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G. C. Allen Renamed Chairman Of UCRA

Officers of the Upper Colorado River Authority were re-elected when the board of directors met Tuesday afternoon in San Angelo. A pact between UCRA and the City of Robert Lee was approved and a general discussion of water needs and problems of this area took place.

All incumbent officers of the group were re-elected, including

Gerald C. Allen of Robert Lee, chairman; Everett Grindstaff of Ballinger, vice chairman; Dale Leddy of San Angelo, secretary and treasurer. They were elected by acclamation.

The new pact with Robert Lee, already approved by the city, provides for repayment of \$52,477 recently used for water system improvements. This amount, added to previous loans to the city, makes a total of approximately \$169,000 now due UCRA. The contract provides for Robert Lee to make monthly payments of \$575 per month for the next 25 years.

Louis Seibert, president of San Angelo Board of City Development, told the board that the Colorado River Municipal Water District has assured the City of San Angelo it would be able to buy water from the Robert Lee reservoir, now under construction. He said the city will have five years to work out an agreement for buying water.

Also discussed was the Texas Water Plan, a \$7 billion project which would pump water to West Texas from areas of high rainfall to the east.

Informal discussion was held on other water matters and the board approved treasury reports and banks holding UCRA money were re-approved.

Other UCRA directors besides the officers named above are L. T. Youngblood of Bronte, Jack Douthit of Sterling City, Fred Conn and J. R. Salmon, both of San Angelo, Cumbie Ivey of Robert Lee, and T. Autrey Smith of Winters.



Gerald C. Allen
...to head UCRA

G. Preslars Have 60th Anniversary On December 25th

Mr. and Mrs. Green Preslar celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary Dec. 25, 1967, at their home in the Sanco community. With them for the occasion were their children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

The Preslars were married Dec. 25, 1907, at Robert Lee.

A daughter, Mrs. T. K. Whiteside and her husband of Indian Gap and another daughter, Mrs. J. B. Evans and her husband of Cross Plains were present for the celebration. A son, Howard D. Preslar, and family of Borger were unable to attend. Mrs. Guy Denman of Robert Lee, a sister of Mrs. Preslar, was also present.

The Preslars have seven grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

The family group exchanged gifts and served the usual Christmas dinner, except for a decorated white wedding cake, which was prepared by Mrs. Whiteside.

Mr. and Mrs. Preslar met at school in the Sanco community and, since their marriage, have lived there most of the time. They have been engaged in farming and ranching until just last year when they retired.

A. V. Hughes Wins \$1,000 In Contest

A Robert Lee man, A. V. Hughes, has won \$1,000 in the Mobil "Safety Pays" game. E. H. Ivey, Robert Lee Mobil dealer said this week that Hughes completed the \$1,000 page in his game booklet and is eligible to receive the award.

In addition to Hughes, Ivey has had several other customers win smaller amounts. Sherman Williams, Floyd W. Prentice and Mrs. Brees Latimore all won \$1, and Paul Torres won \$5.

Ivey said the "Safety Pays" game will continue through January. He added that any licensed driver is eligible to play and that no purchase is required to participate.

The game works like this: Each participant is given a game book which has five safety scenes printed in it. All the scenes are printed in color except for spots on which stamps are to be placed. Each time a player visits a Mobil station he is given an envelope which contains some stamps. The object is to get the stamps which will complete one of the safety scenes. Pages in the book, when completed, are worth \$1,000, \$100, \$50, \$5 and \$1.

Ivey said that everyone in the community is invited to play the game during the remaining two weeks.

Basketball Notes

Robert Lee girls downed Merkel 42-40 last Friday night in a squeaker played here. Lois Heuvey was high pointer with 23; Judy Gartman had 16 and Jackie Conley made 3.

The Merkel boys barely pushed ahead of the Steers, 74-70.

The Steers went to Woodson Tuesday night and both A and B teams suffered defeats. The Woodson team downed the local A lads, 70-50, while the E team went down, 61-39.

Applications Being Taken For Units In Housing Project

Robert Lee Housing Authority officials are announcing this week that applications for residence in the units of the new housing project, will be taken. The project is nearing completion, as contract calls for finishing the job by Feb. 15.

Applications will be taken at the city hall, on the following days: Thursday, Jan. 18, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Friday, Jan. 19, 1 to 5 p.m.; Monday, Jan. 22, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

After applications have been received, they will be reviewed by authority officials to determine eligibility of the applicant.

Following completion of the project, it will be inspected by the architect and again by officials of the Federal Housing Administration.

Stoves and refrigerators for the units have not arrived, but they have been shipped and will be installed as soon as possible. Bathroom tile work has been completed. Tile work on floors will be the last work in completion of the project.

The old house on the project site, which has been used as an office by the contractor, was dozed over and burned Tuesday.

Mrs. Yvonne Devoll has served as executive director for the local authority during preliminary work and construction. However, she has turned in her resignation

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Condemnation Appeal In Court

County court is in session this week at Robert Lee hearing an appeal of an award for land which is being condemned for inclusion in the Robert Lee Reservoir.

Colorado River Municipal Water District is appealing the award of almost \$1 million made to Mrs. Helen Harris Wilcoxson of San Angelo and others for the 4,014 acres involved in the suit. The award was made by a three-man board last September.

Land involved in the suit is part of the old John Saul Ranch headquarters.

A jury made up of Eddie Alexander and J. H. Phillips, both of Bronte; J. L. Tinkler and L. E. Wink, both of Robert Lee; Arch Mathers of Silver, and Joe Ward Jr. of Blackwell, is hearing the case.

O. H. Ivie of Big Spring, general manager of CRMWD, spent part of Monday afternoon and all of Tuesday morning on the witness stand. He told something of the scope of the lake project and was questioned extensively by attorneys for the defendants, particularly about land and mineral values on Lake J. B. Thomas.

Cumbie Ivey Sr. and O. H. Campbell testified as to land values in this area. L. B. Menielle of San Angelo, who owns property adjoining the land in question testified as to what he thought the land is worth. George M. Thompson of Sweetwater, real estate man and licensed land appraiser, said he thought the river bottom land was worth \$150 per acre, and the price would range downward to \$45 an acre for rough creek land.

