

# Robert Lee Observer

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## School Tax Vote Set Aug. 13

### City Fathers Appoint Water, Sewer Board

Concrete plans for improving Robert Lee's water system and for construction of a sewer system were started last Wednesday night when the City Commission met and appointed a special Citizens Advisory Group to assist and advise on the projects. Appointed to the citizens group were Gerald Allen, Fern Havins, W. E. Jacoby, Jim Herford and Wilson Bryan.

The entire city commission, along with Gordon Chariton of Columbian Securities, the city's fiscal agent, and Tyson Collins of National Engineering Co. of Austin were present at the meeting. The group discussed financing and installation of the sewer and water program.

A unanimous decision was reached to call a special city election for August 27 so the citizens of Robert Lee can vote on the revenue sewer bonds. The City of Robert Lee has been given a federal grant of \$190,000 for this water and sewer program and a direct loan of \$189,400 at four percent interest. It will be necessary for the citizens of Robert Lee to approve this direct loan in the form of a revenue bond election to match this \$190,000 federal grant. This will be entirely a revenue bond; no taxes are involved.

It was further decided to have a series of informative meetings with various groups to explain the program in detail, and that complete and full information would be made available to every citizen before the election.

This grant and loan cover both the water treatment plant and sewer system.

The water plant consists of additions and improvements to the existing municipal water treatment plant, including addition of ground

### Cecil W. Sparks Rites Wednesday

Graveside services for Cecil W. Sparks, 68, were held at 10 a.m. Wednesday in the Paint Creek Cemetery in the Edith community. Sparks, a former Coke County resident, died Sunday in a Fort Worth Hospital from burns suffered Friday in a butane explosion.

He was filling a pickup with butane when it exploded. The accident happened near his home at Santo.

He was born Aug. 12, 1897 in Cook County. He was married to Dona Page April 1, 1925, in Robert Lee. He had lived 15 years in Kermit and the past 12 years at Santo. He was a Baptist.

Survivors include his wife; two sons, Jack Sparks at Penn State University and Frank Sparks of Santo; a daughter, Mrs. Lovella DeJoach of Ardmore, Okla.; three sisters, Mrs. Eva Morris of Joshua, Mrs. Reta Halbardier of San Angelo and Mrs. Nell Esperholt of Shingle Springs, Calif., and six grandchildren.

Debbie Dixon of Austin is here visiting her grandmother, Mrs. Chester Harwell.

storage facilities, new high lift pumps, new chemical feed machines, new aerator, additional filter units with building addition, flash mixer, flow recorder, orifice meter with box, sedimentation basin, and revisions to plant piping and controls.

City officials say the existing water treatment plant is overloaded during peak periods of water consumption and some of the mechanical equipment is worn out, thereby

### BCD Discusses City and School

Robert Lee Board of Community Development met in regular session Tuesday at noon with a luncheon-business meeting. Eighteen members were present.

President Vaughan Davis opened the meeting and asked Supt. Jim Bickley for comment on the school. Bickley told the group about the maintenance tax and bond assumption election which is coming up Aug. 13. He urged everyone to vote and to try to get other qualified voters to cast their ballots. More complete information on the election is contained in another story in this week's Observer.

President Davis, who is also a member of the city council, reported on a meeting of that group last Thursday night. He reviewed the discussion held concerning water and sewer improvements. Complete information regarding this session is also carried in another story.

The group discussed the proposed residential development which was announced recently for an area on the shores of the big Robert Lee Lake, which is to be built. Gerald Allen pointed out that writeups in daily papers, such as the one announcing this development, are advertisement for Coke County.

resulting in inadequate quantity and quality of treated water. Purpose of this project is to make such improvements as are necessary to increase the plant capacity and at the same time provide for more flexible operations so as to meet the present and future water treatment needs of the city and the requirements of the State Department of Health.

The total cost of this water treatment project is estimated at \$102,000. The federal grant on this project is \$50,000. The city's part of \$52,000 will be borrowed from the UCRA without interest. No bonds are required and no increase in water rates is anticipated. Present water department income will be sufficient to retire this loan from UCRA, city officials said.

