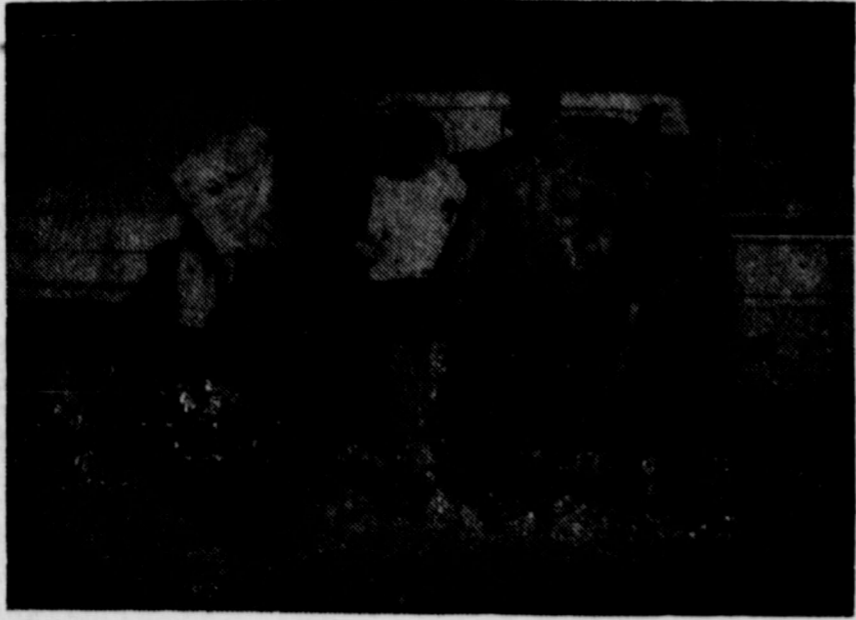


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LAYING GROUND WORK — Anticipating a favorable vote on March 16 for the City of Robert Lee to obtain water from the Colorado River Municipal Water District, some preliminary plans were being made. From left are Bill Fox, San Angelo engineer; Mayor S. E. Adams; Frederick Langohr, San Angelo surveyor; City Water Supt. Sherman William; and Richard

White of San Angelo. The men were doing some preliminary study toward laying a water line to Robert Lee's water treatment plant below Mountain Creek Lake. Mayor Adams said he was very hopeful that the proposition would carry by a big majority, so the city can get busy doing something to relieve the serious water shortage.

Lions, 4-Hers Set Pancake Supper

The annual pancake supper sponsored by Robert Lee - Silver Lions Club and Coke County 4-H Clubs will be held Friday night, March 1, in the Robert Lee School cafeteria. Serving of pancakes will begin at 5 p.m. and continue until 8 p.m.

70 Youths Attend Sweetheart Fete

Approximately 70 young people attended the Sweetheart Banquet at the Robert Lee Baptist Church Feb. 14. Rev. Roy Epperson was master of ceremonies.

Following the dinner, which was served in the Fellowship Hall, Mrs. Ronnie Ruff presented the King Daryl Copeland and Queen Brenda Adams with gifts. Then everyone went into the church auditorium for entertainment featuring Harry Matthews of Crockett and pianist David Stephens of Palestine. Scooter McCurdy of Palestine was guest speaker.

General theme of the banquet was Italian. The following were on the banquet committee: chairman, Mrs. Ronnie Ruff; decorations, Mrs. Bobby Roberts; program, Mrs. Larry Blair; ballot boxes, Mrs. Artell Roberts; invitations, Mrs. Roy Epperson; food, Mrs. Joe Flowers; waiters, Ronnie Ruff, Bill Allen and Larry Blair.

Hospital Election Called for April 6

West Coke County Hospital District's board of directors has called an election for Saturday, April 6, to elect three directors. Members whose terms expire in April are J. E. Quisenberry Jr., J. D. Harmon and Finnerl Smith.

The last day to place names on the ballot will be 30 days prior to the date of the election. Candidates may file at West Coke County Hospital or with Quisenberry, who is secretary of hospital board of directors.

Admission price is \$1.25 for both adults and children. Hot buttered pancakes with syrup, bacon, milk and coffee will be served.

Tickets will be on sale later this week by 4-H Club members in Robert Lee and Bronte, and Lions Club members.

An entertainment program will be offered during the evening in the school auditorium. Local and visiting talent will be featured. Edna Havins is in charge of the program. Jack Denman of Snyder will be on hand to help with the program and will play in the local western band.

Everyone is invited to attend the pancake supper, enjoy the food and entertainment and help the Lions and 4-H Clubs.

Bad Dust Storm Hits Here Monday

High winds and blowing dust Monday gave Coke Countians the worst duststorm experience in several years. The howling winds ranged from 30 to 45 miles per hour and the thick dust cut visibility to three to five miles.