The awards made last September include \$764,515 for surface and damages to the remaining land including mineral rights and water rights owned by Mrs. Wilcoxson; \$142,718.80 to Mrs. Patricia Steph and Mrs. Gwin L. Tucker for damages of half interest in minerals and half interest in water rights; and \$452,500 to Mrs. Sadie Gwin Blackburn for one-quarter interest in mineral rights.

County Judge W. W. Thetford is presiding over the case.

Bickley's Contract Extended To 1970

The Robert Lee School Board extended the contract of Supt. Jimmy C. Bickley at their last board meeting. The contract was extended one year and will run through the 1970 school year.

Bickley is in his third year as superintendent here, having succeeded Dorman Thomas in 1965. Prior to that time he was superintendent of Blackwell schools.

Bickley is immediate past president of Robert Lee Board of Community Development and is active in other civic and church work.

PTA TO MEET TONIGHT

Dr. Hugh Meredith of Angelo State College will be speaker for the regular meeting of the PTA tonight, (Thursday) at 7:30 p.m. at the local school. Dr. Meredith will speak on the "Pressures and Anxieties of Today's Children."

Everyone is invited and urged to attend.

Ruben Dreyer Killed In Accident

Ruben Dreyer, 48, father of Mrs. Butch (Glenda Fay) Service was killed last Friday morning in a drilling rig accident four miles east of Silver in Nolan County.

An employee of Tucker Drilling Co., he was pronounced dead on arrival at West Coke Hospital in Robert Lee.

Funeral services were held at 10 a.m. Monday in Sacred Heart Catholic Church in San Angelo with burial in Lawnhaven Cemetery.

Rosary services were held at 7 p.m. Saturday and Sunday in the Johnson's Funeral Home Chapel.

The accident occurred when Dreyer became entangled in the cat-head lifter he was operating.

Dreyer had been employed by Tucker Drilling Co. off and on since 1961. He was born July 22, 1919 in Falls County and married to Frances Lovelace in 1945 in San Angelo, where they were making their home at the time of his death.

Survivors include his wife; three daughters, Mrs. Service of Robert Lee, Mrs. Sandra Kay Casey and Miss Patsy Dreyer, of San Angelo; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. K. J. Dreyer of Rowena; six brothers, three sisters and a grandchild.

BAND BOOSTERS PLAN RECEPTION

Members of the Band Boosters Club met Tuesday night to complete plans for a reception, which will be given after the Band Concert on January 25.

The Club also decided to pay for band member's lunches at district contest meets.

A fiber-glass bass horn has been presented to the band by the club, and jackets will be awarded in the near future.

Other business included the discussion of securing zippered plastic bags for uniforms, and selling the remainder of the birthday calenders.

Coke Voter Registration In Full Swing, Totals 1,038

A total of 1,038 Coke County voters had registered up to Tuesday noon, according to O. B. Jacobs, county tax assessor collector. Jacobs said he is well pleased with the number who have registered so far.

He said the figure is hard to compare with the number of eligible voters in the county in previous years, since during comparable years when major elections have been scheduled, those over 60 years of age were not required to pay a poll tax or register.

With the abolition of the poll tax, and the adoption of new voter registration laws in Texas, every person who wants to vote

in any election has to register.

Overs Must Register

Jacobs said he wants to emphasize the requirement for those over 60 to register. Also, persons who will become 21 during 1968 must register. Deadline for all voter registration is Jan. 31.

This newspaper is cooperating with a campaign instigated by Secretary of State John Hill to get a maximum voter registration in Texas. An application blank is being printed on page 7 of this issue for the convenience of those who wish to mail in their applications.

Those who go to the tax assessor's office will be supplied

with an application blank, but the one published in this newspaper may be used.

Jacobs said his guess on the total number who will register is purely speculation, but he estimated that between 1600 and 1700 voters would register before the Jan. 31 deadline.

Deputy to Bronte

A deputy from Jacobs' office will be at First National Bank in Bronte Jan. 23, 25 and 26 to register voters. Jacobs said he felt this additional service would make it easier for voters on the east side of the county to register.



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Heard At Sanco

Holiday visitors in the home of Mrs. Carwile, Effie and Henry were Rev. and Mrs. Wilson Carwile and Flora of San Angelo, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Carwile and Ann, and Mr. and Mrs. Homer Carwile.

Mrs. Lura Reid and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Walker were Christmas visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Otte in Brady. Also meeting them there were Mr. and Mrs. Jim L. Reid of Grand Prairie and Mr. and Mrs. Louie Frizzell of Sweetwater.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Reed and James spent Christmas with her

mother, Mrs. Urden Arbuckle and brother, Truett Arbuckle, and wife in Kingsland. Also there were Lvon and Ronnie Reid of San Angelo.

Students home for the holidays were Dennis Gartman and James Bird Pentecost of Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene; Gaylon Pitcock of Texas Tech in Lubbock; and Carolyn Prine of Ranger Junior College, Ranger.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Killam are here for a visit with relatives. They live at Donna in the Rio Grande Valley.

Mrs. Fronev Scarborough has returned home from a visit in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Ruth Davis, in Moriarity, N. M. Mrs. Davis drove her mother home.

Maj. Scott In Big Airlift Operation

Maj. Horace L. Scott Jr., son of Mrs. H. L. Scott Sr. of Robert Lee, is taking part in the 10,000 mile airlift of 101st Airborne Division units to Vietnam—the largest and longest aerial troop deployment in history.

The troop movement—dubbed Operation Eagle Thrust—began Nov. 17 and is scheduled for completion this month. Military Airlift Command (MAC) C-141s and C-133 Cargomasters will carry more than 10,000 troops and some 5,000 tons of equipment during the giant airlift.

The long range C-141 fanjet, which cruises at 590 miles an hour, is carrying a normal troop load of 94 or a combination of troops and cargo. The paratroopers wear combat clothing and carry their weapons aboard the aircraft.

Other MAC airlift of cargo, troops and passengers to global destinations, including Southeast Asia, has continued without interruption during Operation Eagle Thrust.

Piloting one of the lead C-141s was Gen. Howell M. Estes Jr., MAC commander, who said: "The airlift demonstrates the tremendous strides MAC has made in strategic airlift capability in very recent years. Our aircrews are trained to carry combat-ready troops and their equipment anywhere in the world in a matter of hours and accomplish it on a tight, fixed schedule with the able backing of our support and maintenance personnel."

