

## Coke County's Farm Bureau Queen Candidates



Kaye Roberts



Barbara Blaylock



Janet Lee



Rinda Beth Wojtek



Kathy Preslar

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## Silver Homecoming Draws Crowd Of 125

A crowd of more than 125 persons were present Sunday to enjoy an informal homecoming at Silver. The get together was held in the fellowship hall of Silver Baptist Church.

Among those present were former residents who now live at San Angelo, Monahans, Midland, Snyder, Sweetwater, Colorado

## Parents Enjoy Picnic, Program At Sol Mayer

A large delegation of parents and other family members of Robert Lee Boy Scout's families went to Camp Sol Mayer last Thursday night to witness a family night program and have a picnic with the camping scouts.

Parents took a picnic lunch of Fried chicken, beans, potato salad, chips, pickles, onions, iced tea, sliced tomatoes and cakes to the camp on the San Saba.

Following the picnic boys in the troops spending last week at the camp performed skits for the audience, and awards were made for achievements during the week.

Troops in attendance this week, besides No. 461 of Robert Lee, were two from Brady, San Angelo, McCamey, Robert Lee Scouts received a plaque for having 70 per cent of its troop members at camp. Attendance plaques were miniature red teepees. The Robert Lee scouts also received a large number of merit badges for their accomplishments during the week.

The boys returned home Saturday.

Boy Scouts attending were Mike Conley, Randy Flanagan, Burl Davis, Kenneth Prine, Pat Lewis, Jesse Eads, Lyn Sockwell, Gary McDaniel, Mark Matlock, Richard Guerrant, Jeff Eubanks, Davis Beary, Terry Wojtek and Carl Bagwell. Fred Beaty was adult leader for the group. He was assisted by his son, Lane Beaty, and later in the week Joe David Key went down to help with the program. Lane and Joe David are both Explorers.

Mr. and Mrs. Turney Casey, Mr. and Mrs. B. N. Chesney, Cindy and Pam of Keller enjoyed home made ice cream with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Casey at Silver Thursday night.

City, Robert Lee and Sanco. Coming the longest distance to attend the affair were Mr. and Mrs. F. C. McAuley of Monahans. She is the former Thelma Martin, who was born and reared here and still owns a farm in the Silver community.

High light of the occasion was a noon barbecue and business meeting. Charlie Davis was elected president of the Homecoming Association and Mrs. Bob Odom was re-elected as the secretary-treasurer.

Following the dinner hour, everyone spent the time visiting with friends, many of whom they had not seen for some time.

The fourth Sunday in July was set as the date for the 1968 homecoming.

## \$323,000 Awarded For 2,618 Acres Of Lake Land

A special commission Wednesday of last week awarded Mrs. Tom Steph \$323,000 for 2,618 acres to be inundated by the Robert Lee Reservoir.

The hearing was in process at Observer press time last week. Mrs. Steph refused the original offer of the Colorado River Municipal Water District for the land to be used for the lake. The amount of the original offer by CRMWD was not disclosed.

Special commissioners who heard the case were Bert Blaylock, Victor Wojtek and Fred McCabe, Jr. They were appointed by County Judge W. W. Thetford.



Ferris Akins

## Funeral Services For Mrs. Sparks Held Saturday

Funeral services for Mrs. Annie Sparks, 81, were held at 10 a.m. last Saturday in the Robert Lee Baptist Church. The pastor, the Rev. Bill Beaty, officiated. Burial was in Robert Lee cemetery under direction of Williams Funeral Home.

Mrs. Sparks died about 4:30 a.m. Thursday at the home of a daughter at Leakey, of an apparent heart attack.

She was born Oct. 16, 1885, in Kerr County and was married to Enoch Sparks in 1900 in Roswell, N. M. They moved to Coke County in 1903. Mr. Sparks died in 1966.

She was a member of the Robert Lee Baptist Church.

Survivors include four sons, Jake of Sterling City, Bill of Albuquerque, N. M., Calvin of Robert Lee and S. P. of Van Horn; five daughters, Mrs. Annie Mae Stewart of Albuquerque, N. M., Mrs. Mabel Swanson of Stephenville, Mrs. Ruth Blair of Phoenix, Ariz., Mrs. Jerry Stringer of Ft. Worth and Mrs. Ruby Joe Hulise of Leakey; two brothers; five sisters; 32 grandchildren and a number of great - great grandchildren.

