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27th Sanco Homecoming Set Saturday and Sunday

Historic Sanco, the oldest community in Coke County still existent, will be the scene Saturday night and Sunday, June 13 and 14, for the 27th Sanco Homecoming.

Saturday night, after 7:30 will be news time, in which what has happened since last year will be recounted, with some letters being read and reports from individuals in a free-for-all, giveand-take session.

Park Named for Wilson Bryan

The lots on the corner of Austin and East 7th Streets have been turned from a eyesore into a beauty spot mainly due to the planning and work of Wilson Bryan.

The old Gulf Station operated on the corner for many years by Chig Brown and the late Freeman Clark is gone and the area, which adjoins the city hall, needed something done.

Due to Bryan's leadership and work, the city council voted at its Monday night meeting to name the area the Wilson Bryan Mini-Park. Bryan is a former mayor and presently serves as a city alderman.

The Observer has good story about the development of the park, but due to lack of time and space, it is being held over until next week.

Master of ceremonies Sunday is James B. Pentecost, president of the Community Association, sponsor of the event, from 10:30 to 12:00 a.m. Ulmer Bird will spead briefly in a devotional talk-Wagon Road to the Sky., glancing back over the past hundred years in the Sanco Country and looking forward to Revelation 21:2.

The Men's Quartette of the Robert Lee Baptist Church, John Stephens, Les Copeland, Gene Hinnard and Harvey Reid will sing.

The program this year is especially dedicated to I.A. Bird, who, since the age of five has lived at Sanco and devoted himself unceasingly to building and maintaining the community and its buildings. Others, old and young, will be recognized as time permits.

The Community Association will furnish barbecue, beans, and ice tea, and a spread of these goodies will be supplemented by whatever those coming wish to bring. The feast will be under the big tabernacle at the noon hour, Sunday.

Visiting with old and new friends will go on Saturday among those who come, and especially Sunday noon and afternoon.

Visitors are expected from over good section of the United States from here to the West Coast.

Coke County Hit By Burglaries, Vandalism

Another act of vandalism occu-

rred recently when Larry's Little

Freezer restaurant in Robert Lee

was sprayed with paint and had

A number of break-ins and

thefts have occurred in the last

few weeks. On the night of May

24, Cecil Coalson of Bronte had a

.22 rifle stolen from his pickup

and Lester Webb, also of Bronte,

had a .410 gauge shotgun stolen

from his car. Luther Hester of

Bronte, had a brand new riding

lawn mower stolen from his

carport on the night of June 3.

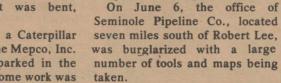
eggs broken on the walls.

A crime wave apparently has down the embankment. hit Coke County during the past few weeks with several burglaries and acts of vandalism. Sheriff Marshall Millican said this week that a great deal of valuable property has been taken and several pieces of equipment have been damaged by acts of vandals.

Two pieces of machinery were damaged the night of May 31. A backhoe belonging to Burwick Oil Field Services of Bronte, parked about three miles northwest of Silver, was started and moved 300-400 yards. It was run over a cattle guard and fence and some of the equipment was bent, requiring repairs.

That same night a Caterpillar tractor belonging the Mepco, Inc. of San Saba was parked in the Sanco area where some work was being done for General Telephone Co. The big tractor was started up and apparently turned loose, winding up in Yellow Wolf Creek.

Another vehicle damage case occurred last Saturday night, June 6, when a motor grader belonging to Precinct 2 of Coke County was moved and damaged. The grader was parked on Bob White Lane about three miles west of Highway 70. It was moved about 3.9 miles from the



The criminal activity has continued this week when two thefts were reported to have occurred Tuesday night. S. E. Adams of Robert Lee had a 1979 Ford Bronco stolen from his residence some time after 10:30 Tuesday night. A .410 gauge shotgun, .22 pistol and various tools in the vehicle also were taken. The

thieves abandoned a 1980 Datsun pickup at the Adams residence and Sheriff Millican said it was reported Wednesday morning that the Datson had been stolen in San Angelo.

In another incident Tuesday night, Douglas Robertson of Robert Lee had a .22 rifle and .38 revolver stolen from a vehicle parked at his home.

Millican said law enforcement officers are working on the cases day and night and every effort is being made to keep down the rash of crimes. He added, however, that 'sometimes it looks like it's a losing fight."... The sheriff noted that things were pretty quiet the latter part of 1980, "but it seems the thugs have been in the increase so far this year.'

Millican said assault charges growing out a family argument have been filed against Bryan Ownby of Odessa. He also said the 51st District grand jury will convene to consider homocide charges in the May 24 death of Roy Resendez Duran of Robert Lee, who died from a single gunshot wound.

West Coke EMS **News** Notes ched slightly over the \$12,000

By Lou Wright

The West Coke County Ambulance Service has a big barbecue planned for July 4th as a fundraising project. Projects on tap include the barbecue planned for the late afternoon and early evening, a concession stand, cake auction (other items may be auctioned off, too) and a dance to follow, from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. If you are interested in tickets for this event, please check with any Ambulance Service volunteer or call 453-2275. Make your plans now to attend part or all of this special event.

The Ambulance Fund has rea-

mark and maybe with a big push in July, we will soon have a new ambulance. For those who wonder if the ambulance is used that much, it is important to note that a total of 27 emergency calls have been made so far this year with quite a large number of these falling in the last two weeks. The 10 volunteers who staff the ambulance have found themselves with an almost fulltime job. In addition, the current (old) ambulance is developing problems. Won't you HELP US HELP YOU by donating to this fund NOW? Remember that the next time the ambulance is needed it may be by you or one of your family.

Lou Wright, our paramedic student, has completed all of her advanced ambulance hours (in Midland) and will be completing the paramedic course this month. She will take state board examinations on June 22-24 for certification as a paramedic. If you see her wandering around looking confused about something...ignore her, she is just studying. The additional skill and knowledge from this training will enable our ambulance service to care for severely injured or ill patients using advanced techniques and skills. The final half of the paramedic course involves over 484 hours of classroom, clinical rotations and ambulance hours. If you have something to donate to be auctioned off on the Fourth of July, if you will bake a cake to be auctioned or if you want tickets, please contact Jo Ann Harrison, 453-2275, or one of the other volunteers. We will appreciate ALL of the help we can get.

NANCY AND GERALD ALLEN TO HEAD RL EASTERN STAR

Robert Lee Chapter No. 187, Order of the Eastern Star, will hold its annual installation of officers, Saturday, June 13, in the Robert Lee School cafeteria at 7:30 p.m. The public is invited to attend this installation and reception.

Nancy Allen, member of the **Educational Committee of Gener**al Grand Capter and Past Grand Matron of Texas will be installed as Worth Matron. Nancy has lovingly dedicated this installation to the memory of Ione Allen, whose life was a reflection of the principles and teachings of our

Those who will assist in various ways are Modgie Hudson, Joan Drescher, Ann Hite, Mildred May, Sallie Stanley, Irene Callaway, Melba Ezzell, Mary Connell, Ruth Harris, Gertrude Beemler, Isabelle and Haslen Sellers all of San Antonio; Frances and H.C. Allen, Jr. and Sterling Allen Cummings all of San Angelo; Geneva Cook, Winters; Daisy Forester, Ballinger; Ettie Hubbard, Bronte; Dovie Cummins, Winnie Waldrop and Margaret Epperson of Robert Lee.

