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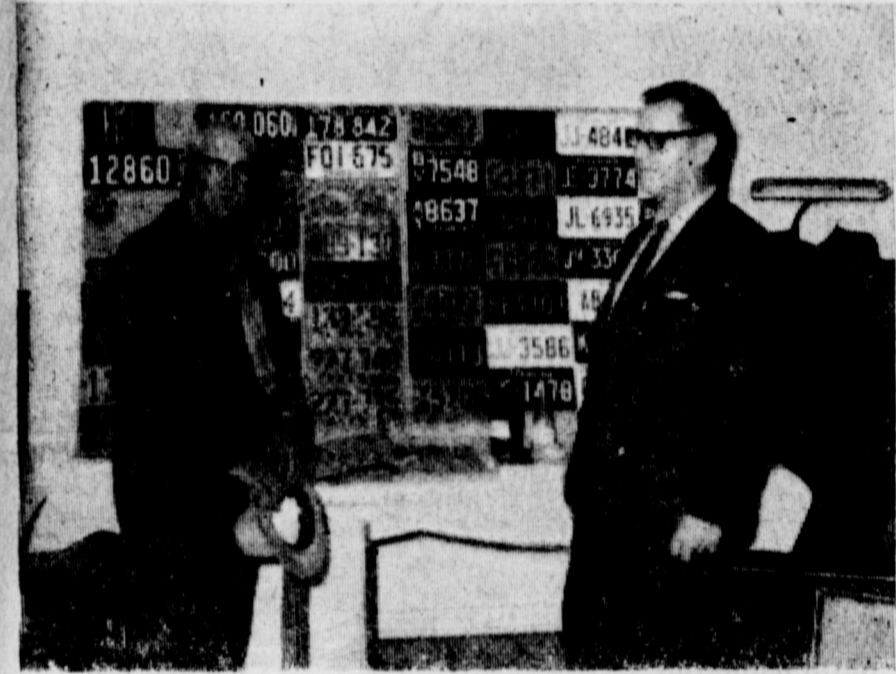
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General Election Tuesday

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Tuesday is election day in Texas and Democratic candidates for top offices in the state have Republican opposition in most cases. Also to be voted on are seven amendments to the Texas constitution.

Perhaps the hottest race to be

decided is the U. S. Senate seat now held by Ralph Yarborough. Lloyd Bentsen, who defeated Yarborough in the Democratic Primary, is being sharply contested by Republican Congressman George Bush of Houston.

Hundreds of thousands, per-

haps millions, of dollars are being spent for TV and radio advertising in this race, and the Republicans feel it is a choice plum in their effort to gain a majority in the U. S. Senate.

Also spending lots of money are the candidates for governor. The Democratic incumbent Preston Smith is being challenged by Republican Paul Eggers.

Most dopesters feel that the senate and governor races are the only two statewide races in which the Republicans stand a chance to make a real showing.

However, contested races are on tap for lieutenant governor, attorney general, state comptroller, state treasurer, commissioner of general land office and commissioner of agriculture.

Amendments Hot, Too

Considerable interest is being shown in the amendment voting. Probably the hottest contest is on the matter of repealing the liquor by the drink law of Texas, which is No. 2 on the ballot.

Also creating much interest is No. 3, which proposes to change the method of assessing agricultural and timber lands. It would make possible an assessment based on capability of the land to produce, rather than on market value.

A sample ballot is being printed in this newspaper, in order for readers to familiarize themselves with the candidates and amendments to be voted on.

Elections in Coke County will be held in the following places with judges and alternates as indicated:

Precinct No. 1, Rec Hall, Robert Lee, Mrs. Patty Ivey and Mrs. Willie Clark.

Precinct No. 2, Boecking Garage, Bronte, Matthew Caperton and Royce Fancher.

Precinct No. 3, Courthouse, Robert Lee, Frank Percifull and Mrs. Jessie Yarborough.

Precinct No. 4, Schoolhouse, Tennyson, J. P. Arrott and Mrs. Lora Bell Brown.

Precinct No. 5, City Hall, Bronte, Noah Pruitt and Calvin McCutchen.

Precinct No. 8, Schoolhouse, Silver, H. L. Bloodworth and Mrs. Ernest Clendennen.

Precinct No. 9, Community Center, Green Mountain, D. O. King and Conrad Millican.

OIL NEWS

Eugene A. Roberts Jr. of Dallas has staked a 4,500 foot wildcat 1 3/4 miles northeast of the McCutchen (Cisco) Field and 4 1/2 miles southwest of the Rawlings multipay Field north of Bronte. The test is No. 1 Lula Hines.

The wildcat has been spotted 2,640 feet from the south and 467 feet from the west lines of Section 420, Block 1A, H&TC Ry. Survey.

Steers To Meet Menard Friday

The Robert Lee Steers will travel this Friday night to Menard to take on the Yellowjackets in a District 9-A contest. The Steers will be looking hard for a victory as they are still smarting sharply from a defeat at El-

dorado last week.

In spite of their loss, the Steers are still in the No. 2 spot in season play for the district, being outpaced only by powerful Sonora. The Steers have a 4-2-1 season while the Menard lads have a 2-4-1.

Last Week's Results

Last week district teams fared this way: Sonora swamped Bangs, 52-0; Eldorado downed the Steers, 28-7; and Mason went by Menard, 9-0.

This Week's Schedule

Eldorado will travel to Bangs Friday night; Mason will go to Sonora; and Robert Lee will take on Menard.