The general added: "There is no question that this ability to move division-size combat units to a war zone quickly is a vital deterrent to general war."

MAC aircrews from seven U.S. bases are participating in the airlift.

Major Scott is a member of the 62nd Military Airlift Wing at McChord AFB, Wash.

A Korean War veteran, he was graduated from Robert Lee High School in 1940 and attended Tarleton State College, Stephenville, and Texas Christian University in Fort Worth. He received his commission through the aviation cadet program.

The major's wife, Mary, is the daughter of Mrs. A. L. Watson of Nelson, Neb.

Lunchroom Menus

Monday, Jan. 22
Barbecue beef on bun, buttered corn, combination salad, potato chips, milk, banana pudding.

Tuesday, Jan. 23
Tamales and chili, white beans, gelatin salad, corn bread and butter, milk, apple cobbler.

Wednesday, Jan. 24
Meat loaf, creamed potatoes, blackeyed peas with snaps, hot rolls, butter, milk, oatmeal cookies.

Thursday, Jan. 25
Italian spaghetti with cheese, cabbage and carrot slaw, English peas, hot rolls, butter, milk, upside down cake.

Friday, Jan. 26
Turkey and dressing with giblet gravy, candied sweet potatoes, green beans, celery sticks, hot rolls, butter, milk, fruit salad.

Oasis Well Service

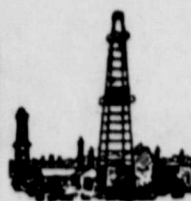
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Notes From The Oil Field



A 7,000-foot wildcat, projected to the Ellenburger, has been staked 10 miles northwest of Robert Lee. It is Humble Oil & Refining Co. No. 6-B R. H. Harris Estate. The test is located 1,659 feet southeast of the former lone producer in the Sadie (Ellenburger) Field, which has been recompleted in the Pennsylvanian as an extension of the I.A.B. multipay field.

The location is 660 feet from the southwest and 467 feet from the southeast lines of J. Guerin Survey No. 508. It is on a 2,511 acre lease.

Coke Wildcat

Sun Oil Co. No. 20 Fred Jameson is a planned 5,100-foot wildcat. It will also test the 5,750-

foot pay in the Bloodworth Field. Location is 16 miles northwest of Robert Lee on a 1,550 acre lease.

Drillsite is 660 feet from the south and 2,089 feet from the west lines of Section 256, Block 1-A, H&TC Survey.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Smith visited several days last week in the homes of their son and daughter, the Delbert Smiths and Aubrey Dean Williams.

WELCOME

Robert Lee Baptist Church

West 11th and Chadbourne
Bill Beaty, Pastor

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
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.

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- 4 in family—2000 square feet \$26.37 month average
- 5 in family—1502 square feet \$21.53 month average
- 4 in family—2057 square feet \$37.63 month average
- 5 in family—3600 square feet \$64.06 month average

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REPORT OF CONDITION OF ROBERT LEE STATE BANK

of Robert Lee in the State of Texas at the close of business on Dec. 30, 1967.

ASSETS

Cash, balances with other banks, and cash items in process of collection	\$ 668,658.59
United States Government obligations	795,300.78
Obligations of States and political subdivisions	228,604.79
Securities of Federal agencies and corporations	99,921.88
Other loans and discounts	1,255,050.23
Bank premises, furniture and fixtures, and other assets representing bank premises	39,176.12
Other assets	583.56
TOTAL ASSETS	\$3,087,295.85

LIABILITIES

Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	\$1,164,066.36
Time and savings deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	1,162,296.87
Deposits of United States Government	80,273.39
Deposits of States and political subdivisions	482,255.12
Certified and Officers' Checks, etc.	5,618.24
TOTAL DEPOSITS	\$2,894,509.98
Total demand deposits	\$1,583,038.11
Total time and savings deposits	\$1,311,471.87
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$2,894,509.98

CAPITAL ACCOUNTS

Common stock—total par value	50,000.00
Surplus	125,000.00
Undivided profits	17,044.72
Reserve for contingencies and other Capital Reserves	741.25
TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	\$ 192,785.97
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	\$3,087,295.95

MEMORANDA

Average of total deposits for the 15 calendar days ending with call date	2,875,357.83
Average of total loans for the 15 calendar days ending with call date	1,254,840.67

I, Willis W. Smith, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that this report of condition is true and correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Willis W. Smith

Correct—Attest:

Wm. H. Allen
G. C. Allen
Vaughan S. Davis

Directors.

State of Texas, County of Coke, ss:

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 11th day of January, 1967, and I hereby certify that I am not an officer or director of this bank.

Kenneth Lackey, Notary Public

My commission expires June 1, 1969.

Coke Youths To Show Stock At Abilene

By **STERLING LINDSEY**

Coke County 4-H club members will go to Abilene with a flock of animals this Sunday. Twenty-five club members will exhibit 41 animals in the Abilene Show next week.

The migration starts Sunday morning, the day for weighing in, ear tagging, and doing some of the last minute lamb grooming.

The lambs will show Monday, the pigs Tuesday morning, and the steers Tuesday afternoon. The show's auction sale will be held Wednesday.

Fourteen members have 22 head of lambs entered at Abilene. These include Walter Tinkler with three lambs; Mark Matlock, Jeania Tinkler, Lane Beaty, A. J. Roe III, Jan Magness, Linda McDaniel, David Balderas, and Riley Waldrop with two lambs each. Eddie McDaniel, Kathy, Konny and Jay Service, and Johnny Balderas have entered one lamb each.

Marvin Simpson, Jr., and Darrel Pitcock will try their luck with their two steers, while 11 others will be showing pigs. The swine entries are owned by Rhonda Askins, Darrel Pitcock, Edwin and Sue Lindsey with two pigs each; and Sharon, Rebecca and Audrey Walker, Terry Wojtek, Eddie McDaniel, Sheri Pitcock and Lesa Lindsey with one entry each.

We recently received copies of the 1968 Farmers Income Tax Guide; also, supplements on the community property law, Document 5192. Anyone wishing to have copies of the guide or supplement, should give us a ring or drop by the office.

