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## Santa Is Coming to Town



J. P. "Snipe" Conley

### Snipe Conley Selected for Hall of Fame

J. P. "Snipe" Conley, 81, a former Texas League pitcher, has been elected to the Texas Sports Hall of Fame and will be inducted into the elite group in the latter part of December.

Others named by a 13 man Texas Sports Writers Association committee were Lew Jenkins, who was light-heavyweight boxing champion; Abb Curtis, who was an All-American basketball player; and Southwest Conference offi-

### Baptist Christmas Program Planned

The public is cordially invited to attend a program of Christmas music by the Children's and Youth Choirs of Robert Lee Baptist Church. The program will be held at the church on Sunday night, Dec. 16, beginning at 7 o'clock.

Four choirs will present the program including the four and five year old choir under direction of Mrs. Les Copeland; first through third grade choir, directed by Mrs. Ronnie Ruff; fourth through sixth grade choir, directed by Mrs. Roy Epperson; and "The Messengers," made up of junior high and high school students, directed by Ronnie Ruff.

### COKE COUNTY COURT CASES POSTPONED

A session of Coke County Court which was scheduled for Tuesday was postponed after the county attorney reached an agreement with all the defendants on making a plea. A jury which had been summoned to appear and be ready to serve was called and told not to come.

On the docket were three DWI cases and two speeding cases.

cial; the late Frank Bridges, collegiate coach at Baylor; Dusty Boggess, umpire in the National League; and Boody Johnson, great high school runner and drop-kicker from Waco.

The six will be honored at the annual Hall of Fame luncheon in Dallas Dec. 31. This has long been a highlight of Cotton Bowl week. The luncheon is co-sponsored by the Texas Sports Writers Association, which governs the Hall of Fame, and the Salesmanship Club of Dallas.

Snipe, famous spit ball pitcher in the Texas League, won 19 consecutive games in 1919 for Dallas including a no-hit, no-run game. His 19 straight victories still stand as a record. He pitched on Dallas' winning team of 1917 and 1918 and managed Dallas to a pennant in 1926.

Conley lost a game to Wichita Falls in 1922. Dallas protested because crockets was left on the baseball and Conley, being a spit ball pitcher, was left with a blistered mouth.

He quit baseball in 1927 but returned to pitch twice for Dallas, once in 1942 when he was 50, and again in 1958 against Tulsa. He won both games.

Since leaving professional baseball, Snipe has maintained an interest in baseball and sports at all levels. For many years he was active in playing, coaching and encouraging semi-pro and amateur ball in West Texas. Since moving to Robert Lee, he has done much toward developing young baseball players, from the Little League program up. He is still an avid sports fan and enjoys watching basketball and football at Robert Lee High School as well as TV sports.

Snipe takes great pride in re-

Coming all the way from the north pole, Santa Claus will make his annual personal appearance in Robert Lee Saturday at 2 p.m., as he rides in the Christmas parade on the big red fire truck.

The Board of Community Development is sponsoring the parade and Santa's visit.

The parade will start at 2 p.m. with the Robert Lee Steer Band marching down main street playing Christmas music followed by Santa Claus who will hand out bags of candy to all the children and then visit with them.

Although Santa has been real busy and the weather at the North Pole has been bad, he sent word to the Observer that he would be in Robert Lee Saturday as planned and wants to see all his friends present.

Assisting the BCD with the Christmas party will be the City of Robert Lee, Robert Lee Fire Department, Robert Lee-Silver

### Christmas Concert, Style Show Held

A Christmas program was presented Wednesday morning in the school auditorium.

Terri Kinsey gave a poetic reading of "The Night the Angels Sang" to a group of little pajama clad listeners as they were gathered around the Christmas tree. They were Christi Wrinkle, Marshellia Hudson, Jim Bob Jacobs, Luther Lara, Patty Bloodworth and Sue Ann Millican.

The Steer Band presented several Christmas selections including "Twelve Days of Christmas," "Carol of the Drum" with Douglas Roberts serving as "drummer boy" while the band played the song, and "Do You Hear What I Hear?"

Mrs. Eloise Guerrant's home-making class presented a style show with each girl modeling the garment she had made. Sue Lindsey was narrator and Linda Havins played background music on the piano while the girls modeled.