Last Rites Held for W. M. McCutchen, Pioneer Rancher

Funeral services were held Tuesday at 2 p.m. for William Madison McCutchen, 85, Coke County pioneer stock farmer. The last rites were held in Robert Lee Baptist Church, with the pastor, the Rev. Bill Beaty, and the Rev. Horace Bloodworth of Silver officiating. Burial was in Robert Lee Cemetery under direction of Newby Funeral Home.

Mr. McCutchen died at 5:30 p.m. Sunday in West Coke County Hospital. He had been ill two and one-half weeks.

Mr. McCutchen was born in Gatesville July 24, 1885. He came to Coke County in 1889, the year the county was organized, with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. McCutchen. His father was an early day tax assessor in the county. He was married to Miss Eva Rushing July 1, 1906, at Robert Lee. She died Dec. 13, 1962.

Mr. McCutchen operated his stock farm in the Graham Valley community until recently. He had served as school trustee for Sanco, Edith and Graham Valley. He was a member of the Sanco Baptist Church.

Survivors include four sons, J. D. McCutchen of San Angelo, Wayne McCutchen of Amarillo, Madison McCutchen of San Antonio and Bill McCutchen of Roswell, N. M.; five daughters, Mrs. J. W. (Ruth) Service of Robert Lee, Mrs. Laverne Cole of Roswell, N. M. Mrs. Lendy (Yvonne) Devoll of Robert Lee, Mrs. Bob (Hilda) Adkins and Mrs. Bobby (Joyce) Hood, both of San Angelo; two sisters, Mrs. Pearl Childress of Mesa, Ariz., and Mrs. Grace Murtishaw of Bronte; 26 grandchildren, 34 great-grandchildren and a large number of nieces, nephews and cousins.

Theater Burglarized

The Alamo Theater and Skating Rink were burglarized sometime late Friday night or early Saturday morning. Over \$80 worth of candy, several pairs of skates and several cases of soft drinks were taken.

The break-in was discovered early Saturday afternoon when

Victor Wojtek, operator of the theatre, and his son went into the building. Sheriff Melvin Childress received a call from Wojtek at 2:30 p.m.

The sheriff said the theatre apparently was entered from the back through a window. The skating rink was entered from the front where the burglars prized open the front door. Apparently the intruders left with their loot by way of the back door of the skating rink.

The break-in is being investigated by the Sheriff's Department.

COURT HOUSE WILL BE CLOSED ELECTION DAY

The courthouse will be closed for the general election next Tuesday, Nov. 3.

The Highway Patrolman who gives drivers license tests will not be in the county on that day either.

E. C. (Do-Dad) Davis remains in serious condition following a heart attack at Eldorado Friday night while attending the football game. He is in the Eldorado hospital.

Carnival Planned Halloween Night

A Halloween Carnival will be held Saturday night in the Robert Lee School gymnasium. Activities will get underway at 6 p.m. and no time has been set for shutting down the operation.

The carnival will be sponsored by the student council.

Everyone in the area is invited to attend and enjoy the fun, food and entertainment which will be provided in the many booths being sponsored by classes and clubs.

There will be bingo games, a cake walk, a food booth and many other activities for persons of all ages. Door prizes will be given to some lucky winners who are present.

Be Sure YOU Vote!



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Seven Amendments to Be Voted On Tuesday

Texas will go to the polls Tuesday, Nov. 2 and vote on seven amendments to the constitution. These seven make a total of 229 which have been proposed since the constitution was adopted in 1875. Of the 229 proposed, 185 have been adopted.

The Observer is presenting below a short analysis of each amendment prepared by the Texas Legislative Council. Each amendment is stated, then followed by arguments for and against.

Amendment No. 1

Relating to removal, retirement, or censure of justices, judges, and justices of the peace under prescribed circumstances.

FOR: 1. Every judge is charged with the equitable enforcement of law. The responsibilities of the judges of lower courts are no less sacred than those of the justices of the appellate courts. Therefore, they should be answerable to the same rules dealing with retirement, removal from office, and public censure or private reprimand.

AGAINST: 1. Except in rare instances, the judges named in Subsection (4) are elected by the people and therefore answerable to the people at the polls. Therefore, the expansion of the article is unwarranted. Increasing the power and scope of the commission might also lead to "witch hunts" and such action could subsequently discourage qualified persons from seeking election to the bench.

Amendment No. 2

To authorize the legislature to enact a mixed beverage law regulating the sale of mixed alcoholic beverages on a local option basis.

FOR: 1. The proposed amendment is not a wet-dry issue because the sale of alcohol has already been sanctioned by a majority of the residents of the state; also, a non-binding referendum during the 1968 primary elections resulted in a 40,000-vote margin for mixed beverages out of a total vote of 1.4 million.

2. The proposed amendment would not force mixed drinks on any locality since it requires that any mixed drink law be on a local option election basis.

3. Adoption of the proposed amendment and passage of subsequent enabling legislation would lead to stricter control of liquor sales to minors, an end to the subterfuge of private clubs, a decrease in alcohol consumption, a reduced crime rate, and fewer traffic accidents.

AGAINST: 1. The proposed amendment would make alcoholic beverages more readily available.

2. The proposed amendment would lead to an increase in crime and in traffic deaths.

3. Although enabling legislation for the proposed amendment could be designed to raise needed new revenue through the taxation of mixed beverages, this revenue would be negligible in comparison with resulting problems such as broken homes, ju-

venile delinquency, drunk-driving, criminal assaults, and other crimes.

Amendment No. 3

Authorizing the legislature to provide by law for the establishment of a uniform method of assessment of ranch, farm, and forest lands based on the capability of the lands to support the raising of livestock or to produce farm and forest crops.

FOR: 1. Farm real estate taxes per acre have increased by more than 22 per cent, according to data compiled by the Economic Research Service of the United States Department of Agriculture, and there is a need for the tax relief for owners of such property which the proposed amendment would authorize.