A reception will be held immediately following the installation in the old gym at the Robert Lee School. Jeffie Roberts and Opal Jacoby are refreshment chairmen. Members of Robert Lee Chapter will serve as hosts and hostesses.

and family, Mr. and Mrs. Garlmet there by Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Sims of Houston over the weekend. Mrs. Sims is also their daughter. All attended the Saturday wedding of their grandson, Wes Sawyer to Gina Garrison of Medina.

and Davis of Medina. They were

parking place, going through a fence. It apparently would have been run off an embankment, but it hit high center and bogged down before taking a plunge Mr. and Mrs. R.C. Sawyer spent last Thursday through Sunday in the home of their daughter

order. Through Ione's continuous and untiring dedication, for over 50 years, she was one of the finest and loved members in the State of Texas.

Gerald Allen, Past Grand Patron of Texas will be installed as Worth Patron. Others to be installed are: Dolores Roe, Ralph Walker, Margaret Epperson, Cynthia Metcalf, Jeffie Roberts, Pam Walker, Joann Harrison, Opal Jacoby, Dorothea B. Wright, Emmalee Prentice, Christine Roach, Zola Hatley, Jackie Walker, Trudy Scott, Bobby Roberts and A.H. Jones.

' Installing Officers are Past Grand Matrons of Texas, Mrs. Katherine Poulis, and Mrs. Eunice Connell of San Antonio, Mrs. Agnes Lee Howard of Arlington and Mrs. Frances Herrin of Austin. Jack Stanley, Worth Patron, and Margaret Burt, Past Matron, both of San Antonio, will also serve as officers in the installation.



A revival meeting will start Monday, June 15, at Pecan **Baptist Church west of Robert** Lee on the Sterling City highway. Evangelist for the special services will be the Rev. Dewey Hines, pastor of Central Baptist Church in Bronte.

Services will be held each evening at 8 p.m. and Sunday school will be at 10 a.m., with Sunday worship following at 11

Everyone in the area is cordially invited to attend the services, said a spokesman for the church.

Next week, June 15-19, is going to be a period full of activities for the children and young people of the church. There will be a vacation Bible school, day camp program and special night programs for the older kids of the community.

Special Activities For Area Youth

Planned By Robert Lee Baptist

Rev. Roy Epperson, pastor, said all young people in the area are invited to take part in the special programs. Activities are planned for everyone beginning with three-year olds to college students.

The vacation Bible school is designed for the little kids who are 3 to 5 years old. The classes will be held each day from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. in the Church Education Building.

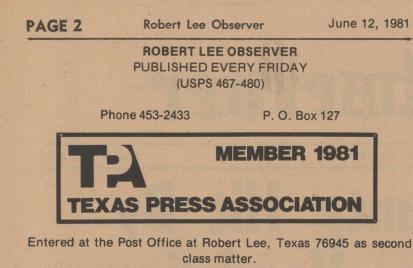
A day camp program is planned for youngsters who were in grades 1 through 6 last school term. These activities will be held in the Robert Lee County Park each day from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. Specials events will include hik-

ing, pioneer olympics, refreshments, singing and stories. A charge of \$1.00 per person will be charged for the day camp to help cover expenses.

Youth activities are planned for those who are in junior high through college age. The programs will be held at night. Tuesday and Wednesday night activities include Bible study and games. A highlight of the week for this group will come Thursday night when there will be a youth-led worship service, led by youth of Greenwood Baptist Church.

The young people from Greenwood will also be helping with the day camp program during the week.

Members of the church said they felt there was something for all young people in next week's special activities and they urged all youngsters in the area to take advantage of the opportunity to participate.



Editor and Publisher Ben Oglesby

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Creek Crossing To Be Repaired

Coke County commissioners met Monday to transact county business and voted to make necessary repairs at the Sand Creek crossing which has been heavily damaged by recent rains.

The county is running a notice to bidders in this week's Robert Lee Observer requesting bids on tin horns to be used in making the crossing passable. Site of the repair work is approximately four miles south of Silver. The notice requests prices for six 40-foot sections of 48 inch galvanized pipe

Another repair project resulted in emergency action when the commissioner voted to pay G & G Mechanical more than \$4,000 for repairs to submersible pumps in the basement of the courthouse.

County Judge D. W. Sims said the pumps which are used to keep water out of the courthouse basemen failed and material stored in the basement, particularly in the county clerk's office, was threatened by the seepage from the recent heavy rains. Judge Sims said there was no choice if the county wanted to preserve its legal records of years past. Ordinarily a project of this size will be advertised for bids but the commissioners decided an emergency existed and got the work done at once.

Judge Sims said the time of the

Points Count At Play Day **This Saturday**

year is approaching when the commissioners set up the county budget, and already requests for funding are coming in. He presented three requests which have been received to the commissioners, not for action, he said, but to give them something to think about. Requests submitted were:

* The county Extension Service asked to be included if raises are given next year to other county employees.

* The Fish and Wildlife Service of the Department of Interior requested an increase of \$200 per month for each of its trappers. This increase would bring their salaries up to \$700 per month. It would cost the county \$100 per month since the county trappers association pays half of the the salarv

* Tom Watson of Sweetwater asked only for a continuation of \$2400 per year for his program, the same amount now being paid. Coke County cooperates with Nolan and Runnels Counties in the operation of this program, which works with drug addicts and alcoholics.

The commissioners also voted to invest funds in the county permanent school fund to yield better returns. The money has been in a regular savings account drawing a little more than five percent interest. However, the fund now contains \$20,499, and the commissioners decided it would be beneficial to citizens of the county to invest in the more lucrative money market certificates which have been paying close to 15 per cent for some time.

Historical Commission Replaces Dunklin Family **County's Historical Committee**

A 25-member Coke County Historical Commission now takes the place of the former Coke County Historical Survey Comm-

Hearing Called To Study Needs Of The Elderly

A public hearing on needs of the elderly will be held Thursday, June 18, at 11:30 a.m. at the regularly scheduled covered dish luncheon for senior citizens at the Community Center in Robert Lee. The meeting is for citizens of the entire county.

Older persons, their family members, public officials and all concerned citizens are expected to attend the hearing and express their concerns.

The hearing will be conducted by the Concho Valley Council of Governments Area Agency on Aging staff and members of the **Regional Advisory Committee.**

Purpose of the hearing is to assess priority needs of the elderly which may be addressed by programs funded under the Older Americans Act or other services available in the region.

All persons in the county, especially the elderly, are invited to attend and participate in the hearing.

Margaret Martin, senior citizen outreach worker for the county, reports that the van will run for those who need transportation.

ittee. The county judge and the four county commissioners appoint the members of the Historical Commission and also serve in their individual capacities as members of the Historical Commission, along with the twenty appointed members, which include all who were members of the Survey Committee, with a few additions.

Following is a complete list of all members of the Coke County Historical Commission. Ulmer Bird is acting chairman, Jess Newton Yarbrough, chairman emeritus. Names are listed as furnished by the office of County Judge D. W. Sims.

Precinct No. 1: Ulmer Bird, James B. Pentecost, Thelma Odom, Mrs. Wilson Bryan, Mrs. A. J. Roe, Sr., Sterling Lindsey, Mildred Sparks, D. W. Sims and Geoige Newby.

Precinct No. 2: Pat Oglesby, Flora Smith, Diane Luckett, Gladys Waldrop, Winnie Waldrop and Bobby Vaughan.

Precinct No. 3: Iris Conner, Evelyn Flanagan, Jessie N. Yarbrough, Finis Millican and Elton Mims.

Precinct No. 4: Marie Arrott, Virgie Arrott, Betty Green, Louvenia Rees and Jerry Parker.