Some damage was reported over town from the strong winds. The fire on the S. E. Adams place started after the wind had died down somewhat, but it made fire-fighting difficult. As the front moved on a lot of dust was left behind.

NINE STEER BAND MEMBERS TO ENTER UIL MEET

Nine members of the Steer Band will travel to Abilene Saturday to compete in the University Interscholastic League Regional Solo and Ensemble Contest to be held on the Hardin-Simmons University campus.

Those entered in the contest are Sharon Green, French horn solo; Sandra Eldred, Pam Quisenberry, Jeania Tinkler and Susan Wallace clarinet quartet; Valerie Baker, Kathy Deen, Sheila Roberts and Anna Kay Rowoldt, clarinet quartet.

R-Lee Students Prepare For District UIL Events

The UIL District Meet for Robert Lee School is approaching and the speech and debate teams have been on the road.

On Jan. 25 and 26 the participating students attended the Angelo State University Forensic Meet in San Angelo. Then on Feb. 15 and 16 the contestants traveled to Lubbock to compete in the Texas Tech Speech Meet.

These two meets gave the students an opportunity to compete with schools in Class A to 4-A and they gained valuable experience.

On the debate teams are Mary Elaine Lackey and LaNell Flowers and Walter Flowers and George Abalos. Sam Bean is the debate coach.

Participating in the individual speech events under coaching by Mrs. Marsha Hudson are the following students: Konnie Service, poetry; Debra Reed, poetry; Gary McDaniel, prose reading; Ginger Salmon, persuasive speaking; Theresa Hambricht, persuasive speaking; Craig Bessent, persuasive speaking; Rick Mashburn,

poetry; Elaine Millican, prose reading; Sherill Davis, prose reading.

The speech group will go to Stamford Feb. 23 for a practice tournament conducted to prepare them for the district meet on March 30. This meet will include other events such as spelling, mathematics, science and ready writing as well as junior high competition.

Sponsors for these groups include Danny Vaughn, math and number sense; Gayland Brnovak, science and slide rule; Miss Sue Hunt, spelling and ready writing; Mrs. Melba Mauldin, junior high spelling.

Students entered this weekend are: James Reid, Walter Flowers, George Abalos and Mary Elaine Lackey, number sense; David Lackey, Vicky Gartman and Audrey Williams, junior high number sense; James Reid, Jan Green, Elaine Millican, Gary Womack, Tim Rowoldt, Morris Wallace, Marilyn Wright, Virginia Streng and Janice Bloodworth, mathematics.

Also Linda Cooley, Brenda Cooley, Karen Rasco and Kristen Praetner, junior high spelling; Jo Nell Ross and Melissa Streng, ready writing; Jan Green and Elizabeth Bickley, spelling; Rick Mashburn and Gary McDaniel, science; Morris Wallace and Eddie McDaniel, slide rule.

All the students are extremely busy getting ready for the District Meet.



Theresa Hambricht

Miss Hambricht Award Winner

Theresa S. Hambricht has been named Robert Lee High School's 1974 Betty Crocker Family Leader of Tomorrow. The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Hambricht, she won the honor by scoring high in a written knowledge and attitude examination given to high school seniors throughout the country Dec. 4. She will receive a specially designed award from General Mills, sponsor of the annual Betty Crocker Search for Leadership in Family Living and is also eligible for state and national honors.

A state winner will be selected from winners in Texas schools and will receive a \$1,500 scholarship. Second ranking student in the state will receive a \$500 scholarship. Encyclopedia Britannica.

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Services Held Here For Mrs. Howell

Funeral services for Mrs. Grace Matilda Howell, 88, were held Wednesday, Feb. 20, at 10 a.m. in Northside Church of Christ in Robert Lee with Kenneth Green, minister, officiating. Burial followed in Robert Lee Cemetery under direction of Newby Funeral Home.

Mrs. Howell died Sunday night at 11:30 in West Coke County Nursing Home where she had been a resident since 1971. She was a member of the Baptist Church.

Grace Matilda Swinford was born April 16, 1885. She moved to Oklahoma with her parents at an early age and lived there until moving to Robert Lee in 1969. She was married to W. A. Watson and he died in 1933. She was later married to Mr. Howell who also preceded her in death.

Survivors are two sons, Otis Watson of Robert Lee and Ervin Watson of Taft, Calif.; one sister, Mrs. Della Kephart of Wellston, Okla.; and a number of grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by a son and a daughter.

Pallbearers were Javan Vosburg, Add Davis, Francis Jeffries, Robert Reese Jr., Wesley Kinsey and Vaughan Davis.

Fire Destroys Ranch Home

Robert Lee Volunteer Firemen were called out at 6:30 p.m. Monday to a house fire on the S. E. Adams ranch three miles south of Robert Lee. Two fire trucks were taken out but the fire, whipped by high winds, had almost destroyed the house by the time firemen arrived. The house was the residence of Thomas Areliano, ranch foreman of Adams, and his sons, Robert and Tommy.