The proposed sewer project embodies a complete sewerage system. Mayor Robert Vaughn said, including sewage collection system and sewage treatment plant for collection and treatment of all municipal sewage. All proposed improvements will be made in accordance with requirements of the Texas State Department of Health. At the present time the people are using septic tanks and outside privies for personal waste disposal. Purpose of this project is to eliminate the health hazard and inconvenience caused by lack of a sanitary sewerage system, he added.

It is estimated that the cost to the homeowner will be \$3.00 per month, with commercial connections higher. The city will have a slush fund available to pay for the plumbing connections from a house to the sewer line. The homeowner will have from one to three years to repay the city for this work. Connection to the system will be mandatory if within 100 feet of a sewer main. Property owners will have about three months after construction is completed to connect.

Trustees of Robert Lee Independent School District have called an election for Aug. 13 to return to the district its taxing powers for the operation of the school, and for the assumption of bonded indebtedness.

Reason for having the election is to give the school district the same powers it had in the former Robert Lee School District before the consolidation election with Silver.

### 5 New Teachers Hired by Board

Five new teachers have been employed by Robert Lee School District for the 1966-67 school term, it was announced this week by Supt. Jim Bickley.

Included among the five is a head football coach. This position will be filled by Kenneth Mitchell, who is coming to Robert Lee with his family from Ozona. Mitchell has had eight years teaching experience and has served as head football coach at Junction and Rochelle. He went from Junction to Ozona last winter to take a job with the chamber of commerce.

The new coach is a graduate of Howard Payne College and has 12 hours completed on his master's degree. He is presently enrolled for graduate work at Southwest State College in San Marcos.

Mrs. Mitchell will also teach in the Robert Lee Schools, probably the fifth grade, Bickley said. She has had six years experience at Junction and Rochelle. The Mitchells have three daughters.

Coming to Robert Lee from Silver this fall will be Don Swinney and Mrs. C. G. (Claude) Walker. Both of these teachers are well known in this area, having spent a number of years in the Silver school. Swinney will serve as junior high coach, junior high math teacher and counselor. Mrs. Walker will probably teach the second grade.

Lynn Spivey will be new to this area when he and his wife move to Robert Lee this fall. He will teach high school math and serve as assistant coach. Spivey is scheduled to graduate in August from Southwest Texas State with a B.S. degree.

When the consolidation election was held, a new district was formed and the taxing powers of the old district became null and void, inasmuch as the old district is no longer in existence. As the matter now stands, the school board is powerless to levy taxes for operating costs or for the payment of bonds.

The election, if carried, will return to the school board its right to levy taxes not to exceed \$1.50 per \$100 valuation. The school tax rate may vary somewhat, according to needs of the district, but it cannot exceed \$1.50 per \$100. The same laws as have governed the district in the past will also be effective for the new district.

Last year's tax rate in the Robert Lee School District was \$1.41 per \$100 and Silver's was \$1.40.

The school board called the election upon being presented with a petition bearing names of 31 persons asking that it be called.

Balloting will take place in the school tax office in Robert Lee, with C. H. Brown as presiding judge; Mrs. Fagan Parker, judge; and Mrs. Freeman Clark, clerk.

Two propositions will be voted upon as follows:

1. For Maintenance Tax
2. For the Assumption of bonded indebtedness and the levying of the tax in payment thereof.

Only persons who are residents of the district and who own taxable property in the district and who have rendered it for taxation will be eligible to vote.

Supt. Jim Bickley told The Observer this week:

"This election is a legal formality which is necessary because of the consolidation election last winter. The election will merely give the school board the authority necessary to levy taxes to carry on the operation of the school."

"I hope there will be no misunderstanding about this matter," he continued, "it's just a simple matter of the school not having taxing authority except as it is voted by the people. This election must carry before the school can operate."