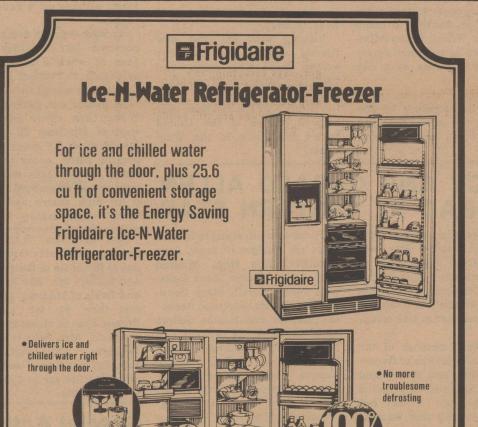


Has Reunion The descendants of Cotus and

Margaret Dunklin had their fourth annual family reunion in LaRue on June 6. There are six living children and all were present, the oldest being 91 years old. There were 69 persons who registered and visited throughout

Those present were: Bivin A. and Addie Joe Dunklin of Hico who were the hosts for this years reunion, also Tom Dunklin, Jeanice and Roxanne Phillips, Jan and Myra Speake of Malakoff; Mattie, Gilbert and Rudy Dean, AnnieRae Guthrie, Joy Thomas, Mark Swen and Stephen Swift of Athens; Ralph, John, Keith, Kay Coty, and Linda Dunklin, Marion McDaniel, Bill and Helen Paine.

Also Gladys and Joe Young, Rachel Faulk all of LaRue; H. H. and Maudie Dunklin, Avoca; Ruth Kluga, Toakowa, Okla., Merle and Elva Swift, Sand Spring, Okla.; Al and Betty Schram, Richardson; Allan Thomas, Texas City; Nelson, Ginger, Andy and Jonthan Thomas of Ft. Worth: Carl. Shasta, Bian and Carla Dunklin of Arp; Warren, Clifford and Bivin H. Dunklin of Tucker, Ga.; Jerre and Bivin Sadler of Dallas; Roy and Paula Smith of Brownsboro,; B.C. and Dorothy Dean, Canyon; Clara Goodson, Morris, Neleta, Dan and Carolanne Campbell, Flint; Raymond McDaniel of Hurst; Gary, Carla, Glynn, and Jane Dunklin of Huntsville; Billy Joe, Diane and Joey, Bronte; and J.A. and Lois Dunklin, Robert Lee. Mr. H.H. Dickey of Alto visited.



Saturday, June 13, will mark the first official play day when points will count in adding up records at the end of the season. Sponsored by the Coke County Rodeo Association, several practice play days already have been held at the arena in Bronte. Play day action will begin at 8 p.m.

Prior to the competition, riders will have a practice session at 6 p.m. to prepare for the 4-H Horse Show which will be held at the Bronte arena on Saturday, June 20. There will be junior and senior divisions in reining, western pleasure, pole bending and barrels.

Entry blanks have been sent to prospective participants in the horse show, but anyone who did not receive one may contact **County Extension Agent Sterling** Lindsey.

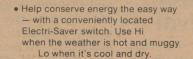
Another activity for the Coke County Rodeo Association this Saturday before play day activities will be a business session when members will elect junior and senior Rodeo Queens, who will be featured during the annual rodeo later in the season.

Coke 4-H'ers In **State Contest**

Several Coke County 4-H club members participated in the State 4-H Club Round-Up held on the campus of Texas A&M University in College Station.

The Coke County soil and range judging teams participated in their respective state contests during round-up. Bud Johnson. Bruce James, Donnie Grant and Wayne Sprenkle placed sixth in the State 4-H Soil Judging Contest. Bruce James, placing seventh, was one of the 10 individuals receiving a watch. Bud Johnson, placing 16th, was just a few points away from being a watch winner.

The range judging team of Frankie Walker, Terry Joe Millican and Brantley Robertson, placed 10th, in the State Range Judging Contest.



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General Telephone Co. Installing New Lines For Sanco, Silver

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LOOK WHO'S NEW

Jessica Lynn Smith is a new arrival in the home of Dr. and Mrs. Jackie G. Smith of Stephenville.

She was born May 18, weighed 6 pounds 6 ounces and is 20 inches long. Her mother is the former Marilyn Wallace.

Jessica's grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Wallace, Jr. of Robert Lee and Mr. and Mrs. Jess Smith of Roscoe.

Her great-grandparents are Mrs. H.L. Bloodworth of Silver and Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Wallace of Robert Lee.

Wanoreck's Has Big Day

Wanoreck's Paint Creek Marina at Lake Spence had a big day when they had their grand opening on Memorial Day weekend. A large crowd of fishermen and others visited the business which was formerly Y. J.'s Marina.

Three expensive rods and reels were given to three lucky persons whose names were drawn. First prize valued at \$150 went to Sheryl Dockrey of Midland; second prize valued at \$125 was awarded to Bob Smalley of Bronte; and third prize valued at \$90 was won by Billy McCann of Midland. Values of the prices was wholesale cost.

Free gum and candy were available for the kids, lots of pictures were made, and a clown provided entertainment for visitors.

Wanoreck's Paint Creek Marina consists of facilities for boats, cabins and a trailer park, plus a general store and cafe.

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Adams recently attended the grauation of their grandson, Stanley Edward Adams III, in Austin. Stan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Adams, was among 204 graduates of West Lake High School in Austin to receive their diplomas. Ceremonies were held in the West Lake Gymnasium, with a reception following in the school cafeteria. The Adams spent the weekend with their family and also enjoyed the company of their grand-daughter, Hazel Ann, a high school student, and Naomi, a Texas University student. Naomi plans to take a South American tour for 30 days in July.

improve and expand telephone service, according to Melvin Jennings, the firm's San Angelo division manager.

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"About 9,600 employee hours will be devoted to the project which will include installing more than 66 miles of telephone cables throughout the two communities," he said.

The cable addition will improve telephone service and provide service to new residential and business customers, Jennings noted. Also, four-party telephone service will be provided to those customers who now have eight-party lines.

"Most of the cables will be placed underground to protect them from the adverse effects of wind, rain and lightning," he said. "As a result, the company will be able to remove some aerial cable lines in the area."

Crews are expected to finish the service improvement project by January.

Sanco and the Silver community are part of General Telephone's Robert Lee exchange that serves about 750 customers.

Mt. Creek Golf News Report

The Data Exchange Service of General Telephone Company of San Angelo used the local course last Saturday for a company tourney. Playing five members to the team, winners were "Hot Dog" McCormick, Tony Ybarra, Pete Gonzales, Joe Lara, and Mike McCormick.

Red Smith, club house manager, says everything is ready for next weekend's Annual Partnership Golf Tournament and Barbecue. Openings are still available for the \$60.00 per team tourney June'13-14. Entry entitles each golfer to the BBQ to be held for the evening meal on Saturday in the county park.

Smith enjoyed one of the high points of his golfing game last Friday by hitting a hole in 1 on No. 9. The 125 yard shot was with a 6 iron and was his first. Playing in the group were Smith, Bob Vaughan, Jake Jacoby, A. J. Roe, John Stewart, Buckles Sparks and Lawrence Higgins.

Boston Drafts Kevin Burrell

Kevin Burrell, grandson of Rev. and Mrs. Hervey Garringer of Robert Lee, was drafted in the first round as No. 1 catcher of the nation. The Boston Red Sox picked up an option on him on Monday.



Burrell was also offered a scholarship to San Diego State University but decided to go with the pro team.