One of the boys suffered a cut on his arm when they broke out a window and crawled through it to get out of the burning house. No other injuries were reported.

High winds caused sparks from

the burning house to ignite a hay stack which was about 200 yards from the house, and firemen stayed on the scene 7½ hours to keep the fire from spreading to nearby barns or starting a pasture fire. The haystack was still burning Tuesday.

Two cars parked near the house were also heavily damaged. Loss on the house and hay was estimated at \$10,000. Fire Marshall Buzz Sawyer said 2000 gallons of water was used on the fires Monday night.

The firetruck was taken back out Tuesday afternoon when the wind started getting up, to control fire in the smoldering hay.

Roy Ford Resigns County Atty. Job

County Attorney Roy Ford has submitted a letter of resignation to the Coke County Commissioners' Court. His resignation is effective March 1.

Reports to this newspaper state that Ford has accepted a position with a firm in Dallas.

County Judge W. W. Thetford said this week that the county would have to rely on services of District Attorney Frank C. Dickey Jr. until a replacement for Ford can be found.

Court Sessions Held Monday

Both Coke County Court and 51st District Court sessions were held Monday in Robert Lee.

Judge W. W. Thetford presided over County Court and heard a DWI case in which Wilfred Sanchez of Dallas was found guilty. He was assessed a \$150 fine and 60 days in jail probated for one year.

A review of the case of James Francis Hall of San Angelo for LWI was dismissed.

Judge Earl Smith presided over 51st District Court. Russell Wayne Jameson entered a plea of guilty to a burglary charge and was assessed a sentence of two years, probated for two years.

Miss Audrey Walker was in Brownwood over the weekend to visit Mr. and Mrs. Darrel P. Cock and Audra.

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ENGAGE IN WEATHER MODIFICATION ACTIVITIES

Notice is hereby given that Atmospherics Incorporated, 5652 East Dayton, Fresno, California, 93727, who holds License Number 2 of the State of Texas, intends to engage in an operation to change or attempt to change by artificial methods the natural development of atmospheric cloud forms for and on behalf of the Colorado River Municipal Water District located at P. O. Box 869, Big Spring, Texas, 79720, and will conduct the program of weather modification designed to increase precipitation by means of the aerial application of silver iodide or other artificial nuclei as follows:

1. The area over, or within which equipment may be operated shall include the counties of Lynn, Garza, Kent, Dawson, Borden, Scurry, Fisher, Martin, Howard, Mitchell, Nolan, Glasscock, Sterling, and Coke.

2. The target area, within which the precipitation is intended to be enhanced can be described as follows:

The boundary may be described by a line beginning at a point of origin at Big Spring, Texas, and running along Highway 87 in a north-westerly direction to Lamesa, thence north-northeast on Highway 87 to the north border of Dawson County, thence east along the north border of Dawson, Borden and Scurry Counties to Highway 84, thence southeast along Highway 84 to Roscoe, in Nolan County; thence south-southeast to Maryneal; thence southwest to Silver in Coke County; thence south-southwest to Highway 87 at a point approximately 13 miles northwest of Sterling City; thence northwesterly along Highway 87 to the point of origin at Big Spring, Texas.

3. The materials, equipment and methods to be used in conducting the operation within this area of approximately 3500 square miles include a 3 cm radar system, cloud seeding aircraft, and the application of silver iodide ice nuclei, hygroscopic nuclei or other nuclei considered appropriate to the artificial nucleation of clouds or weather systems.

4. The person in charge of this program shall be Thomas J. Henderson, Atmospherics Incorporated, Fresno, California.

5. The program will be opera-

tional during the period from April 15, 1974 to October 15, 1974.

6. Any persons who feel they may be affected in some adverse way by this program may file a complaint to the Texas Water Development Board, P. O. Box 13087, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711.

Signed:
Thomas J. Henderson
President
Atmospherics Incorporated

Boones Celebrates 45th Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Sloan Boone celebrated their 45th wedding anniversary Saturday, Feb. 16, with a surprise visit of all their children and most of their families. The children surprised their parents with an already prepared lunch and a two-tiered anniversary cake. They gave Mr. Boone an engraved gold pocket watch and Mrs. Boone an engraved mother's ring.

Sloan Boone, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Will Boone, and Nellie Mae Robertson, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Robertson, were married Feb. 16, 1929, at 8:30 p.m. in the Methodist parsonage in Robert Lee. The pastor, Rev. M. A. Turner, officiated at the ceremony. They have resided in the Edith and Paint Creek communities until moving to Robert Lee two years ago.

