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No Petitions Filed For School Board

Late Wednesday morning there had not been a petition filed with the Coke County Judge's office for the two Robert Lee and three Silver school board positions that will be vacated this year.

Deadline for filing petitions for the school board election, that will be held on Saturday, April 1, is midnight March 2.

Spring Show Plans Are Announced

El Valle Garden Club members were greeted by Mrs. J. D. Harmon and Mrs. H. H. Latham, hostesses, when they met Wednesday, February 15, at the Coke County Recreation Hall.

Mrs. Cumbie Ivey Jr. opened the meeting by reading the club prayer. During the business session, Mrs. J. D. Harmon, Flower Show chairman, announced the date for the Spring Show as April 22 and the theme "Where East Meets West." Judges for the show will be Mrs. Tom Ridgeway, Mrs. S. R. Braley and Mrs. Holley, all of San Angelo.

Mrs. C. J. Brooks read a report of the nominating committee and the club voted to accept the following as officers for the new year: Mrs. Marvin Simpson, president; Mrs. Sterling Lindsey, first vice president; Mrs. Willis Wayne Smith, second vice president; Mrs. J. D. Harmon, third vice president; Mrs. Sam Powell, recording secretary; Mrs. Will Percifull, corresponding secretary; Mrs. C. J. Brooks, treasurer.

Mrs. Sterling Lindsey spoke briefly on "Chrysanthemums," followed by Mrs. J. D. McDaniel, who conducted a workshop on Chinese Flower Arranging.

Cake and coffee were served from a tea table laid in white with appointments in oriental designs. The centerpiece was fashioned of pink hearts, pink flowers, and a figurine in a white container.

Mrs. C. E. Carter of Harlingen and Mrs. J. N. Adams of San Angelo were out of town guests.

Spring Sports Begin at R. L. S.

Since the close of the basketball season, many of the high school boys have begun working out for track and the various spring sports. Among the high school boys presently working out are Daniel Gloria, Mike Hollis, James Blankenship, Carlton Boone, Curtis Higginbotham, Frankie Blair, John Kinsey, Richard Sims, Bill Ledbetter, James Harmon, Don Hester, Paul Ferrell, and Jerry Craig.

Baseball workouts have not begun as yet, but are expected to get underway within the next few weeks. Robert Lee has been assigned to a district consisting of Wall, Novice, Rochelle, Talpa-Centennial, and Robert Lee.

The juniors in high school division (to be eligible a student must be in high school and be 15 years of age or under) will consist of John Jacobs, Derwood Coalson, Bill Roach, Noel Gregston, Robert Holland, and Ben Boykin.

The grade school division has the following boys working out: Mike Ledbetter, William Ray Hood, Mike Malone, Terry Thetford, Ricky Hatch, and Jesse Valenzuela.

Two Robert Lee and three Silver school board members' terms expire this year. Any persons who wishes to be candidate for the vacancies must file a written petition with the signatures of five qualified voting residents with the county judge on or before midnight March 2.

The Robert Lee School board members whose terms expire are T. M. Wylie Jr. and Bert Blaylock. Members whose terms will not expire this year are Teddy Pitcock, Raymond McCutchen, J. Q. Counts, Glenn Waldrop and Royce Smith.

Jack Denman, Jack McCallie and Roy Walker are the Silver school board members whose terms expire this year. The Silver members that will remain on the board are Ernest Clendennen, Arch Mathers, Charlie Green and J. P. Jameson.

BIRTHS

COLLETT — Mr. and Mrs. Victor W. Collett (Patricia Ann Seymour) of Robert Lee became the parents of a new daughter, Ruth Ann, born in the Coke County Memorial Hospital, February 16. The new baby weighed eight pounds and has a brother, Ernest, aged four and one half, and a sister, Joyce, aged three and one half. The father is employed by Union Texas Natural Gas Corp.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Collett of Robert Lee and Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Self of Midland.

ROE — Michael Kevin is the name of the son born to Mr. and Mrs. Billy Roe in the Coke County Memorial Hospital, February 19, at 9:52 p. m. The baby weighed six pounds, thirteen ounces. Mr. Roe is employed by Zachery and Brown.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Jones and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Roe.