He is a brother of Debbie Lyle, also of Robert Lee.



1st & 3rd Tuesday of each month-7 P.M. LIONS CLUB COMMUNITY CENTER

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MEETING

Brenda Gray, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Les Gray, suffered a knee injury during a basketball work-out Monday morning. She was admitted to St. John's Hospital in San Angelo and plans are for her to undergo knee surgery on Tuesday afternoon. Doctors are hopeful, with early surgery, she will be able to participate in the fall basketball program.





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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that the Coke County Commissioners' Court will accept sealed bids until 10:00 A. M. CDT Monday July 13, 1981 for the following materials to be delivered to a bridge site approximately 4 miles south of Silver, Texas; 6-40 ft. sections of CORRUGATED GALVANIZ-ED PIPE (48 In.) (16 GA.) meeting the requirements of Item **460. CORRUGATED GALVANI** ZED METAL PIPE as specified in the STANDARD SPECIFICAT-**IONS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF** HIGHWAYS, STREETS AND **BRIDGES.** adopted by the State Highway Department of Texas January 3, 1972. (total length required 240 linear feet).

Further information may be obtained by contacting the County Judge's Office at (915) 453-26-WILL TAKE bee swarms and Coke County reserves the 41. right to reject or accept any and all bids. 2tc

CARD OF THANKS

It was a comforting blessing to receive the many expressions of kindness and love shown by friends during the illness and loss of Daisy.

The flowers, food and many acts of sympathy mean so much to us. May God bless each of you. The A.V. Hughes Family 1tP

CARD OF THANKS:

I want to thank all my friends and family for their flowers, cards, visits, and other expressions of thoughtfulness during my surgery and convalescence. I am truly grateful to you.

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO LEASE MINERAL INTEREST AND TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER BIDS

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Pursuant to authority and direction of the Natural Resources Code of the State of Texas, the Colorado River Municipal Water District hereby gives notice of intention to lease all or part of its rights, title and interest in and to the oil and gas situated under property owned by the District in Coke County, Texas, more particularly described as follows;

A 160 acre tract of land known as the Wesley Lucas Survey No. 2, Abstract No. 782, Patent No. 278, Vol. 22 of the Deed Records of Coke County, Texas.

A 560.17 acre tract of land, more or less out of J.A. Knight Survey No.2, L.H. McDorman Survey No. 40, J.J. Cloud Survey No. 7 S.N. Richardson Survey No. 4, W.T. Winters Survey and L.H. McDorman Survey all in Coke County, Texas.

Any lease for oil and gas exploration which may be granted pursuant to this notice shall be subject to certain restrictions and requirements, a detailed list of which may be acquired from the District offices at 400 E. 24th. Street, Big Spring, Texas, during normal working hours. A detaildescription of the property and interest proposed to be leased may also be obtained at such office. Sealed bids shall be received at the District offices on or before 10:00 o'clock, A.M. on the 7th day of July, 1981. All bids shall be accompanied by a proposed lease agreement stating bonus payments, delay rentals and royal interest to the District and which shall incorporate the restrictions and requirements imposed by the District. All bids received will be opened and considered by the District's governing body at a public hearing at the District offices at 10 o'clock A.M. on the 7th day of July, 1981, at which time bids will be considered, rejected or a call made for additional bids. The District reserves the right to accept the bid the governing body determines most favorable considering proposals regarding bonus payments, delay rentals, primary term and royalty interest, and to reject any and all bids and to declare its intention not to lease said interest. 50-3tc

FLEA MARKET

Friday, Saturday, Sunday, June 12, 13, and 14. At the Past and Present parking lot, East Hwy. 80, (across street from old Sun Oil Co. office building), Colorado City, Texas. 1tpbp

Cow lost on Hwy 208 South of town. Black with white stripe face. Call Gerald McBride, 453-2881. 50-1tc

For Sale -- 2 refrigerared window units, bookcase headboard and footboard, 2 adjustable bedframes, new window shutters, 2 T.V. antennas, Mike Post, 453-2427. 50-1tp

THE HAIR SHOPPE, open Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, 10-6. Saturday, 10-3. Phone 473-2731.

Hughes Service Held Monday

Graveside services were held Monday at 4 p.m. in Robert Lee Cemetery, for Mrs. A.V. (Daisy) Hughes, 63, under the direction of Shaffer Funeral Home. Officiating was Father Mike, pastor of St. Mary's Parish in San Angelo.

Mrs. Hughes died at 3:30 a.m. Sunday in West Coke County Hospital after a long illness. She was born Aug. 5, 1917, in Thames, New Zealand. Married to A.V Hughes July 17, 1946 in San Angelo, she had lived in Robert Lee since that time. She was a Catholic.

Survivors include her husband, five daughters, Betty Varnadore of Nicholson, Ga., Pat Whitaker and Mary Newman, of Odessa, Susan Faircloth of Fayetteville, Ga., and Jane Hughes of San Angelo; five grandchildren; and five brothers, all of New Zealand. The family has requested that memorials be sent to the local

unit of the American Cancer Society, % Mrs. Art Runnion. Pallbearers for the service

were: Frank Percifull, Bob Fields, Bob Reese, Crowley Harmon, Royce Smith, David Key, and Finis Millican, all of Robert Lee.

ALPHA KAPPA PI MEETS

Twelve members were present at a meeting of Alpha Kappa Pi May 27 in the home of Carol Fenton.

Regular business was transacted and the 1981-82 calendar year was planned. Beth Prather gave the program on Sociology. Refreshments were served.

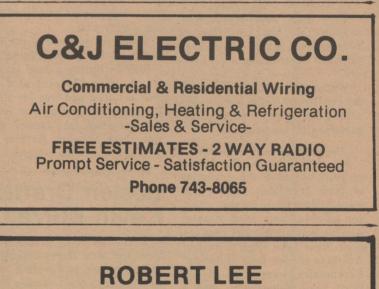
Baptist Church Youth Choir To PresentMusical

The first through sixth grade choirs of theRobert Lee Baptist Church will present the children's musical, "Down By The Creek Bank", Sunday, June 14, at 7 p.m. in the sanctuary of the Robert Lee Baptist Church.

The 72 page musical is advertized as a musical experience into the world of children. Written by Dottie Rambo, "Down By The Creek Bank" is a musical for children, to be sung by children, about their own world. The musical includes 12 songs and features seven children's solos.

Twenty children accompanied by a professionally made accompaniment tape, have been praciticing each Wednesday. They are: Mary Jo Naico, Stacy and Stevie Oleksiuk, Brent McPeek, Stephen and Nikki Epperson, Jason Walker, Amy Johnson, Janet Pentecost, Michelle Adkins, Brooke Boone, Stephanie Poehls, Kim Hood, Johanna Service, Ericka and Becky Clendennen, Misty Epperson, Stephanie Rogers, Lin Long and Debbie Flowers

The children, under the direction of Mrs. Janice Weaver, Mrs. Mickey Flowers, Mrs. Margaret Epperson and Waid Davis, promise a fun-filled entertaining and inspirationl 45 minutes for all those who attend. Don't miss "Down By The Creek Bank," they said.



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Garage Sale--June 12-13, from 8:00 am to 6:00 pm, 21 South 50-1tp Houston.