Present for the celebration were Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Glasgow and Travis, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Glasgow and Deana, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Cavitt, Michael and Rebecca, all of Sweetwater; Mr. and Mrs. Richard Boone of San Angelo; Mrs. Anna Lou Hicks, Kathy and Danny of Houston; Mrs. Peggy Doggett, Fatima, Renee and a friend, Kiyala, of Midland; Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Boone and Greg of Abilene; and Dena Boone of Robert Lee.

Committee Salutes Scouts, Leaders

By Mrs. Bryan Yarbrough

The Coke County Historical Survey Committee met Feb. 12 and voted a special salute to Boy Scouts, who are celebrating the 64th Anniversary of Scouting.

The committee voted a special salute of Troop 74 of Odessa whose members and leaders spent the weekend here on a Camporee.

They visited the Coke County Jail, where they saw the old gallows, old Fort Chadbourne, the ghost town of Fort Chadbourne, the site of Hayrick, Bronte and Robert Lee. Mrs. Bryan Yarbrough and Mrs. Jack Trimble served as guides for the tour.

After lunch in Robert Lee they toured the southern part of the county, climbed Nipple Peak on the old Martin ranch and spent the night at Lake Spence. They spent Friday night in the Recreation Hall in Robert Lee.

Coke County is in the Concho Valley Council which includes 23 1/2 counties. Supt. Jimmy Bickney is on the Council's executive board.

ABC TOURNEY SUNDAY

An ABC Golf Tournament will be held Sunday at Mountain Creek Golf Course in Robert Lee. Participants must be registered by 1 p.m. Golf balls will be given as prizes. The public is welcome to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Bloodworth and Mrs. Bonnie Robertson went to Wichita Falls over the weekend to visit Mr. and Mrs. Ken Bennett and Kenny. Mrs. Robertson stayed and will spend an extended visit with her daughter and family.

Sgt. Robertson Dies in Accident

TSgt. Otis Carroll Robertson, 38, of Vacaville, Calif., and a native of Robert Lee, was killed Saturday about 7 p.m. when a tractor he was driving overturned, pinning him underneath.

Robertson was stationed at Travis AFB, Calif., and he and his family resided in Vacaville.

Military memorial services were scheduled for 3 p.m. Wednesday at Travis AFB with services pending later in the week at Robert Lee. Burial will be in Paint Creek Cemetery.

Sergeant Robertson and a friend were attempting to disengage a mobile home from a muddy area when the tractor overturned.

Among his survivors is his father, Jim Robertson, of West Coke County Nursing Home.

Brownsboro Rites For Mrs. Mitchell

Funeral services for Mrs. Horace (Laura) Mitchell, 61, of Brownsboro were held last Friday in Brownsboro First Baptist Church with the Rev. J. D. Johnston officiating. Burial was in the Leagueville Cemetery under direction of Eubank Funeral Home in Canton. Mrs. Mitchell died Feb. 13 in Mother Frances Hospital after a long illness.

Mrs. Mitchell was born in Clarksville Nov. 18, 1912, and came to Robert Lee in 1922. She was married to Horace Mitchell on Sept. 4, 1930, at Sterling City. They lived in Friendship and Edith communities and in Robert Lee for several years. She was a Baptist and was a retired employee of the Brownsboro Schools.

Survivors include one son, Marshall D. Mitchell of Altus, Okla.; three daughters, Mrs. Monice Adkins of Midland, Mrs. Frances Adkins of Odessa and Mrs. Judy Wise of Canton; two brothers, Isaac Plumlee of Modesto, Calif., and S. B. Plumlee of Robert Lee; three sisters, Mrs. Carrie King of Moriarty, N. M., Mrs. Josie Lovett of Stockton, Calif., and Mrs. Hallie Humphries of Globe, Ariz.; and eight grandchildren. Clarence Mitchell of Robert Lee is a brother-in-law.

Watkins Service Held in Angelo

Funeral services for Garland M. Watkins, 70, of San Angelo were held Tuesday at 2 p.m. in Johnson's Funeral Home chapel with the Rev. Earl Dunn, pastor of the Harris Avenue Baptist Church officiating. Burial was in Lawnhaven Memorial Gardens.

Mr. Watkins died about 10:30 p.m. Saturday in Shannon Hospital.

He was born July 23, 1905, in Egypt, Ark., and was married to Beatrice Durham Nov. 22, 1924, in Oak Creek. The couple moved to San Angelo in 1941. He was a carpenter and a salesman for a freight line before his retirement in 1971. He was a Baptist.