## PONIES DOWN STERLING

Robert Lee's Pony League team downed Sterling City Tuesday night 7-3 in a game played here.

Joe Basquez pitched the first three innings with Mike Mumford catching, then Mumford pitched the remaining four with James Hood working behind the plate.

Visitors in the home of Mrs. Ed Hickman over the weekend were Mr. and Mrs. Pete Hickman and their children of Fort Stockton and Mrs. Zola Bennett of Ozona.

## RL Baptist Church Revival Planned

Bill Beaty, pastor of the Robert Lee Baptist Church, states that last minute preparations are being made for a revival meeting beginning Sunday, July 30.

The services will be 7:30 a.m., and 8:00 p.m. weekdays and 11:00 and 7:30 on Sundays

Rev Ferris Akins, pastor of the First Baptist Church in Ballinger will be the preacher and Mr. Jerry Pickett, school teacher and singer from Mason will lead the music. The public is cordially invited to attend.

## FB Queen Race Set For Saturday

Five girls will vie for the title of Coke County Farm Bureau Queen in a contest to be held Saturday night at 8 p.m. in the Robert Lee auditorium. They are: Barbara Blaylock, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Blaylock; Kaye Roberts, daughter of Mr. and Mrs.

Artell Roberts; Rinda Beth Wojtek, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Wojtek; Kathy Preslar, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Burns; and Janet Lee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Lee. All are from Robert Lee except Miss Lee, who is from Bronte.

The winner will represent the county in district contest in August in San Angelo.

A talent - find contest is also being held with talent of all ages performing. However, winners will be selected from the 17-30 age group in order to be eligible to represent Coke County in the district contest.

Following the program, home made ice cream and cake will be sold and the audience will be invited to remain for the social hour.

Everyone is invited to attend the program. There is no admission charge.

## Little Leaguers Lose To C-City

Colorado River All Stars lost to Colorado City Saturday night to lose the Area One Little League championship. The C-City lads downed the local boys 2-1 in the contest played at Colorado City.

The Colorado River team, made up of players from Robert Lee, Bronte, Norton and Sterling City, won their games Thursday night against Winters, 3-1, and Friday night against Ballinger, 12-0. Both games were played at Wingate.

Leon Freeman pitched for the Winters and Colorado City games and Bobby Mumford was hurler in the game with Ballinger. Webby Millican was catcher in all three contest.

The Richards reunion was held July 4 in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frankie Percifull. Relatives throughout Texas attended and Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Wayne Richards and their children of San Francisco and Mrs. Jack Van Hay and son Mark of Salinas.

## Info Due On Coke Poverty Program

More information on the anti-poverty program for Coke County is expected in the next few days, according to County Judge W. W. Thetford. He called the Tom Green County Community Action Council office Monday and was told by the director, J. O. Stinnet, that details of the program should be available soon.

The San Angelo office has been designated as district headquarters for a large area of West Texas, including Coke County. The Office of Economic Opportunity recently approved a grant of \$271,257 to set up the program in this area.

An appreciable amount of the grant will be used to make a study of the area to determine just what type programs are needed, and for setting up offices in each county which shows a need and requests the aid.

The money will be divided among all the counties involved on a basis of the number of residents who qualify because of low income.

Judge Thetford told this newspaper Monday that he was in favor of pursuing the project for Coke County "as long as there is a chance for securing help for any of our people who need it."



Jerry Pickett

### Robert Lee Boys Awarded Highest State FFA Degree

Two members of Robert Lee Chapter of the Future Farmers of America were awarded the Lone Star Farmer Degree at the state FFA convention held last week in Dallas. Alfred Blair and Keith Waldrop were recipients of the highest degree awarded on the state level.

John Service attended the convention as voting delegate for the Robert Lee Chapter, and Vocational Agriculture Teacher L. R. McDaniel accompanied the three boys.

The sons of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Blair and Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Waldrop, Alfred and Keith are among a select group which includes only two per cent of the state FFA membership of 47,000. The Lone Star Farmer degree is awarded on a basis of project programs of the boys and their leadership activities in FFA.