### Little Leaguers Lose to Ballinger

The Colorado River Little League All-Stars lost their first game in the playoffs which started last Thursday. The loss was by a score of 19-8. Joe Reyes was the losing pitcher.

This game wound up the local lads, so far as official competition was concerned, but they went on to play in a "consolation" bracket and won two contests, taking Winters at Wingate Saturday night by a 6-5 score, and Hamlin Monday night at Abilene by a score of 6-5.

Doyle McCabe was winning pitcher against Winters, while Reyes was winner over Hamlin.

Dale Wojtek of Robert Lee managed the all-stars, and J. B. Arrott of Bronte coached the squad.

Weekend visitors in the J. B. Robertson home were Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Robertson and daughter of Abilene, Miss Sandy Pickens of Abilene and Gayle and Ronnie Starns of Merkel and Mr. and Mrs. James Robertson and children of Seminole who are spending a week here with his parents.

## Huge Lake Development Planned West Of R-Lee

(Editor's Note: The following story was written by Stephen Brown, a member of the San Angelo Standard Times staff. It was published in last Sunday's Standard Times. The story it tells will be of great interest to Robert Lee area residents.)

A transaction involving one of the largest residential developments for any West Texas lake was revealed this weekend concerning the soon-to-be-built Robert Lee reservoir.

Before the development is finished, more than \$1 million will have changed hands. Land clearing and street construction will begin in about a month.

Before plans for the subdivision were completed in San Angelo this past week — a 2,500-acre Tom

Green County ranch, a Christoval ranchman, a Midland and Odessa real estate firm, a San Angelo real estate firm and three sets of lawyers were involved in the transaction. The new lake subdivision will be built on 333.9 acres of water frontage land which will be adjacent to the huge Robert Lee Reservoir's Dam.

Here is the sequence of events which led to the development of the new reservoir subdivision:

The Currie estate, owned by a pioneer West Texas ranching family, listed a ranch in South Tom Green County for sale with A. L. Turner Real Estate of San Angelo. Bill Currie of Paint Rock is the estate's administrator.

Murphy and Rochester, whose

principal partner is Louis Rochester of Odessa, bought the ranch from the Currie estate for \$271,000.

The Currie ranch is near the Susan Peak Ranch (or former Wylie Green ranch) now owned by Ben Keyes of Christoval.

Keyes owned the 333.9 acres of waterfront land on the proposed Robert Lee Reservoir.

Murphy and Rochester Real Estate traded, with a cash difference, the Currie Ranch for Keyes' lake property. Turner Real Estate was agent for the Currie Ranch and participated in the exchange.

Keyes now owns two large ranches, which almost adjoin — a total of more than 6,000 acres — and all in Tom Green County.

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To Water Valley

Ranch Road 2034

To Robert Lee

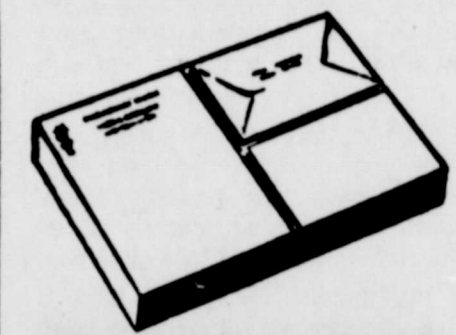
**LAKE DEVELOPMENT —**  
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Herb Atkins, an associate of Murphy and Rochester, was one of the chief negotiators for the properties. He later said after all deals had been closed that he'd been working more than 10 months on the transaction. "Ben (Keyes) and I talked about the ranch and lake

land about 10 months ago," he said. The preliminary plans shows that the lake property will be divided into 1,000 lots. Robert Lee Development Inc., whose president is Rochester, will direct the subdivision's development. Rochester said the subdivision will have all its streets paved. Also to be built will be private parks, boat ramps and semi-playgrounds

for residents of the subdivision. He said it will be a restricted area round the waterfront, adjacent to the dam. "No one will be able to move an old house in on a lot. It will have all new constructed lake homes." Atkins said lots will be sold with a deed restriction requiring a specific amount of square feet to be

included in the home. The subdivision will be easily accessible according to developers. The state highway which will have to be rerouted because of the lake construction will pass by the subdivision. In addition the subdivision will adjoin a public park which will be built by the Colorado River Municipal Water District.



