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Santa Will Be Here Soon



RECEIVE AWARDS —Three Robert Lee men received awards at the annual scout recognition dinner held in the Ballinger high school cafeteria Tuesday night, Nov. 28. The dinner included scout leaders from the Tri Rivers District of

the Concho Valley Council.

At left, Jim Bickley, holds his Scouters Training Award and certificate of recognition for his outstanding work as chairman of the Leadership Training Committee for the Tri-Rivers District. Center, Jim Herford, cub master, received the Scout-

er's Key, the highest award for a unit leader. Jerry Sirius, on the right, received his certificate of recognition for his work on the recently completed finance campaign. He served as Robert Lee chairman for the campaign.

Robert Lee-Silver Lions To Sponsor Program On New Texas Driver Laws

Robert Lee-Silver Lions Club members will hold their Ladies Night banquet Tuesday, Dec. 19, in the Rec Hall and all Lions and their ladies are invited to attend.

Following the supper, a program will be given by Frank Perkins of San Angelo who is with the Texas Department of Public Safety. Perkins will explain the new drivers license law

which will go into effect Jan. 1, 1968.

Sherff Melvin Childress said this week that the new law will bring about drastic changes in the method of renewing drivers licenses. Included in the changes will be taking a written test and an eye test.

Public Invited

The public is invited to attend the program at 7 p.m. in the rec hall. The sheriff's department will assist Perkins in presenting the program.

Childress said he would like to urge all residents in the area to attend the program and familiarize themselves with the new law.

EDITORIAL

Robert Lee merchants are ready for you to do your Christmas shopping with them. Their stores are brimming over with new exciting merchandise which will be received with a welcome by anyone you choose to receive it.

Local businessmen want to serve you; they appreciate your business, and they stand ready at all times to exchange and make adjustments in the event they are needed.

We urge you to shop at home this Christmas. Not only do you receive the personal service of these merchants who are your friends and neighbors; your support of them helps them to carry a larger line of goods which is always ready for you when you need it.

Then, too, your support of home town merchants enables them to remain in business; it enables them to pay taxes and support schools, the city and county governments. It also makes it possible for them to make the many contributions they are called upon to make to every worthy cause which comes up.

Looking at it from a practical viewpoint, it's just good business to trade at home.

VOTER REGISTRATION OPEN: EVERYONE MUST REGISTER

Texans are reminded that they must register to vote in next year's important elections.

Only two more months remain to register in order to vote in the 1968 national, state and county elections in Texas. Voter registration laws have been changed this year. For the first time, all voters must register, including rural residents over 65 years of age.

Texas will be voting on a President, Governor, Lt. Governor, state, county and local officials.

Mrs. Laura Jones reports that her son, Delma T. Jones, is to receive a discharge from the Air Force some time in December. She is looking for him to arrive at home by Christmas.

Robert Lee area youngsters have only a little more than a week to wait before Santa's annual visit. Saturday, Dec. 16 is the big day when he will ride in to town on the big red firetruck and distribute goodies to all the children in town.

Lots of other good things are in store for the day, too, as the program has been planned by its BCD sponsors to please all age groups.

A free movie will start at 1 p.m. in the Alamo Theater. Following, at 2:45 p.m., a parade featuring the Robert Lee School Band and a number of floats will make its way through town. Santa's entrance will be the cli-

max to the parade.

Starting after the parade will be the drawing, during which hundreds of valuable free gifts will be distributed to lucky persons whose names are called. The drawing will be held in front of the Observer office.

Garland Davis is overall chairman for planning the day's program. He has appointed a large number of BCD members who are in charge of various features of the day.

Bill Beaty and Bobby Palmos have been busy this week distributing registration slips for persons' use in registering for the drawing. At the same time, they have been getting pledges of donations of cash and merchandise to be given to the lucky persons whose names are drawn.

The annual Christmas party is a traditional event in Robert Lee and has been sponsored for many years by the BCD. Officials of the organization said they expect a huge crowd in town and a most successful party to kickoff officially the Christmas season in the community.

Observer To Publish Letters To Santa Claus

Once again, The Robert Lee Observer has been appointed by Santa Claus as the official publication to print letters from youngsters of this area.

In a communication from Mr. Claus he stated:

"I have always been well pleased with the way my mail has been handled by your newspaper, and I would like for you again this year to serve as the official publisher for all letters addressed to me. Of course, as soon as you have printed the letters, I'll expect you to forward them on to me at once, so I'll be sure to have plenty of time to fill all the orders."