In addition to the tax guide, we received a news article that may be of help to you as you prepare for this annual event.

Completed returns must be filed by February 15 unless the farmer or rancher has already elected to file an estimated income tax return. If an estimated return has been filed, he or she has until April 15 to file a complete return.

Farm business income and expenses should be included on Schedule F of Form 1040. Gross agricultural income includes receipts from crop and livestock sales, legislative program payments, qualifying patronage dividends, cash rental income and crop insurance proceeds.

On the other hand, farm expenses include such items as hired labor, repairs and maintenance, taxes, crop insurance premiums, interest on mortgages, cash rent payments, conservation costs, feed, seed, fertilizer, fuel, oil and other purchased supplies, storage costs, record books, qualifying farm organization dues and marketing and advertising costs.

Investment credit restrictions were relaxed after March 9, 1967. Qualifying credit may be claimed subject to the limitations covered in the "Farmer's Tax Guide."

Breeding livestock held over for one year may qualify for capital gain treatment. In this case, only one-half of the realized gain is included as taxable income. Schedule D in the tax guide offers additional examples.

Another point worthy of consideration is that qualifying soil and water conservation expenditures can be claimed up to 25 percent of the gross agricultural income from farming or ranching. Any excesses can be carried into succeeding years.

The operator may elect to include land clearing expenses incurred to make such land suitable for farming or ranching. This amount cannot exceed \$5,000 or 25% of the taxable farm income, whichever is less. Any excess expenditures must be capi-

talized. This election applies only in the year for which it was made.

Personal expenses may be itemized if they are greater than the standard deduction allowed. Such items as contributions, interest on personal loans, personal property taxes and medical and dental expenses are examples. The minimum standard deductions may be used where beneficial.

Tax authorities point out also the value of farm and ranch income tax management. Many dollars can be saved or, put another

way, incomes can be increased through good tax management.

Most Coke County operators are feeding their livestock now days to tide them over the period in which little food is available in pastures, the winter time. On the other hand, very few operators are feeding the plants that feed the animals. In some cases, usually in the heavier soils, additions of plant foods or fertilizers will not provide a greater net return. But, in many of our sandy and sandy loam soils

fertilizer of the kind the plant needs will pay dividends.

Now that our moisture situation looks very favorable, we sincerely hope fertilizers will be given some consideration. The small grains we have started should give a definite response on the lighter soils with the moisture we have stored.

Two points need to be mentioned regarding usage of plant foods. One, a soil test is recommended to determine exactly what in-

gredients in what amounts are needed. Secondly, the fertilizer should be applied early enough that it will be in a useable state when the plants begin their push. Normally this would be somewhere near February 15.

Make plant food, your food for thought. Think on it awhile — now.

Rhea Jean McCutchen left for Dallas Monday, Jan. 14, to enroll for the second semester at Southern Methodist University.

The Observer, Robert Lee, Texas

Jan. 18, 1968

West Coke County Hospital District

BALANCE SHEET

SEPTEMBER 30, 1967

ASSETS

GENERAL FUND		
Cash on Hand		\$ 70.00
Cash in Bank		
Operating Fund	\$ 2,233.26	
Social Security Fund	421.38	2,654.64
Accounts Receivable	\$ 77,447.01	
Less Allowance for Uncollectible Accounts ..	51,346.37	26,100.64
Inventory		11,338.28
Total General Fund		\$ 40,163.56
INTEREST AND SINKING FUND		
Cash in Savings Account		\$ 12,161.05
Total Interest and Sinking Fund		\$ 12,161.05
BUILDING FUND		
Cash in Bank		\$ 41.73
Total Building Fund		\$ 41.73
PLANT FUND		
Land		\$ 1,000.00
Hospital Plant		315,608.76
Hospital Equipment		60,430.11
Total Plant Fund		\$377,038.87
TOTAL ASSETS		\$429,405.21

LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND SURPLUS

GENERAL FUND		
Accounts Payable		\$ 3,639.74
Employment Taxes Payable		2,671.46
Employee Retirement Plan		55.97
Shrub Account		33.75
Reserve for Social Security Fund	\$ 421.38	
Unappropriated Surplus	33,341.26	\$ 33,762.64
Total General Fund		\$ 40,163.56
INTEREST AND SINKING FUND		
Reserve for Interest and Sinking Fund		\$ 12,161.05
Total Interest and Sinking Fund		\$ 12,161.05
BUILDING FUND		
Reserve for Plant Expansion		\$ 41.73
Total Building Fund		\$ 41.73
PLANT FUND		
Bonded Indebtedness		\$104,000.00
Investment in Plant		273,038.87
Total Plant Fund		\$377,038.87
TOTAL LIABILITIES, RESERVES, AND SURPLUS		\$429,405.21

CONTRACTORS' NOTICE OF TEXAS HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Sealed proposals for constructing 213.524 miles of seal coat From

US 83 at Hatchell to SH 158 in Ballinger, Fr: Sanatorium North to 2.0 Miles, Fr: Grape Creek Road to Ave. K in San Angelo (Sect), Fr: Upton County Line to Big Lake, Fr: Reagan Co. Line to 4 Miles East Barnhart, Fr: 18.5 Miles East Sonora To North Llano River Bridge, Fr: 1 Mile South London South 4.9 Miles, Fr: 8.3 Miles South San San Angelo to 12.5 Miles South San Angelo (Sect), Fr: 12.5 Miles South San Angelo To 1.8 Miles South Christoval, Fr: Murchinson Ave. in Eldorado South 3.8 Miles, Fr: 3.8 Miles South Eldorado To Sutton Co. Line, Fr: Mitchell County Line to US 87, Fr: US 277 in Bronte to Runnels Co. Line, Fr: Coke County Line to Sharp St. in Ballinger, Fr: Garden City to Sterling County Line, Fr: 10.6 Miles South US 377 To 10 Miles North US 290, Fr: Upton County Line to US 67, Fr: US 67 to US 67 through Texon & Santa Rita, Fr: US 277 To Runnels County Line, Fr: FM 1692 To Concho County Line, Fr: Tom Green County Line to FM 381, Fr: US 87 North 5.0 Miles, Fr: 5.8 Miles North RM 33 to RM 33, Fr: Tom Green County Line North 9.7 Miles, Fr: Coke