For Rent: House trailer, by the day, week, or month. Phone 453-2234. 50-2tp

Used Frigidaire For Sale. Ph. 453-2482 or 453-2402. 50-1tp

Large lot for sale. Also Wurlitzer piano. Phone 453- 2404. 50-2tp

In Appreciation:

We want to thank all our relatives and friends for their expressions of love and sympathy at the recent loss of our loved ones, Effie and James Winfred. Your prayers, flowers, memorials visits, cards, words of comfort and concern, and the food were all appreciated so much.

Phillip and Kay Page & family **Vonceal Page** 50-1tc

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BOYS AND GIRLS Grades 1 thru 6 (This Past School Year)

8:30 till 11:30 a.m.

HELD AT COUNTY PARK \$1.00 FEE FOR EACH CAMPER

All Kids Invited to Participate



MRS. DAVID MEADOWS Sandra Jones, David Meadows Marriage Vows Read In Angelo

St. Paul Presbyterian Church in San Angelo was the setting for the wedding Friday, May 29th, of Sandra Kay Jones and David Harold Meadows. The Rev. Fred L. Campbell officiated at the gathered to Juliet cap that was double ring ceremony.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Jones of Gervin are parents of the bride. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Meadows of San Angelo.

The bride wore a long gown of white organza. The fitted bodice was fashioned with a sweetheart neckline and accented re-embroidered French Alecon lace and pearls. Full bishop sleeves were gathered at the wrists with a wide cuff of lace and edged with pleated ruffles.

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The accordian pleated skirt fell to a deep panel of lace and mushroom pleating, flowing to a chapel length train. She chose a veil of two layers of illusion covered with lace and decorated with pearls.

Miss Lesa Byrd of San Angelo was the maid of honor. She wore a long gown of light blue lace.

Steve Meadows, brother of the groom from Tulsa, Okla., was the best man.

Mrs. Ginny Roberts of San Angelo sang "Twelfth of Never" accompanied by Mrs. Gene Byrd, who also played the traditional wedding music.

A reception followed in the Fellowship Hall of the church. Mrs. Steve Meadows assisted.

The groom's parents were the hosts for the rehearsal dinner at Zentner'a Restaurant.

The bride is a 1978 graduate of McCamey High School and the groom is a 1978 graduate of Robert Lee High School. Both are senior students at ASU.

Harmons Have **Family Reunion**

The family of the late Joe and Belle Harmon held their annual reunion at the Recreation Hall in Robert Lee, Sunday, June 7.

Four of the five surviving children were present, Thomas Harmon of Robert Lee, George Harmon of Midland, Clara (Harmon) Birdwill of El Paso, and Hazel (Harmon) Brothers of Austin.

The oldest of the children T.R. (Thomas) and his wife, Amanda Harmon, have been married for 69 years and raised 11 children of which 9 are still living. Mr. and Mrs. Harmon were both able to attend the reunion.

Their children and wives present were: Floyd and Jessie Harmon, Finis and LaRue Harmon, J.D. and Mary Jo Harmon, Crowley and Nola Harmon all of Robert Lee: Alf and Dorothy Harmon of San Angelo; Milton and Evelyn Harmon and greatgranddaughter, Stormy of Denver City.

Others attending were: Lawana, Marshall, Sheri and Kannan Millican, Wayne and Dorene Mashburn, Bobby, Jeffie, and Douglas Roberts, Lois Burns, Juanita Barger all of Robert Lee; Jerrel Clint, Lavelle and Brent Harmon, Rick, Teresa and Seth Long, Bob and Sheila Hammerton, all of San Angelo; Junior and Betty Birdwell and daughters of San Antonio; Clay and Betsy Barton of Kerrville, George, Ruby, Shirley and Kendy of Midland; Anna Lee Stewart of Colorado; Pete and Polly Ditmore of Mission; Jake and Vivian Sparks of Sterling City; R.C. and Mary Patterson of Robert Lee; and Velma Lovell of Dallas.

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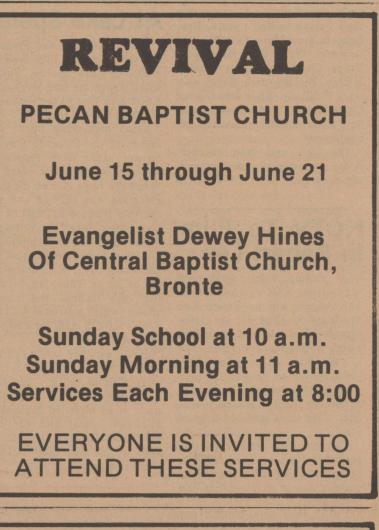
Mrs. Yvonne Conner, who has been a patient in West Coke County Hospital for several days, plans to return to M. D. Anderson in Houston this week. Her daughter, Mrs. Pat Byrd, has been visiting with her mother for an extended stay and will go with her

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Heuvel recently spent several days visiting old friends here. They had lived in Robert Lee for many years while Heuvel was a Sun Oil

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Company employee. On retirement last year, the couple moved to Brenham. Accompanying them to Robert Lee was another former resident, Mrs. Pet McArthur of South Carolina.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Caraway, Elizabeth and Anne Marie of Bellaire have spent a week here visiting his mother, Mrs. Lillian Middleton. While here, they enjoyed spending time with his sister, Glo Snead and family, of Oxen Hill, Md. All the family traveled to Crane for a visit with another sister, Zelda Woodard





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Girls Softball Team Is Started

A girls softball team has been organized in Robert Lee for girls 10-12 years old. They will play their first game Monday at 7:30 p.m. on the local field, and they are looking for other matches.

Kay Grim, Leigh Ann Runnion and Martha Bickley are coaching the team. They said the newlyorganized club is "operating on a shoestring, but girls need some thing to do too.'

The girls have received several cash donations and expressed their thanks to Bell's Auto, Ben Bessent, Ivey Motor Co., Baker's Grocery, West Way Grocery, Ernest Clendennen, Dale Brown, Jimmy Bickley and Gaye and Gary Williams. They also thank-Clyde Dukes, Western Auto and Roy Epperson for donations of equipment.

The girls and their coaches invite everyone to come out and see them play.

KCTV To Film In Robert Lee

A remote video production team from KCTV television in San Angelo will be Robert Lee Wednesday, June 17, to videotape local people and places for airing throughout the year.

"We hope to have as many townspeople as possible to take part in this taping," said Gill Schneider, KCTV general manager. "We think it will be a lot of fun."

The television crew will arrive at Robert Lee at approximately 11 a.m. Taping will take place at various points of interest in the community.

"With the completion of our new \$1.5-million transmitting facility and subsequent increase in power this fall, KCTV's coverage area will nearly double." Schneider explained. "And, with our stronger signal, we are planning to expand local news coverage for cities such as Robert Lee.'

Local persons may contact Kris Boubek at KCTV, (915) 655-7383, for more information about Wednesday's videotaping.

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ATTEND CONFERENCE Rev. and Mrs. John Reynolds, Mrs. Laura Herford, and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Beaty were in

San Antonio last week attending the Southwest Texas Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church. Worship services were held in

the historic Travis Park United Methodist Church with business sessions held in La Villita Assembly Hall, with Bishop Ernest T. Dixon presiding.

Water Level Up **At Lake Spence**

Rains Thursday and Friday of last week added a little less than a foot to Lake Spence, but the small rise in the lake level added 8,600 acre feet to the amount of water in the big lake.

Rains measuring up to four inches in the Colorado City and Snyder areas were responsible for most of the added water.