As a result of this letter from Santa, the Observer has decided to print letters in its edition of Dec. 21.

Children who want to write to Santa should do so as soon as possible. Letters should be addressed to:

Santa Claus
Robert Lee Observer
Robert Lee, Texas 76945
Be sure not to forget the Zip Code.

A large number of local children will be asked to hand their letters in to their teachers at school, and all others should to the Observer office.

We promise to get them to Santa before Christmas Eve.

Steers Place On All-District Team

By RONNIE BAKER

Senior Randy Hall was the only first team offensive player placed on the all-district team. Randy plays end and last year, Coach Mitchell said it would take two men to cover him and that proved right.

Second team offense had Jackie Preslar and Gary Williams. Preslar, the 1st string center of the Steers is a sophomore, and he proved he wanted his job in the first week of practice. Senior Gary Williams was the only Steer to make it both ways, offense and defense. Williams had one of his best seasons as a senior with his pass completion record. William also made the 1st team defensive safety.

On defense Ronnie Devoll made the end spot, but actually was the monster man shifting as the offense did. Being the smallest man on the team didn't mean anything to him.

Senior Gary Parker was the nose guard on the 1st team defense and his quickness was unbelievable getting into the offensive backfield.

Senior Donnie Devoll, the bread and butter man of the offensive Steer team, made defensive linebacker. He had a thing going that the bigger they are, the harder they fall.

Freshman James Fields, the 7th man on the all-district squad, was a hard man to move from his tackle position.

FIRE DEPT. CALLED OUT

Robert Lee Volunteer fire department was called out at 9 a.m. Monday to fight a house fire. The house was located on the E. W. Olsen place on the San Angelo highway about one mile south of town. Fire Chief Raymond Robertson said no one had lived there for some time. Motorists passing by on the highway saw the smoke and turned in the alarm.

Beef Cattle Course Offered

A beef production short course for adult farmers will be held Dec. 11-14 under the sponsorship of the Robert Lee and Bronte high school vocational agriculture departments, according to Superintendent Jimmy Bickley and LeeRoy McDaniel, teacher of vocational agriculture, both of Robert Lee.

Frank C. Litterst, beef production specialist with the Vocational Agriculture Division of the Texas Education Agency and the Department of Animal Science at Texas A&M University will be the instructor for the course. He is headquartered at Texas A&M University.

Mr. Litterst is a graduate of Texas A&M University with a degree in Animal Husbandry. Much of his work was done in livestock production.

The short course will be held at Robert Lee High School and is scheduled to begin Dec. 11 at 7 p.m. in the Vocational Agriculture building. Other meetings in the series of four will be held Dec. 12, 13 and 14. During the dates the short course is in progress, Litterst will be available to assist cattlemen with individual problems and to provide on-the-farm instruction, according to McDaniel and J. T. Henry, Bronte vocational agriculture teacher.

Cattlemen interested in attending the short course should write or call the teachers of agriculture at either Bronte or Robert Lee. An entry fee of \$2.00 will be charged.

Beef production short course certificates will be presented to each cattleman who attends all

the training sessions.

Litterst states that the field of beef production must take a close look at efficiency of production in the future. With land prices, feed, and taxes rising, the producer is meeting more and more competition for the consumers' dollar at the meat counter.

"Short courses in beef production, as well as in other areas, are now available to farmers throughout the state under the cooperative program between the Texas Education Agency and A&M", said Bob Jaska, coordinator of the program for A&M.

Specialists are now available in the fields of beef production, farm management, farm electrification, arc welding, swine production, tractor maintenance, dairy science, pasture and oxyacetylene welding.



MRS. WILLIAM RAY HOOD

Rhonda Sue Gartman And Willam Ray Hood Exchange Wedding Vows In Cermony At Robert Lee Church

Miss Rhonda Sue Gartman became the bride of William Ray Hood in a ceremony read last Thursday, Nov. 23, in the Robert Lee Baptist Church. The Rev. Bill Beaty, pastor, officiated. Parents of the couple are Mr.

and Mrs. Douglas Gartman and Mr. and Mrs. Jett Hood.

Wedding music was furnished by Misses Elaine and Ferral Jean Fikes, organist and soloist.

Miss Linda Jacoby was maid of honor and Misses Gayle Conley and Judy Gartman were the bridesmaids.

Doyle Robertson served as best man. Groomsmen were Leroy McGallian of Winters and Dennis Gartman. Robert Wink and Gaylon Pitcock were ushers.