County to US 87, Fr: US 277 Southwest 11.3 Miles, Fr: US 67 at Miles To Tom Green County Line, Fr: Runnels County Line to FM 380 and Fr: 5.4 Miles West RM 915 To 5.8 Miles North RM 33 on Highway No. FM 2887, US 87, US 67, US 290, US 377, US 277, SH 163, SH 158, RM 385, RM 1555, RM 1675, FM 384, FM 1929, RM 2134, FM 1828, RM 2034, FM 2129, FM 1692 and FM 1828

covered by C 34-6-1, C 69-6-14, C 69-7-52, C 76-8-14, C 77-2-17, C 141-6-19, C 149-2-12, C 159-1-23, C 159-2-31, C 159-4-16, C 159-5-9, C 333-2-3, C 344-1-1, C 344-2-19, C 405-1-10, C 829-1-13, C 1486-2-3, C 1486-3-3, C 1641-1-3, C 1651, C 1651-5-2, C 2006-3-2, C 2009-1-6, C 2010-2-4, C 2010-4-5, C 2226-1-5, C 2281, C 2281-2-3 and C 2428-1-5

in Runnels, Tom Green, Reagan, Irion, Sutton, Kimble, Schleicher, Sterling, Coke Glasscock, Concho Counties, will be received at the Highway Department, Austin until 9:00 A. M. January 24, 1968, and then publicly opened and read.

Plans and specifications including minimum wage rates as provided by Law are available at the office of R. N. Jennings, Resident Engineer, San Angelo, Texas, and Texas Highway Department, Austin. Usual rights reserved.

MRS. COALSON ATTENDS UNIVERSITY WOMEN FETE

Dr. D. L. Vincent, president of Angelo State College, was guest speaker at a banquet Saturday night at the Country Club in San Angelo. The banquet was a joint session of the Association of University Women and Delta Kappa Gamma. Mrs. Frank Coalson of Robert Lee attended, with her cousin, Mrs. C. R. Banthead of San Angelo, as her guest.

Dr. Vincent spoke on Science and Human Value, saying that science always seeks the truth. He told how man has been affected in the past, in the present, and how he will be involved in the future. He developed the idea that man cannot be separated from science and in comparing the great modern developments of the past 50 years, he stated that there would be 20 times more values to be remembered in the future.

Mrs. Coalson visited with many teacher friends, including Mrs. Hervey Latham, who is teaching math in San Angelo public schools. Her husband is a former superintendent of Robert Lee schools.

PROGRAM SET FOR JAN. 27

A program of entertainment is planned for Saturday, Jan. 27, by El Valle Garden Club and Robert Lee-Silver Lions Club. The program will be held in the school auditorium from 7 to 9 p.m.

Purpose of the program is to raise money for projects of the sponsoring organizations.

A program of western music will be under the direction of Jack Denman, and will feature a number of musicians, including Richard Beck, well known violinist of Wingate.

Charlie Taylor of Bronte, famous over the state as a pantomimist, will also be featured.

The Robert Lee High School Stage Band will perform, under direction of Willis Parker.

Derwood Mumford is program chairman.

WANT ADS

CARD OF THANKS

May we take this method of thanking our neighbors and friends for their cards and many acts of kindness during my illness. These deeds have been appreciated.

Mrs. Finnl Smith

CARD OF THANKS

We are truly grateful and wish to express our sincere thanks for the prayers, food, flowers and every kindness shown us during the illness and death of our precious loved one. May the Lord reward each one.

The Family of Mrs. I. A. Bird.

CARD OF THANKS

It is with grateful hearts that we acknowledge the many acts of kindness and sympathy from our many friends during our recent sorrow. The flowers, visits and all other expressions of your love and concern were sincerely appreciated.

Mrs. Jim Cobb and Family

FOR SALE — Band Boosters have a few extra birthday calendars. \$1.00 each. Call 453-2311. 1tc

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FOR SALE: 1960 trailer house, 2 bedroom, 10x50 ft., living room carpeted. Call 453-5461.

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BACKHOE service, sewer connections, trenching, and storm cellars. Duncan and Williams, Phone 453-4071. tf

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

NOTICE is hereby given that the Commissioners' Court of Coke County, Texas will receive sealed bids in the office of the County Judge until 10 o'clock A. M. Monday February 5, 1968 for the following:

SHERIFF'S CAR

One New 1968 Bel-Air or Custom 500, 4-door, 8 cylinder sedan not less than 250 H. P. engine, with automatic transmission, radio, factory air conditioned that includes heater assembly, turn signals, tinted windshield, white or gray color, seat covers, anti-freeze and regular equipment 4-ply tires.

TRADE-IN: to be one used 19-64 4-door, 8 cylinder Bel-Air Chevrolet Sedan, with automatic transmission and air-conditioner. The Commissioners' Court reserves the right to reject any and all bids and waive any technicality. Weldon Fikes, County Auditor Coke County, Texas

School Census Underway In January

A count of all students in the Robert Lee Independent School District is underway this month, and school officials are appealing to everyone in the area to help make the census accurate.

Supt. Jimmy Bickley said this week that it is very important to count every school age child in the district. "One of the factors which determines our state per capita aid," Bickley said, "is the number of students enumerated in our district."

All children who were born after Sept. 1, 1950, and before Sept. 1, 1950, and should be enumerated, Bickley said.

School officials have little difficulty in getting information from families who have children in school now, but all those who will have a child in school for the first time next September are sometimes more difficult. Bickley asked the help of everyone in putting school officials in contact with such families.

Deadline for getting a child signed up on the census is Jan. 31. Anyone who needs further information may call the school at 453-3911.

HELP YOURSELF AND YOUR COUNTRY BUY SAVINGS BONDS

Only 2 Weeks Left To Play "Safety Pays" YOU MAY BE A WINNER

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IVEY MOBIL SERVICE

NOTICE!

This is to remind you that everyone who wishes to vote this year must have a voter registration regardless of age. There is no charge for these and they may be obtained by either coming into the office or writing for an application by Jan. 31st.

Also wish to remind you that Jan. 31st is the last day to pay 1967 taxes without penalty.

