banquet on Jan. 19.

The need for a doctor at West Coke County Hospital was discussed and it was announced that Dr. Fisher of Fort Worth is interested in the opening here and plans to come here to look over the prospects. He is 39 years old and has three children. President Ford reported that he had been in contact with a doctor friend in Oklahoma City who is also interested in Robert Lee. Ford said he is 51 years old and an excellent surgeon.

Members voted for the BCD to go on record to assist the hospital, district board and community in any way possible. The BCD voted to pay expenses of a doctor who would like to visit Robert Lee.

Richard Dodson was a guest of Melvin Childress and 15 members were present.

Robt. Lee School Honor Roll Given

The following honor roll has been released for Robert Lee Elementary School for the third six weeks period of instruction:

Third grade: Kim Coston, Eddie Caulder, Buck Duncan, Steve Eldred, Dee Anna Key, Clifton Millican, Kenda Rasco, Sixto Saucedo, Darren Williams.

Fourth grade: Albert Abalos, Mary Ann Abalos, Toni Bryant, Randy Cook, Dewane Famborough, Mitchell Gibbs, Joel Percifull, Kellye Percifull, Dianna Tinkler, Edwin Wilson, Trey Womack.

Fifth grade: Debbie Askins, Clay Bloodworth, Brett Clark, Roy Clawson, Victor Conner, Elsa De La Pena, Lisa Devoll, Renea Flanagan, Kerry Gartman, Lynn Gulley, Jana Hood, Monroe Killam, Gayla Prince, Karen Preston, Carolyn Simpson, Wade Wallace, Stephen Welsh.

Sixth grade: Lisa Bossent, Lynnette Boykin, Waid Davis, Karen Kay Flowers, David Lackey, Paula Page, Karen Rasco, Cathy Roe, Terry Ross, Susan Rowoldt, Wesley Sawyer, Wynell Skinner, Cynthia Walker, Buddy Wallace, Audrey Williams, Brian Wright.

The following honor roll has been released for the third six weeks and includes the RLHS students listed:

Seventh grade: Betty Flowers.

Eighth grade: Marilyn Wright.

Ninth grade: James Beaty, Jim Craig, LeNell Flowers, Mary Lackey, Sheila Roberts.

Tenth grade: Elizabeth Bickley, Jan Green, Linda Havins, Elaine Millican, Ginger Salmon, Konny Service.

Eleventh grade: Phyllis Wojtek.

Twelfth grade: Steve Meadows.

Visiting over the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Kilham and family were Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Prine, Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Lively and Mrs. Lola Rutledge, all of San Angelo, and William Heart of Kerrville.

championship honors in the breeding cattle division, exhibiting a heifer bred by the Happy Hereford Ranch at Tulia.

Exhibiting the champion bull of the show was Edwin Wilson, 11 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Wilson. Wilson exhibited a bull calf that was one-half Simmental and one-half Hereford.

Showmanship award winners were Troy Millican, beef cattle; Marvin Ensor, lamb; and Bubba Duncan, swine.

First three places in each class was as follows:

Breeding Swine

Younger: 1. Vicki Gartman; 2. Vicki Gartman; 3. Kerry Gartman. Older: 1. Vicki Gartman; 2. Cindy Walker; 3. Kerry Gartman.

Market Swine

Lt. Wt. Duroc: 1. Ricky Ross; 2. Lesa Lindsey; 3. Kerry Gartman.

Med. Wt. Duroc: 1. Wibby Millican; 2. Vicki Gartman; 3. Troy Millican.

Hvy. Wt. Duroc: 1. Audrey Walker; 2. Wibby Millican; 3. Kerry Gartman.

Pen of 3: 1. Cindy Walker; 2. Wibby Millican; 3. Bubba Duncan. Hampshire: 1. Audrey Walker; 2. Audrey Walker; 3. Bubba Duncan.

Pen of 3: 1. Kerry Gartman; 2. Audrey Walker.

Lt. Wt. Cross: 1. Eddie McDaniel; 2. Lesa Lindsey; 3. Bubba Duncan.

Med. Wt. Cross: 1. Troy Millican; 2. Troy Millican; 3. Sue Lindsey.