The pair have similar projects, including beef cattle breeding, feeding and showing mutton lambs. Blair is president and Waldrop is secretary of the local chapter. Blair also served as Concho District sentinel this year.

Both boys have been active in leadership contests including chapter conducting, junior quiz, and senior farm skills contests.

Keith is the third boy in the Glenn Waldrop family to receive the Lone Star Farmer degree.

### Heard At Sanco

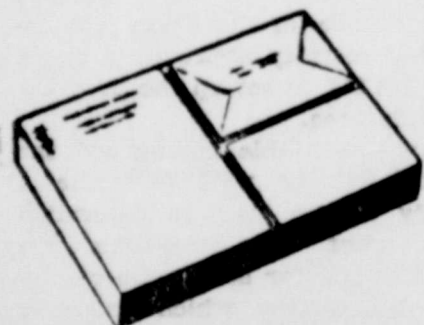
Mr. and Mrs. Bill Carwile and sons, John and Joe of Pasadena, their daughter, Sue, and family and Mrs. Don Carwile and baby, of Lubock, visited their mother and grandmother, Mrs. Fannie Carwile, Henry and Effie last Friday. Don Carwile is serving in the armed forces.

Mrs. Frouney Scarborough's son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Ed McGuffey and grandson, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy McGuffey and baby, all of Oklahoma, are visiting her this week.

### BEEF CATTLE SHORT COURSE SET FOR DECEMBER

The vocational agriculture department of Robert Lee High School has received word that Frank Litterst of the Texas Education Agency Adult Specialist Program will be here Dec. 11 for an Adult Beef Cattle Short Course.

Vocational Agriculture Teacher L. R. McDaniel said that many residents of the community have expressed a desire for such a course. He invited everyone who is interested to contact him.



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### CARD OF THANKS

It is with grateful hearts that we acknowledge the many acts of kindness and sympathy from our neighbors and friends during our recent sorrow.

The flowers, cards, visits and food and all other expressions of your love and concern were sincerely appreciated.

May God richly bless you.  
The family of Annie Sparks

### CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express thanks to our many friends for the lovely cards and words of kindness during Kenneth's stay in the hospital. A special thanks to Northside Church of Christ for the lovely cards and words of comfort. May God continue to bless each of you.

Mrs. Kenneth Shropshire  
Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Hendrix, Nelda and Ginger.  
Mr. and Mrs. Richard Shropshire and Delbert.

### CARD OF THANKS

We would like to thank the people of the community for their generous contribution of food and money and our special thanks to the members of the Southside Church of Christ for the shelter for the Ray Dodd family.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Sheppard

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### Hospital News

July 18 — Mrs. Jimmy Bell admitted.

July 19 — E. C. Davis, W. T. Matlock, Mrs. Effie Phillips admitted.

July 20 — Miss Linda Jacoby, Carl Brock, Dee J. Walker, Sr., L. J. Barnhill dismissed.

July 21 — John P. McClure admitted. Jim Herford, Josie Russell dismissed.

July 22 — Mrs. Jimmy Bell, John P. McClure, W. T. Matlock dismissed.

July 24 — Jerry Fountain, Arthur Gloria, Mrs. Bonita Robertson admitted. Jerry Fountain dismissed.

Eight patients remained in the hospital and ten were in the nursing home Tuesday.

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**SCHOOL CALENDAR RELEASED**

Supt. Jimmy Bickley this week released a calendar of events for the forthcoming school term. Classes for the 1967 - 68 term will start Aug. 28 and end May 22. Preliminary and concluding events are scheduled before and after those dates.

The calendar calls for 178 days of school work.

The calendar follows:

- Aug. 23, Wednesday: General faculty meeting.
- Aug. 24, Thursday: High school registration.
- Aug. 25, Friday: First grade registration.
- Aug. 28, Monday: Opening day of classes.
- Sept. 4, Monday: Holiday, Labor Day.

**Snyder Rites Held For W. C. Kerley**

Funeral services were held Monday in Snyder for William C. Kerley, 78, a former resident of Coke County. Mr. Kerley died Saturday in an Abilene hospital. He had been a resident of Hermitage the past 22 years. Burial was in Divide Cemetery.