COURT NOT HELD MONDAY

There were three cases scheduled to be tried in District Court here Monday, but none of them came to court.

A motion for dismissal was filed by A. B. Sheppard through his attorney, B. W. Smith, in his suit against W. O. Irby and Maurice McDorman. Judge Joe L. Mays granted the motion for dismissal.

LAWRENCE STEWART JOINS ARMY

Lawrence Stewart, son of Mr. and Mrs. John T. Stewart of Silver, was inducted into the U. S. Army at Abilene Sunday.

Young Stewart has reported to Fort Hood for his basic training. After completion of basic training he will be assigned to further duty or schools.

Delegates Elected For Coleman Meet

Delegates were elected to represent Coke County at the Texas Home Demonstration Association meeting which will be held in Coleman on April 13.

Mrs. Floyd Harmon, Mrs. Pat Rives and Mrs. J. C. Boatright were elected delegates at the Women's Home Demonstration Council meeting held in the conference room at the courthouse in Robert Lee Tuesday.

Sixteen members, representing five Coke County Home Demonstration Clubs were present at the Council meeting.

FATHER AND DAUGHTER BANQUET TO BE HELD

Fathers of the Brownie Scouts and Girl Scouts will be guests at a father and daughter banquet that will be held next Tuesday at the Silver School Cafeteria at 6:30 p.m.

Mr. John Russell, district chairman of the Girl Scouts of Colorado City, will be the host of the banquet.

Mrs. Helen Costlow, professional Girl Scout worker, will be a special guest and she will present a film to the group that attends the banquet.

Other guests will be the Silver Girl Scout and Brownie Scout leaders.

Silver Men Finish Electronics Course

Twenty-two Sun Company employees completed a basic electronics course last week that was offered to the personnel of Sun Companies in the Silver area.

Mr. George Coenen of the Extension Service of University of Texas conducted the class at the Sun Oil Recreation hall in Silver five night per week for two weeks.

Sun Oil paid for the electronics course for those who expressed a desire to learn the fundamentals of electronics. The cost per student was \$20.00.

Employees who attended the classes said that they felt that after completing the course that they would be better prepared to assume more responsibility for their company in this age of automation and new electronic procedures.

Employees of the Sun Oil Gas Department that participated in the course of study were: Carlton Furr, Ross Cone, Lee Weigel, Ollie Newell, Perry Post, Jim Post, and Moe Cheatham.

Robert Lee area Production Department men that attended were Bob Hughes, Bob Beggs, Paul Gilbert, Jerry Eubanks, Hale Kincaid, Oscar Higginbotham, John Clifton, P. T. Wall, and George Fugate.

Men that work for Sun Oil Production Department in the Colorado City area that attended classes were Jim Edison, Lloyd Richards, Benny Franks, Art Dibble, George Gray and Bob Barmen.

HOSPITAL NEWS

Feb. 15 — Mrs. Ora Briscoe, Forrest Wanker, Jr. admitted, Curtis Walker, Mrs. Jack Cowley dismissed.

Feb. 16 — Mrs. Victor W. Collett, Ruth Ann Collett admitted.

Feb. 17 — Mrs. Fred Smith admitted, Forrest Wanker, Jr. dismissed.

Feb. 18 — Mrs. Oscar Collett admitted, Tommy Haralson, Mrs. Lem Cowley, R. C. Sawyer dismissed.

Feb. 19 — Mrs. Billy Roe admitted.

Feb. 20 — R. C. Sawyer readmitted, Mrs. Bailey Russell admitted, Mrs. Oscar Collett, Mrs. V. W. Collett and Ruth Ann dismissed.

Feb. 21 — T. W. Farris admitted.

BAPTIST W. M. U. MEETS

"Sharing My Saviour with My Latin American Neighbors" was the topic for study at the Baptist W. M. U. meeting Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Mark Chumley presented the lesson to six members at the Old Parsonage of the Baptist Church.

Coke Youths Enter Houston Stock Show

Coke County will be well represented at the 1961 Houston Fat Stock Show. Thirty girls and boys from the local 4-H clubs and FFA Chapters will exhibit 50 lambs, 3 breeding sheep, 14 steers and 2 heifers in the big national show. The group, along with their supervisors and the adults making the trip, plan to leave Sunday morning with their stock. Shortly after the return from Houston a large delegation of club members will take part in the San Angelo Fat Stock Show.