2. The constitutional amendment approved by the voters in 1966 has not provided tax relief urgently needed by farmers and ranchers who use for agricultural purposes land which has greatly increased in value due to its potential use for other purposes, such as urban development. The proposed amendment would enable the legislature to provide such relief.

3. The present system of assessing forest lands for ad valorem tax purposes is inequitable and unrealistic. Timber is not recognized as a "farm product" exempt from taxation as are other growing crops. Timber is accordingly taxed with, and in addition to, the land. The result is

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Lunchroom Menus

Monday, Nov. 2
 Meat and cheese sandwiches, lettuce, tomatoes, buttered french fry, milk, banana pudding.

Tuesday, Nov. 3
 Hamburger patties and gravy, creamed potatoes, cabbage and carrot slaw, hot rolls and butter, milk, pink applesauce.

Wednesday, Nov. 4
 Tuna pie, buttered rice, lima beans, salad, biscuits and butter, milk, peach upside-down cake.

Thursday, Nov. 5
 Corn dogs, lima beans, green salad with cheese, corn bread and butter, milk, apple cobbler.

Friday, Nov. 6
 Barbecued chicken, buttered potatoes, green beans, celery sticks, hot rolls and butter, milk, peanut butter supreme.

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that tree farmers pay an ad valorem tax each year on their land on the current year's "crop" (represented by the growth of the trees), and on the crop product in each prior year since the stand of timber was planted. The tree farmer does not recover any portion of these tax payments until the trees are harvested some 20 to 50 years after they are planted. The proposed amendment would authorize the legislature to provide a fairer system of property valuation for taxation of forest lands.

AGAINST: 1. Enabling legislation for the proposed amendment has not been passed; therefore, the voter has no idea how far the legislature may go in providing property tax considerations to the owners of farm, ranch and timber lands.

2. The proposed amendment could result in a tax ceiling for rural lands while urban Texans would be in a different category.

3. Lower property valuations resulting from implementation of the proposed constitutional amendment might reduce tax revenues of county, school and other taxing districts. This could possibly handicap these political subdivisions in performing essential governmental functions and services unless other sources of income are found.

Amendment No. 4

To reconstitute the State Building Commission as a three-member appointive commission.

FOR: 1. The governor, attorney general and chairman of the Board of Control do not have the time to consider all of the details imposed upon them as ex officio members of the State Building Commission.

2. The governor has recommended the creation of the three-man appointive commission as proposed by the amendment in the belief that a commission so constituted could function more efficiently.

AGAINST: 1. Since the State Building Commission makes recommendations concerning the expenditure of large sums of public money, it would seem inadvisable to change its present membership of elected officials responsible directly to the people to an appointive membership which is answerable to the voters only through the governor.

2. After terms of the initial appointees under the proposed amendment have been terminated, succeeding members of the State Building Commission would serve full six-year terms. The long tenure which would be provided for members of the State Building Commission, in contrast to the two-year elective terms of two of the ex officio members (the governor and attorney general) as the commission now exists, could possibly open the way for abuse in the spending of state funds before the natural expiration of terms would permit new appointments.

Amendment No. 5

Authorizing any county to issue road bonds in an amount not to exceed one-fourth of the assessed valuation of the real property in the county under certain conditions.

FOR: 1. Construction and maintenance of sufficient roads and turnpikes to meet the traffic needs of rapidly growing Texas have been hampered by the constitutional debt limit and the requirement of a two-thirds vote of the qualified electors. The proposed Amendment No. 5 would alleviate this situation.

2. The proposed amendment's requirement that bonds may be issued only on approval of a majority vote provides adequate assurance that tax burdens cannot

be increased without full knowledge and majority consent of the individuals affected. At the same time, the amendment modifies present requirements enabling a minority of only one-third of the voters to override wishes of the majority.

AGAINST: 1. The majority vote requirement would make it too easy for a bond election to pass. When bond elections are called with the timing selected to assure turnout of only those in favor of an issue, a majority of the voters could, in fact, be disenfranchised.

2. The liberalized debt limit in the proposed amendment is much broader than it appears, and the reduction in the number of voters required for approval of the extended indebtedness could open the door to the squandering of taxpayers money.

Amendment No. 6

To increase the value of the homestead exempt from forced sale from \$5,000 to \$10,000.

FOR: 1. Under present property values, a 200 acre exemption on rural land is a more favorable exemption than the \$5,000 now permitted by the constitution for an urban homestead or a business homestead. Also, since the exemption depends on value at the time of designation as a homestead, the rapid increase in values in recent years has created great inequities for comparable property of the same current value which would be alleviated by the adoption of the proposed amendment.

2. It has been 100 years since the homestead exemption was set at \$5,000, and conditions and economic demands have changed so greatly since that time that the intent of the constitution to protect the home and earning capacity of the citizen is no longer effected through this small exemption.

AGAINST: 1. Since homestead exemptions are often abused by violating the intent of the constitution and permitting the hoarding of extensive assets beyond the reach of creditors with just debts, a larger exemption of \$10,000 as proposed by Amendment No. 6 could increase the opportunity for abuse.

2. The social security and welfare programs of today have lessened the need for protection of the family home.

Amendment No. 7

Authorizing the legislature to provide for consolidating offices and functions of government and for performance of governmental functions by contract between political subdivisions in any county.

FOR: 1. Adoption of the proposed amendment would permit counties to do away with costly duplication of services by consolidation, under which one governmental unit could be authorized to make assessments for all political subdivisions through an equal and fair assessment ratio, thereby providing more equitable apportionment of ad valorem taxes. Such consolidation would also result in coordinated planning to meet the demands of growing metropolitan areas.