Mr. Kerley was born Aug. 29, 1888, in DeKalb, Tenn. He came to Coke County when he was a young boy and was reared in the Divide community. He left here many years ago. He was a member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors include his wife, two daughters, one son, one sister, one brother, ten grandchildren and 16 great grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Wallace of Pecos were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Wallace and other relatives. Other visitors Sunday in the Wallace home were Mr. and Mrs. Donny Bradford of San Angelo.

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**Sharon Kay Faight And Daryle Stanford To Wed**

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The couple has set Friday, August 11, as their wedding date. The ceremony will be read in the Robert Lee Baptist Church.

Miss Faight graduated from Robert Lee High School in May 1965 and is employed at the West Coke County Hospital as a secretary.

Her fiance is a graduate of Plainview High School and is employed with Clement Bros. Const.

**PERSONALS**

Mr. and Mr. John L. Bruton and children visited over the weekend with her mother, Mrs. E. O. Higgins and other relatives. They attended church at the Northside Church of Christ Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Brooks are in Dallas this week visiting their daughter, Mrs. Ed Dart and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Wayne Walker and children of San Angelo are leaving Friday to spend their vacation around Tacoma, Washington with friends. They plan to go over in Canada for a short tour before returning home.

Mrs. Ed Hickman had all of her children but one son home for the Hickman family reunion held on Sunday, July 2.

Debra Vosburg returned home from Waco where she had been visiting for a week in the home of her aunt, Mrs. Jack Raymond. The children of the Raymonds, Fronnie Sue, Joe and Doug Pierce came home with her to spend some time here this summer in the Vosburg and Mitchell Davis home and with their other grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Pierce.

**WELCOME**

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 Bill Beaty, Pastor

Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m.  
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 Training Union ..... 6:30 p.m.  
 Evening Worship .... 7:30 p.m.  
**Wednesday**  
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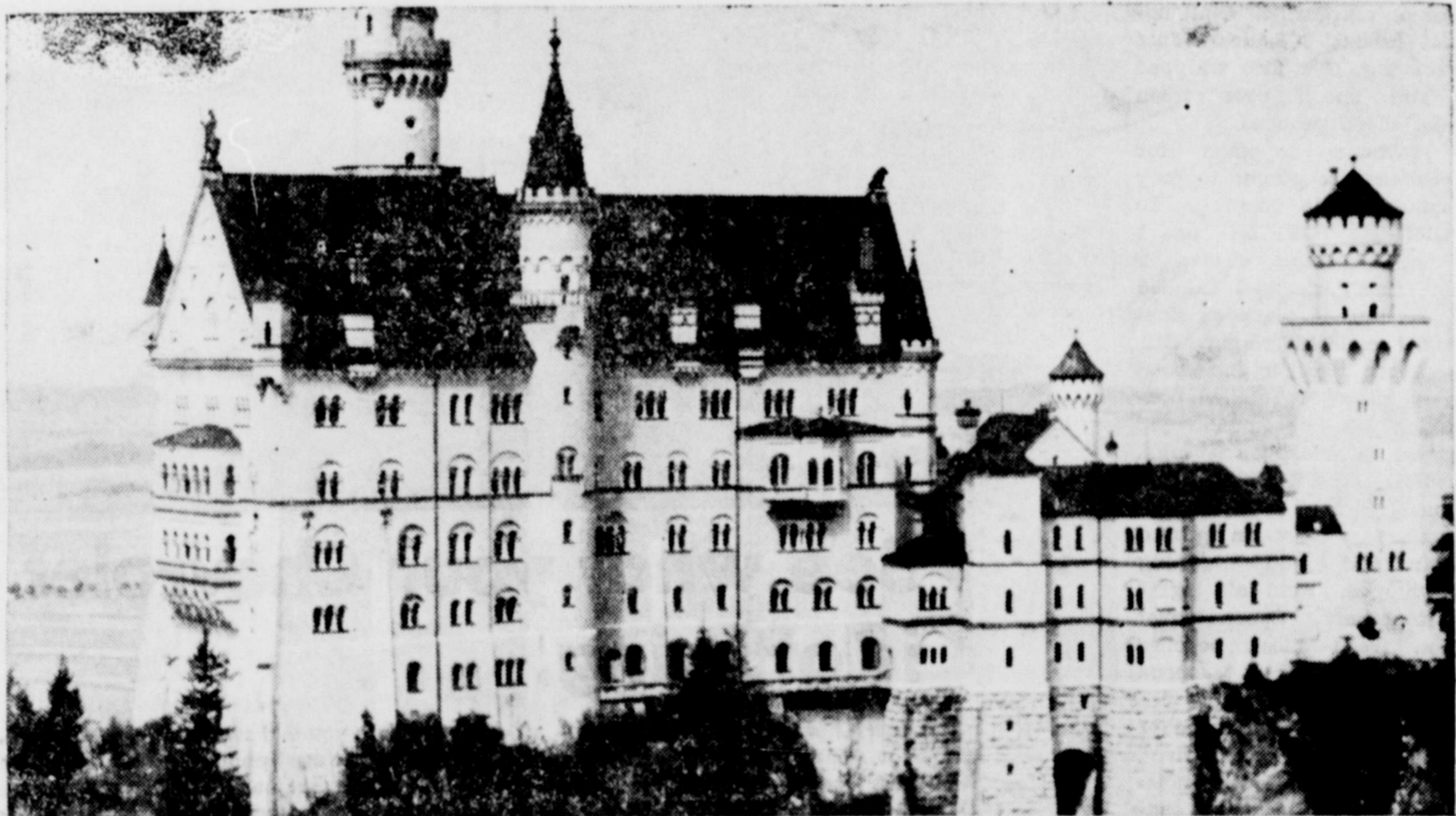
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## H D Agent's News Dept.