Serving as flower girl was Gina Hood, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Hood of San Angelo. Kerry Gartman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Gartman, was ring bearer.

The bride wore a white satin Empire gown of peau de soie, fashioned with full length bell-shaped skirt and elbow-length bell-shaped sleeves.

The bride is a graduate of Robert Lee high school and attended Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene. She is presently employed in a San Angelo bank. In high school she was football sweetheart, cheerleader, student representative and a class officer. She participated in basketball, the Beta Club and volleyball.

The bridegroom is also a Robert Lee high school graduate and is attending Angelo State College. He is employed by a San Angelo furniture company. While in high school he was Mr. RLHS, a class favorite, class officer, student representative and participated in Beta Club, baseball, track and basketball. At ASC he is on the baseball team.

The couple will live in San Angelo.

A reception followed the wedding in the Fellowship Hall of the church. In the houseparty were Misses Barbara Blaylock, Cyndy Hood and Farrel Jean Fikes, and Mmes. Tommy Blair, Kenneth Wink, T. E. Pitcock, and Robert Large.

CRMWD To Let Contract For Dam

The Colorado River Municipal Water District has set a bid opening for Jan. 8 for the purpose of awarding a contract for construction of a diversion structure and holding dam for mineralized water diverted from the Colorado River. The structure will be built in northern Mitchell County.

The dam will be a low concrete structure built on top of steel sheet piling to prevent underwashing. Large rocks will be placed downstream from the dam and fresh water will percolate through them and continue downstream to the reservoir under construction at Robert Lee.

Purpose of the structure is to remove salt and other mineral from the water before it gets to Robert Lee. Pumps that can lift up to 90 million gallons of water a day will be installed to boost normal flow and the flush flow of the river into an adjacent holding basin. When mineral content gets below a certain level, particularly during periods of heavy flow, the pumps will automatically shut off, allowing all the water to continue downstream to Robert Lee.

The dam will be about 7,000 feet long.

DL Examiner Here Mondays

Joe Scott of San Angelo, drivers license examiner with the Department of Public Safety, will be in Robert Lee each Monday in the future. Prior to this week he has been coming to Robert Lee each third Thursday to give drivers license tests.

Sheriff Melvin Childress said between now and Jan. 1 the increased time in Robert Lee will be spent in making preparation for the increased work involved in issuing licenses. After the first of the year, it is believed that additional time will be needed to take care of drivers whose licenses are expiring.

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ROBERT LEE OBSERVER

The Public Is Invited

to attend the program at the Lions Club meeting Tuesday, Dec. 19, at the recreation hall (at 7 o'clock p.m.). The speaker will be Frank Perkins, of the Dept. of Public Safety. His subject will be the new '68 driving laws. SEE YOU THERE!



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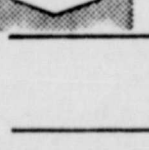
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Robert Lee School News

All District Selections

Coach Mitchell, who attended the coaches meeting last Wednesday night in Merkel to select the all-district teams, announces that seven Robert Lee Steers were placed on the teams.

Receiving honors on 1st team offense was Randy Hall in end position. On defense were Gary Parker, guard; Ronnie Devoll, end; Gary Sam Williams, on safety. The second team defense included Gary Williams, quarterback and Jackie Preslar, center. Linebacker Donnie Devoll and

tackle James Fields made the second defensive team. All of these boys are seniors except James Fields, a freshman, and Jackie Preslar, a sophomore.

Take Homemaking Test

Senior girls took the Betty Crocker Homemaker test Tuesday. The results will be announced as soon as possible.

Dec. 8 Deadline for Annual

Friday, Dec. 8 is the deadline for ordering the '68 Corral. No subscriptions can be accepted after this date. Get your order in now.

Girls to Play at Lakeview

The girls basketball team will play in a tournament at Lake View this weekend, Dec. 7-8. The first game is with Bangs at 8 a.m. Friday.

F.H.A. Selling Candy, Cookbooks

F.H.A. girls wish to announce that they are selling candy, as they have for the past several years, in addition to cookbooks. Anyone who would like to buy either should contact any F.H.A. member or Mrs. Guerrant, sponsor.

Style Show Dec. 13

On Wednesday, Dec. 13, at 2:30 p.m., the Homemaking students will present a style show, modeling garments which they have made during the term. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Peture Retakes Thursday

Retakes for school pictures will be made Thursday (today) by the Fox Company.