2. Under the proposed amendment enabling legislation would be permissive and subject to approval of voters in the political subdivisions involved.

AGAINST: 1. Adoption of the proposed amendment would be the first step toward overcentralization of government at the county level. It could result in too much authority resting in the hands of a few.

2. The countywide area could assume expensive responsibilities in providing various services primarily or exclusively to the cities, thus increasing unfairly the countywide tax burden.

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Eldorado Tops Steers, 28-7

By Ronnie Baker

The Eagles put it all together Friday night to beat the Steers 28-7. Passing, running and interceptions were the downfall of the Steers.

We lost; that is the story. The defense of the Steers was still good, but had the disadvantage of being short some ball players. Mike Conley is out for the season, Bob Wolfe was crippled, Pat Lewis was hobbled, but the rest of the Steers were tough and they didn't quit when the chips were down. They held the Eagles repeatedly inside the 20 yard line. No doubt about it, the Eagles are good, but the point difference is deceiving. The boys deserve a lot of praise for their determination.

First Quarter

The Eagles received the opening kickoff and returned to their 26. The Eagles drove for 1st downs at their 46, the Steer 43 and 13. Then as the Steer front wall held they took over at the 6 yard line. The Steers moved to the 14 and had to punt. Mumford punted a good one to the Eagle 25, but the Eagle speed returned it to the Steer 23. Eldorado made a 1st at the 13 and another at the 2, and then they scored. James Fields blocked the extra point and Eldorado had a 6-0 lead.

Eldorado kicked off to the Steer 25 and it was returned to the Steer 38. The Eagles held again and Mumford punted to the Eagle 24 and return was good again to the Steer 17. The Steers got tough and held the Eagles. They attempted a field goal but Danny Percifull crashed through and blocked it. The Steers ended up with the ball at their 49. The Steers made a 1st at the Eagle 32 on an 18 yard pass from Mumford to Herford, as the first quarter ended.

Second Quarter

Behind the offensive line of Mauldin, Hood, Burns and Smith, the Steers went up the middle for 1st downs at the Eagle 22 and again at the 10. From the 5, Mike Mumford put a good outside fake on the defense and behind Fields and Burns went over right tackle for the score. James Fields then toed the extra point and the Steers led 7-6.

Fields kicked off to the Eldorado 25 with a return to their 37. The Eagles drove again for 1sts on the Eldorado 48, the Steer 28 and the 11. Then at the

5 the Steers stopped them again. The Steers made a 1st at the 17, but at the 25 were forced to punt and Mumford punted out of bounds at the Steer 42. On first play Eldorado executed a pass play good for the whole 42 yards and an Eagle TD. Try for extras failed and it was 12-7, Eagles.

The Eagles kicked off to the Steers at the 10 with a return to the 36. The Steers made a 1st at the Eagle 29 on a pass to Bobby Mumford and another 1st at the Eagle 14 on a Mike Mumford to Walden Millican pass play. The Eagles then intercepted in the end zone and they had the ball at the 20 yard line. One play and the first half ended.

Third Quarter

The Steers received the second half kickoff at their 5 and Mumford returned to the 34. Eldorado stopped the Steers for no gain and Mumford punted out of bounds at the Eagle 39 yard line. Eldorado made a 1st at the Robert Lee 15 on a pass, but next play they fumbled and Donny Mauldin recovered at the 11 yard line.

The Steers made a 1st at the 22 and then Eldorado intercepted a pass at the Steer 28. The Steer defense held on downs at their 24. The Steers made a 1st at the Steer 37, but then the Eagles tightened and Mumford punted to the Eagle 21. Eldorado put together three 1st downs and scored from the 3 yard line. Pass was good for extras and Eldorado led 20-7. Eldorado kicked off to the Steer 5 and Mumford returned to his 25. The Steers made a 1st at their 39 as the third quarter ended.

Fourth Quarter

Eldorado held and Mumford punted to the Eagle 24. Eldorado fumbled again on 2nd down and Danny Percifull recovered at the Eagle 26. Eldorado stopped the Steers for little gain and took over on downs at their 24. The Eagles made a 1st at their 35, then the Steers held at the 40 and Eldorado punted to the Steer 11. The Steers went for a 1st at their 27 and Eldorado intercepted again at the Steer 34. On first play, Eldorado broke a back through a hole and he went all the way to score. The extras were good and the score was 28-7.

The next four minutes seemed like 15 with exchange of interceptions. Walden Millican inter-

cepted at the Steer 20 to stop an Eagle drive. Quite a few passes were thrown to complete the fourth quarter. One was a good one from Mike Mumford to Bobby Mumford that covered 40 yards and got the Steers out of a hole. The game ended with the ball at the Eagle 23.

Services Held for Boone Triplets

Terry, Kemy and Jerry Boone, triplet sons of Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Boone of Colorado City, died shortly after birth last Wednesday morning in Root Memorial Hospital in Colorado City.

Graveside services were held Thursday afternoon in Paint Creek Cemetery west of Robert Lee. Kiker and Son Funeral Home of Colorado City was in charge of arrangements.

The Boones have lived in Colorado City about two years. He is an employee of Southwestern Bell Telephone Co.

Survivors include the parents; paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Sloan Boone of Robert Lee; and maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Travis Starnes of Fort Worth.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Campbell returned home Sunday following a week's stay in Melrose, N. M., where they attended funeral services for his brother-in-law, Laurence Stewart, Wednesday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Wallace Jr. and children spent Sunday at Lubbock in the home of their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Shandley and children visited over the weekend in Odessa in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Shandley, Mr. and Mrs. I. N. Eubanks, Mr. and Mrs. John Hamilton and other friends.