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**4-H RALLY TO BE HELD FRIDAY**

Folk lore, isometrics, recreation, swimming and a firing demonstration will be enjoyed by 4-H'ers Friday, July 29, when they meet for the Annual Rally Day in the Bronte Park. Speakers will be "Curly" Hays, public relations department of West Texas Utilities Company of Abilene; Arthur Sikes, patrolman with Texas Department

of Public Safety of San Angelo; and Mrs. Bryan Yarborough of Robert Lee. Registration will begin at 9:30 a.m. The program will end at 8:30 p.m. Parents and visitors have been invited for supper at 6 p.m. and to attend a short program and vespers.

The Coke County 4-H Council and county extension agents, Mrs. Fay C. Roe and Sterling Lindsey, planned the program for the event. All 4-H club members, parents and leaders are invited to attend. Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Page over the weekend were their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Elwood Snyder and children, Harold and John of Odessa, and Mr. and Mrs. Emory Roberts of Coxsackie, New York. Mrs. Roberts is an aunt of Mrs. Snyder. Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Elliott were host to their children and their families over the weekend. The visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ramsey and children of Colorado City, Mr. and Mrs. Travis Elliott and family of Snyder, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Squares of Hamlin, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Goff and family of Mason and Milt Dendy of Mason. Stanley and Melinda Goff and Theresa Elliott are here spending a week with their grandparents.

**Mrs. Roe Named For Youth Work**

Mrs. Fay C. Roe of Robert Lee, Coke County home demonstration agent, will serve as county representative for delegate selection for the 1966 Texas Youth Conference. The conference is sponsored by the Texas Law Enforcement and Youth Development Foundation.

The Texas Youth Conference will hold its fourth annual meeting on the campus of Texas University Aug. 18-21. Mrs. Roe will work with local civic clubs, churches and other organizations and individuals interested in youth to send allotted number of representatives from Coke County. The Texas Youth Conference in 1966 became a project of the Texas Law Enforcement and Youth Development Foundation in cooperation with the Hogg Foundation for Mental Health and the Sears-Roebuck Foundation as well as a number of other foundations and individuals in Texas. The program had originally begun as a pilot project of the Attorney General's office but is no longer associated with that office.

Individuals or organizations interested in sponsoring delegates should contact Mrs. Roe in Robert Lee as soon as possible for further information.

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**Jameson SE Field Extended**

The Jameson, Southeast (Strawn) field of Coke County gained its second producer and a location south extension with recompletion of Sun Oil Co. No. 5 J. S. Walker, former reef producer in the Jameson multipay field, 3½ miles south of Silver.

It was finaled for a daily pumping potential of 74.52 barrels of 44.2 gravity oil, plus 18.52 per cent water, with gas-oil ratio of 24,136-1.

Production was through an 11-64 inch choke and perforations between 5,797-5,806 feet, which had been fractured with 10,750 gallons. Original completion was from open hole between 6,380-6,211 feet, which has been shut off.

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The discovery, the firm's No. 3 Walker, also a former reef producer, was finaled Sept. 14, 1965, for 151.5 barrels of oil through an 11-64 inch choke and perforations between 5,736-858 feet.

**Bobby Roberts Named Master of Hayrick Lodge**

Bobby Roberts was installed as worshipful master of Hayrick Lodge No. 696 in a joint ceremony held July 23 in San Angelo. H. W. Fulgim of Odessa, grand master of Texas, was the installing officer.

Other officers from Hayrick Lodge who were installed included: Billy W. Roe, senior warden; Delbert Shoemaker, secretary; Jack Denman, Chaplain; Alton Roberts, steward; A. H. Jones, tiler.

These men and their families were guests at a barbecue supper hosted by San Angelo lodges and catered by Fred Harris.