Hvy. Wt. Cross: 1. Eddie McDaniel; 2. Jesse Eads; 3. Bubba Duncan.

Pen of 3: 1. Troy Millican; 2. Lesa Lindsey; 3. Eddie McDaniel.

Market Lambs

Lt. Wt. Finewool: 1. Gary McDaniel; 2. Kyle Lee; 3. William Simpson.

Hvy. Wt. Finewool: 1. Denise McClure; 2. Billy Ensor; 3. Gary McDaniel.

Pen of 3: 1. Gary McDaniel; 2. Marvin Simpson; 3. William Simpson.

Lt. Wt. Crossbred: 1. Carolyn Simpson; 2. William Simpson; 3. Clark Tinkler.

Hvy. Wt. Crossbred: 1. Marvin Ensor; 2. John McClure; 3. Kyle Lee.

Pen of 3: 1. Marvin Simpson; 2. Carolyn Simpson; 3. Clark Tinkler.

Medium Wool: 1. Manuel Abalos; 2. Mike Percifull; 3. Anthony Percifull.

Market Steers

Lt. Wt.: 1. Lisa Devoll; 2. Carol Cervenka; 3. Mary Cervenka.

Hvy. Wt.: 1. Lynn Gulley; 2. Shelene Tidwell; 3. Jimmy Tidwell.

Heifers

1. Lynn Gulley; 2. Troy Millican; 3. Lynn Gulley; 4. Walter Flowers.

Bull

1. Edwin Wilson.

CLINT WINDHAM DIES

Friends received word here Monday that J. C. (Clint) Windham of Tyler died Sunday at his home of an apparent heart attack.

The family formerly lived at Silver about 15 years and he was employed by Hill and Hill Oil Co. of Dallas. The company transferred him to Henderson in 1967 and he retired in March 1972.

He is survived by his wife; one son, J. D. Windham of Indianapolis, Ind.; one daughter, Mrs. Doris Adams of Dallas; and several grandchildren.

Tom McBroom of Denton and Marilyn McBroom of Angelo State University have been home visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. T. McBroom during the recent holidays.

Sturman Service In New Mexico

Mrs. Floyd (Ruby) Sturman, 79, a former longtime resident of Robert Lee, died suddenly of a heart attack at her home in Elida, N. M., about 11:30 a.m. Sunday.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday in the First United Methodist Church and burial was in the Elida Cemetery.

Mrs. Sturman was born April 21, 1893, in Wilson County and came to Coke County with her parents in 1900. She was a daughter of the late Coke County Judge and Mrs. W. H. Bell. She attended and graduated from Robert Lee High School and taught several years in rural schools in Coke County. She was married to Floyd Sturman in November 1917, in San Angelo. She was a Methodist.

Survivors are her husband of Elida; three sons, Jack Sturman of Tulia, Bill of California and Frank of Boise, Idaho; two daughters, Mrs. Floydene Wooten of Albuquerque, N. M., and Miss Janie Sturmon of Salinas, Calif.; eight sisters, Mrs. Paul (Opal) Brown and Mrs. Marcus (Robbie) Turner, both of San Angelo, Mrs. Lee (Jeffie) Williams of Big Spring, Mrs. A. F. (Lois) Landers of El Centro, Calif. and Mrs. R. M. (Jodie) Lowry, Mrs. Rial (Ruth) Denman, Mrs. A. J. (Alta) Bello and Mrs. F. C. (Willie) Clark, all of Robert Lee; several nieces and nephews and several grandchildren.

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Blair of Star Route, Sweetwater, are parents of a daughter born Dec. 31 at 5:48 p.m. in Simmons Memorial Hospital in Sweetwater. She weighed 8 pounds, 14 1/2 ounces and has been named D'Linn. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Blair of Sweetwater and Mr. and Mrs. David Linn of Nolan. Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Jim McCutchen of Robert Lee and Mr. and Mrs. Buel Moore and Mrs. Britt Linn of Nolan.

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Javan Vosburg Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Terry Hawkins and Larry Brokaw of Abilene.