Teachers to Bronte Meeting

Robert Lee teachers will attend the regular Coke County Teacher's meeting at Bronte next Monday night, Dec. 11.

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 Hamburger patties and gravy, creamed potatoes, green beans, celery, milk, hot rolls, butter, peanut butter and honey.

Wednesday, Dec. 13
 Ranch style beans, potato salad, pickled beets, spinach, corn bread, butter, milk, apple cobbler.

Thursday, Dec. 14
 Skillet dinner with cheese, English peas, cabbage, apple and raisin salad, hot rolls, butter, milk, apple cobbler.

Friday, Dec. 15
 Baked ham, buttered potatoes, garden salad, hot rolls, butter, milk, fresh grapes.

RETURNS FROM VACATION

Mrs. C. G. Walker Sr. returned home Nov. 30 from a 4 weeks vacation trip to Tuscaloosa, Ala., where she visited in the home of Mrs. J. C. Stevens and other relatives.

On the return trip she toured the Civil War battlegrounds at Vicksburg, Miss. She also visited in the Jake Higginbotham home in Delhi, La., and with Mr. and Mrs. Earl Boggs and family at Henderson. Mrs. Walker also spent a week with her late husband's sister, Mrs. Maudie Howell, at Clute, Tex., and visited her brother, J. S. Ballard, at Menard.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Wallace Jr. and family and Jana Jeffries were Sunday guests in the Melvin Bahlman home at Sweetwater. They drove to Roscoe Sunday afternoon and visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jess Smith and picked up their daughter, Marilyn, who had spent the weekend in the Smith home with her friend, Janice Smith.

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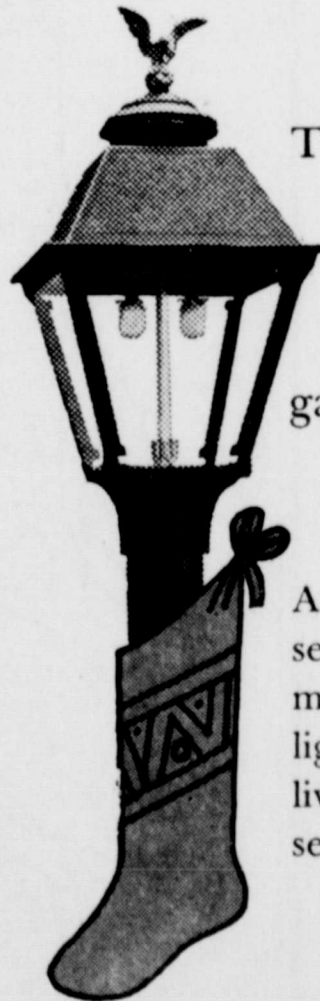
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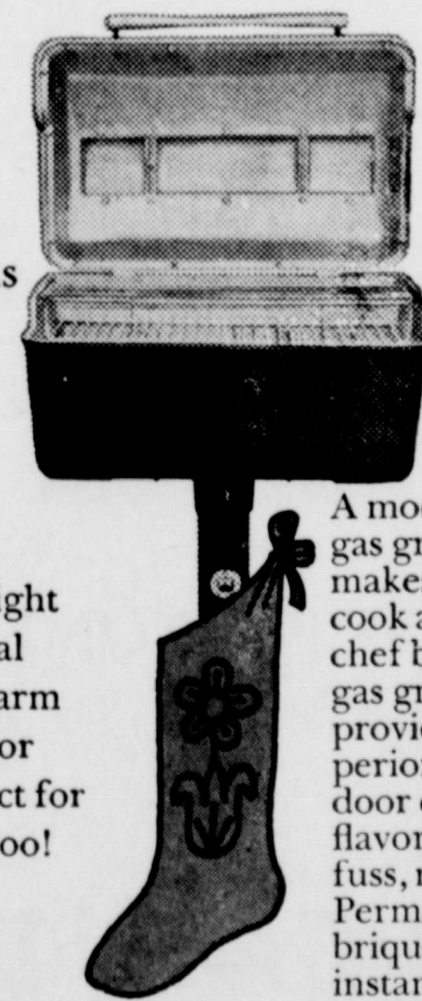
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**64 STUDY CLUB HAS
"LANDSCAPING" PROGRAM**

Joe Broesick, member of a San Angelo Nursery firm, presented a program on landscaping when the '64 Study Club met Tuesday night of last week in the home of Mrs. Garland Davis.

The hostesses, Mrs. Davis and Mrs. Jim Bickley, served refreshments to eleven members and two guests, Mrs. Sherman Williams and Mrs. Douglas Ditmore.