The Coke County 4-H club members making the Houston Show and their entries are: James Bird Pentecost, 1 hereford steer; Gaylon Pitcock, 1 hereford steer; Darrell Pitcock, 2 hereford steers; Kay Wink, 2 shorthorn steers, 1 shorthorn heifer; Robert Wink, 2 shorthorn steers, 1 shorthorn heifer; Kenneth Wink, 1 hereford steer.

Lambs and/or breeding sheep will be shown by Jackie Counts, 2 fine wool lambs; Rickey Harris, 1 finewool lamb, 1 southdown; Davie Boykin, 2 crossbred lambs; Ronnie and Donnie Devoll, 2 southdown lambs, 1 finewool lamb; Bennie and Dawnie Boykin, 2 finewool lambs; Jesse Valenzuela, 2 crossbred lambs; Selo Abalos, 1 crossbred lamb; Luther Lara, 1 crossbred lamb; Johnny Gonzales, 2 finewool lambs; Jim Bob Arrott, one crossbred lamb and Jimmy and Ronnie Varnadore, 2 southdown lambs and 3 southdown ewe lambs. Dee Arrott will represent the Bronte FFA, exhibiting two lambs and three steers at Houston.

The Robert Lee FFA Chapter, under the guidance of Hulan Harris, local vocational agriculture instructor, will exhibit 28 lambs and 2 steers in the Houston Show. Individual members exhibiting animals include: David Drennan, 2 steers, 3 lambs; Dick Waldrop, 4 lambs; Ronnie Reid, 2 lambs; Donnie Robertson, 1 lamb; Joe Roe, 2 lambs; Royce Hood, 2 lambs; Joe Lara, 3 lambs; Mike Hollis, 2 lambs; Daniel Gloria, 2 lambs; Rocky Counts, 4 lambs; Bobby Blaylock, 2 lambs.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Drennan will accompany the group.

All except four of the above club members will exhibit sheep in the San Angelo Show along with Jimmy Blair, Jerry Burson and James Bird Pentecost.

Vocational Ag I students Noel Gregston and Derwood Coalson are entered in the famous Houston Calf Scramble. The two students are to scramble Saturday night, Feb. 25. The two boys are to go to Houston with Fran Coalson, former Robert Lee Superintendent.

Coke County 4-H club members will have a record number of boys scrambling for prize money in the two shows. Robert Wink and Gaylon Pitcock will scramble for \$125 gift certificates in the Houston Show. James Bird Pentecost was selected as an alternate scrambler at Houston.

Three members will be vying for prize money in the new San Angelo calf scramble and two others will be on the alternate list waiting for a chance to participate. William Ray Hood, Jerry Burson and Doyle Robertson will compete at San Angelo while Mike Krall and Carl Bloodworth will serve as alternates.

Parents expected to make the trip to Houston include Mr. and Mrs. Lindy Devoll, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Varnadore, L. E. Wink, Nolan Pentecost, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Boykin, Ben Boykin and Hulan Harris.

Allen returns from Copperas Cove. Gerald Allen, Grand Patron of The Eastern Star of Texas, instituted a chapter of the Eastern Star at Copperas Cove, Texas, Monday of this week.

Copperas Cove is near Lampasas. Mrs. Allen accompanied her husband on the trip. Mrs. Agnes Lee Howard, Grand Matron of The Texas Eastern Star, also participated in the instituting of the new chapter.

Contracts of School Administrators Are Extended

At the regular February school board meeting, contracts for the superintendent of the Robert Lee Schools, and for the high school and elementary principals of the Robert Lee Schools were extended for a period of two years.

Hervey Latham, who is serving his first year as superintendent, was given a two year extension to make his contract now expire in June, 1963. Daniel G. Turner, who is serving his first year as high school principal, was also given a two year contract to expire in May, 1963. Douglas Dean, elementary principal whose contract now expires in May, 1962, was given a one year extension to make his contract now expire in May, 1963.