By MRS. FAY C. ROE

### Getting Good Peachy Flavor

Fresh fruit pickings are real peachy this summer.

Taste - tantalizing fresh peaches are likely to be available several weeks yet, according to the U. S. Department of Agriculture. And you can get the best in peach flavor by selecting fresh peaches with care.

Most peaches are picked at the "firm - ripe" stage since they are so delicate and easily bruised. For the finest flavor, however, tree - ripened peaches cannot be matched. Some growers sell tree - ripened fruit at the orchard, and some even allow the customer to pick his own. This is an ideal way to buy for canning or freezing.

Whether you buy at the orchard or in a city market, you can get good flavor by carefully observing the skin color of the fruit. Always check the background or "ground" color of the skin. It may vary from a creamy white to a deep golden yellow, depending upon variety, but it should never be greenish. Peaches picked too green have poor flavor, and they never ripen - they just shrivel and become leathery and unusable. Never test firmness with fingers. Just a slight pressure or pinch results in a flesh bruise.

For fresh eating, sort and use the ripest peaches first. Ripen those that are unripe at room temperature, away from direct heat or sunlight. Store ripe peaches in a single layer on the coldest shelf of the refrigerator. It's best to prepare fresh peaches just before you are ready to use them. If they must be sliced a little ahead of time, sprinkle slices with lemon or lime juice to prevent darkening.

Here are a few ideas for adding variety to fresh sliced peaches. Try this ROMANOFF SAUCE. You'll need 1 egg yolk, rind of 1 lemon, juice of ½ lemon, 1 tablespoon butter or margarine, ½ cup light corn syrup, ¼ cup sugar and 1 cup whipping cream, whipped. Blend egg yolk, sugar, lemon rind and juice. Stir into corn syrup. Put into heavy saucepan and bring to boil, stirring constantly. Boil 2 minutes. Stir in butter or margarine. Chill until thick (about 2 hours). Just before serving, fold into whipped cream and spoon over fresh sweetened sliced peaches.

Two favorite toppings for sliced peaches are ginger topping and peanut brittle topping. To make GINGER TOPPING, use 1 cup smooth cottage cheese, 2 teaspoons finely chopped candied orange peel and ½ teaspoon finely chopped candied ginger. Stir all ingredients together and spoon over fresh sliced, sweetened peaches which have been flavored with about ½ teaspoon vanilla.

For PEANUT BRITTLE TOPPING, use ¼ cup crushed peanut brittle, ¼ teaspoon grated orange rind and ½ cup whipping cream, whipped. Fold all ingredients together. Spoon over sweetened fresh sliced peaches flavored with about ½ teaspoon almond extract.