Mrs. Violet Kirkpatrick visited recently at Lyford in the home of her granddaughter and her family, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Brasher. Mrs. Brasher is the former Kathy Service.

Rev. and Mrs. Arthur Kendall spent four days at Aransas Pass visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ned Yeamans and other friends. Elmo Curry of San Angelo was guest speaker for both morning and evening services at First Methodist Church.

Joe Bowman and his nephew and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Bowman, and Mrs. Lloyd Hamilton, all of Marysville, Calif., are on an extended visit in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Stubblefield in Colorado City. They visited here Thursday in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Oda Benton, Mrs. Effie Phillips and Mr. and Mrs. Jim McCutchen.

VERGNELL WILLIAMS WED TO LEE DON SMITH

Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Campbell of Robert Lee are announcing the recent marriage of their daughter Vergnell Williams, to Lee Don Smith of Amarillo.

Mr. Smith is manager of Powder River Ranch Equipment plant at Amarillo.

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Robert Lee BCD Items of Interest

The kindergarten of Robert Lee Schools was featured on Tuesday's meeting of the BCD when 19 of the 20 members of the class were present for the program. Accompanying them were their teacher, Mrs. Bill Beaty, and her assistant, Mrs. Sam Bean.

The kindergarten students were introduced by Supt. Jim Bickley. The youngsters showed in singing, dancing etc., some of the things they have learned about this country and health care.

All the time the students were performing they were being photographed by Clay Davis of the Padgett Company of Waco. The firm has sold Robert Lee School a video tape recorder which gives instant replays of subject matter being photographed. The students really got a bang of seeing themselves on the television screen.

Superintendent Bickley told BCD members some of the advantages of having the equipment available for filming football games where members of the squad are able to see the replay tapes which record all the mistakes they make, as well as the good plays.

The equipment cost the school \$1800, which is greatly below the price this type of equipment was going for several years ago. Going price not long ago was \$10,000 to \$12,000.

In other discussion, the group talked about the forthcoming deer, quail and turkey season.

The matter of hunting leases in Coke County was discussed by BCD members.

In addition to Davis, George Been of the Texas Educational Agency in Big Spring was a guest of Superintendent Bickley. Eleven members were present and President George Newby presided.

HEART ASSOCIATION HAS MONDAY MEETING

The quarterly meeting of the American Heart Association, Coke County Division's board of directors was held Monday night.

A film, "Why a Heart Association?" was shown by David Watson, regional director. Plans were discussed to distribute pamphlets entitled "Hearts and Hunting" during the next few weeks.

Mrs. Irene Newell of Robert Lee was elected secretary and Mrs. Billy Joe Luckett of Bronte was appointed publicity chairman for Bronte.

Mr. and Mrs. Zeddie Beal and family and Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Copeland returned home Monday from San Antonio where they spent the weekend visiting in the home of Mrs. Beal's sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Wilkinson. Mr. Wilkinson has been paralyzed since July when he was injured in an accident. They reported his condition as "about the same."

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at 1 p.m. and Friday, Oct. 30,
9 a.m. till ??

Services Held for James E. Mitchell

Funeral services for James Edward Mitchell, 54, of Abilene were held Wednesday morning in Pioneer Drive Baptist Church of Abilene.

Conducting the funeral was the Rev. Jack Riddlehoover. Burial was in Fairview Cemetery at Bronte at 2 p.m. Masonic rites were conducted at the graveside and Elliott's Funeral Home of Abilene was in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Mitchell died at 4 p.m. Monday in Dyess AFB Hospital following an apparent heart attack about noon.

He was born June 14, 1916, in Joppa, Tenn. and was married to Emmagene Brooks in Bronte, June 7, 1947. He had resided in Abilene since 1958. He retired as a tech sergeant from the Air Force in 1960.

Following his retirement from the service he had been employed by the Abilene State School, McMurry College and for the past four years by Civil Service at Dyess AFB.

He was a member of Pioneer Drive Baptist Church, Bronte Masonic Lodge, the Scottish Rite Temple in Dallas, and Woodmen of the World.

Survivors include his wife; a son, James David, and a daughter, Cathy, both of the home; his father, J. E. Mitchell of Robert Lee; a brother, Marion E. Mitchell of Midland; five sisters, Mrs. Mildred Roach of Clovis, N. M., Mrs. Mattie Braswell, Mrs. Marjorie Harwell and Mrs. Jerry Thomason, all of Robert Lee, and Mrs. Irene Edwards of Garland.

A brother and sister preceded him in death.

Pallbearers were Albert DeFoor, Cecil Vinson, Roy Matthews, A. H. Watts and Jack Henderson, all of Abilene; H. A. McDaniel of San Angelo; D. Y. Roberts of Corpus Christi; and O. L. Pittman of Bronte.

Varnadore Service Held in Angelo

Funeral services for William Jess Varnadore, 80, of San Angelo were held Monday at 2 p.m. at Johnson's Funeral Home Chapel in San Angelo. The Rev. Harold Odum, pastor of First Presbyterian Church, San Angelo, officiated. Burial was in Robert Lee Cemetery.

Mr. Varnadore died about 5 p.m. last Saturday about six miles southwest of San Angelo.

Mr. Varnadore was born March 25, 1890, in Mexia. He was a retired electrician and was a veteran of World War I. He was married to Miss Ima Belle McCutchen on Nov. 27, 1926, in Bronte. He was a member of the Presbyterian Church.