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Robert Lee School News

Honors Announced Monday

Garland Davis, high school principal, announced in assembly Monday morning that the following R.L.H.S. students have won honors in recent elections. As was disclosed at the football banquet Saturday night, Miss Donna Mitchell and Randy Hall were chosen football sweetheart and football hero. These were elected by the 1967 Steer team and the pep squad.

In elections held last Friday, the following were chosen as class favorites:

Seniors — Patty Tughes and Ricky Whitaker

Juniors — Vickie Rowoldt and Lynn Beal

Sophomores — LaVina Yarbrough and Gary Jack Thomason

Freshmen — Jackie Conley and James Fields

Eighth grade — Patty Hern and Kenneth Mathers

Seventh grade — Kim Mitchell and Steve Jameson

Even more elections took place in school Friday in a faculty meeting. Lois Heuvel and Jackie Counts tied for the honor of

Most Athletic Girl, and Gary Sam Williams was voted Most Athletic Boy. Danny Smith and Marilyn Wallace were named Mr. and Miss Citizenship. Pictures and more information will be run at a later date.

Preparations for Spring Meet
Preparations for the spring Interscholastic meet are underway at the present time. Prospects for the One Act Play contest and speaking events are having meetings this week with tryouts to be conducted soon.

School Year Half Gone
Believe it or not, half the school year is already slipped away! Mid-term exams were completed last Friday and this Friday students will receive report cards. Various class changes were made with the turning of the semester and students are plugging away with the thought that summer vacation is only 18 weeks away.

Band Concert Next Thursday
Make plans now to attend what promises to be a fine concert given by the high school band at 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 25, in

the school auditorium. The band will be conducted by Mr. Parker, R.L.H.S. band director, and will no doubt be a very entertaining event.

Roscoe Here Tomorrow

Keep your eye on the R.L.H.S. basketball teams, who are looking good this season. Roscoe is scheduled for three games here Friday, beginning at 5:30 and next Tuesday, Jan. 23, boys and girls go to Rotan for a double-match to begin at 7 p.m.

Support your teams!!

Football Banquet Success

About 150 persons attended the football banquet honoring the 19-67 Steer team Saturday night. They enjoyed an excellent meal and were entertained by Coach Merrill Green of Abilene Cooper.

Also on the program were award presentations to the cheerleaders, Lois Heuvel, Marilyn Wallace, Kathy Percifull, Dianne Baker, Jeannie Hatch, Robbie Smith and Donna Mitchell. Awards were also made to Football Hero Randy Hall and Football Sweetheart Donna Mitchell. On behalf of the Steer team, captains Ronnie Devoll, Donnie Devoll and Gary Parker presented plaques to Coaches Kenneth Mitchell, Willie Myers, Carl Williams and Kenneth Rascoe. Gifts also went to the coaches' wives.

The banquet was a large success and a fitting tribute to a fine team.

The Observer, Robert Lee, Texas

Jan. 18, 1968

FRIENDSHIP H.D. CLUB

The Friendship H.D. Club met in the city hall for a business meeting Tuesday, Jan. 9. Eight members were present.

Mrs. Curtis Walker was elected to council as a delegate to the District THDA meeting. Mrs. Pat Rives was elected alternate delegate.

O. H. (Judge) Campbell

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We Thank You, Too

Coke County Stock Show Directors, 4-H and FFA members wish to express their thanks and offer their apologies to the following contributors to the Coke County Stock Show whose names were not included in the list of buyers printed last week:

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Mueller Sheet Metal, Ballinger

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		RUSSET POTATOES - 10 Lb. Bag 33c
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		2 LB. BAG Frozen Fries 29c
		WILSON'S GOLDEN OLEO, Pound Solid - 2 Lbs. 29c
		DANKWORTH GERMAN SAUSAGE - - Lb. 69c
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These Prices Effective Jan. 18th, 19th & 20th

Complete List Stock Show Winners Is Announced

A complete list of winners in the annual Coke County Livestock Show, held Jan. 8, follows:

Fat Lambs

Light Weight Finewool: 1. Jeania Tinkler; 2. and 3. Walter Tinkler; 4. Jeania Tinkler; 5. Jay Service; 6. Konny Service; 7. Jay Service; 8. John Counts; 9. James Wright; 10. Teresa Percifull; 11. Deanna Percifull; 12. Kathy Service; 13. Konny Service; 14. Randy Flanagan; 15. Kathy Service.

Heavy Weight Finewool: 1. Keith Waldrop; 2. Walter Tinkler; 3. Jeania Tinkler; 4. Diane Arrott; 5. A. J. Roe; 6. Riley Waldrop; 7. Danny Percifull; 8. Susan Arrott; 9. Mark Matlock; 10. John Counts; 11. Walter Tinkler; 12. Riley Waldrop; 13. Randy Flanagan; 14. Keith Waldrop; 15. Mike Percifull.

Finewool Champion: Keith Waldrop; Reserve: Walter Tinkler.

Finewool Pen of 3: 1. Walter Tinkler; 2. Jeania Tinkler; 3. Riley Waldrop.

Light Weight Crossbred: 1. Jacky Preslar; 2. Ynes Lara; 3. Bill Burns; 4. Linda McDaniel; 5. Jeffrey McCabe; 6. and 7. Johnny Service; 8. Doug Burns; 9. Keith Waldrop; 10. David Balderas; 11th. Daniel Jasso; 12. 13 and 14. Walter Tinkler; 15. Mark Matlock.

Heavy weight Crossbred: 1. Linda McDaniel; 2. A. J. Roe; 3. Jacky Preslar; 4. and 5. Jeffrey McCabe; 6. Nicky Arrott; 7. Bill Burns; 8. Lane Beaty; 9. Riley Waldrop; 10. and 11. Doug Burns; 12. Riley Waldrop; 13. Kathy Service.

Crossbred Champion: Linda McDaniel; Reserve: A. J. Roe.

Crossbred Pen of 3: 1. Jeffrey McCabe; 2. Doug Burns; 3. Walter Tinkler.

Medium Wool: 1. Lane Beaty; 2. Lisa Lindsey; 3. Gary McDaniel; 4. Jeffrey McCabe; 5. Gary McDaniel; 6. Jan Magness; 7. Jacky Preslar; 8. Daniel Jasso; 9. Bill Burns; 10. Ynes Lara; 11. David Balderas; 12. James Hood; 13. Johnny Balderas.