In other action taken by the board, the principals, beginning with next year, will be placed under a ten month contract. This means they will be required to be on duty at the school for two weeks after school is dismissed and for two weeks prior to the beginning of school.

Saturday, April 1, has been set as the date for the election of school trustees. Bryan Yarbrough was appointed election judge. He will select his assistants.

County Officials Attend Conference

A three day conference was held at Texas A & M College this week to acquaint county judges, tax assessors and commissioners with their powers and duties.

Officials from Robert Lee that attended the conference were: Judge W. W. Thetford, Tax Assessor O. B. Jacobs and Commissioner Floyd Harmon. The Coke officials left Sunday morning for College Station and were due back in Robert Lee late Tuesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Anderson of Lubbock and their two boys visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. O. King near the Edith Community this past Sunday. Also visiting the Dave Kings were Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Walker of Robert Lee.

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Silver News

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Wheeler spent the weekend working about their farm near Vernon.

Bill Johnson went to Corpus Christi to go deep sea fishing during the weekend, but the weather prevented his party from going out on the Gulf.

Spending the weekend with friends in Austin was Miss Alice Land.

Rex Snell, superintendent of Union Texas Natural Gas Plant, returned to his work Thursday after being treated for second degree burns at a Colorado City hospital last week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Moore returned from Houston Wednesday. Moore is convalescing after undergoing surgery at a Houston hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Caldwell have received word that they have a new grandson. He is Dwaine Scott McKinnon who was born Fri-

day in a Dallas hospital to Mr. and Mrs. David McKinnon of Dallas. Mrs. McKinnon is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Caldwell.

Bill Allen of Sweetwater visited in Silver during the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Odom and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Clegg visited the Odom's son, Bobby Hugh Odom, in McAllen this past weekend.

Returning to his job at Silver Pipeline Company after being on temporary duty in the Corpus Christi area is A. S. Burney.

John T. Stewart has returned to Silver after fishing for one week at Granite Shoals with Charlie Gilliland, Macos, Colorado.

Davis Mullins, a student at Southwestern Medical School at Dallas, was home visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clay Mullins during the weekend.

Tommy Stewart, a sophomore student at Texas Tech at Lubbock, was home visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John T. Stewart in Silver during the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Bowman and Sandra Clifton of Lubbock spent the weekend in the home of their parents, the John Cliftons.

Mrs. Mamie Beringer left the first of the week for her home in San Angelo, after a two weeks visit in the C. M. Haigood home. Mrs. Beringer is the mother of Mrs. Haigood.

Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Bradham of Kermit visited recently with his brother and family, the O. F. Bradhams. They were enroute home after a two weeks vacation in East Texas with relatives and friends.

Glen Tracy of Cheyenne, Oklahoma, left Monday for Albuquerque and Hot Springs, New Mexico, for a visit with relatives after visiting here with the C. M. Haigoods.

Miss Ann Reed, a student at Seaton Nurses College of Austin and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Reed of Silver, is at home visiting her parents for several days.

Also a guest in the Wayne Reeds' home is Bob Wallor of Washington, D. C. Wallor has been in the U. S. Navy stationed at San Francisco until recently.

J. W. Service Jr. has been absent from his job at Sun Oil Company Production Department for a one week's vacation.

SILVER STUDENTS COMPLETE DRIVING COURSE

Students at Silver Peak school that have completed their driver education course for this year will take the Texas Driver's Test for operator's license in San Angelo this week.

Guy Wheeler, Superintendent of Silver Peak School, said that the students begin driving in Robert Lee, then they drive in Colorado City for a period of time before they go to San Angelo to take the state test.

Students that have completed the driver education course for this year are: Rosiland Bradham, Jeanette Higginbotham, Ruth Palmer, Linda Walker, Eddie Parker, Mary Beth Walker, Raymon Kincaid, Jack McCallie and Lynn White.

Silver school students will complete their six weeks' test this week. There are approximately 12 more weeks of school that remain in this semester.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Jay and Drexiel Skipworth were in Eldorado Sunday where they visited Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lewis Jay and family.

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FUTURE HOMEMAKERS SMORGASBORD TO BE HELD

The Robert Lee Future Homemakers will sponsor a Smorgasbord supper in the Robert Lee School cafeteria Saturday from 5:30 to 7 p.m.