Survivors include his wife; a son, Bill Mac Varnadore of Rankin; two daughters, Mrs. Elizabeth Ann Trotter of San Angelo and Mrs. Kaye Mooney of Arlington; three brothers, Edward Varnadore of Ada, Okla., Henry and Ernest Varnadore, both of Robert Lee; three sisters, Mrs. Pearl Bilbo of San Angelo, Mrs. Lillie Fisher of Brownwood and Mrs. Lizzie Chaklefore of Salinas, Calif.

Pallbearers were L. B. Menielle and Floyd Butler Jr., both of San Angelo; Roy Gardner of Midland; Sam Mann of Big Lake; Freeman Clark and Chisholm Brown, both of Robert Lee; Morris Varnadore of Houston; and Kenneth Hodges of Brownwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Quisenberry of College Station were weekend guests in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Quisenberry.

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GENERAL ELECTION

Coke County, Texas

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SAMPLE BALLOT

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INSTRUCTION NOTE:

Vote for the candidate of your choice in each race by placing an X in the square beside the candidate's name. You may vote a straight ticket (that is, vote for all the candidates of a certain party, and for no candidates outside that party's column) by placing an X in the square beside the name of the party of your choice at the head of the party column. (If you use this straight-ticket method of marking, do not mark squares beside the names of individual candidates.)

Note: Voter's signature to be affixed on the reverse side.

Candidates for:	<input type="checkbox"/> Democratic Party	<input type="checkbox"/> Republican Party	Write-In
U. S. Senator	<input type="checkbox"/> LLOYD BENTSEN	<input type="checkbox"/> GEORGE BUSH	
U. S. Representative, 17th Congressional District	<input type="checkbox"/> OMAR BURLESON		
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Lieutenant Governor	<input type="checkbox"/> BEN BARNES	<input type="checkbox"/> BYRON FULLERTON	
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Comptroller of Public Accounts	<input type="checkbox"/> ROBERT S. CALVERT	<input type="checkbox"/> S. L. ABBOTT	
State Treasurer	<input type="checkbox"/> JESSE JAMES	<input type="checkbox"/> ROBERT F. KOENNECKE	
Commissioner of General Land Office	<input type="checkbox"/> BOB ARMSTRONG	<input type="checkbox"/> HARRY TRIPPET	
Commissioner of Agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> JOHN C. WHITE	<input type="checkbox"/> DANIEL C. HEATH	
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Associate Justice, Supreme Court, Place 2	<input type="checkbox"/> RUEL C. WALKER		
Associate Justice, Supreme Court, Place 3	<input type="checkbox"/> JAMES DENTON		
Presiding Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals	<input type="checkbox"/> JOHN F. (Jack) ONTON, JR.		
Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals	<input type="checkbox"/> TRUMAN ROBERTS		
State Senator, District 24	<input type="checkbox"/> DAVID RATLIFF		
State Representative, District 66	<input type="checkbox"/> GEORGE BAKER		
Associate Justice, Court of Civil Appeals, District 3	<input type="checkbox"/> BOB SHANNON		
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PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

Instruction Note: Place an X in the square beside the statement indicating the way you wish to vote.

- No. FOR AGAINST The constitutional amendment relating to the removal, retirement, or censure of Justices, Judges, and Justices of the Peace under prescribed circumstances.
- No. FOR AGAINST Repeal of the prohibition against open saloons found in Section 20, Article XVI of the Constitution of the State of Texas.
- No. FOR AGAINST The constitutional amendment to authorize the Legislature to provide by law for the establishment of a uniform method of assessment of ranch, farm and forest lands, which shall be based upon the capability of such lands to support the raising of livestock and/or to produce farm and forest crops.
- No. FOR AGAINST The constitutional amendment reconstituting the State Building Commission as a three-member appointive commission.
- No. FOR AGAINST The constitutional amendment authorizing any county, on the vote of a majority of its qualified taxpaying electors, to issue road bonds in an amount not to exceed one-fourth of the assessed valuation of the real property in the county.
- No. FOR AGAINST The constitutional amendment increasing the value of the homestead which is exempt from forced sale.
- No. FOR AGAINST The constitutional amendment authorizing the Legislature to provide for consolidating governmental offices and functions and allowing political subdivisions to contract for performance of governmental functions in any county.

H D Agent's News Dept.

By MRS. FAY C. ROE

Onions

Spotlighting the daily meal is no trick. But any homemaker can create an adventure in good eating with a handy supply of onions.

Onions rank number one when it comes to flavoring potato dishes, casseroles, souffles, meats and salads. But onions don't just taste good — they're nutritious, too. One of the most important vegetables in the diet, onions contain important minerals, such as calcium, phosphorous and iron, plus a sufficient supply of vitamin C. In fact, one onion has as much vitamin C as two apples, one banana, one orange or one tomato.

In selecting onions, look for firm ones which are dry and have small necks. Onions should be covered with papery outer scales and should be reasonably free from green sunburn spots and other blemishes. Avoid onions with wet or very soft necks; they are usually immature vegetables or are affected by decay. Also avoid onions with thick, low woody centers in the neck or with fresh sprouts.

The best way to purchase onions is to buy them often. Onions, which should be kept in a cool dry place, cannot withstand home storage conditions that frequently vary.

Preferred onion sizes may vary according to use. Small sized onions are best for boiling whole, stewing or creaming. Medium onions are best for serving stuffed, and the larger ones are best to serve as slices on hamburgers and other sandwiches.

Sewing Fake Fur

Wild, warm fake fur is the target for big sewing ventures this winter.

To hit the bull's eye in style when sewing fake fur, follow these tips.

Choose a design with few styling details. Eased seams are difficult to handle.

Since fake fur is a pile fabric with a nap, check the pattern envelope under "with nap" for yardage requirements. If not listed, add three-eighths to three-fourths yard for cutting pattern pieces one way.