Crossbred Champion: Lane Beaty; Reserve: Lisa Lindsey.

Crossbred Pen of 3: 1. Gary McDaniel.

Southdown: 1. and 2. Jean McDaniel; 3. Jan Magness; 4. Eddie McDaniel; 5. Mike Arrott; 6. James Hood; 7. Kim Arrott.

Southdown Champion and Reserve champion — Jean McDaniel.

Breeding Sheep

Rambouillet Bucks: 1. and 2. Marvin Ensor; 3. and 4. Jerry Parker.

Rambouillet Ewes: 1. Marvin Ensor; 2. Jerry Parker; 3. Marvin Ensor; 4. Jerry Parker.

Rambouillet Pen of 3: 1. Marvin Ensor; 2. Jerry Parker.

Hampshire Bucks: 1. Edwin Lindsey; 2. Sue Lindsey.

Hampshire Ewes: 1. Edwin Lindsey; 2. Sue Lindsey; 3. Edwin Lindsey; 4. Sue Lindsey; 5. Lissa Lindsey.

Hampshire Pen of 3: 1. Edwin

Lindsey; 2. Sue Lindsey.

Market Hogs

Light Weight Durocs: 1. Rebecca Walker; 2. Darrell Pitcock; 3. Sharon Walker; 4. Eddie McDaniel; 5. Rebecca Walker; 6. Rhonda Askins; 7. Terry Wojtek; 8. Sheri Pitcock; 9. Audrey Walker; 10. Sharon Walker.

Heavy Weight Durocs: 1. Audrey Walker; 2. Waldon Millican; 3. Audrey Walker; 4. Rebecca Walker; 5. Sharon Walker; 6. Joe David Key; 7. Sharon Walker; 8. Vic Dodson; 9. Neil Calder; 10. James Hood.

Hampshires: 1. Terry Wojtek; 2. Wibby Millican; 3. and 4. Teddy Millican; 5. Rhonda Askins; 6. Gary McDaniel; 7. Joe David Key; 8. Harvey Wink; 9. Harvey Wojtek; 10. Rhonda Askins.

Market Hogs Champion: Audrey Walker; Reserve: Terry Wojtek.

Market Hogs Pen of 3: 1. Audrey Walker; 2. Rebecca Walker; 3. Sharon Walker; 4. Rhonda Askins; 5. Joe David Key.

Breeding Hogs

Junior Gilts: 1. Waldon Milli-

can; 2. Audrey Walker; 3. Sue Lindsey; 4. Steve Rives; 5. Rebecca Walker; 6. Joe David Key; 7. Sharon Walker; 8. Eddie McDaniel; 9. Lisa Lindsey; 10. Sue Lindsey.

Junior Gilt Champion, Waldon Millican; Reserve, Audrey Walker.

Cattle

Steers: Champion, Darrell Pitcock; Reserve, Marvin Simpson Jr.

Breeding Heifer: Champion, Marshall Millican.

B. SHELBURNE REPORTS ON WORK, VISITS RELATIVES

B. Shelburne of Amarillo was in Robert Lee last week to report on mission work he has been engaged in during the past several years in Malawi, Africa. He spoke and showed slides at Northside Church of Christ last Wednesday evening.

He and his family plan to return to Africa next July.

While here he visited with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Key, and other relatives.

Jarrel Millican was home recently on a ten-day leave from Fort Bliss, near El Paso. He received a promotion to Specialist

4 upon his return to Fort Bliss. Jarrel is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Millican.

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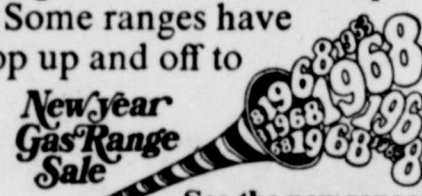
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Note: Return this application to the County Tax Assessor-Collector.

Signature of applicant or agent** _____

Agent's address _____

Agent's relationship to applicant _____

PUBLIC NOTICE

Applications for Housing Will Be Accepted by the Robert Lee Housing Authority

On Thursday, January 18th
From 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.,

On Friday, January 19th,
From 1:00 P. M. to 5:00 P.M.

On Monday, January 22nd,
From 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.

At the City Hall

RLHS Students To Hear Health Career Program

Robert Lee High School students attended a guidance seminar Wednesday at First Baptist Church in San Angelo. The seminar sought to acquaint students with careers in the field of health.

It was sponsored by the Small Schools Association of Texas in conjunction with the Texas Personnel and Guidance Association, 15 paramedical associations and the Texas Hospital Association.

A total of 550 students from area high schools were expected to attend. Schools represented were: Paint Rock, Blackwell, Bronte, Nolan, Eola, Norton, Robert Lee, Trent and Water Valley.

The students had a full day's activities, including section meetings in 15 medical and paramedical specialties and field trips to six exemplary medical facilities. The keynoter for the general session was Spencer Guimarin, director, Health Careers Program, Texas Hospital Association. Guimarin has had much experience speaking to and motivating high school students. His subject was "You—Health Careers—and the Future."

The 550 participating students ranged from 13 to 18 and were chosen to attend the Health Careers Day Program by their school counselors and administrators.

San Angelo hospitals were hosts for the meeting. All San Angelo medical facilities provided consultants and field trips. The entire program was coordinated by the Texas Hospital Association Health Careers Program as a part of its statewide student services program.

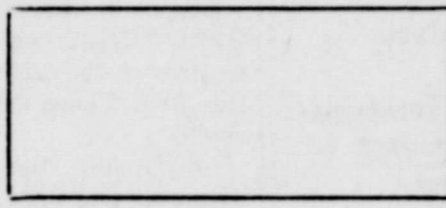
This was the fifth such program to be held in the state. Purpose of this and future programs is to impress upon students the many opportunities available in health careers throughout Texas. Many of today's students must be directed into health occupational fields, Texas Hospital Association officials declare, if hospitals and other health related facilities are to keep up with the demand for care and service.