Survivors include his wife; two daughters, Mrs. Wanda Durgin of San Angelo and Mrs. Walma Bramlett of Monahans; a son, S. M. Watkins of San Angelo; six brothers, Kenneth Watkins of Dueshane, Utah, Edgar Watkins of Big Spring, Ross Watkins of Denison, Robert Watkins of Brownwood, Lucian Watkins of Farmington, N. M.; four sisters, Mrs. Gladys Millican and Mrs. Sue Millican, both of Robert Lee, Mrs. Irene Trowbridge of San Angelo and Mrs. Inez Martin of Mesquite; 13 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

SCHOOL HOLIDAY

Classes at Robert Lee School will be dismissed Monday and Tuesday, Feb. 25 and 26, so that the teachers can attend the Teachers' In-Service Day which will be held in Bronte.

Services Held for Mrs. Allen Davis

Funeral services for Mrs. Allen Davis, 57, of Ballinger were held at 5:30 p.m. Saturday in the Ballinger United Methodist Church.

The Rev. Plez Todd, pastor, and the Rev. Ferris Atkins, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Ballinger officiated. Burial was in the Evergreen Cemetery under direction of Davis-Morris Funeral Home of Brownwood.

Mrs. Davis died at 5:30 p.m. Friday in Shannon Hospital in San Angelo.

She was the former Dorothy Simpson Cliff, born July 31, 1916, in Robert Lee. She was a graduate of Robert Lee High School and San Angelo Jr. College and attended Southwest Texas State University. She was a member of the Methodist Church. She married Allen Davis Feb. 28, 1937, in Brownwood.

Survivors are her husband, owner of Allen Davis Funeral Home in Ballinger; her mother, Mrs. W. B. Cliff of Robert Lee; three daughters, Mrs. Morris (Patricia) Hammer of Huntsville, Ala., Mrs. Ed (Rebecca) DeWees of San Antonio and Mrs. Edwin (Kathleen) Cox Jr. of Dallas; one brother, Dr. Wallace B. Cliff of Denver Colo.; and five grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Bloodworth of San Angelo visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Bloodworth of Silver, Sunday afternoon. They all went on to Colorado City and visited Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Bloodworth. Charlie is a brother of H. L.

Goldthwaite Rites For Loyd Eckert

Funeral services for Bille Loyd Eckert, 68, of Goldthwaite were held last Thursday in Wilkins Funeral Chapel in Goldthwaite.

Officiating was the Rev. Dan Conley, pastor of the First Baptist Church. Burial was in Goldthwaite Cemetery.

Mr. Eckert died Wednesday morning at his home, apparently from a heart attack.

He was born Jan. 11, 1906, in Concho County. He married Opal Keykendell in August 1930. She died in 1938 and he married Lois Skaggs Oct. 10, 1945. He had lived in Mills County most of his life and was a World War II veteran. He was a retired night watchman for the City of Goldthwaite.

Survivors are his wife; two sisters, Mrs. Lula Morrissey of Goldthwaite and Mrs. Mattie Tinkler of Robert Lee; four brothers, Homer Eckert of Goldthwaite, Fate Eckert of Amarillo, Allen Eckert of Sweetwater and Hal Eckert of San Angelo; and three grandchildren. A son preceded him in death.

Mrs. Mattie Tinkler and Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Wink went to Goldthwaite last Thursday to attend funeral services for Loyd Eckert who was a brother of Mrs. Tinkler and an uncle of Mrs. Wink.

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Increase in Rates on Blue Cross - Blue Shield Additional Benefits Under Major Medical

To Farm Bureau Members:

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\$10,000 to \$20,000 per lifetime to \$250,000 Lifetime Maximum
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MAKING CONTACTS**

The Social Security Administration is asking for help in getting information to people who are eligible for supplemental security income payments that started in January for people with little or no income who are 65 or over, blind or disabled.

The request was made by Bill Shipley, project director for SSI-Alert (American Red Cross) who is assisting the Social Security Administration in locating potentially eligible people.

Supplemental security is being published in newspapers, radio and TV, Shipley said. Persons getting public assistance payments because they are 65 or over, or blind, or disabled, generally will be eligible for the federal payments and don't have to apply.

"But we are still concerned that there might be people who will not hear or know about the program," he said.

"If you know of someone 65 or older who is in need, or is blind or disabled, regardless of age, who needs public assistance now, please tell them about the new program. Suggest that they call the Social Security office of SSI-Alert (655-4347) to get more information," he said.

Supplemental security income will establish a nationally uniform income floor for persons in need and the amount of the payments they get will depend on how much other income they might have.

Federal supplemental security income payments will be made by the Social Security Administration but will be financed by federal taxes not by funds paid in by recipients.

The San Angelo Social Security office is at 3000 W. Harris and the phone number is 949-4608. The SSI-Alert office is in the American Red Cross office at 28 East Twchig, phone 655-4347.

**Lunchroom
Menu**

Monday and Tuesday, Feb. 25 and 26, are school holidays.

Wednesday, Feb. 27: Steak fingers and gravy, creamed potatoes, green beans, hot rolls and butter, milk and jelly.

Thursday, Feb. 28: Italian spaghetti, English peas, fruit Jello, hot rolls and butter, milk and peanut butter cookies.