Funds that are received from the supper will be used by the delegates for traveling to the area meeting that will be held in Odes-

sa March 18.

Prices for the smorgasbord will be \$1.00 for adults and 75c for children.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Skipworth had their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Cates and children visiting them over the weekend. The Cates family reside in Midland.

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Your County Agents Report

Home Demonstration

By CAROLE L. HOOPER

I will be in Jayton Feb. 26 through March 3 in an Upholstery Workshop. It sounds as if it will be rather different! Since there are no hotel or motel accommodations in Jayton, we will be staying in the jury quarters at the Courthouse. Joyce and I have been working on the chair that I'm taking to refinish. It took us an afternoon to get the present finish off of the arms, but now I'm ready to begin.

I have some beautiful upholstery fabric samples which came from an upholster in Dallas if any of you are interested in doing any refinishing work soon.

The Foods groups in Robert Lee have completed their units and will enter the County Favorite Foods Show in March.

The Favorite Foods Contest is not to be confused with the County Elimination Contests which includes Dairy Foods, Vegetable Preparation and Poultry Utilization.

Entrants in the Favorite Foods Contest must be members of Food units while any 4-H girl may enter the County Foods Contest.

I visited with Mrs. Ulmer Bird at Sanco last week. Over a period of time, Josephine has done an excellent job of refinishing a sofa and chair which have been in her family many years and thus have a sentimental value to her.

Those few days of spring weather that we had mixed in with the snow and rain have put me in a house cleaning mood. Not just the "dust the furniture, sweep the floor" kind, but more like washing the glass on framed pictures as well as light fixtures and cleaning out the far corners of the closets. I hope that the type of weather that goes along with this mood is soon here to stay!

FRIENDSHIP HD CLUB MEETS

Mrs. Linzy McDorman presented the program on "Living Room Accessories" when the Friendship W. H. D. Club met in the home of Mrs. Lowell Roane Thursday, Feb. 16.

Others who participated on the program were Mrs. A. D. Fields and Mrs. Roane.

Twelve members answered the roll call.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, Feb. 22, at 2 p.m. in the home of Mrs. Willis Smith. A Citizenship program and craft demonstration will be given at this time.

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Agriculture News

By STERLING LINDSEY

During the last two years much talk and numerous articles have been written regarding a screw worm eradication program. An effective program has been enacted in Florida where screw worm blow flies can be controlled.

Dr. Bushman, of the USDA Entomology Station at Kerrville has done a lot of experimental work in a move to develop an eradication program for the South west. A program will be held at San Angelo College on February 28, 3:30 p.m., to explain the experimental work that has been done and is being done in Texas to control screw worms. Also, a film and lecture on the successful eradication program conducted in Florida will be given.

Dr. Garrett, Executive Director of the T. A. H. Commission, will be present to participate in the program. The Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers Association is sponsoring the program and would welcome your attendance. We hope that you can find time to attend the meeting and hear and see the information that is to be presented on this subject that is of vital interest to all stockmen.

Domestic demands for agricultural products in Texas are expected to be good in 1961, says John McHaney, extension agricultural economist. Even if there should be a small change in consumer incomes, it will not affect the domestic market for farm products to any great extent.

If the recent economic declines are long-run and become more severe than is now expected, they could have a depressing effect on the domestic market for agricultural products, but this is not likely in 1961.

McHaney also says that the volume of agricultural exports during the present fiscal year, July 1, 1960, to June 30, 1961, will likely equal or exceed the record high established last year. Progress continues to be made in lowering trade barriers against farm products imported from the United States, and government programs continue to pay a major role in the agricultural economy of the U. S.

Overall prices received by farmers in the U. S. and Texas in 1961 probably will not change much from those received in 1960, but prices received for individual commodities will change. The extent of these changes will depend



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on economic factors affecting such commodities.

Through the years, farm and ranch debts in the U. S. and Texas have continued to increase, but this debt is only about 13 per cent of the value of farm assets. Equities of farmers and other owners of farm assets are high in relation to farm debts, and this is favorable, the specialist continues.