When the rains started the lake's elevation was 1879.18 and after the rise it stood at 1880.04 feet above sea level, according to Mike Ross, lake superintendent. Robert Lee received some moisture both days. Rain started fall ing at 2 a.m. Thursday, measuring 1.15 inches, and another

shower which started at 4:39 a.m. Friday left .25 inch, for a two-day total of 1.40 inches. How weather and sunshine

arrived this week and farmers were glad to see it. Combines have been running at a rapid pace in an effort to harvest the abundant wheat and oat crop, and some farmers are just now able to get into their fields to plant row crops.

Chuck and Miki Askins, of Sulphur Springs, and Lori and Amy Bloodworth, of Sundown, have been spending some time with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Bloodworth and Mr. and Mrs. Foy Askins.

Other weekend visitors in the Bloodworth home were Bonnie Robertson of Robert Lee, Carl and Laveta Bloodworth of Sundown, Lonnell and Tammy Tomes of Amherst, Elaine, Kenny and Brad Bennett of Arlington, Billye Talley of Forney, Rob Talley and Belinda Talley, both of Snyder, and Charles and Dena Bloodworth of Midland.



GENA HOOD Gena Hood Is Fiesta Duchess

Gena Hood, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Hood and a granddaughter of Mrs. Ruth Hood of Robert Lee, is one of the duchesses who will be in the river parade of Fiesta del Concho celebration of 1981.

She and some other duchesses will be featured on the Pat Attebury show on KCTV, channel 8, at 5 p.m. on June 17.

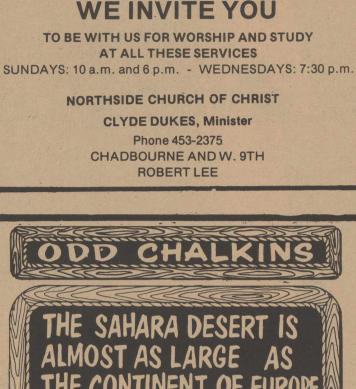
Miss Hood is a 19 year old brunette and is 5 feet 6 inches tall.

She is a graduate of Central High School in San Angelo where she received many honors. Among her list of honors and activities, she was voted the most talented senior girl; was in the Central High Chorale and served as historian; was a member of the National Honor Society, Tex-Anns and Tri Hi; she was in Whos's Who in American High Schools, Who's Who in Music and a Texas All-State Choir candidate.

Now a student at Angelo State University, she is now serving as treasurer of Sigma Alpha Iota.

Karen and Larry Sproles of Odessa spent several days last week in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Counts. The Countses will go to Houston Friday for his check-up at M. D. Anderson Hospital and Clinic there.

Mrs. Zola Hatley underwent eye surgery last Thursday in St. John's Hospital in San Angelo. In years past, she said, this would have meant a long hospital stay but due to advances in surgery techniques, she was able to return home on Saturday.



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Pursuant to TEX. REV. CIV. STAT. ANN. art. 1446c \$43(1975), Lone Star Gas Company hereby gives NOTICE of the Company's intent

to implement a new schedule of rates effective on the latter of June 15, 1981

or such other date as new rates become effective in the City of Robert Lee

to be charged for natural gas service to residential and commercial customers in the en-virons areas (outside incorporated limits of

Robert Lee, Texas The rate schedule is expected to furnish a 14.38% increase in the Company's gross revenues in the environs of Robert Lee,

Texas

A Statement of Intent has been filed with the Railroad Commission of Texas and is available for inspection at the Company's business office located at 111 W. Twohig, San Angelo, Texas.

Any affected person desiring to contest such changes in rates can file a complaint with the Director of the Gas Utilities Division. Railroad Commission of Texas. P. O. Drawer 12967. Capitol Station. Austin, Texas, 78711.

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Mrs. McBroom Has Fine Trip

(Editor's note: Mrs. Chanda McBroom, Robert Lee teacher, has returned from a trip which took her through the Southern states, down into south Florida, then on a cruise to the Bahama Islands. She was kind enough to write an account of her trip which we feel our readers will enjoy.)

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By Chanda McBroom

I left Robert Lee about 8 a.m. on Mother's Day, arriving in Brownwood in time to attend church with Russell's brother, Alex McBroom, and his family. After lunch, a leisurely trip via back roads and Lake Whitney led me to Corsicana to the home of my sister, Mrs. B. J. (Alice) Acock and her daughter, Chanda Kellam.

The next day, Alice, Chanda and I began our trip to the Bahamas, but we were in no great rush, stopping for a tour of the Tyler Rose Gardens, then the Louisiana tourist information center. About that time I began to get excited, because it was my first time to be in Louisiana. Following La. I, we passed many beautiful plantation homes-and many rows of what had obviously been slave quarters, now rotting away and often almost covered with kudsu vines. We wanted to find real creole food, but about 2 o'clock we finally gave up and stopped at a truck-stop cafe. Yes, it was real creole food-not tourist fare. Just about sundown we crossed the Mississippi on a ferry boat at St. Francisville, La., about 30 miles north of Baton Rouge and found our way to The Cottage to spend the night.

The original part of The Cottage was built in 1796, with an addition made in 1810. In 1850 another wing was added. At that time The Cottage had room to sleep 20 people. Each bedroom had a hand bell of a different size, so that when anyone needed a slave, the tone of the bell told which room he was in. Much original furniture is there and many other antiques have been added.

After a morning tour of the plantation we had a long drive to Tallahassee, Fla. via Ft. Walton Beach. At Ft. Walton Beach we visited Alice's grandson (my great nephew) and his wife and baby daughter who was born on my birthday this year.

On Wednesday we stopped in Gainesville, Fla. long enough to have breakfast with Chanda's daughter Cherise Bartley, and her daughter Jennifer, then hurried on to be in Orlando by the check-in time of 2 p.m.

Orlando was something else. We were there for a convention of

were on the Flavia, a ship of the Costa lines which claims to be the largest cruise fleet in the world. Our group from September Day's was only one of many groups from high schools, colleges, and other organization. Counting the crew, there were more than 600 people aboard. The weather was so perfect there was no more sense of motion than you feel in a car or a train. Seasick? When I began to feel a little bit queasy the first afternoon, whether it was motion sickness, or excitement, or simply hunger I can't really say, but Chanda insisted that I take a pill for preventive purposes. Another was never

needed. There were activities scheduled for all hours-especially eating. In addition to the three main meals, coffee and rolls were served on the main deck every morning, and coffee, tea, sandwiches, etc, every afternoon, and at midnight there was a buffet in the main dining room. What a way to dispose of left-overs!

Our first stop was at Freeport, where we were given a tour to Grove Garden, a beautiful place I could have stayed in all day, but the guide insisted we go to the International Trade Center, which is just what it say- a market place for goods from all over the world at prices far to steep for

Leaving Freeport about 4 p.m., we arrived in Nassau about 8 a.m. The tour of Nassau was fabulous-because we had a great guide. He not only knew the points of interest, but was also sensitive to his passengers' reactions, coloring his answers to our questions with little anecdotes.

There was much too much offered in Nassau to do all you wanted to, but we chose to attend a Luau. The food was very good-and so was the entertainmet. Therein lies a story of its

It was fascinating just to wander around town and look at the tourist traps, especially the straw market. They had everything from small purses to dolls on burros-all made of straw, and T-shirts of all sizes and colors-all saying the same things. I wanted something to bring home as souvenirs, but good heavens! Who would want that junk cluttering up their house? Anyway it was fun to see what others were buying.