Friday March 1: Barbecue beef on bun, buttered corn, cole slaw, potato chips, buns, milk and banana pudding.

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ORDER AND NOTICE FOR SPECIAL CITY ELECTION
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CITY OF ROBERT LEE

On this the 5th day of February, 1974, the City Council of the City of Robert Lee of Coke County, Texas, convened in regular session open to the public, at the regular meeting place thereof at the City Hall in said City, with the following members, to-wit:

- S. E. Adams, Mayor
 - Dale Wojtek, Alderman
 - Frank Hearn, Alderman
 - Jimmy Bell, Alderman
 - Royce Hood, Alderman
 - Edna Havins, City Secretary
- being present and among other proceedings had by said Council was the following:

WHEREAS, the City of Robert Lee is in need of additional water supply, and

WHEREAS, the City Council of said City deems it advisable to call an election for the purpose of authorizing the City Council of the City of Robert Lee to enter into a contract with the Colorado River Municipal Water District for the purchase of water.

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROBERT LEE OF COKE COUNTY, TEXAS:

That an election be held in said City on the 16th day of March, 1974, at which election the following proposition shall be submitted to the resident qualified taxpaying voters of said City for their action thereupon:

PROPOSITION
The City Council of the City of Robert Lee shall or shall not be authorized to enter into a contract with the Colorado River Municipal Water District for the purchase of water.

Said election shall be held at the following places in said County and the following named persons are hereby appointed Presiding Judges and Alternating Presiding Judges for said election:

In Election Precinct 1, at City Hall Building, in said City, with Mrs. Opal Jacoby as Presiding Judge, and Mrs. Elizabeth Reed as Alternate Presiding Judge, and said Presiding Judge shall appoint the necessary clerks to assist her which shall not exceed 2 clerks.

The polls at each of the above designated polling places shall on said election day be open from 8 o'clock a.m. to 7 o'clock p.m.

Edna Havins is hereby appointed Clerk for absentee voting, and Hazel Lindsey is hereby appointed Deputy Clerk for absentee voting. The absentee voting for the above designated election shall be held at City Hall within said City and said place of absentee voting shall remain open for at least eight hours on each day for absentee voting which is not a Saturday, a Sunday, or an official State holiday, beginning on the 26th day and continuing through the 4th day preceding the date of said election. Said place of voting shall remain open between the hours of 8 to 12 a.m. and 1 to 5 p.m. on each day for said absentee voting. The above described place for absentee voting is also the absentee clerk's mailing address to which ballot applications and ballots voted by mail may be sent.

The ballots of said election shall have written or printed thereon the words "Official Ballot" and the following: Place an "X" in the square beside the statement indicating the way you wish to vote.

- FOR Authorization to the City Council to enter into a contract for the purchase of water from the Colorado River Municipal Water District.
- AGAINST Authorization to the City Council to enter into a con-

tract for the purchase of water from the Colorado River Municipal Water District.

The manner of holding said election shall be governed, as near as may be, by the General Election Laws of the State of Texas, except as modified by the provisions of Chapter 2, Title 28, Vernon's Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, Revision of 1925, as amended, and none but resident qualified property taxpaying voters who have rendered same for taxation of said City shall be allowed to vote at said election.

The Mayor shall give notice of this election in accordance with the terms and provisions of Art. 4.05 of the Election Code and returns of said notice shall be made as provided in said Art. 4.05, and the Mayor shall issue all necessary orders and writs for said election and returns of said election shall be made to the Council immediately after the closing of the polls.

It is further found and determined that in accordance with the order of this governing body the Secretary posted written notice of the date, place and subject of this meeting on the bulletin board located in the City Hall, a place convenient to the public, and said notice having been so posted and remaining posted continuously for at least three days preceding the date of this meeting. A copy of the return of said posting shall be attached to the minutes of this meeting and shall be made a part thereof for all intents and purposes.

The above order being read, it

was moved and seconded that same do pass. Thereupon the question being called for, the following members voted AYE: Frank Hearn, Dale Wojtek, Jimmy Bell, Royce Hood, and the following members voted NO: None.

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED, this the 5th day of February, 1974.

S. E. ADAMS
Mayor

Political Announcements

The following persons have authorized The Observer to announce their candidacy for nomination for the offices indicated. Charge for these announcements is \$35.