HONORED ON ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Glasgow were honored with a 25th anniversary celebration Dec. 23 in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sloan Boone. The Boones received two long distance telephone calls from their granddaughters, Mrs. Gary Calloway of Berlin, Germany, and Mrs. Dixie Boone of Detroit, Mich.

Mrs. Ava Lou Davis and Vincent and her mother, Mrs. Mary Tubb, spent Christmas holidays visiting Mrs. Davis' son, Jerome Hanna, at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio. They also drove on to Houston and spent two days visiting Mr. and Mrs. Raymond C. Davis and daughter.

Mrs. Clarence Mitchell and Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Hambricht visited Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Page at Odessa.

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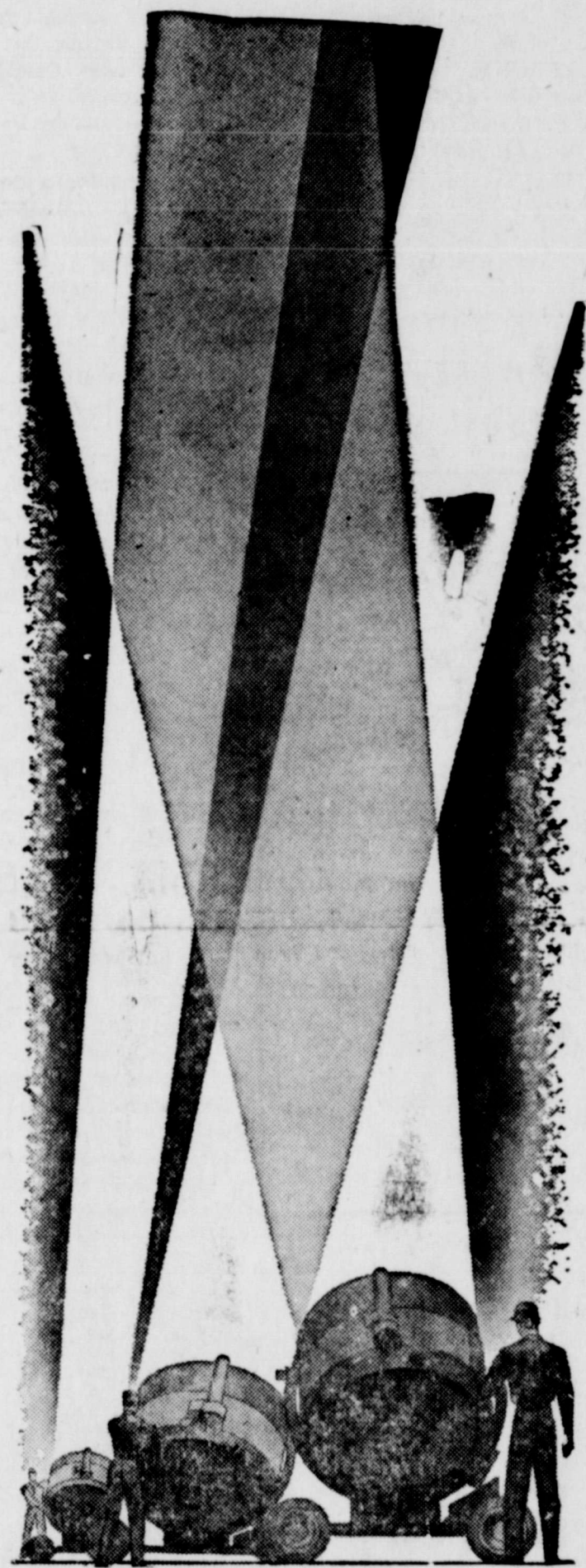
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Christmas holiday visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Adams were their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Bob McElvaney of Rankin, and other relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Adams and daughter, Mrs. Vicki Gibson of Fort Worth and Mr. and Mrs. Farrest Wilson, Karen and Nell of Cedar Hill.

Visiting here with Mrs. Jim Blair over Christmas holidays were her children and grandchildren, Mrs. Joe Keel and Martha Mr. and Mrs. David Keel, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Keel, Dan and Carmen, all of San Angelo; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Blair and Gary of Roscoe; Mr. and Mrs. Carl Blair and Karen of Bronte; and Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Blair and Amy of Charleston, S. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Whitaker of San Angelo were weekend guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Hughes and Mr. and Mrs. Whit Whitaker.

Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Sloan Boone were all their children and their families, including Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Glasgow and Travis, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Glasgow and Mr. and Mrs. Lester Cavett, Mike and Becky, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Boone of Rockspring, Wyo.; Mr. and Mrs. Marion Hicks, Kathy and Dan of Houston; Johnny Castleman of Fort Hood; Mr. and Mrs. John Doggett, Fatima, Rodney and Renee of Midland; and Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Boone and Gregory of Abilene.

Marion Hendry of Silver spent five days during the Christmas holidays visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Rendell in Los Alamos, N. M.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Brooks were moved to Big Spring last week. They entered and are now patients in the Hill Top Nursing Home.

Weekend guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Fields were their sons and daughters-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Fields of Odessa and Mr. and Mrs. James Fields of Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Palmer visited Saturday with his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Palmer in San Angelo.

Sheri Pitcock was a weekend guest in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Teddy Pitcock. She is a sophomore at Texas Tech in Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira M. Bird of Mission spent several days here during the New Year's holidays in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ulmer Bird and other relatives and friends.

Visiting here one day last week, with Mrs. Lois Smith while she was in the hospital were her mother, Mrs. J. R. Johnson, and her sister, Mrs. Leslie Mitchell, both of Melvin, and her niece, Mrs. Bill Simpson of Houston.

Relatives visiting over the weekend and Christmas holidays with Mrs. Lillie Gaines were Robert Gaines of Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Gaines and Jasper Gaines and Linda, and Mr. and Mrs. Monte (Joyce) Morrow, all of Levelland; Mrs. Jesse Eads and Mrs. Bertha King of Robert Lee.

New Year's holiday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Percifull were Mrs. Ruth Sandusky, Gerald Sandusky and John Richards, all of Bronte; Mr. and Mrs. Pete Hickman and family of Fort Stockton; Mr. and Mrs. John Hickman and children of Big Lake; Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hickman and family of Killeen; Mrs. Georgia Horner of Odessa; Mrs. Ed Hickman, Mr. and Mrs. Hadley Richards, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hugel, all of Robert Lee; Mr. and Mrs. Ray Mundell and Tammy of Midland; Danny Percifull of Austin; Mr. and Mrs. Judge Sandusky of Hondo; and Jana Mauldin of Robert Lee.

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Said bids shall be accompanied by a certified check for not less than one-half of one per cent of the County's revenues of the preceding year as a guarantee of good faith on the part of the bidder, and that if his bid should be accepted he will enter into bond as herein provided, and upon failure of said banking corporation, association or individual banker that may be selected as such depository to give the bonds required by law, the amount of such certified check shall go to the County as liquidated damages and the County Judge shall re-advertise for bids, said Court reserving the right to reject any and all bids proposed.

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W. W. Thetford
 County Judge
 Coke County, Texas

Lunchroom Menu

Monday, Jan. 15 and Tuesday, Jan. 16: School holiday.

Wednesday, Jan. 17: Pinto beans with salt pork, French fries, turnip greens, corn bread and butter, milk and peach cobbler.

Thursday, Jan. 18: Turkey salad sandwiches, vegetable soup, carrot and celery sticks, potato chips, milk and applesauce cake.

Friday, Jan. 19: Chicken fried beef patties and gravy, creamed potatoes, green beans, hot rolls and butter, milk and jelly.

MISS ROACH HONORED WITH PRE-NUPTIAL PARTIES

Miss Cristie Lea Roach, bride-elect of Michael Ray Bagwell, has been honored during the past week with a kitchen shower and a rice bag party.

The kitchen shower, given last Friday, was in the home of Mrs. Richard Lehr. Miss Cookie Hinard was co-hostess. The shower was held from 4:30 to 6 p.m. An out of town guest was Miss Becky Pecifull, formerly of Robert Lee.

A rice bag party was given Monday in the home of Mrs. Cymbie Ivey Jr., with Miss Patti Lynne Ivey serving as a co-hostess.

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