FOWLER IN MARINES

Dellwyn Fowler, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fowler of San Angelo, has joined the Marines and is taking his basic training in San Diego, Calif. He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Fowler of Robert Lee.

Thanksgiving guests in the home of Mrs. Ethel Green included Mr. and Mrs. Garland Green and family of El Paso, Mrs. J. C. McBride and Scott of Big Spring and Mrs. Verna Davis of Richardson.

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Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Training Union 6:00 p.m.
Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday
Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

Hospital News

Nov. 28 — Rita Huegta Hernandez, Mrs. Lena Russell admitted. Lucille Cobb, Henry Varnadore, Effie Carwile, Efrin Gonzales, Mrs. Joseph Nadolny, Drexel Skipworth dismissed.

Nov. 30 — Mrs. Lena Russell dismissed.

Dec. 1 — Mrs. Jettie Robbins admitted. Jerry McDonald dismissed.

Dec. 2 — Mrs. Walter Hester admitted. Rita Huegta Hernandez dismissed.

Dec. 30 — Mrs. James Hall admitted.

Six persons were in the nursing home and nine were in the hospital Tuesday of this week.

**RECENT MEMORIALS TO
HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY**

Recent contributions to the Robert Lee High School library have been:

George Herford by West Coke Hospital Staff

Mrs. Annie Sparks by Mrs. Marvin Simpson Sr.

Mrs. Jodie Williams by Will Percifull family

Curtis Trimble by West Coke Hospital Staff

Dean Childress by West Coke Hospital Staff

Mrs. Betty Johnson by Mr. and Mrs. Otto Wojtek

Lamont Scott by Robert Lee Eastern Star

Mr. Olson by Grade 2 B

Mrs. Loveless by West Coke Hospital Staff

Mrs. Faught by West Coke Hospital Staff

A book with the name of the contributor and the person memorialized will be placed in the library.

Mrs. Clifton Calder and her father, J. M. Casey, were weekend guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl McDaniel and family at Midland.

**C. W. BROWN OF McCAMEY
TO SPEAK HERE SUNDAY**

C. W. Brown, one of this area's outstanding citizens and a leading layman in the Methodist Church, will speak at First Methodist Church here next Sunday, Dec. 10 at 6:30 p.m.

Mr. Brown, with a group of laymen and ministers, visited the mision field in Bolivia recently. He will show colored slides and tell the story of work being done there by the church.

The public is welcome and urged to be present.

A reception in the social hall will follow the program.

**INVESTITURE SERVICE
SUNDAY FOR GIRL SCOUTS**

Girl Scout and Brownie Troops will have their investiture service Sunday in the school auditorium, beginning at 2 p.m.

Girls will be presented their World Association pin and Girl Scout pins, officially being invested as Girl Scouts of America.

All parents are invited.

Mrs. J. D. Green of Big Lake suffered a cerebral hemorrhage in her home Nov. 20. She is in Medical Center Hospital at Odessa and was scheduled to leave the intensive care ward last Friday. Relatives here report that she is responding to treatment and improving.

Observer want ads are very effective and cost very little.

Billy M. Jones of Silver is a patient in Clinic Hospital at San Angelo. Relatives report that he is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Robertson visited in Abilene Saturday with their son, Douglas Robertson, and family.