## PERSONALS

Alotris Ackerman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Ackerman began classes at Jean's Beauty College in San Angelo last week. She is commuting to San Angelo each day.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Green had contractors moving a house from Silver onto their lot south of Westway Grocery last week. The Greens plan to move into it from their country home as soon as work on it is completed.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Allen, their children and Mrs. G. C. Allen spent last week vacationing at Ruidoso, New Mexico and are visiting in Dallas this week. He is on vacation from his work at Robert Lee State Bank.

A press release from the American Angus Association states that Marvin Simpson of Robert Lee recently sold 19 registered Angus cows and an Aberdeen-Angus bull to N. F. Hall of Hermleigh.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Varnadore and family of Midland and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Varnadore visited over the weekend with their sister and daughter and her family, the W. J. Scotts at Lampasas, and with Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Greer. Mrs. Henry Varnadore and Mrs. Greer are sisters.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. (Chilly) Tinkler have returned home from a weeks vacation trip to California. They made the trip by jet plane from San Angelo to San Leandro, Calif., where they were guests of their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Tinkler and children.

Cleo McDorman left Tuesday to return to his home in Olympia, Washington after spending a ten day vacation here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lenzy McDorman. He accompanied them on a trip to Houston. Other visitors in the McDorman home Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Mayfield and daughter, Bennie Sue, of San Angelo.

Jeannie Hatch returned home Sunday from a three weeks vacation trip to Boston, Mass., where she visited with her sister Mrs. Harriet Trapani. She also spent some time with other relatives in Connecticut and went on sight seeing tours in New York and Washington, D. C.

Mrs. Olene Sims was in Houston last weekend where she attended the National Convention of Hairdressers. She also visited her son, Richards Sims, and family. She was accompanied by her mother, Mrs. Thelma Maoldin, and Mrs. Willis Wayne Smith, Robbie Jane and Stevie, who visited the Wendell Lammers family.

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## Rudd to Head Ag. Hall of Fame Campaign in Coke

J. O. Rudd of Robert Lee has been named county chairman in the Texas campaign to build a Texas Pavilion at the Agricultural Hall of Fame at Bonner Springs, Kansas.

The county campaign is one of more than 200 such campaigns planned throughout Texas this summer.

Honorary state chairman is Governor John Connally, who launched the Texas drive in May with a statement and proclamation strongly supporting the national agricultural center.

State co-chairmen are Harold H. Hogue, prominent wheat rancher from Dalhart, and Charles G. Scruggs, editor of The Progressive Farmer, Dallas.

Mr. Scruggs said, "The Agricultural Hall of Fame and National Center is the only institution in the country which is devoted to memorializing the greatness of American agriculture since pioneer days." He explained the National Center is administered by a board of volunteer agricultural and business leaders drawn from every state in the Union and that the center is a private, non-profit, tax-exempt corporation having no government support.

Comprising 275 acres of rolling farm land at one of the highest points in Eastern Kansas, the Agricultural Hall of Fame today has assets of more than \$700,000.

An exhibit hall of 9,500 square feet with an administrative wing of 3,000 square feet were opened to the public last June. A second building will soon be under way which will have more than 18,000 square feet of exhibit area and will be the largest of its kind in the world given over exclusively to the exhibit of antique farm power machines.

One of the more popular attractions at the Agricultural Center, is "Old Tex," a 2000-lb. Longhorn given by the Light Ranch of Cotulla, Tex.

The Texas goal is \$400,000. The Texas Pavilion will represent a gift from the citizens of Texas to all the American people. Plans for the pavilion and its location on the grounds will be supervised by the Texas Council of the Agricultural Hall of Fame. The council is composed of 29 farmers, ranchers and agri-business leaders from throughout the state. The building is expected to provide facilities for conferences of agriculturally related organizations from throughout the country. Also included will be an auditorium.

The Frank Coalsons have returned from Colorado where they visited their son, Derwood, who is employed by the City of Boulder, and their daughter, Mrs. Truett Rogers, and family. Rev. Rogers is pastor of the First Southern Baptist Church there and has recently been selected as a trustee for the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville, Kentucky.