Girls modeling were: Connie Austin, Cheri Baker, Kay Brice, Sandra Eldred, Linda Foust, Mary Hughes, Lesa Lindsey, Sheila Roberts, Melissa Streng, Johnnye Wright, Shirley Bazar, Vicky Bevan, Valerie Box, Padca Ford, Christine Lara, Janie Lara, Brenda Mathews, Barbara McCoy.

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Licens Club, Robert Lee Steer Band, Robert Lee business firms, Coke County Sheriff's Department, Robert Lee Boy Scouts and Santa Claus. Business firms have contributed money toward expenses of the party including the purchase of the candy.

Kids of all ages are asked to

make plans to attend the parade and visit with Santa.

Local merchants are inviting everyone to stop by their stores while in town and let them help with your Christmas shopping. They have a large selection of Christmas gifts on hand to choose from.

### Annual Tourney Starts Thursday

There will be lots of basketball going on this weekend in Robert Lee. The annual RLHS Invitational Tournament will begin today (Thursday) at 10 a.m. and action will continue through Friday and Saturday until the champion is decided Saturday night.

Eight boys and eight girls teams will be here for the contests and plenty of good basketball is in the offing.

First round games will be played Thursday, with Miles and Forsan girls playing at 10 a.m., fol-

lowed by Miles and Forsan boys at 11:30. Games to follow are: Roscoe and Wall—girls at 1 p.m., boys at 2:30; Sands and Bronte—girls at 4, boys at 5:30; Sterling City and Robert Lee—girls at 7 and boys at 8:30.

Consolation semi-finals will begin at 10:30 a.m. Friday and continue through a 2:30 game. Championship bracket semi-finals will start at 4 and continue through a game which starts at 8:30.

The Saturday action will start at 12 noon with a game for the girls consolation trophy. Boys consolation finals will begin at 1:30. Contests for girls and boys third and fourth place winners will be at 3 and 4:30, respectively. The big games for the championship trophies will have the girls playing at 6 and the boys at 7:30.

School officials have issued a warm welcome to all visiting players, coaches and fans, and an invitation has been issued to everyone in the area to attend as many of the games as possible.

Robert Lee business and professional people also have welcomed everyone to the tournament in an ad in this week's Observer.

### CHRISTMAS EDITION COMING OUT NEXT WEEK

It is not too late to come by the Observer office to pick out a greeting advertisement to send Christmas greetings to friends and customers.

The Observer's annual Christmas edition will be published next week and mailed Thursday morning as usual.

All youngsters need to get their Santa Claus letters to the Observer office by Monday, Dec. 17, so they can be forwarded on in plenty of time for Christmas.

### COURT HOUSE TO CLOSE TWO DAYS FOR CHRISTMAS

Judge W. W. Thetford announced that all offices in the Coke County Court House will be closed Monday and Tuesday, Dec. 24 and 25, for Christmas.

### LICENSE PATROLMAN NOT COMING DEC. 24

Richard Dodson, drivers license patrolman, will not be in Robert Lee Dec. 24, due to the Christmas holidays. He will return Jan. 14, 1974, at the regularly scheduled time.

### Coldest Weather Of Season Hits

The coldest morning so far this fall for this area was Monday morning when the mercury dropped to an icy 22 degrees. There has been a warming trend since Monday's chilly reading and skies are staying clear with no moisture mentioned in the long range forecast through the rest of this week.

However, more wintery weather may be headed this way as a new cold front forming in the western part of the state starts pushing its way eastward.

### 4-H CHRISTMAS PARTY SET FOR TUESDAY

All 4-H Club members of the county are invited to attend a Christmas party Tuesday, Dec. 18, from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Robert Lee School's old gym. Senior 4-H'ers, Mrs. Fay C. Roe and Sterling Lindsey are in charge of the party. Games, carols, refreshments, and a gift exchange are in store for all who attend. Parents are welcome.

### Citizens of Tomorrow



Pictured here are the children of Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Duncan. They are Buck Phillip, Bobby and Phyllis.



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PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Derrick of Gallup, N. M., spent last week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Derrick of Sanco. Mrs. Chris Derrick, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Frizzell of Sweetwater, had surgery last Saturday morning at Simmons Memorial Hospital in Sweetwater. Other recent visitors of the E. S. Derricks were Mrs. Aileen Derrick and Mrs. Nina Hillen of El Paso, C. D. Ragan of Shawnee, Okla., and Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Roe III of Waco.