The main problem confronting agriculture in Texas and the U. S. is that production is over-expanded in terms of available markets at prices that are satisfactory to many farmers and ranchers. Unless more effective programs are developed, farmers will continue to be confronted with a price-cost squeeze through the next several years, McHaney concludes.

Final dates have been set by the State Stabilization and Conservation Committee for cotton producers to release 1961 allotments and for those desiring additional acres to make application. Final date in southern third of the state is February 17; February 24 in Austin-Houston area; March 3 in

northeast third of the state; April 7 in western Texas and April 14 in northwest Texas. Producers desiring detailed information on the release and reallocation provisions of the present law should contact their county ASC officials. It's very important.

Mrs. Wayne Roberts and daughters, Kim and Paula, from Jal, New Mexico are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Bell, and other relatives in Robert Lee. Mrs. Roberts is the former Miss Nettie Bob Bell.

Robert Lee Church of Christ

SUNDAY SERVICES

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Meeting Held By F. H. A.

By FRANKIE MILLICAN

The Robert Lee Chapter of Future Homemakers of America, sponsored by Mrs. Fred Cooke, held their regular meeting Tuesday, February 14, with Mrs. T. M. Wylie, Jr., as guest speaker. She discussed "Hints for Home Decorating." Mrs. Wylie gave a demonstration on inexpensive ideas, which could be used in the home for various occasions of the year. She was assisted by her daughter, Prescilla.

Mrs. Wylie gave some home decoration rules to remember, which are: balance, focus, and harmony. She told how to carry out the theme and centerpiece.

Betty Tinkler was elected voting delegate for the Area meeting to be held in Odessa Saturday, March 18.

Anne Carwile and Carolyn Parker served refreshments of punch and cookies with the valentine motif used in decorations for the living room of the homemaking cottage.

MISTAKE IN FREE THROW LANE PROVED BY MERTZON

By JENELL JEFFERY

Before the Mertzon basketball game Friday, February 10, the opponent's coach pointed out that Robert Lee's free throw lanes were twenty-eight inches long according to the official rule book.

The mistake was made last summer when the new floor was laid. The backboard was not extended far enough onto the court, thus causing the specific length of the free throw line from the out-of-bounds position to be out of proportion.

During the last two home games, white tape was extended across the proper position on the lane. The backboards will be corrected during the summer vacation.

Students Get Drivers License

By BILL ROACH

Three students of Robert Lee High School passed their drivers' license test Thursday, February 16, at the Coke County Court House. These students were: John Jacobs, Leta Robertson, and Bill Roach, all freshmen at R. L. H. S. These students are a part of the Driver Education Program.

To receive the license, a driver must make a grade of at least 70 on right and left turns, roadway driving, backing, and parking. The students must also make a grade of at least 140 on questions concerning all sorts of driving. Jacobs made 195 on his written test, and 88 on his driving test. Robertson made 86 on her driving test, and 175 on her written test. Roach scored 190 on his written test while 88 was the score of his driving test. Before trying for their license, the drivers must have logged six hours driving and eighteen hours observation. Mr. Garland Davis instructs the class.

Steers, Hi-Liters Have Fair Season In Basketball

By JENELL JEFFERY

During the 1961 basketball season, the Robert Lee Steers have won two and lost five of their district games; whereas, the Hi-Liters have collected five wins and four losses.

The Steers were defeated by Christoval 72-41; however, Barnhart was handed a loss of 59-34. The Wall, Bronte, and Christoval games were all postponed for various reasons.

The Hi-Liters overran Christoval 61-24 and Barnhart 67-36. The Wall game was given to Robert Lee by a forfeiture, and Mertzon was edged 29-28 by the girls. Bronte managed a score of 56-48 against the Hi-Liters; however, the girls defeated Miles 46-21. Barnhart turned tables on the Hi-Liters with a come-back of 59-34. Wall was victorious over Robert Lee with a score of 38-34, and Mertzon came out on top 55-53. The Robert Lee-Christoval game was also postponed.

8TH GRADE GETS NEW BOY

By JOHN JACOBS

Entering the eighth grade Monday morning, February 13, was Ricardo Gonzales.