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**HOST BAPTIST YOUNG PEOPLE**

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Coalson were hosts last Sunday night to the young people of the Baptist Church. Young persons from the Latin-American Baptist Mission were also guests. Mrs. Maurice Yarbrough was leader for games in the back yard. Refreshments of cold drinks and cookies were served to 43 persons. Maria Luisa from Mexico was a house guest of the Coalsons.

Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Campbell of Claude were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Millican.

**Heard At Sanco**

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Gulley and Lynn have returned home after a few days vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Prine of San Angelo spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Prine Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Otte and children of Brady and Mrs. Robert Walker visited their mother, Mrs. Lura Reid on Sunday.



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By **FAY C. ROE**

**Schedule**

Thursday, July 28 — Friendship Home Demonstration Club.

Friday, July 29 — 4-H rally, Bronte Park.

Monday and Tuesday, Aug. 1 and 2 — Office

Wednesday, Aug. 3 — San Angelo Home Demonstration Agent Training.

**Special Events**

Thursday, Aug. 4 — District 4-H Dress Revue, San Angelo.

Thursday and Friday, Aug. 4-5, Home Demonstration Annual Camp, Robert Lee.

The recipe I am using this week is one I think you will enjoy as it is quick to make, keeps well and is so delicious.

**Fresh Peach Chiffon Pie**

¾ cup sugar  
 1½ cup chopped fresh peaches  
 1 tablespoon unflavored gelatin  
 ¼ cup cold water  
 ½ cup hot water  
 1 tablespoon lemon juice  
 ½ teaspoon almond extract  
 dash of salt  
 ½ cup heavy cream whipped  
 Add sugar to peaches and let stand 30 minutes. Soften gelatin in cold water; dissolve in hot water. Cool; add peach mixture, lemon juice and salt. Chill until partially set; fold in whipped cream. Pour into crust; chill thoroughly. Yields one 9-inch pie. Any crust may be used — vanilla cookie, graham cracker or plain pastry.

**Boys Ranch Needs 100 More Animals**

San Angelo — The annual Round-Up for livestock for West Texas Boys Ranch at Tankersley, reached the half-way point in animal units. This year's round-up started April 18 with a goal of 200 animal units, according to the chairman, Roddy Peoples of Midland. The total given to the Ranch so far is 100 head, Peoples said.

"With the late summer and fall movement of cattle and sheep still ahead and the heart-warming response West Texas vouchers are showing to the Round-Up, I'm optimistic that the original goal will be reached," the chairman stated.

Peoples urged ranchers to remember the continuing need for operational funds at the Ranch. Money collected during the drive forms a large portion of the day-to-day operating needs such as food and clothing. Those wishing to contribute livestock may do so by contacting the county Wagon Boss, or merely by designating those animals to be contributed to the Ranch when they are taken to market.

Those wishing to support the ranch with cash contributions may mail a check direct to West Texas Boys Ranch, Box 1624, San Angelo, Peoples said.

Mrs. George Pennington and Mrs. Dennis Pennington and Michael of Midland were overnight guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Mathers last Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Weldon (Jiggs) Lofton and children of Bay City, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Lofton and baby of Oklahoma City and Mr. and Mrs. Keith Lofton and Larry of Snyder were visitors over the weekend in the home of their mother, Mrs. A. L. Lofton.

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**Hospital News**

July 19 — Mrs. Viola Gramling, Laura McDorman, Mrs. C. R. Service dismissed.

July 21 — Mrs. Dwain Walker admitted.

July 22 — Mrs. Royce Wallace admitted. Mrs. W. O. Skipworth dismissed.

July 23 — Connie Service admitted. Mrs. Dwain Walker, Perry Mullis dismissed.

July 25 — Mrs. Douglas Robertson admitted.

Eleven patients remained in the hospital Tuesday morning.