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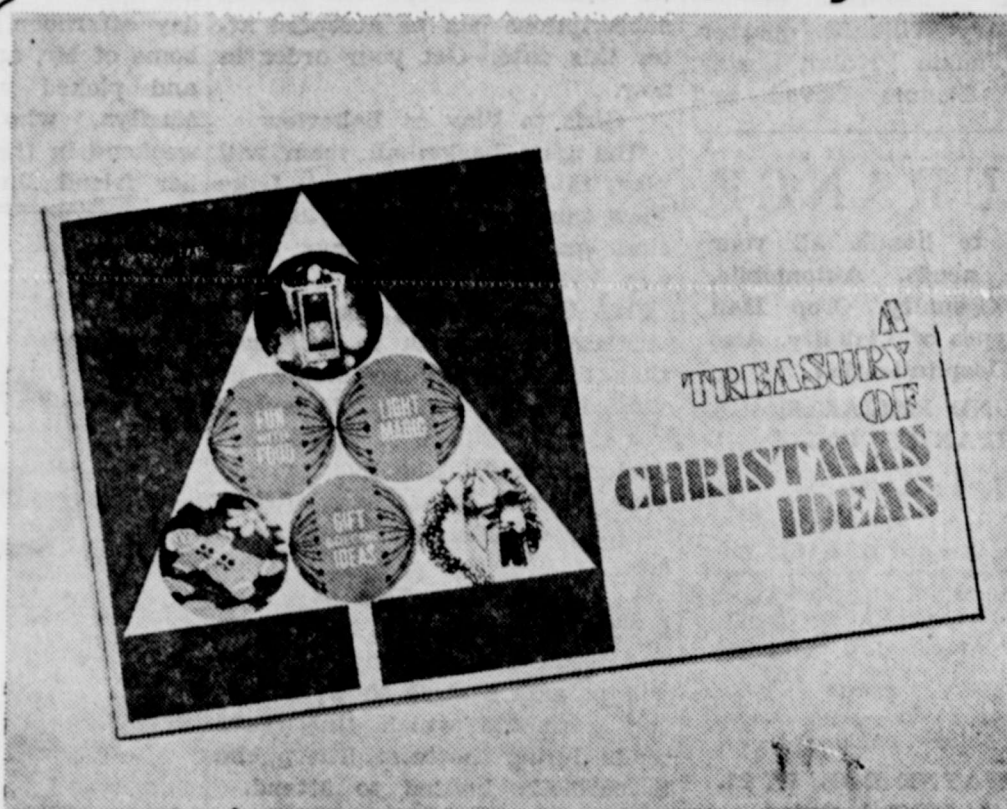


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
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Supt. Bickley Tells Of Academy Trip

BCD President Jim Bickley gave a report at Tuesday's noon luncheon meeting on his trip last weekend to the Air Force Academy at Colorado Springs, Colo. Bickley accompanied a large group of area school personnel on the trip.

The group flew from San Angelo to Colorado Springs. Purpose of the trip was to acquaint school persons with the admission requirements, the program of study and other information on the academy.

Bickley said the trip was most enjoyable and instructive, and the tour of the campus and lectures left the visitors with a very high regard for the Air Force officers who are trained there.

The academy furnishes 10 per cent of the officer requirements of the Air Force, and at the present time, 3,200 cadets are in training. Plans for next year call for expansion of the number to 4,200.

Most of the installation was built with tax money, but some of the structures on the campus were built with contributions from citizens all over the country.

Bickley said that all cadets are required to participate in sports and also to attend Sunday religious services until their senior year. Failure to meet physical and mental requirements weeds out 25 per cent of the students as they progress in the course of study. A cadet has a choice of a number of fields in which he can carry a major.

Bickley said the campus and buildings are beautiful. He pointed out that the dining hall covers two acres. Cadets are graded with a point system in sports and academic courses are graded on "the curve," he added.

Other Business

In other business, Mayor Robert Vaughan reported that requests for donations to repair the Boy Scout hut have met with good success. He said he felt sure that enough money will be available to put the building in good shape. Among repairs needed are a new roof and replacement of some doors, and door facings. The secretary-treasurer was authorized to order printed envelopes for the organization.



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KAY ROBERTS

Kay Roberts FFA Sweetheart

Kay Roberts, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Artell Roberts, was elected FFA Sweetheart recently by the local Future Farmers.

Kay, a senior, is very active in school activities and 4-H club work. She has been in the pep squad, Beta club, has been president of the FHA and FTA organizations and has been class treasurer for four years. She participated in the 1965 and 1966 state dress revues, was the 1965 Coke County 4-H Gold Star girl winner. She is past president of the Future Leaders 4-H club and has been a member of the District 7 4-H Club Council. She is currently serving as Coke County Farm Bureau Queen.

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Mrs. Bryan Writes Thanks To Bureau

(Editor's note: Mrs. Wilson Bryan has supplied the Observer with a copy of a letter she recently wrote to Bill Hoover, president of the Texas Farm Bureau. It outlines a rather unusual experience which Mrs. Bryan and her daughter, Della (Kitten) Dean had when they were in Austin for the state convention of Farm Bureau. Incidentally, Kitten won second place with her entry in the Talent Find contest.) Dear Mr. Hoover:

If you see fit, please publish my letter, at least in part, in "Texas Agriculture" so that my word of thanks may reach the proper people. They certainly deserve it.

On Sunday afternoon, Nov. 12, my daughter, Della (Kitten) Dean, took into the Convention Center of the Terrace Motel, Austin, several musical instruments and other equipment which she would need for rehearsal for the Farm Bureau Talent Contest at the State Convention. She later recalled that three boys, obviously not Farm Bureau boys, loitered near the entrance watching people come and go.