If you plan to freeze some of your fresh peaches, select firm, fully ripe fruit. Pack in moisture - vapor proof freezer containers after sorting, washing, peeling, halving or slicing. Pour 1 cup sugar over 6 cups of prepared peaches or pour 40 percent sugar syrup over peaches in the container. Make 40 percent sugar syrup with 3 cups sugar and 4 cups water. Add ½ teaspoon ascorbic acid to each quart of sugar syrup to preserve color during freezing. Cool syrup before pouring over fruit in freez-

er container. Leave ½ inch headspace in container for expansion during freezing. Seal securely, label contents and put date frozen on outside of freezer container. Quick freeze and store peaches at zero degrees Fahrenheit.

### August Plentiful

What's in store for August? You'll probably want to help glorify August Sandwich Month, Turkey Barbecue Time and Outdoor Fish Cookery with the abundant supplies of food available this month.

Turkeys are featured on the list of "plentifuls". Heavy cold storage holdings account for much of the increased supply of this poultry item. What could be better for outdoor barbecues - and indoor treats, too?

Other foods in plentiful supply include peanut butter, fish fillets and steaks, lemons, limes and such seasonal vegetables as tomatoes, squash, peas and many other summer specialties.

Peanut production set another record last year. So peanut butter can add flavor and nutrition to favorite foods, as well as sandwiches.

Carry your fish favorites to the outdoor grill for a real eating treat. Nothing quite compares with fish cooked over the coals. Cold storage holdings of fish fillets and steaks in late spring amounted to 28 million pounds more than the same date last year and over 50 million pounds more than on the corresponding date two years ago.

Both lemons and limes showed a substantial production increase over last year. No wonder these summer delights are in such a-

undance. Refreshing beverages and tart, delectable desserts are yours for the squeezing.

Add variety to all your meals with the colorful variety of summer vegetables. You'll probably find grocery bins loaded. Ever tried tomatoes for breakfast? Delicious!

### Mrs. Wilkes Honored With Bridal Shower

A bridal shower honoring Mr. and Mrs. Pat Wilkes was held Tuesday evening, July 11, in the garden at the home of Mrs. Clifford Wilson. Other hostesses were Mmes. Blackie Keener, Wayne McCabe, and Juanice Jameson.

Guests were registered by Mrs. Richard Livensparger of Silver. Mrs. Livensparger is a sister-in-law of Mrs. Wilkes. The refreshment table was centered with pink and orchid cornflowers. Ice cream and cookies were served.

Attending were Mrs. C. T. Wilkes of Ira; Mrs. R. S. Anderson, Mrs. Monte Wilkes, Mrs. Clovis Boren, Mrs. V. T. McCabe, Mrs. Ernest Clendennen. Guests from Colorado City included Bet Wallace, Sue Ree Keenedy, Mrs. Charles Kennedy, Mrs. Elva Jameson, Mrs. Bobby Northcutt and Mrs. P. P. McGee.

Also Mrs. Agnes Wilkes, Maryneal; Mrs. Joe R. Ash, Jacksboro; Mrs. George Conner, Mrs. Todd Anderson, Mrs. Bill Tom Roach, Mrs. Robert Vaughn, Mrs. H. L. Scott, Mrs. J. C. Wallace and Mrs. A. J. Roe, Jr., all of Robert Lee.

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Visitors in the Wesley Kinsey home over the weekend were Laura Cannon, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Zoet, Gary and Paula all of Houston. Gary and Paula are staying this week with their aunt, while their parents and Miss Cannon attends a workshop held at Abilene Christian College.

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STATE **Capital NEWS**  
By VERN SANFORD



Newspaper readers throughout Texas soon will be seeing long columns of type about important issues as Secretary of State John Hill begins to advertise the six proposed constitutional amendments to be voted on November 11.

Fourteen additional amendments will be on the 1968 ballot.

Eight of the 20 amendments are of interest mainly to special groups (eg: legislators or state employees). Eight others would provide local governments with new powers or duties. Only four of the group directly affect most Texans.