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**WIN CARIBBEAN CRUISE**

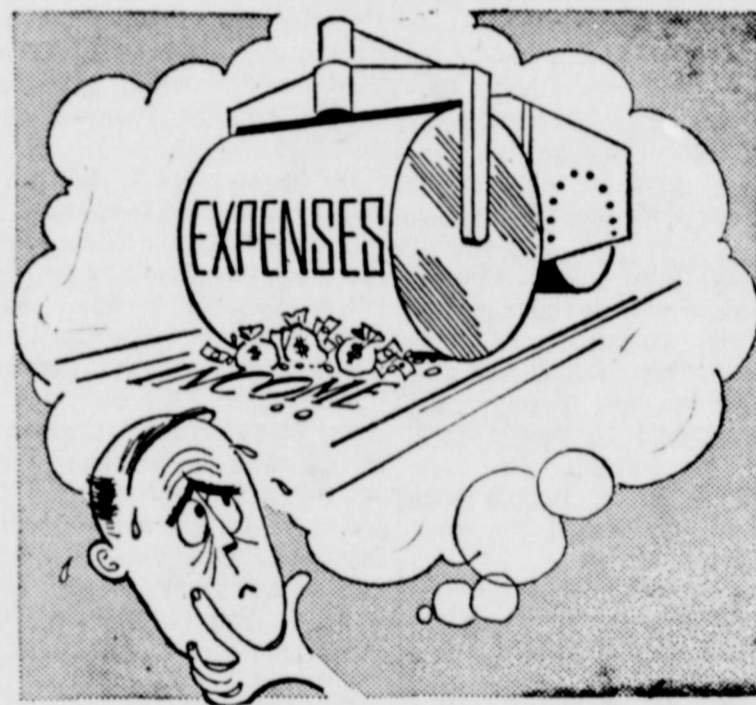
Cumbie Ivey Jr., Ivey Motee Co., is the winner of a Caribbean Cruise for finishing first in a sales contest among 83 Ford-Mercury dealers in Texas and Oklahoma.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivey will fly to New York Friday and sail aboard the luxury liner the S. S. Independence July 30 for the Bahamas, Virgin Islands, and San Juan, Puerto Rico.

The new 1967 Mercury-Lincoln line of cars will be introduced to the winning dealers aboard ship, and the "Cougar", Mercury's new specialty car, will be introduced on the beach at Charlotte Amalie, capital of the Virgin Islands.

**House For Sale**

One new 3-bedroom house for sale, 810 Alice Street, Sunset Addition. Contact Johnny Elkins, 453-2872, or Builders Service, 655-9509, San Angelo.



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### RL School Being Readied for Fall

In spite of the fact that school opening time is a month away, things are buzzing on the Robert Lee School campus. School officials are making preparation for an anticipated increase in enrollment, according to Supt. Jim Bickley.

Some of the expected increase will come from Silver as a result of the consolidation election in February, but a lot of the increase will come from families who have already moved to Robert Lee. Quite a number of San families from Silver have moved here, as well as others.

Some buildings have been moved from Silver to Robert Lee and will provide temporary classrooms.

Garland Davis attended a Firemen's workshop and school last week at Texas A&M University at College Station.

**NOTICE OF MAINTENANCE TAX AND BOND ASSUMPTION ELECTION**  
THE STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF COKE  
ROBERT LEE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

TO THE RESIDENT QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF ROBERT LEE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT WHO OWN TAXABLE PROPERTY IN SAID SCHOOL DISTRICT AND WHO HAVE RENDERED THE SAME FOR TAXATION:

TAKE NOTICE that an election will be held on the 13th day of August, 1966, within the ROBERT LEE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT IN OBEDIENCE to an order duly entered by the Board of Trustees of said School District on the 21st day of July, 1966, on the two propositions set forth below:

PROPOSITION NUMBER 1  
FOR MAINTENANCE TAX  
PROPOSITION NUMBER 2  
FOR THE ASSUMPTION OF OUTSTANDING BONDED INDEBTEDNESS AND THE LEVYING OF THE TAX IN PAYMENT THEREOF.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have signed my name officially and affixed hereto the seal of the ROBERT LEE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, this 21st day of July, 1966.