I was glad the sea was a little rough on the way back. Not really bad, tho. I've seen waves on Lake Spence that were almost as big, but at least it was enough to really feel. After landing in Miami, we made a bee line for Gainesville to visit Chanda's daughter Cherise again, staying with her and her family through Memorial Day and enjoying a back yard fish fry at the Bartley's farm. (I had attended ACU with Mrs. Bartley way back in the thirties!) Leaving Gainesville we travelled across Georgia and South near where we had a short visit with Drew and Debbie Henderer), then went on th Goldsborough to the home of Chanda's son John Kellam and his wife and son. While there we visited the home place of Charles Acock, who was governor of North Carolina for many years. When we left Goldsborough time was running out on us but we managed to squeeze in a drive through the Smoky Mountains to spent the night. Our lunch on Gatlinburg, Tenn. After spend-Monday was on the beach at ing the night in Cooksville, Tenn. we visited Opry Land USA in Nashville. It was fun to see the the middle of Texas describe a stage where so many TV shows have been filmed, but we stayed

too long. Before we could get to June 12, 1981 Memphis, we were caught in a real deluge. It was raining so hard we couldn't see any road at all, but somehow other cars were passing us so we muddled on. Then something got wet and we thought for sure the car would drown out, but somehow it didn't.

There was no place to sleep in Memphis that night. It was dog-racing night, and the town was overflowing! So we drove on and spent the night in Brinkley, Ark. And the next day drove on to Corsicana with only two stops, one for church in Hope, Ark., and the other at the First Monday sale at Canton, Tex. This seems to be a traditional flea market type thing that was as fascinating as the straw market in Nassau! Only here there were also vendors of soft drinks, hotdogs, pizzas, etc., and in Nassau you went elsewhere to eat.

The next day I came home

NOTICE OF BOARD OF EQUALIZATION MEETING COKE COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT

In obedience to an order of the Board of Equalization regularly convened and sitting, notice if hereby given that said Board of Equalization will be in session at its regular meeting place at Court House in the City of Robert Lee, Texas, Coke County, Texas, at 10 o'clock A.M., beginning on the 25th day of June, 1981, and from day to day thereafter, for the purposes of determining, fixing, and equalizing the value of any and all taxable property situated in the said Coke County Appraisal District, until such values have finally been determined for taxable purposes for the year 1981, and any and all persons interested, or having business with said Board, are here notified to be present.

DONE BY ORDER OF THE **BOARD OF EQUALIZATION OF** Coke County Appraisal District, Coke County, Texas, at Robert Lee, Texas, the 13th day of April, 1981.

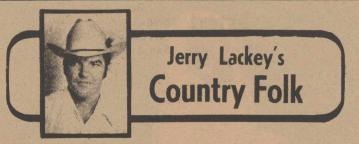
> **Tuman Hines** Secretary Coke **County Appraisal District**

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STATEMENT OF INTENT TO CHANGE RATES General Telephone Com-

pany of the Southwest, in accordance with the Rules of the Public Utility Commission of Texas, hereby gives notice of the Company's intent to implement a new schedule of rates in Texas effective October 1, 1981 On April 28, 1981, the Public Utility Commission of Texas issued its order in Docket 3690. creating a separate Docket 3861 to consider the impact and effect of the accounting changes ordered by the Federal Communications Commission (CC Docket 79-105). The Federal Communications Commission has changed the method of accounting for inside wiring costs associated with the one-time station connection, move, or change activi-The new rate schedule ty. will increase the Company's gross annual revenue derived from local service by no more than three percent. The schedule of rates and charges is available for inspection at each Company business office in the State of Texas.

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In some of Elmer Kelton's western novels, he tells about the Indians a century or so ago picking up their tepees and moving camp. They usually re-located near running water and the buffalo herds.

Likewise, after 10 years at the Jackson House, my Round Table Breakfast Club of San Angelo has moved camp. We have moved at the invitation of Sergeant Major Joan Nobles owner of Gideon's Kitchen and Officers' Retreat. We brought with us our waitress of nine years, Mary Barton, and our black cook, David.

The new gathering place is on the banks of the Concho River and is named for a buffalo hunter. Matter of fact, the name of the cafe was inspired by a fictional "Buffal" soldier created by Elmer Kelton in his historical novel "The Wolf and the Buffalo"

Kelton's Gideon served as a trooper based at Fort Concho from approximately 1850 through the early 1880's. His life recounts the common struggle shared by Blacks and Indians for survival, for human dignity. The setting: the Double Mountains, Fort Concho and a little whiskey settlement across the river from the fort know in those beginning years as Saint Angela.

Gideon could have graced the area where the restaurant now stands. The whole Concho Street was saloons in his day. In 1884, however, 26 East Concho was the site of the original San Angelo National Bank building. A year later, the bank acquired a new neighbor. Clint Johnson and J. Blake Taylor opened a "fancy' grocery store next door.

This is the beginning of the colorful and richly diversified history of Gideon's present post. The buildings have been restored to their original design and have been placed on the National Register as a historic site.

Our group still includes: ranchmen, bankers, lawyers, real estate and insurancemen, mohair and cow traders, a shoe salesman, a few golfers and this newspaper columnist.

For the last three weeks, it has rained off and on filling our backyard rain gauges several times over. So, the ranchmen are iubilant and the farmers are starting to pray for a drought. The day after the formal dedication of a wool and mohair exhibit at Fort Concho..."across the river from our little whiskey settlement", we talked about that. A special ribbon made of wool and mohair was cut with a pair of handshears to open the ceremonies. We figured the natural fiber was cheaper than synthetic.

San Angelo being the "Wool Capital" of the world and the fort being the original home of Gideon, certainly the location of the sheep and goat industry exhibit is a good and likely one. Food and Fiber National Institute of Achievement in Lubbock, represented by president Alton Brazell, made the formal presentation.

Oh, one morning I reported in on my review of the Bishop Boys Limousin cattle herd up at Wingate. E. J. Bishop drove me over the muddy pasture at Winters to photograph a Limousin, a full french bull, he donated at the West Texas Rehab Center.

Bishop continued to brag on his Brahmousin crosses. "Well, what do they look like?" I ask.

By that time we had reached a draw where some were grazing. I was impressed with the appearance and conformation of these animals. Bishop says they will out weigh the Limousin by a 100 pounds.

And that Concho Valley Club Lamb Sale last week showed good interest from every corner of the state. Carroll Turk reports 54 of the top lambs averaged \$101 per head with the top ten averaging \$180.

Soon, we were back talking about the yipping dog in the back of the blue pickup on the parking lot belonging to J.W. West and the cloudy skies which promised more moisture. But that's the way it is at morning breakfast at Gideon's on the Concho River, every fresh drawn breath is a new subject. At our age...it has to be!

PAGEANT COMMITTEE

TO MEET MONDAY JUNE 15 The executive committee of the **Coke County Pageant Association** will meet Monday June 15, at 3 p.m. to open bids for the concession stand, and other business to come before the committee.

Those wishing to submit 'bids should send them to the Coke

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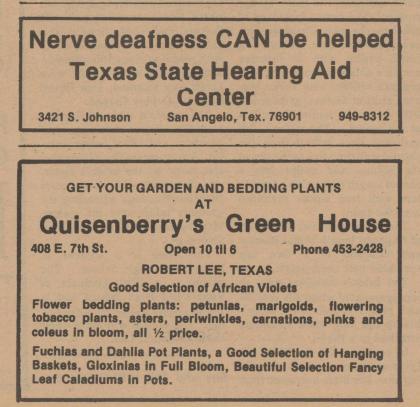
September Day's Club, sponsored by Day's Inns of America, so we got royal treatment. On Wednesday night there was a banquet at the Hyatt Regent Hotel with Will Rogers, Jr. as the featured speaker. Thursday we attended the ceremony at Stars Hall of Fame when Will Roger, Jr. put his prints in two blocks of cement (one for Florida and one for California), then later toured Carolian to Fayettville, N.C., the Hall. Then there was a meeting where Milt Moss was the speaker. He's the one who son (Ruth Brown's granddaught-"can't believe I ate the whole thing." He was hilarious. We also got to go to Sea World Circus World, and Florida Festival. Because we had an extra day between the convention and the Bahama cruise, we stayed over in Orlando and went to Disney World.