Recent visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Otho Long were Mrs. Woodie Long and Roy of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Long of Fort Worth, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Long and family of Globe, Ariz., Mr. and Mrs. Clell Doggett of Blackwell and Richard Long of San Angelo. The Otho Longs spent Thanksgiving in Lubbock with Mrs. Woodie Long.

FORMER RESIDENTS HERE

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Harris and Nada of Jeffersonville, Ind., and former Sanco residents, have been visiting his sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Duckett in San Angelo. Nada had come to Texas by plane a week earlier and her parents drove down to pick her up and to visit.

Mr. Harris and Nada were in Robert Lee and Sanco Friday and came by the Observer office and subscribed to the paper. They also visited around with friends.

Mrs. Harris is the former Ozelia Adkins, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Tom Adkins of Sanco. She is a cousin of O. D. Adkins of Robert Lee.

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Thoughts

From The Living Bible

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Mark 1:2-4  
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**ALPHA KAPPA PI MEETS WITH MRS. MASHBURN**

Fourteen members were present when Alpha Kappa Pi met Dec. 5 in the home of Mrs. Wayne Mashburn. Mrs. Truman Hines was co-hostess.

The program was presented by Mrs. Jack Mathews. Final preparation were made for the sorority's Christmas party which was held Dec. 8 at the Recreation Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Douthit of San Antonio were here from Monday until Wednesday of last week to visit Mr. and Mrs. Chism Brown and Mr. and Mrs. Dale Brown and Patricia. Weekend visitors of the Dale Browns were Mr. and Mrs. James Smith of Waco.

Observer want ads are very effective and cost very little.

**Lunchroom Menu**

Monday, Dec. 17: Italian spaghetti, English peas, combination salad, hot rolls and butter, milk and chocolate chip cookies.

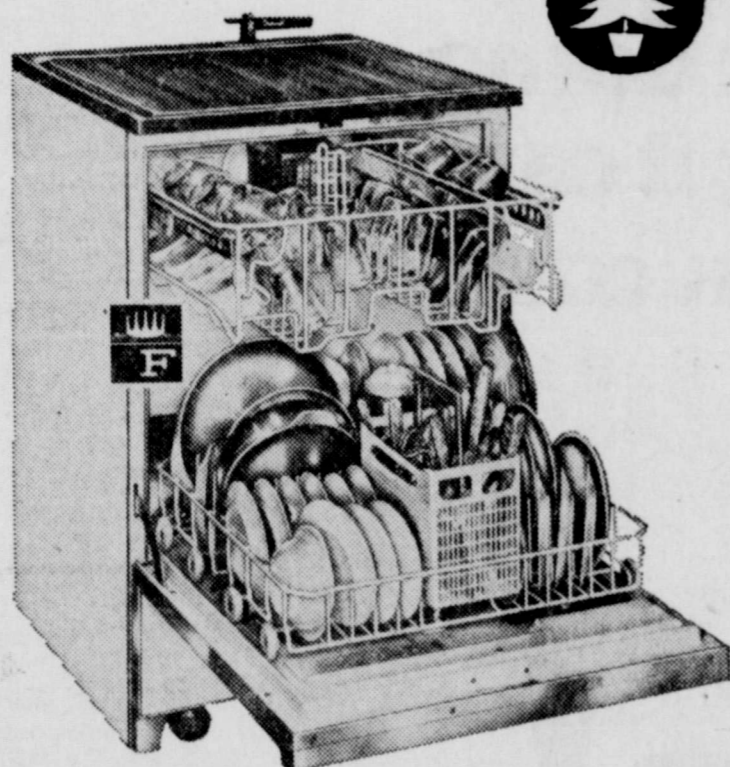
Tuesday, Dec. 18: Barbecue beef on bun, buttered corn, cole slaw, potato chips, milk and fresh oranges.

Wednesday, Dec. 19: Macaroni and Cheese, blackeyed peas with snaps, peaches with cottage cheese on lettuce, milk and ice cream.

Thursday, Dec. 20: Sausage pizza, beans, fruit Jello, corn bread and butter, milk and applesauce cake.

Friday, Dec. 21: Fish sticks with tartar sauce, creamed potatoes, green beans, hot rolls and butter, celery sticks, milk and banana pudding.