Amendments to be voted on this year will appear on the ballot in this order:

No. 1, House Joint Resolution 3, to permit counties to put all tax money in a single general fund rather than dividing income in specified amounts among separate funds for earmarked purposes as is now required.

No. 2, HJR 37, allowing cities and other governmental units within hospital districts to levy taxes for participation in mental health and mental retardation community centers.

No. 3, HJR 17, reviving the veterans land program and authorizing a total of \$400,000,000 in bonds to finance continued purchase of farm and ranch land by veterans, including those who have served in Southeast Asia during present hostilities.

No. 4, HJR 6, authorizing counties to pay medical, doctor and hospital bills of county law enforcement officers injured in line of duty.

No. 5, HJR 12, authorizing a \$75,000,000 state revenue bond issue for the development of state parks and recreational areas. Bonds are expected to be financed by a small admission fee.

No. 6, HJR 27, permitting state officers and employees to hold

non-elective positions under the state or U. S. governments where there is no conflict of interest and where the state might benefit.

That's all for '67.

Top interest in these amendments doubtless will center on the park bond proposal and the veterans land amendment.

Hospital mental health and mental retardation groups will emphasize the importance of Amendment No. 2 to the new community center approach of treating mental patients close to home.

Calling the 1967 election for Veterans Day and a Saturday, undoubtedly, was to assure a large voter turnout for the land fund amendment. A substantial campaign to urge its passage already is taking form.

Gov. John Connally is the principal backer of the parks bond issue. Last December he unveiled a 10-year plan for acquiring and developing 150,960 acres of recreational lands and historical sites. This would more than triple present state park acreage and open a variety of new facilities for outdoor recreation.

Only opposition to the amendment to date has been based on the \$1 a car park - entry fee, initially proposed by Connally to finance the vast program and scattered complaints that facilities included in the governor's master plan do not adequately serve some areas of the state.

He is expected to spearhead an intensive fall campaign — supported by parks, recreational and outdoor groups — to put over the bond issue.

The veterans land amendment would add another \$200,000,000 to state bonds previously authorized and through which 35,300 veterans have purchased farm and ranch properties at low interest rates spread over a 40 - year pay period.

This amendment would raise the amount which could be borrowed under the program from \$7,500 to \$10,000. The program was initiated in 1949. Additional bonds were approved by voters in 1951 and 1956. Amendments to enlarge the bond authorization were rejected at elections in 1963 and 1965. Opposition came mainly from Dallas and Houston.

Proponents emphasize that, while thousands of veterans have benefitted from the program, it has cost the state no money and actually has turned a profit of \$2,500,000 a year while providing an expanded land market.

Opposition has adopted the argument that it is not the function of the state government to engage in the loan business and that veterans have had plenty of time to participate. Some also contend that "cheap money" invites purchases of land not needed and which will not be put to productive use.

Amendment No. 2 specifies that the legislature, in providing for creation of hospital districts, does not have to require that the districts assume full responsibility for community mental health and retardation centers and services. It would permit cities and counties to levy taxes and issue bonds for such services. Subdivisions within existing districts would be authorized to do so unless statutes creating the districts expressly prohibit.

An attorney general's opinion held that the constitution does not allow political subdivisions

within the boundary of a hospital district to levy taxes for medical and hospital service. Under that ruling, cities and counties located in such districts were restricted from participating in establishment of community health centers. Therefore, only hospital districts could establish such centers, a key part of the mental health program.

Amendments No. 3, No. 4 and No. 5 are self explanatory and apparently non - controversial.

Amendment No. 6 is aimed primarily at permitting educators, who are paid from state funds, to serve on federal advisory boards.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Jones of Winters visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Jones Friday.

**PERSONALS**

Visitors last week in the home of her parents, the Turney Caseys, were Mr. and Mrs. B. N. Chesney of Keller. Returning home with them after a few weeks' visit were their daughters, Cindy and Pam.

Enjoying a back yard supper last week with the G. L. Coulter family in San Angelo were Mrs. Coulter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Turney Casey; her sister, Mrs. B. N. Chesney, and family; her grandmother, Mrs. Pear School-ey; and cousins, Charles, William, Deana, Vonie and Becky Taylor, of Springtown.

Oda Benton was admitted into the Veterans Hospital in Big Spring Wednesday, July 19.