Kitten's performance, representing Coke County, was a monologue which required playing autoharp, ukelele, guitar, flute, trombone, and piano. After the contest that evening where she was named second place winner, she put all of her instruments except her guitar into my car and locked it. She and the other talent participants were given a Coke party in the Convention Center, and they had their string instruments for a song fest. When they came out some time later, a window had been broken out of the car, all of the instruments had been stolen along with a purse, costumes, car battery, and a few miscellaneous items.

On Monday at noon, arriving at the Ladies' Luncheon, I found one empty chair at the table reserved for mothers of the Talent and Queen contestants. While in conversation with the lady in the next chair, I told her of the theft and of the suspects seen Sunday. She replied that her husband had seen some boys meeting that description lurking in the shadows on the parking lot the night before following the performance, and that he had remarked that they were probably planning to break into some cars. He saw their vehicle and might be able to identify them.

Since she had some new evidence, I felt it possible that some others in so large a group might, also. A hasty note to the Mistress of ceremonies was read requesting anyone who might have any information to remain after the luncheon. Not one other person knew any more. I had sat beside the only woman in that large gathering who had helpful information for the police to add to their files.

The attendants at the convention were so sympathetic with our problems, since we were caught without the type insurance covering theft from a car, that they took up a collection to help replace the instruments.

The \$234 donated is not sufficient to cover the entire loss; but just as I believe it was not a coincidence that I found the correct chair on Monday, just so I believe that the remainder of the loss will be recovered by the efficient efforts of the Austin Police Department.

Farmers, ranchers and dairymen have always been the backbone of the nation. Since your very gracious display of sympathy and generosity in Austin, I would like to add "heart" to that analysis.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Wilson Bryan

Ballots Must Be Postmarked By Friday On Cotton Marketing Quotas Voting

Coke County farmers were reminded today to return their ballots on marketing quotas for the 1968 upland cotton crop, by mail or in person, to the ASCS county office in Robert Lee. Frank Percifull, chairman of the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation County Committee, said that the referendum began last Monday, Dec. 4 and will close Friday, Dec. 8. Ballots must be postmarked no later than the closing date.

Percifull said every effort has been made to inform farmers fully about the allotment-quota program, so the referendum may reflect the considered opinion of all voters.

At issue also are the "domestic allotment" diversion program provisions, under which growers may qualify for price-support and diversion payments — in addition to loans — by diverting their cotton acreage at least 5 percent, up to a maximum of 35 percent, below the farm's allotment, putting the diverted acres into a conserving use, and meeting other program provisions. This part of the program can be used only if marketing quotas are approved.

Lease or sale of cotton allotments is included in the 1968 cotton program, regardless of the

outcome of the marketing quota vote.

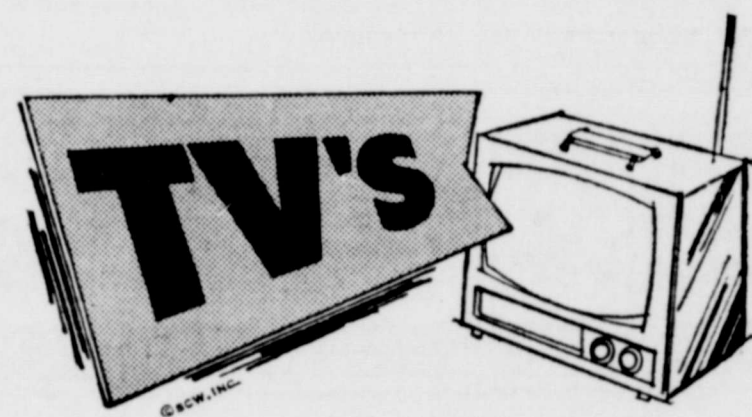
Eligible to vote are all producers who shared in the 1967 cotton crop or its proceeds, and the owners and operators of allotment farms where no cotton was planted in 1967. Approval by at least two-thirds of the voters is necessary if the quotas and the upland cotton program are to be effective for the 1968 crop.

Growers who elect not to participate in the diversion program may apply for a share of an export market acreage reserve and grow and export all their cotton without government assistance and without marketing quota penalties.

If the vote is not favorable, there will be no quotas or penalties applicable to the 1968 upland cotton crop, no price-support or diversion payments, no export market acreage reserve, and price-support loans to growers who do not exceed their acreage allotments will be at 50 percent of parity, as directed by law.