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Nabisco Premium Crackers - - 1 lb. box 43c

Keebler Coconut Choc. Drop Cookies, - 14 oz. bag 63c

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**SNIFE CONLEY —**  
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calling his experiences in sports and displaying photos, scrapbooks, trophies and mementos of the time when he rubbed elbows with some of the all time "greats." To tell his friends, visitors, and the nurses at West Coke Nursing Home, he is ever ready with a cheery quip and greeting. Not only that but he's likely to "pitch" you a piece of peppermint candy which he keeps constantly for that purpose.

Conley was born April 25, 1892, in Pennsylvania. He lived in Texas for some 28 years where he was employed by Plymouth Oil Company. He and his wife moved to Robert Lee after his retirement in 1957 and stayed here three years before moving to Phoenix, Ariz., in 1960. After his wife died he moved back here in 1966 and has lived here since.

He suffered a fractured left hip in March of 1971 from a fall, and after being in the hospital, he was admitted to the West Coke County Nursing Home April 7, 1971, where he still resides. He has recovered from the fractured hip.

He has two sons, John of Wichita Falls who works for Perkins, Prothro, and Stewart of Hartford, Conn., who works for an airline. He also has nine grandchildren.

**Girls Take Second In Sands Tourney**

Robert Lee girls took second place honors last weekend at the tournament at Sands. The boys won their first game, but lost the next two.

The girls whipped O'Donnell 69-36 in their first game. Liz Bickley was high pointer with 26; Audrey Walker had 18; Rhonda Askins 13; Phyllis Duncan 8; Anna Rowoldt 4.

In the second game it was Robert Lee 40, Forsan 33. Askins was high with 17; Bickley 15; Walker 8.

In the championship game the Sands girls slipped by the locals 41-34. Bickley made 16; Walker 15; Askins 3.

Bickley and Karen Bagwell were selected for all-tournament honors.

In their first game the Steers downed O'Donnell 51-45. Bill Rowoldt led scoring with 16; Doug Herford 11; Craig Bessent 10; Wibby Millican 8; Carl Bagwell and Ardie Brasuel 3 each.

Forsan defeated the Steers 54-44 in their second game. It was Rowoldt with 16; Millican 13; Brasuel 6; Bessent 5; Herford 3; Bagwell 1.

In the game for third place New Home won out 65-50. Brasuel made 16; Millican 12; Rowoldt 8; Bagwell 4; Herford 4; Cliff Cole, Mitch Cooley and Mitt Rogers 2. Rowoldt was picked as a member of the all-tournament team.

**Girls Take Menard**

The girls teams went to Menard Tuesday night to wrap up a couple of wins. The A girls took a 62-21 district win. Walker made 22; Bickley 21; Askins 19.

The B team won their game 27-19. Virgilla Streng was high with 10; Betty Bazar 9; Marilyn Wright 8.

Robert Lee boys hosted teams from Loraine Tuesday night, with the A's losing and the B's winning a squeaker.

Loraine took the A team 59-40. Scoring for the Steers were Rowoldt and Bessent 9 each; Rogers 6; Cole 5; Millican 4; Cooley, Daryl Copeland and Brasuel 2 each; Bagwell 1.

The B team took a 45-43 win from the visitors. Manuel Abalos hit 19; George Abalos 12; Poly Abalos 8; Walter Flowers 6.

**CHRISTMAS PROGRAM —**  
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Teresa Phillips, Debra Reed, Teresa Torres, Dora Ybarra, Tricia Brown.

Also LaNell Flowers, Debbie Ross, Jernia Tinkler, Susan Wallace, Virginia Balderas, Mary Baker, Janice Bloodworth, Pam Brice, Ruth Calder, Becky Clark, Sheila Cummins, Lucia Garza, Loui Killam, Gina Pacific, Gayle Ross, Linda Tijerina, and Virgilla Streng.

Mrs. Jeffie Roberts and Mary Elaine Lackey, winners in the "Make It Yourself With Wool" contest, modeled their entries. FHA Beau Troy Millican was presented a gift by Sue Lindsey from the homemakers.

Following the style show, Santa Claus appeared and threw candy out in the audience to the delight of the youngsters present. Santa also led the student body in singing Christmas carols. A large crowd attended the program.