The next day, Sunday, we drove to Hobe Sound where we Miami Beach.

How does a land lubber from cruise? I really don't know. We



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MRS. RICKY ROSS Rebecca Taylor And Ricky Ross Are Wed In Robert Lee Rites

Rebecca Lynn Taylor and Ricky the groom's grandmother as Marvin Ross were united in marriage in a double ring ceremony held Saturday, May 23, at 7 p.m. in the Robert Lee Baptist Church with the pastor the Rev. Roy Epperson officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Rheba Taylor of Robert Lee and Dean Taylor of Fort Worth.

Parents of the groom are Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ross of Robert Lee. The couple exchanged vows before a 15-branch candelabra adorned with fresh english ivy and pink silk roses and flanked by

two spiral candelabras accented in the same fashion. The bridal aisle was marked

with pink satin bows on the reserved pews for family members.

Mrs Leslie Copeland served as organist for the wedding. Mrs. Copeland played "Whither Thou Goest" as the family members were seated, and provided the traditional "Wedding March" for the ceremony.

Cousins of the bride, Mrs. Bascom Chesney and Nelson Coulter, provided two special musical pieces for the affair. Vocalist, Nelson Coulter sang "The Wedding Song" and "Evergreen" as Mrs. Chesney accompanied him in the piano.

The bride, given in marriage by her two brothers, Charles and with crystal and silver appoint-William, wore a formal white ments. The three tiered bride's

something borrowed and old, her garter was blue and pennies in her shoes.

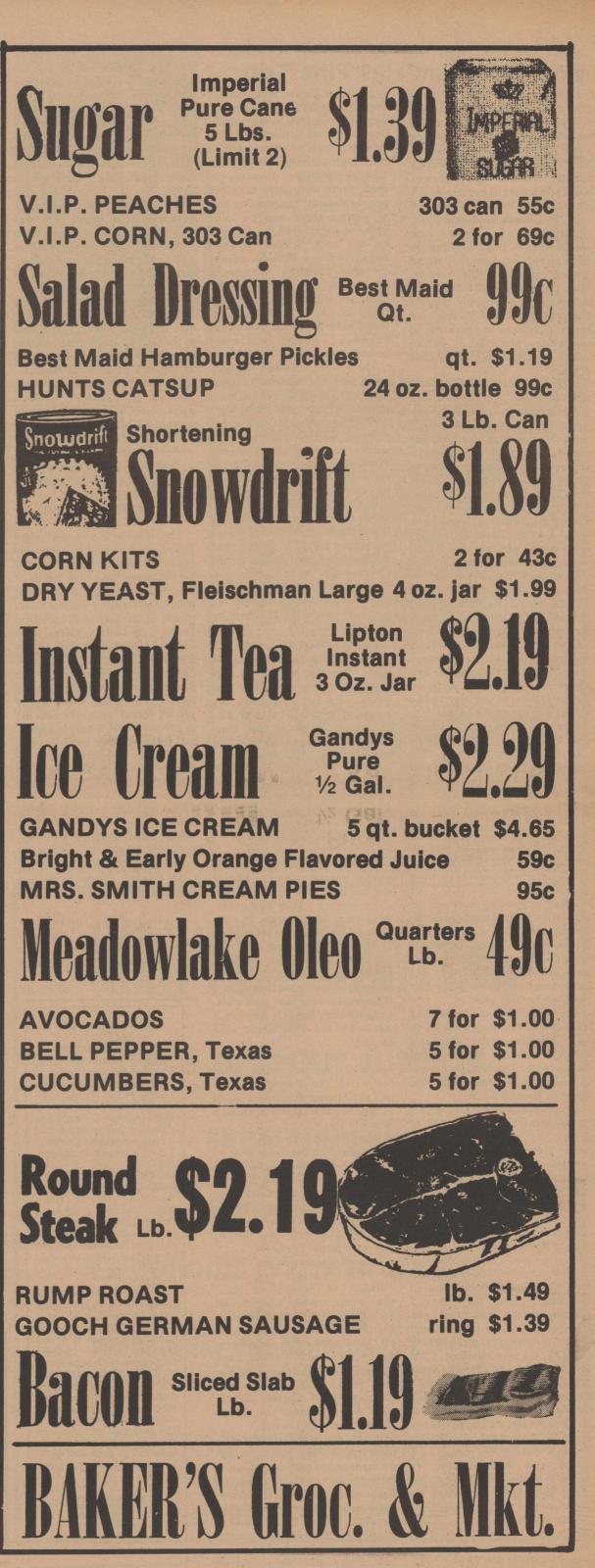
Serving the bride as maid of honor was Jana Jeffcoat of Cisco, Mrs. Mark Thomas and Vonie Taylor, sisters of the bride, and Lori Allen served as brides-. maids. The attendants wore sheer pink floral floor length dressed accented with pink satin cumberbunds. Each carried asingle pink silk rosebud with pink and white satin streamers.

The groom was attired in a white formal tuxedo accented with a white ruffled shirt and pink silk rose boutonniere.

Terry Ross, brother of the groom, served as best man with Clay Allen, Buck Duncan, and Brett Clark serving as groomsmen. Ushers were Joel Percifull and Graves Parks. Ring bearer was Tray Taylor, nephew of the bride.

All of the male attendents wore chocolate brown tuxedos accented with pink ruffled shirts and pink silk rose boutonnieres.

A reception was held in the church Fellowship Hall immediately following the ceremony. The bridal table was covered with white cutwork cloth featuring an arrangement of pink silk roses, baby's breath and english ivy cake, baked and decorated by her sister, Vonie, featured pink silk flowers and confectionery accents. The top was a pair of doves with wedding rings intertwined. Attending the bride's table were Leigh Ann Runnion, Lisa Devoll and Mrs.Debbie Carper. The groom's table was decorated with dogwood blooms and greenery and silver coffee service. A sour cream chocolate cake, also made by the bride's sister. was decorated with sour cream chocolate frosting. Attending the groom's table were his sisters, Mrs. Tommy Blair and Mrs. Lane Shandley.



gown designed and made by her mother. The gown, fashioned of silk organza and Chantilly lace over peau de suie, featured a fitted bodice with a victorian neckline of lace and outlined with organza ruffles, with sheer organza mutton sleeves gathered to wide lace cuffs ending in ruffles at the wrists. The gown's full gathered skirt drifted from the natural waistline to a large tier at the bottom and swept into a chapel length train, also edged in lace with lace motifs scattered over the train.

The bridal veil was fashioned of fingertip length bridal illusion and attached to a lace cap sprinkled with seed pearls.

The bride's bouquet was an arrangement of white silk orchids and pink rosebuds with baby's breath and long white streamers attached to a Bible.

In keeping with tradition, the bride wore her gown as something new, her Bible borrowed from Buy and Sell With Want Ads

The bride is a student in Robert Lee High School. The groom is a 1980 graduate of Robert Lee High School and is employed by Ernest Clendennen, Inc. The couple will make their home in Robert Lee.