Ricardo transferred from Ector County Independent School District in Odessa. He is residing with his sister, Rosa Holquin.

SENIORS CHANGE TRIP

By DORIS MAYFIELD

Saturday, February 11, immediately after the buffet supper, the seniors had a short class meeting and decided to reconsider their plans to go to Washington, D. C.

The reason for the seniors' reconsideration was the fact that they were short of money and did not believe they could raise enough money in time for the trip in May.

ELEMENTARY NEWS

By FRANKIE MILLICAN

The first six grades enjoyed valentine parties Tuesday, February 14. They stated that they enjoyed them almost as much as their Christmas parties.

Tommy Haralson had his appendix removed Tuesday and is doing fine. Tommy is in Mrs. McBroom's first grade class.

Last week, Elaine Dean had a birthday party during school and treated all the children in Mrs. McBroom's class with cupcakes and cokes.

ROUNDBALLERS SPLIT

By BILL ROACH

The Bronte Jr. High "A" team downed their Robert Lee rivals 20-18 in a close contest Thursday, February 16. The Robert Lee Jr. High "B" team toppled the Bronte group 22-12.

Sheila Roe led the "A" team with eight points. The Bronte group was led by Peggy Corley. In the "B" team Jeannie Arnold was high pointer.

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FRESHMAN CLASS ELECTS VALENTINE FAVORITES

By ROBERT McBROOM

The Freshman class elected a Valentine King and Queen Tuesday February 14th, at the end of the sixth period.

Elected were Bobby Blaylock, king; and Sheila Roe, Queen. They were elected in response to a petition signed by members of the class and presented to Jerry Alsup, class sponsor and sixth period teacher.

TEACHER ATTENDS FUNERAL

By ROBERT McBROOM

Mrs. McBroom, Robert Lee first grade teacher, was absent Monday, February 13, from her classes.

Mrs. McBroom and her husband attended the funeral of the late Mrs. Sally Jane Copeland, Mr. McBroom's aunt.

Mrs. McBroom teaches the first section of the first grade at Robert Lee.

FUTURE FARMERS RETURN

By BILL LEDBETTER

After the Market Hog Division of the San Antonio Show was held February 10, the F. F. A. boys of Robert Lee returned with less honors than they accomplished at the Abilene Show.

The boys who entered were: Dwain Walker, second place heavyweight Hampshire hog; Curtis Higginbotham, fourth place Hampshire hog; Frankie Blair, fifth place Duroc hog; Chester White, thirteenth place hog; and Bill Ledbetter, twelfth place Duroc hog.

Although our boys didn't place as high as before, they can be justly proud of themselves, because of the competition at such a large show.

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Life No Bowl of Cherries After School

By BRENDA McDORMAN

When a young man or a young woman goes out in the world on their own, they soon discover what is expected of them socially. They were, more than likely, taught how to be mannerly in public, but their manners were quite lax at home

Classes Discuss Standardized Ring

By JERRY DON CALDER

The possibility of Robert Lee High School getting a standardized senior ring was discussed in an assembly program by the faculty and student body, Thursday, February 16.

If the standardized ring is adopted, it will be for a period of at least five years. In the event that the students want a standardized ring, a representative of a ring company will come to Robert Lee and let the students design their ring.

One reason given for the adoption of a standardized ring is that they are less expensive, and the students are assured that no other senior class will have the same ring.

where they were comfortable. But once they are on their own, they find that it isn't easy to be socially accepted with bad manners. These manners are developed at home where one is comfortable with his surroundings and carried on through his adult life.

All kinds of social knowledge and graces are useful, but one of the best is to be able to yawn with your mouth closed. After all, no one is perfect and we must be able to overlook their petty faults. If you are at a social event and are stuck with a boring conversationalist, it is quite rude to yawn in his face. Instead, face the music and listen to what he is trying to tell you. You just might get something interesting out of it. But never, never let him know you are bored stiff or else sooner or later the word will get around that you don't like intellectual talk. Instead, you would rather live it up. See, that's the way it works.

The young man who worked so hard to graduate later wonders what the hurry was. Social graces aren't the only problems to confront the young man or woman after graduation, by far. After all, one can't live off bread, water, and CARE packages all one's life!