Mrs. Eugene Rives of Odessa came to Robert Lee last Tuesday to visit Mr. and Mrs. Pat Rives, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Rives and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Mauldin. She returned home Wednesday night. Pat Rives had eye surgery at Clinic Hospital in San Angelo last Wednesday morning and is back home now and reported doing well.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Rives of Abilene visited Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Javan Vosburg and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Rives.

**Robt. Lee School Honor Roll Given**

High School Prin. Jerry Gibbs has released the following honor roll for the second six weeks of the 1973-74 school term:

Seventh grade: Brenda Cooley, David Lackey, Terry Ross, Audrey Williams and Brian Wright.

Eighth grade: Betty Flowers.

Ninth grade: Morris Wallace, and Marilyn Wright.

Tenth grade: Jim Craig, LaNell Flowers, Mary Lackey and Debbie Ross.

Eleventh grade: Elizabeth Bickley, Jan Green, Elaine Millican, Konny Service and Johnny Wright.

Twelfth grade: Rhonda Askins, Audrey Walker and Phyllis Wojtek.

**Elementary School**

Elementary School Prin. Clifford Wilson released the following honor roll for the second six weeks:

Third grade: Terry Benefield, Martha Bickley, Teri Kay Bryan, Gary Calder, Teresa Clawson, Debbie Cummins, Felicia Ford, Kyle Gibbs, Terry Joe Millican, Stanley Ray, Leigh Ann Rynnion, Jamie Sawyer, Astron Walker, Lori Walker, Everett Wilson and James Wright.

Fourth grade: Susan Ash, Tommy Bryant, Kim Claston, David Caves, Buck Duncan, Darren Henderson, Dee Anna Key, Chifton Millican, Kenda Rasco, Darren Williams and Matt Wilson.

Fifth grade: Mary Ann Abalos, Toni Bryant, Robbie Garuman, Mitch Gibbs, Eddie Henry, Kellye Percifull, Dianna Tinkler, Edwin

Wilson and Trey Womack.

Sixth grade: Debbie Askins, Clay Bloodworth, Sherry Caves, Brett Clark, Roy Clawson, Elsa De La Pena, Lisa Devoll, Renea Flanagan, Kerry Gartman, Lynn Gulley, Jana Hood, Monroe Killam, Carolyn Simpson and Wade Wallace.

**BICKLEYS ENTERTAIN**

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Bickley were hosts for a Christmas party last Thursday night in the home-making department of the school. Christmas "goodies" were served. Guests were school board member and their wives and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Gibbs. Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Wilson were unable to attend. Following the party, the board members had their regular monthly meeting.

**64 STUDY CLUB HAS CHRISTMAS PARTY**

The 64 Study Club met Tuesday night in the home of Mrs. T. K. Whiteside. Mrs. Earl Bradley and Mrs. Douglas Ditmore were co-hostesses.

Mrs. D. P. Walling was program leader. Mrs. Fred Beatty read a Christmas story, "Three Wise Women of the East." Eighteen members and a large number of guests were present. Christmas gifts were exchanged.

Ted Haley is a patient in Clinic Hospital in San Angelo. He was admitted Saturday and is in room 321.

Mrs. Douglas Robertson is a patient in Shannon Hospital in San Angelo. She was admitted last Saturday.

**Items of Interest From R-Lee BCD**

Main item of discussion at the Tuesday meeting of the BCD was the advertising program which has been carried with John Gill promoting Lake Spence. The group voted to continue the program at a cost of \$1500 which is half the cost of the 1973 program.

Mayor S. E. Adams said no Christmas lights will be put up this year due to the energy crisis.

G. C. Allen, Robert Lee State Bank president, announced that Ernest Clendennen is now a member of the bank's board of directors.

Mayor Adams spoke briefly on the water situation in Robert Lee. He met with the board of the UCRA Tuesday to discuss the matter and said a news article will be prepared to present the situation to citizens.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Goodman and Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Burt of Fort Worth were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Allen and Mr. and Mrs. Cumble Ivey Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred L. Beatty were weekend guests of their children, Mr. and Mrs. Lane Beatty of Pecos and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Crowder and children of Midland.

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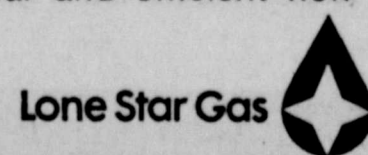
These investments don't even include the cost of all the gas we must buy to fill the line. In 1969, natural gas

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TROTLINE STRIPER — C. C. Weir of Robert Lee took this 13 pound striper from his trotline recently at Lake Spence. It was a beauty.