D. J. Walker Jr.  
Secretary, Board of Trustees  
Robert Lee Independent School District.



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Anyone interested in purchasing any of these lots should submit a bid in writing to the County Judge's office in the court house in Robert Lee or to the county commissioner of their precinct. Bids should indicate the lot and block number and amount of bid on each lot.

FOR SALE: 1963 Impala station wagon. Factory air, new tires. Also long wheel base type camper. See after 2 p.m., Mrs. G. E. Conner. 453-4191.

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### Reports on Coke Social Security

About 453 workers in Coke County's nonfarming businesses earned taxable wages under the old-age, survivors, and disability insurance program, according to the latest edition of County Business Patterns, J. G. Keene, Social Security Assistant District Manager in San Angelo said this week.

Sixty-three reporting units of employers of nonfarm employees covered under the program paid out some \$524,000 in taxable wages in the county during the first quarter of 1964. The report shows four of the employing units reported 20 or more workers each at that time. The largest proportion of employment, 258 workers, was in crude petroleum and natural gas.

The current edition of County Business Patterns is the 11th in a series showing county and industry statistics based on wage reports filed under the Federal social security program. This edition is divided into 53 parts contained in

53 separate books, one for the United States as a whole and one for each of the 50 states, Washington, D. C., and Puerto Rico, (which includes statistics for the Virgin Islands, American Samoa and Guam.)

Reference copies of County Business Patterns may be examined at field office of the U. S. Department of Commerce, at district and branch office of the Social Security Administration and at many public libraries. The complete set of 53 books may be purchased at a cost of \$36.30. Individual books can be obtained at a price ranging from 40c to \$1.75 each. Orders should be sent to the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D. C., or to any U.S. Department of Commerce field office.

### Farm Bureau Queen Contest Called Off

The 1966 Farm Bureau Queen Contest and Talent Find has been called off for this year because of lack of interest, it was announced this week by officials of the Coke County organization.

Mrs. C. E. Arrott, secretary, said that local girls, as well as local talent, have shown little interest in the affair. "We hope to be able to have it next year," she added.

Mrs. J. C. McBride and Scott of Big Spring visited her mother, Mrs. Ethel Green Sunday night and Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Merlin Smith and Debra Kay Box of Midland visited here Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Trimble.

### Cotton Growers To Meet Aug. 1

There will be a meeting for all county cotton producers Monday night, Aug. 1, in the District Courtroom in Ballinger beginning at 8 p.m.

Coke and Runnels County will meet together. The meeting, sponsored by the Rolling Plains Cotton Growers, is one of a series of 31 county meetings which will be held throughout the Rolling Plains for the purpose of organizing local county cotton improvement associations to begin an organized effort to combat the problems of cotton.

Anyone who raises cotton in Runnels or Coke County recognizes that cotton is at the crossroads of a life of being king of the cash crops of the area. Synthetics, lost foreign export markets and domestic mill demand for better quality cotton than this area is in the habit of producing are just some of the many problems confronting cotton and posing an economic challenge to Coke and Runnels Counties. A plan of attack based on local county cotton producers organizations is of interest to all county farmers and businessmen.

C. E. Arrott of Bronte and Ben Boykin of Robert Lee are the Coke County directors in the Rolling Plains Association.

A director will be elected to fill the expiring term of Boykin and a director of Runnels County will also be elected.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Cartwright and daughter, Brenda, of Colorado Springs, Colo., visited Mrs. Bryan Yorbrough Tuesday and Wednesday of last week. Mr. Cartwright is a grandson of Mrs. G. A. Beeman.

### ROBERTSONS HAVE NEW SON

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Robertson of Abilene are parents of a new baby boy born at West Coke Hospital. Brantly Earl arrived Monday, July 25, at 8:30 a.m. and

weighed eight pounds, nine ounces. He has one sister, Velori, age five. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Robertson of Robert Lee and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Eckert of San Angelo.

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