Sooner or later, no matter how he hates to, he will have to get out and try to find a job.

The old proverb which states that one's high school days are the best days of one's life may well be right! After graduation, the graduates are expected to either go on to college to get educated so that they can earn better wages or to go on to work right after graduation and try to earn a living. While we are still in school we have it easy. There, seniors, now does that sound like peaches and cream? Well, they tell me it isn't.

LITTLE LEAGUE MEETING PLANNED FOR MONDAY NIGHT

A meeting has been set for Monday night at 7:30 at the First National Bank in Bronte to discuss the forthcoming Little League Baseball season.

All persons who are interested in the Little League program, including parents of boys who want to play, are invited to the meeting.

Miss Carole Hooper visited her mother, Mrs. Thelma Hooper, in Abilene this weekend.

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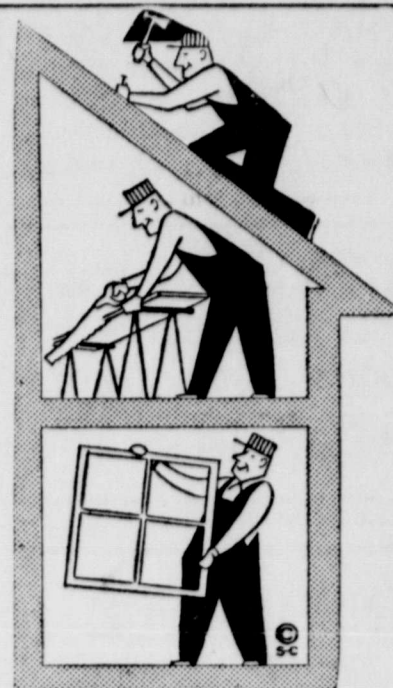
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PERSONALS

Mrs. Arthur Haley had her daughter, Mrs. Ordie Gibbins and her grandson, James Munson, visiting in her home over the weekend. The visitors were also guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ell Hatley and Mr.

and Mrs. A. V. Hughes.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Ell Higgins in Robert Lee are Mr. and Mrs. R. Ernest Higgins from Aspermont. The men are brothers.

Traveling to Lubbock Saturday to watch the Texas Tech and Arkansas Southwestern Conference basketball game were: Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Tinkler and son, Paul, and daughter, Betty, and Miss Gayle Lewis. Jerry Tinkler, a student at Texas Tech, joined his family at the basketball game in Lubbock Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Robertson of Andrews and their two children, Kathy, 22 months, and James Jr., 6 weeks, have been visiting their parents, the J. B. Robertsons and the Buster Bursons, for the past several days.

GREEN MOUNTAIN MUSICAL

The Green Mountain Musical will be held Saturday, Feb. 25, at 8 p.m. An invitation is extended to everyone from the members of the Green Mountain Community Center.

All musicians are welcome to bring their instruments and participate in this monthly affair.

RESIDENT VISITS GRANDSON

Mrs. Lowell Blankenship returned Saturday from Denton where she got acquainted with a new grandson, Kelley Frederick, who was born to Mr. and Mrs. Hilton Hayes on Feb. 6th. The baby weighed six pounds and nine ounces. They are also parents of another son, Taylor Dean, who was two years old on Feb. 6th. Mrs. Hayes is a daughter of Mrs. Blankenship.

L. C. DAY IS MARRIED

L. C. Day, son of Mrs. Hattie Day of Robert Lee, was married to Miss Kay Schnell, January 19, in San Antonio.

Day, a graduate of Robert Lee High School, is stationed with the U. S. Army in San Antonio.

The couple will make their home in San Antonio.

John Burroughs of San Angelo visited friends and relatives in Robert Lee Wednesday.

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FORMER RESIDENT VISITS OBSERVER

Mrs. W. W. Thompson, a former resident in Edith Community, visited briefly in the Observer office Friday.

She was accompanied on her trip from Wichita Falls by Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Pendleton.

Mrs. Pendleton is employed as a teletype setter by the Wichita

Falls Record-News-Times.

Mrs. Thompson visited friends and attended to her business interests while she was in Robert Lee last week.

H. M. Stevens of Bronte was in Robert Lee on business Friday.

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