### Jr. High Teams Win 3 Games

Junior high girls have taken wins from Water Valley and Sterling City during the past week, while the junior high boys won over Water Valley but suffered a defeat at the hands of Sterling City.

Water Valley teams came here Monday night and the girls won 40-23. Scoring were Vicky Gartman 14; Stella Bickley 13 and Cindy Ash 13.

Robert Lee boys downed the Water Valley lads 38-22. Mickey Baker was high with 10; Terry Ross 8; Billy Matlock and David Lackey 5 each; Jimmy Munoy 4; Clay Allen and Kevin Roe 2 each; Barry Clark and Dubby Bosworth 1 each.

Sterling City came here Tuesday night and the girls took an easy 45-31 win. Gartman was top scorer with 26; Ash had 10; Bickley 10.

The Sterling City boys trounced the Dogies 26-6. Scoring were Baker, Lackey and Danny Abalos with 2 each.

Next junior high games are Monday, Dec. 17, when Grape Creek comes to Robert Lee. First game starts at 6 p.m.

#### CORRECTION

Names of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Waldrop of Pawhuska, Okla., were inadvertently omitted from the list of the children of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Waldrop, who were home for Thanksgiving. The Observer regrets this oversight.

Try a Want Ad to SELL It.

#### DR. JERRY DEAN SPEAKS TO MUSIC SOCIETY

Dr. Jerry Dean, professor of music at the University of Texas at Austin, returned last week from Chicago where he spoke at a national meeting of The American Musicological Society, an organization of which he is a member.

His title was "Five Early Unpublished Songs of Schoenberg," and his presentation included playing excerpts of the songs recorded by some of his colleagues at Texas.

Dr. Dean discovered the unpublished manuscripts while researching the composer, Schoenberg, all of whose vocal numbers Dean analyzed in the dissertation which qualified him for the Ph. D. degree he received from the University of Michigan in 1971.

Dean is the son of Mrs. Wilson Bryan and the late Jeff Dean.

#### HARMON IN HONOR SOCIETY

Nick Harmon of Channelview was elected a member of the National Honor Society and was inducted in a ceremony Dec. 5 at Channelview High School. Nick is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Harmon and a grandson of Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Harmon of Robert Lee and A. N. Counts of San Angelo.

Clarence Mitchell was in Brownsboro from Friday until Tuesday to visit his sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Orien Tanner and with a sister-in-law, Mrs. Laura Mitchell, who has been ill.

### OIL NEWS

Greathouse and Lovelady Oil & Gas Inc. of Midland has staked its No. 1 Fred Roe, a wildcat nine miles northwest of Robert Lee.

The venture is on a 595 acre lease. Drillsite is 660 feet from the south and west lines of T. M. Warren Survey 3, A-2108.

#### MRS. DAVIS' BROTHER DIES

Mrs. Mitchell Davis, Add Davis and Mrs. Javan Vosburg went to Corpus Christi Monday after receiving word Sunday that Mrs. Davis' brother, Chester Smith, had died suddenly Sunday morning of a heart attack.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. Survivors are his wife; one daughter of Lubbock; a step-son of Corpus Christi; a brother, Merritt Smith of San Antonio; and a sister, Mrs. Mitchell (Cleora) Davis of Robert Lee.

Mrs. Pearl Ditmore of Bronte and Mrs. Turney Casey of Robert Lee went to Galveston last week to visit Mrs. Opal Crabb who returned home with them for an extended visit. Mrs. Ditmore and Mrs. Crabb came from Bronte Monday and visited the Caseys. Their Sunday visitors were Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Coulter, Neilson, Turney, Tim and Layne of Bronte. Mr. and Mrs. Casey recently visited the Mike Caseys in Abilene.

Jack Trimble was admitted to Shannon Hospital in San Angelo Sunday and had surgery Tuesday morning.

### BIRTHS

Kacey Lane is the new baby girl of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Kegans of Leonard. She was born Tuesday, Nov. 20, at Citizen's General Hospital in Greenville and weighed 8 pounds, 8 ounces. She has one brother, John Baxter, who is 2½ years old. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lane Beaty of Robert Lee and Mr. and Mrs. Herbert J. Kegans of Trent. Mrs. George Baxter of Liverpool is the baby's great-grandmother.