DEMOCRAT

(Primary May 4, 1974)

For State Representative, 63rd Legislative District:

MICHAEL H. EZZELL
Of Scurry County

For County Judge:

W. W. (BUD) THETFORD

For Sheriff:

DOUG ROBERTSON

For County and District Clerk:

MRS. WINNIE WALDROP

For County Treasurer:

MRS. JERRY THOMASON

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ON ASU HONOR ROLL

Listed on the Dean's Honor Roll at Angelo State University for the fall semester were Rosanna Madge Boykin, Deborah Cox, Jana Mauldin, Nita Williams, Harvey Wink, Jerry Wojtek, Elizabeth Gibbs and Jan Havins, all of Robert Lee, and David Rawl-

ings of Water Valley, all of whom were on the 3.00 to 3.49 honor roll. Making the 3.50 to 4.00 honor roll were Donald Cox, Amanda Harmon, Andrew Cole, Marilyn McBroom, Steven Meadows and Ben Stephens, all of Robert Lee.

An Observer want ad will do it.

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BIG STRIPER FROM SPENCE
James Caulder of Robert Lee recently came in with this 12

pound striped bass. Anglers have been having good luck catching the big saltwater transplants.

Hospital News

Feb. 12: Donald Mauldin, Kate Cox, George McCaleb, H. L. Thompson admitted. Maude Grimes dismissed.

Feb. 13: No admissions, no dismissals.

Feb. 14: Mrs. Pauline Burns, Madye Mathers admitted. Mae Mullis dismissed.

Feb. 15: M. J. Dixon, Myna Kay Roane admitted. Ruth Cleft, Marie West, Bernice Bell dismissed.

Feb. 16: Lillie Gaines admitted. Jesse Eads Jr., Annie Mae Benningfield, Allie Lowrance, Richard Marquis, Mrs. Albert Palmer, M. C. Sissom, H. L. Thompson dismissed.

Feb. 17: Rhonda Smith admitted. Iris Conner, Myna Kay Roane dismissed.

Feb. 18: Wanda Smith, Richard Marquis, Joan Boykin, Mrs. J. B. Robertson, Hattie Humphries, Odella Wrinkle, Maggie Abalos admitted. Kate Cox dismissed.

Tuesday morning there were 19 patients in the hospital and 29 in the nursing home.

ALPHA KAPPA PI MEETS

Alpha Kappa Pi met Feb. 3 in the home of Mrs. Jack Mathews with Mrs. Arthur L. Rummion serving as co-hostess. The program was presented by Mrs. Keith Lloyd and Mrs. Dale Wojtek. Title of the program was the LAND. Twelve members were present.

TOOMBS IS GUEST

Couny Judge and Mrs. Glenn Toombs of Gall were guests at Tuesday's meeting of the BCD. Toombs is a candidate for state representative from the 63rd Legislative District which includes Coke County.

PERSONALS

Mrs. Pearl Bradshaw returned to her home in Bronte Monday after spending several days with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Braswell.

Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Robertson and Robbie of Abilene spent the weekend and the first of the week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Robertson.

Mrs. Wallace Ross and children and Mrs. Freddy Ross and children of Midland visited Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Roy P. Ross.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Bickley and family went to Stanton for the weekend and visited Mrs. Bickley's mother, Mrs. Leona Thomas.

Mrs. Claudine Lowery of Houston arrived in Robert Lee last Wednesday to visit several days with her daughter and son-in-law, Rev. and Mrs. James Sanders.



FISHING REPORT from Lake Spence

The following catches were reported this week from Lake Spence:

Y. J.'s Marina

Mark J. Magdefrau, Big Spring, 1 striper at 12 lbs., 10 ozs.

Larry Colley, San Angelo, 1 black bass at 5 lbs., 12 ozs.

Ron Bankhead, Odessa, 2 channel cat up to 14 lbs.

Hillside Grocery

Hank Baker, Robert Lee, 6

channel cat up to 4 1/2 lbs. and 1 striper at 4 1/2 lbs.

G. M. Bankhead, Robert Lee, 1 channel cat at 13 lbs., 9 ozs.

Counts Grocery & Bait

Roger Holley and Earl Wynne, Fort Stockton, 1 black at 2 lbs. and 2 channel cat up to 3 lbs.

G. M. Bankhead, Ronnie Bankhead, George Beeson, Carolyn Snodgrass, Kent and Shorty Bankhead, Robert Lee, 1 blue cat at 13 lbs., 9 ozs. and 33 channel cat total weight 80 lbs.

Dink's Bait, Old Edith Store

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dewoody, 2 blacks up to 3 lbs. and 9 channel cat up to 3 1/2 lbs.

Roger Holley and Earl Wynne, 3 channel cat up to 3 lbs. and 1 black at 2 lbs.

Harvey Chapman, 4 channel cat up to 3 1/2 lbs. and 1 striper at 10 1/4 lbs.

PANTHER GAP MARKER TO BE DEDICATED SUNDAY

Dedication ceremonies for the Panther Gap Historical Marker will be held at 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 24, at Robert Lee School.

Among those to be on the program are Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Bloodworth of Silver and I. A. Bird of Sanco, pioneers of the area.

Following the dedication program a tour is planned to historical sites of Coke County. Supt. Jimmy Bickley will drive the school bus to be used to carry those who go on the tour.