When cutting the fur fabric, eliminate seams wherever possible. For example, if there is a front opening, cut the facing and front center together. Lay pattern pieces on the wrong side of the fabric and have the nap running downward. Cut one layer at a time in deep pile, cutting only the backing to avoid cutting the pile. Mark the fur fabric with chalk or tailor's tacks.

Baste seams of the fake fur garment to prevent shifting, and stitch in the direction of the pile whenever possible. Long pile yarns may get caught in the seams but can be released by pulling them gently with a pin or needle. If stitching on the pile side of the fabric, keep the pile flat by stitching through trans-

parent cellophane tape.

Button holes are difficult to handle on fake fur garments, so another type closure is usually preferred.

Check the label on the end of the fake fur fabric bolt for information about ironing. Some fur fabrics cannot be pressed with heat or steam; finger pressing may then be used. If a velvet ironing board is not available, try a turkish towel or self-fabric placed face up on board with pile side of garment on top. Press lightly with steam iron in direction of the nap. Remaining fur fabric pieces may be used as trim detail on other garments.

Peanut Butter

Peanut butter, by far the most popular form of peanut consumption, is an important nutritious food for the daily diet.

Peanut butter is ranked by the U. S. Department of Agriculture in at least six nutrient categories: food energy, fats necessary to maintain body balance, protein, phosphorous, thiamine and niacin. Because of its food value, even a single peanut butter sandwich or several tablespoons of the products added to a recipe adds nutrients to the

daily diet.

Peanut butter, over 26 per cent protein, is also more economical on a per ounce basis, sometimes costing only half as much as other protein foods.

November Plentiful Foods

Rice and turkeys head the USDA's plentiful foods list for November. In addition, potatoes, onions, fresh apples, canned applesauce, apple juice, fresh cranberries, cranberry sauce, fruit cocktail, walnuts, dry split peas, pork and broiler-fryers are included. Holiday season food shoppers should have no trouble finding turkey and trimmings needed for Thanksgiving.

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Preston Smith believes in working hard. For you. And that's why he's doing such a good job as Governor of Texas.

When Preston Smith entered public service, he didn't start by asking Texans to elect him Governor. That would have been foolish, because being Governor carries great responsibilities. And it demands the clear, steady judgement that comes only from experience.

Preston Smith had the good common sense to work his way up—gaining insight into how our state government functions.

He served six years each—as State Representative . . . as State Senator . . . and as Lieutenant Governor. Only then, when he felt fully qualified, did he seek the Office of Governor.

Now, after two years he has expanded the duties of the Governor's Office to better serve all the people of our State.

Yes, Preston Smith believes in hard work. For 20 years, he's been working for Texas—doing a good job. You can help keep him as Governor. Vote. Vote for Preston Smith on Tuesday, Nov. 3.

Preston Smith

is doing a good job. Let's keep him working for Texas.



(POL. ADV.—Paid for by the Committee for the Re-Election of Preston Smith, Mickey Smith, Chairman.)



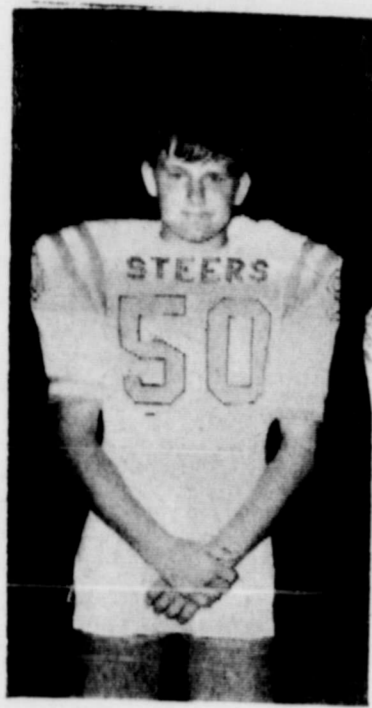
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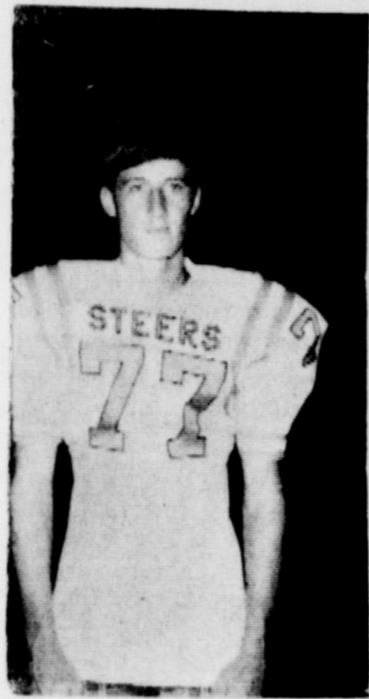