#### LEGAL NOTICE

In accordance with action taken by the Board of Directors of the Colorado River Municipal Water District in a regular session on October 18, 1973, the fees for recreation permits contained in the present Ordinances for E. V. Spence Reservoir and Lake J. B. Thomas were adjusted, to be effective January 1st, 1974, at the rates listed below:

Individual Daily Permit valid for 24 hours from time of issue ..... \$ 1.00  
Individual Annual Permit valid from the date of issue until December 31st of the year of issue ..... \$10.00

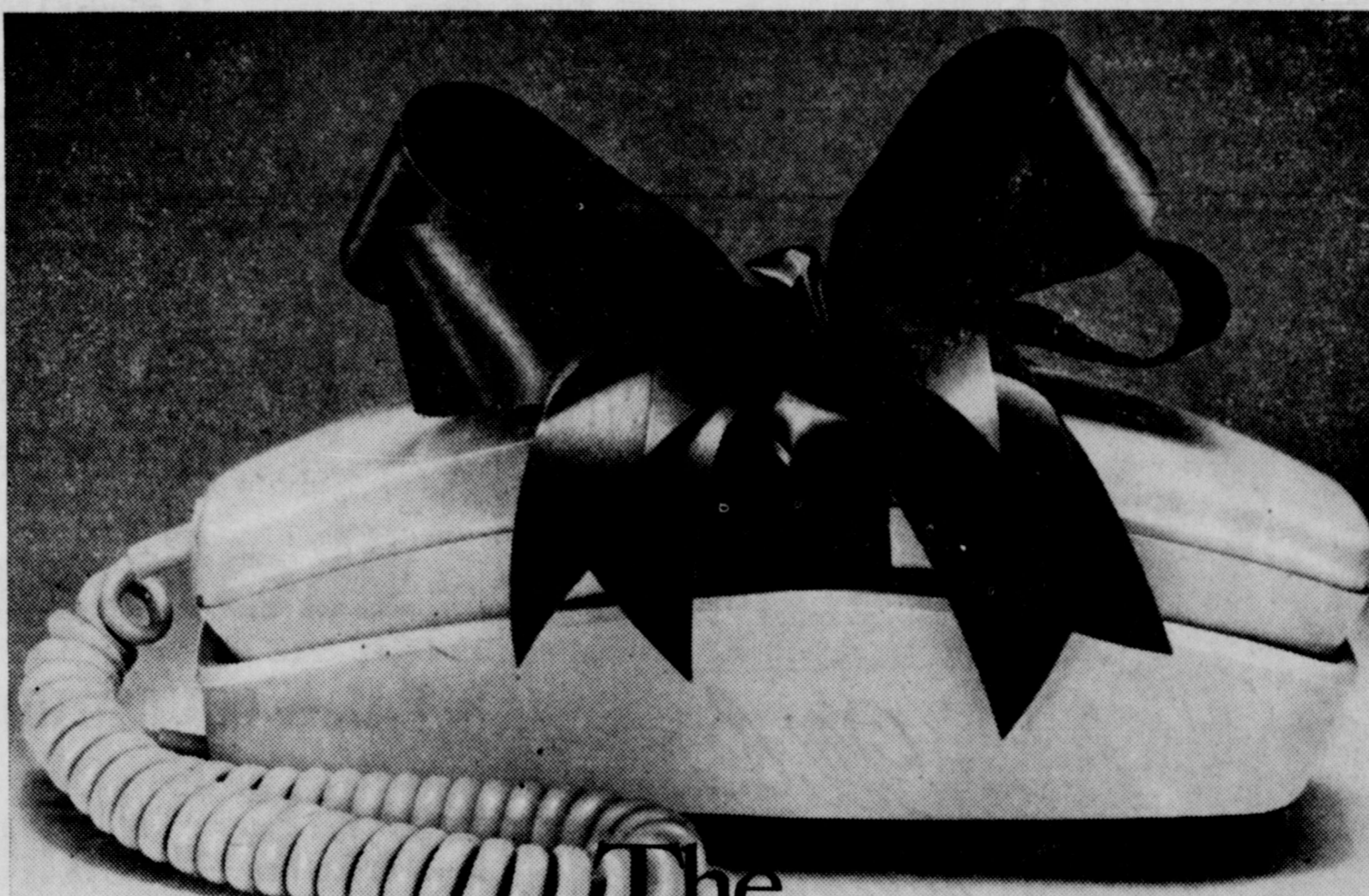
Annual Guest Permit valid from the date of issue until December 31st of the year of issue ... \$40.00

All valid permits are honored at both Lake J. B. Thomas and E. V. Spence Reservoir.