Mrs. Vaughan Davis, Sherrill, and Waid left last Tuesday for a two weeks visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Waid at Jasper, Alabama.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sims left Friday to visit over the week end with their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Sims and daughter.

Mrs. Jack Walker was admitted to the Shannon Hospital Friday for some test and observation.

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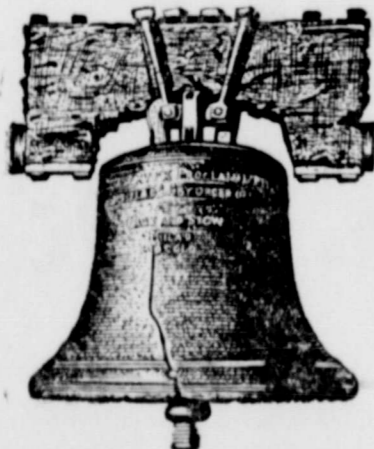
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## INDUCTION LAW CHANGES

According to Col. Morris S. Schwartz, state Selective Service director, deferments for students at commercial colleges or vocational schools will not be mandatory under new draft laws.

Congress left this decision to local boards. They alone make the decision, based on the merits of each individual case.

Draft classifications will be changed to Class 2-A for those deferred because of civilian occupations other than agriculture jobs; and Class 2-S for students working toward a degree.

Schwartz says that local boards give serious consideration to students receiving at least 25 clock hours of instruction a week.

Deferment of students enrolled in graduate schools of medicine, dentistry, veterinary medicine, osteopathy or optometry now is mandatory. However, they are subject to military service upon completion of schooling.

A student may be deferred as long as five years for a doctoral or professional degree or its equivalent.

OIL ALLOWABLE - Statewide oil allowable for August has been

raised by the Railroad Commission to 54 per cent of potential.

This will permit an all-time record production of 4,186 barrels a day.

That will be some 345,000 barrels more than the previous record set on July 15 of this year.

## SGT. JIMMY R. SOWDERS ON DUTY IN JAPAN

FUSSA MACHI, Japan — Staff Sergeant Jimmy R. Sowders, son of Mrs. R. E. Sowders of Robert Lee has arrived for duty at Yokota AB, Japan.

Sergeant Sowders, a fuel supervisor, previously served at Tan Son Nhut AB, Vietnam. He is assigned to the Pacific Air Forces, the nation's combat-ready air arm guarding the 10,000-mile Bamboo Curtain.

The sergeant, a graduate of Schelling Air Force Base High School, Salina, Kan., attended Kansas Wesleyan University and the University of the Philippines, during his off-duty hours.

He is married to the former Anstacit L. Bono from the Philippines.

THERE'S HOME TOWN NEWS IN THE HOME TOWN ADS.

# PERSONALS

Mrs. Pearl Schooley returned home after a two weeks' visit in Fort Worth with her son, Cecil Schooley, and family, and in Springtown with her daughter, Mrs. Dean Taylor, and family. Coming home with her for a week's visit were Charles, William, Deana, Vonie and Becky Taylor. They were returned home Sunday by Mrs. Schooley.

Mr. and Mrs. James Coleman and children of Odessa and Mrs. Merlin Smith of Midland visited with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Trimble Saturday.

## BCD Discusses Scout Hut Repair

It was brought out at Tuesday's BCD meeting that the Boy Scout hut, located in Robert Lee County Park, is in need of a new roof and other minor repairs.

President Jim Bickley told members present that he felt the BCD, as sponsors of the local troop, should lead the way in working out the problem. He asked members to think about the need, to make a study of repairs needed and determine a method of financing the project, provided they decide they should go into it.

Cumbie Ivey Jr. said the fire place in the hut does not work at all, and that something should be done about it. It was also mentioned that the Scout Hut, in addition to being used by scouts, is used during the summer for family reunions, especially when the recreation hall is booked up.

President Bickley announced that a representative of General Telephone Co. will meet with the BCD next Tuesday, Aug. 1, to discuss the new direct dialing system which is scheduled to go into effect in September.

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Mrs. Bob Odom, Silver postmaster, accompanied by Mrs. W. T. Green of Tennyson to Austin where they spent five days attending the Postmasters State Convention.

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