SCOUTS HAVE CAMP-OUT

Fifteen Boy Scouts and Scoutmaster Gene Hinnant had a camp-out and hike Feb. 8 and 9. Those attending were Billy Matlock, Ricky Ross, Vic Conner, Buddy Wallace, Wesley Sawyer, Kevin Roe, Randy Collins, Monroe Killam, Russell Ash, Randy Besant, Tom Sawyer, Shell Williams, Bobby Duncan, Michael Wolfe and Ernie Abalos.

Mrs. Clarence Mitchell and Mrs. Elwood Hambright were in Amarillo over the weekend to visit Mrs. W. T. McAdams of Spearman who is in St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo where she had surgery Feb. 6. They were also in Amarillo Feb. 5-8 to be with Mrs. McAdams.

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PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Buster Pierce recently visited in Stanton with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Denman and in Midland with Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Brice.

Mr. and Mrs. John M. Grambling of San Antonio were in Robert Lee Saturday and Sunday to see his mother, Mrs. Viola G. Casey of the nursing home.

Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Plumlee have returned home after spending several days in Brownsboro where they attended funeral services for his sister, Mrs. Laura Mitchell, who died Feb. 13. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Humphries, sister and brother-in-law of Mr. Plumlee, returned to Robert Lee with them and will spend several days here before returning to their home in Globe, Ariz. Also coming to Robert Lee with the Plumlees, was Mrs. Susie Belle Tanner who is visiting her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Mitchell. Mr. Mitchell is a patient in West Coke County Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Bryan were in Matador last weekend to visit Tony Dean who is with the Soil Conservation Service there. Also visiting with Tony and the Bryans was Cindy Whitaker of Henrietta.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Maples of Odessa visited Sunday with her father, Cleve Casey, at West Coke County Nursing Home.

Weekend visitors of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Wink were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ledbetter and Lisa and Mr. and Mrs. Larry Hughes, of Lubbock, and Mr. and Mrs. Claude Brown and Harvey Wink of San Angelo.

Mrs. Mike Casey of Abilene came to Robert Lee Tuesday to visit her mother, Mrs. Mabel Mundell, who is a patient in West Coke County Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Thornton recently returned home after spending four weeks in Rockport with their daughter and family, the Jess R. Robertsons. They also visited his father, J. W. Thornton, and an aunt, Mrs. Frank Muston, who are patients in a Rockdale nursing home.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING
 The Texas Highway Department will conduct an informal meeting in the City Auditorium, City Hall, San Angelo, Texas on March 27, 1974, at 7:00 P. M.
 The purpose of this public meeting will be to gain general knowledge and information to be used in a feasibility study for extending Interstate Highway 27 from Lubbock, Texas, in a southerly direction to intersect with Interstate Highway 20 and proceeding further to intersect with Interstate 10. All interested individuals and groups are requested to be present at this meeting and be prepared to express opinions and submit pertinent data and information, both oral and written, that could have a bearing on the feasibility study.
 Publish Feb. 21 & Mar. 21

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With deepest gratitude we extend this word of thanks for the many kind acts of sympathy extended by thoughtful friends. Your kindnesses have meant so much to us.
 Addie Johnson and Children

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our thanks to the Fire Department and the citizens of our community for their assistance in the controlling of the fire which destroyed our home and for the contribution of clothing and food.
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NOTICE OF DIRECTORS ELECTION
 THE STATE OF TEXAS
 COUNTY OF COKE
 TO THE RESIDENT QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF WEST COKE COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT:
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an election will be held within the West Coke County Hospital District on the 6th day of April, 1974, in accordance with the resolution calling said election, which was adopted by the Board of Directors of said Hospital District on the 14th day of February, 1974, the same being attached hereto and made a part of this notice for all purposes.
 J. E. Quisenberry, Jr.
 Secretary
 Board of Directors
 West Coke County Hospital District
 (District Seal)

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nica Educational Corporation will present a 20 volume reference work to the state winner's school.
 State winners will gather in Washington, D. C., in April for a tour of the capital city and Minneapolis, Minn. The All-American Family Leader of Tomorrow will be selected and will receive a \$5,000 college scholarship. Next three places will receive \$4,000, \$3,000 and \$2,000 respectively.
 This year 703,074 students from 14,463 schools participated in the program.

RECOVERING FROM SURGERY

Hugh S. (Bub) Lewis Jr. is recuperating from knee surgery which was performed Jan. 8 at Veterans Hospital in San Antonio. The surgery was to repair a knee which was injured in battle in World War II. His address is Wellfort Hall, Lackland AFB, San Antonio, Tex. 78236.

Alamo Theatre

Saturday, Feb. 23—7:30
 "The Last American Hero"

—PG—



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BAMA
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Frosty Acres
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Frosty Acres
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