All persons who have reached their 17th birthday and have not yet reached their 65th birthday, are required to have in their possession a valid recreation permit to ride in a boat, fish, ski, surfboard in, from or upon the water of Lake J. B. Thomas and E. V. Spence Reservoir.

Revenue derived from the sale of these permits is used to build and maintain the recreational facilities at the Lakes and to defray a part of the expense of patrolling, assist in the stocking of fish, removing trash from picnic areas and the general maintenance of the public areas and buildings.

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CAUGHT WHILE CASTING — this 8½ pound striped bass recently while bait casting for bass at Lake Spence. Fidel Ruiz of Midland landed

## FISHING REPORT from Lake Spence



Black bass fishermen at Lake Spence are resorting to winter-time tactics and the switch in "bait plan" is paying off in some respectable strings of fish.

Blacks are holed up along the deep water ledges and anglers are going after them with grubs and spoons.

The spoon dabblers and casters are also picking up some good sized striped bass while spoon fishing.

The vast majority of all large strippers caught at Spence lately have been the results of trotline fishing, but bait casters are be-

ginning to break the ice with the large salties.

Some of the recent catches which were reported to The Observer were:

### Hillside Grocery

C. D. Jones, Odessa, 1 yellow cat at 27 lbs.

Hank Baker, C. E. Calder and Jerry Calder, 1 striper at 13 lbs. and 8 channel cat up to 6 lbs.

Fidel Ruiz and Party, Midland, 1 striper at 8½ lbs., 1 striper at 5½ lbs. and 1 striper at 2 lbs. and 12 channel cat up to 2 lbs.

C. E. Calder and party, Robert Lee, 4 stripers up to 9 lbs. and 1

### Counts Grocery & Bait

Randy and Glenn Young, Midland, 16 crappie up to 2 lbs.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Solomon, Odessa, 4 blacks up to 1 lb. and 2 channel cat to 2 lbs.

Vivian and Herman Spurgeon, Odessa, 5 whites to 1½ lbs.

V. L. Hagman, Odessa, 5 blacks up to 1½ lbs.

### Henry's Cafe

O. H. Gibbs and Mr. Sykes, Hobbs, N. M., 20 crappie up to 1 lb.

Howard Henry, Robert Lee, 6 black bass up to 3 lbs.

Bill Cirone, Lubbock, 2 blacks up to 3 lbs.

Ronnie Henry, Lubbock, 2 blacks up to 2 lbs.

Bill Pittman, Odessa, 2 blacks up to 5 lbs.

Howard Henry, Robert Lee, 6 blacks up to 4 lbs. and 25 white bass up to 2 lbs.

### Y. J.'s Marina

J. W. Taylor, San Angelo, 1

striper at 13 lbs., 11 oz., 1 black cat 6 lbs., 1 black at 4 lbs. 3 oz., 2 yellow cat up to 9½ lbs and 14 channel cat up to 6¼ lbs.

Luke Pearce, Sweetwater 16 blacks up to 4 lbs, total weight 19½ lbs.

Herman Mason, Midland, 1 channel cat at 4 lbs., 10 oz. and 1 black bass at 2 lbs.

C. C. Weir, Robert Lee, 1 striper at 6 lbs.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Taylor, San Angelo, 1 striper at 12¼ lbs., 1 black at 5 lbs., 8 oz., 1 striper at 8 lbs., 1 channel cat at 5 lbs., 5 oz. and 1 yellow cat at 9 lbs., 3 oz.

G. M. Bankhead, Robert Lee, 6 channel cat up to 10½ lbs., total weight 18½ lbs.

Horace Scott and some friends from Gatesville attended the National Rodeo finals in Oklahoma City last weekend. He reported "a very fine show."

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# Basketball Tournament Dec. 13, 14, 15

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



## Welcome Visitors

It's a real pleasure for each of us in Robert Lee to welcome you out of town folks. We are glad to have you visit our school and community. We hope you enjoy your stay in Robert Lee, and we invite you to call on us if there is any way we can serve you.

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