Growers who have questions about any particular part of the cotton program are urged to get in touch with the ASC County Committee.

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Christmas Greeting Ads Ready For Selection

Robert Lee Observer now has their Christmas greeting book. Anyone who wishes to put a Christmas greeting in the paper is asked to stop by the office any time, Monday through Friday or call the Observer and we can pick out an appropriate one. The greetings will be run in the Dec. 21 issue.

Local BB Teams Lose At Slaton; Enter Tourneys At Eola And Lake View

The big item on basketball agenda during the past week was the Slaton tournament which was attended by both boys and girls A teams. The locals did not place in the tourney but got to play some of the top notch teams located north of here.

The boys lost their first game to Slaton, 63-52, went into the consolation bracket and defeated Roosevelt, 58-54 and then lost their final game of the tourney to Spur by a score of 62-47.

The girls lost two straight at Slaton. Their first game was with Abernathy, and the score was 41-36. The second contest saw them go down before Lake View, 44-34.

Judy Gartman was high pointer in the contest with Abernathy, with 16. Lois Heuvel made 13. In the game with Lake View, Heuvel sank 22 and Jackie Conley made 8.

Forsan Downs Robert Lee
In games played last Tuesday, Nov. 28, Forsan came out on top in the boys game, 68-60, and the local girls lost, 69-57. Heuvel was high pointer for the girls with 25, while Gartman was only one basket behind with 23.

Contests Monday night with Winters saw the Steers lost, 44-41. Gary Williams was high man with 19 and Quinn Conley sank 10. The boys B team also lost, 44-39. The Winters girls bested the Robert Lee lassies, 56-37. Heuvel made 19 for the locals, while Gartman sank 14. Winters B girls outdistanced the locals, 30-15. Sue Weddle was high pointer with 8.

Mertzson Game Changed
A and B boys games with Mertzson, scheduled for Friday night, have been moved up to

Thursday night, it was announced the first of the week.

All teams except the A boys will be engaged in tournament play this weekend. The B teams will enter the Eola tourney, with the boys playing Miles Thursday at 3 p.m. The girls will play Miles at 4:30 p.m.

The A girls team will enter the Lake View tournament and are scheduled to meet Bangs Friday at 8 a.m. Another game will be played Friday night, but time and opponent were not known Wednesday.

Frank Perkins Speaks To PTA

Robert Lee PTA met last Thursday evening in the school auditorium. James Herford, president, presided.

Frank Perkins of San Angelo was guest speaker. With the public information department of the Texas Department of Public Safety, he spoke on "Encouraging Respect for Law and Order" and showed a film "A Thin Blue Line."

Mrs. Wilson Bryan's fourth grade music class furnished special music.

Room count was won by Mrs. Virginia Walling's fourth grade class.

Mrs. Cliff Calder told the Observer staff that she recently had a letter from her son, James Calder, stationed in Viet Nam. He was on a five day leave and was touring Thailand. Corporal Calder has been overseas a year and is scheduled to come home in January.

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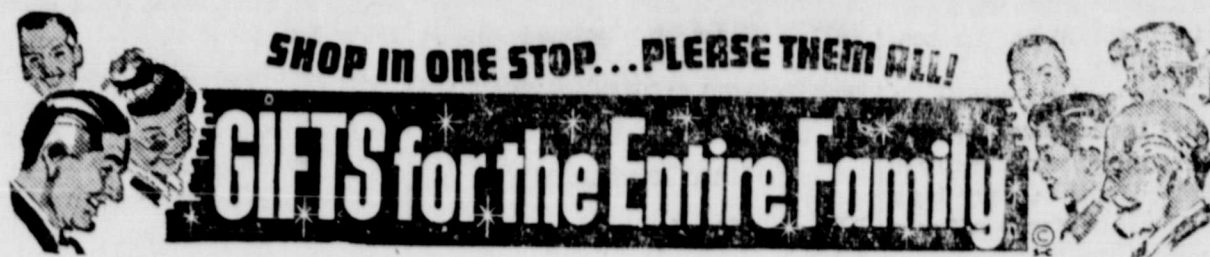
Also Cartoon (Skate Every Thursday at 6:15)

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BAKER'S Groc. & Mkt.

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BISCUITS - - - 3 for 25c

GANDY'S Fro-zan 3 for \$1.00

FROZEN FRENCH FRIES - 27c

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Be sure to attend the Lions meeting Dec. 19 and hear new driving laws explained.