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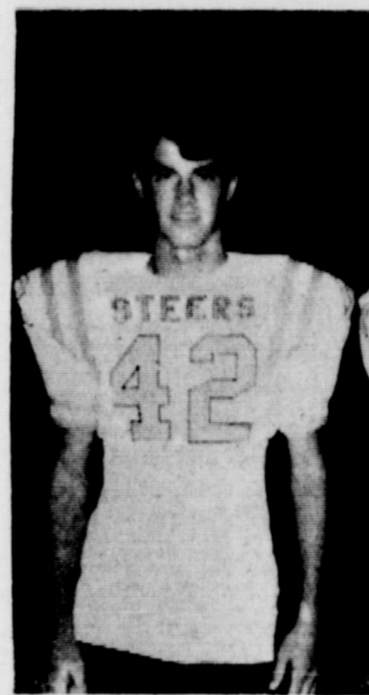
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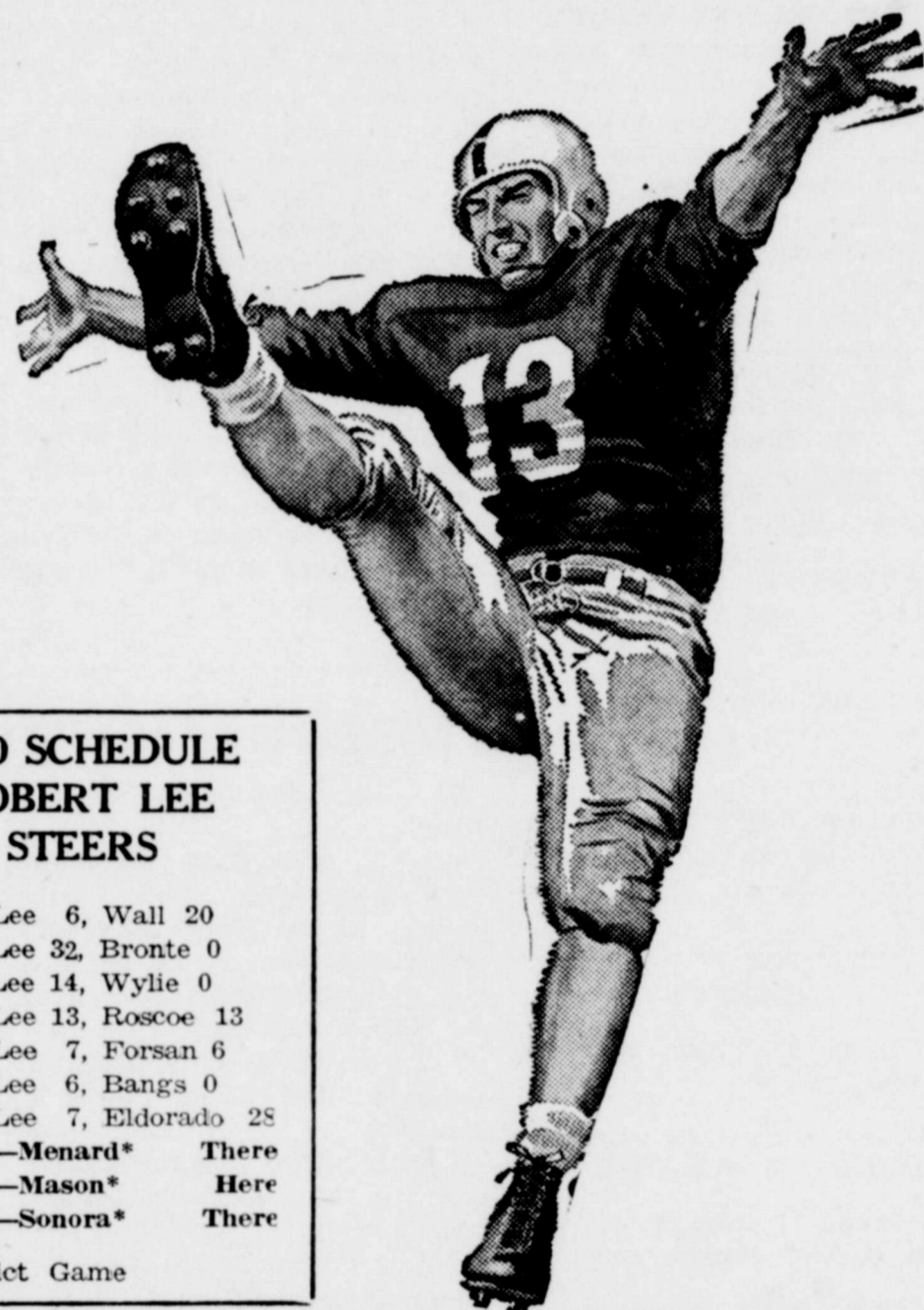
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Hospital News

Oct. 20: Jimmy Killam dismissed.

Oct. 21: Mike Conley admitted. Mrs. Elsie Latham, Mrs. Winnie Snead, Mrs. George Eubanks and Sherri Ann, J. D. Harmon, Mrs. Jose Rodriguez, Mrs. Bonnie Walker dismissed.

Oct. 22: Mrs. Lora Richards admitted. Mrs. W. A. Payne Jr. dismissed.

Oct. 23: Mrs. Eleazar Saucedo admitted. Mrs. Lennie Allen dismissed.

Oct. 24: Mrs. George Braswell, Percy Meyers admitted. Mike Conley, Andrew Johnson dismissed.

Oct. 25: Dala Wood admitted. Mrs. Lora Richards, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Roe Sr. dismissed.

Oct. 26: Mrs. Eula Smith, Mrs. George Braswell dismissed.

As of Tuesday morning there were four patients in the hospital and eight in the nursing home.

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hendley of Euless are parents of a baby girl. She was born Saturday, Oct. 24 and weighed 7 pounds, 4 ounces. Her name is Sarisia Lee. Mrs. Hendley is the former Cecilia Lee of Colorado City.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Hendley of Robert Lee and Mr. and Mrs. Fielding Lee Jr. of Colorado City.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Craddock of Colorado City spent Monday visiting their daughter, Mrs. T. M. Wylie Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. John John L. Bruton and family of Midland were weekend guests in the homes of their mothers, Mrs. E. O. Higgins and Mrs. Ralph Garvin. Other visitors in the Higgins home Sunday evening were her other daughters, Mrs. Francis L. Smith and Mrs. W. N. Terry, and their families, all of San Angelo.



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