NOVEMBER BOND SALES FILL 47 PER CENT OF QUOTA

During the month of November United States Savings Bond sales in Coke County totaled \$1,401, according to a report received today by Gerald C. Allen, chairman of the Coke County Savings Bond Committee. The January-November sales totaled \$18,712, and this is 47 per cent of the 1967 goal of \$40,000.

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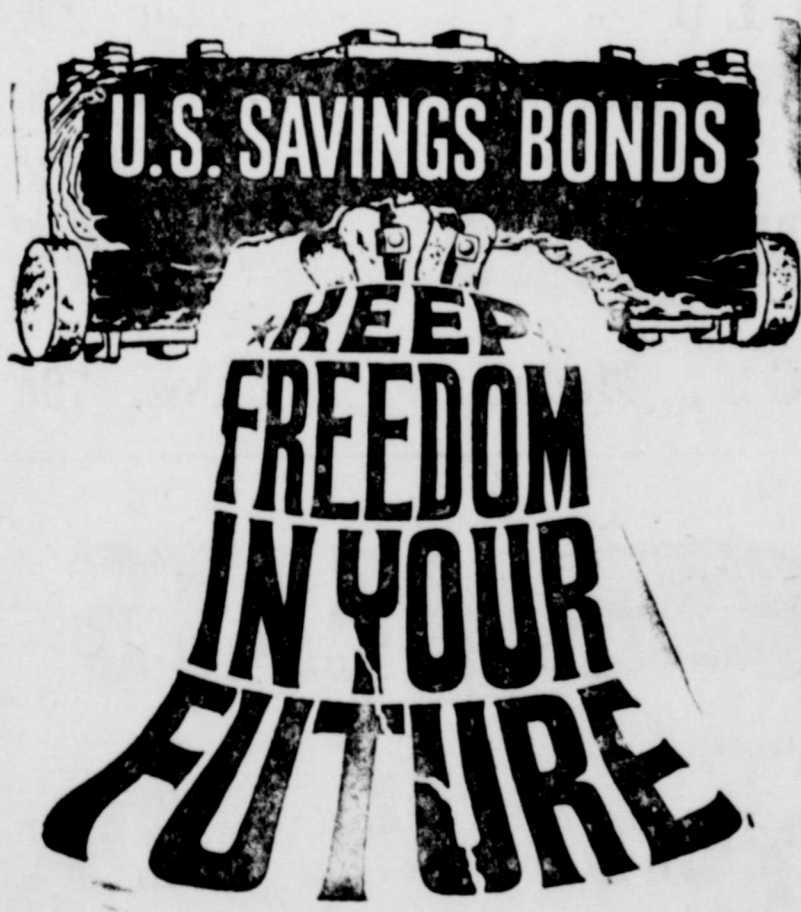
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HD Council Officers Are Announced

Mrs. J. C. Boatright, chairman of the Coke County Home Demonstration Council, presided during the first meeting of the new year. The meeting was held Tuesday morning in the Farm Bureau Conference room. Mrs. C. E. Arrott, outgoing chairman, gave the summary. Mrs. R. L. Page opened the meeting with a poem, "Pick A Spot."

A discussion of the District Seven Planning meeting set for Feb. 27 in Robert Lee was led by Mrs. J. B. Arrott, THDA chairman.

Council committees for 1968 were announced:

Yearbook committee — Mmes. C. E. Arrott, Fred McCabe Sr., J. B. Arrott.

Finance committee — Mmes. Curtis Walker, W. H. Robertson, and Noel Brevard.

4-H committee — Mmes. Leslie Rolls, Tom Rives, Elroy Butler. E.E.E. committee — Mmes. R. L. Page, Juanice Jameson, Glenn Waldrop, A. R. Coalson, and Wayne Dunnam.

Recreation committee — Mmes. Pat Rives, Floyd Brown and Floyd Harmon.

Other business included setting date for Council Committees to meet to make plans for the year, and setting date of February Council for Feb. 20.

Mrs. Curtis Walker, secretary-treasurer, read the minutes from the December meeting and gave the treasurer's report.

Mrs. Fay C. Roe, County Home Demonstration Agent, gave a report on her November and December activities and announced her schedule for January.

BCD Members Discuss Scout Hut, Troop Needs

Principal discussion at Tuesday's BCD meeting concerned the repair work which has been done on the Boy Scout hut. Repairs to the roof and other parts have been completed. Garland Davis, advisor, reported that he and the Explorers will meet in the next few days to make plans for some outside painting on the building.

It was also announced that some of the money which was donated for repairs is left over. Members present voted to turn the money over to Scoutmaster Gene Hinnard and Explorer advisors for use in buying needed equipment. Special mention was made that Robert Lee Scouts need some new tents.

President Hugh Lewis, who is also chairman of Robert Lee Housing Authority, reported on the progress of the local housing project. More details of this matter are carried in a related story in this newspaper.

Lewis announced the annual Tourist Conference which will be sponsored in Abilene Jan. 25 by the West Texas Chamber of Commerce.

Guests for the meeting were Kent Elliott, San Angelo roofing contractor, and Temple Ferguson, auditor for Robert Lee School. Fourteen members were present.

Three Men Indicted By Coke Grand Jury

A Coke County grand jury met Monday and handed down three indictments. All three of the true bills charged theft.

Bill Brown of San Angelo was indicted for felony theft over \$50. The case involves 220 joints of oil field tubing.

Charlie Walls of Robert Lee and Alton Wayne Rogers of Blackwell were charged with burglary over \$50. They are charged with taking saddles belonging to Elton Millican and Marvin A. Simpson. Both men have been free on \$1,000 bond since they were charged last September.

The cases are on 51st District Court docket for the February term of court.

EARLY MORNING FIRE DESTROYS TRAILER HOUSE

A house trailer belonging to Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Grimes was destroyed by fire about 2 o'clock Monday morning. Grimes, a Robert Lee barber, and his family were not at home at the time of the fire. The trailer was parked on Ross Street in the south part of town.

Neighbors were awakened when the noise of popping window glasses, caused by the heat, and turned in the alarm. However, by the time firemen arrived, the fire was too far gone for them to save the trailer. The roof of a nearby house caught fire from the blaze, but it was quickly extinguished with little damage.

Mr. and Mrs. Sloan Boone returned home last week after spending a few days at Grand Prairie visiting their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Marian Hicks and children. They visited the Marvin Glasgow family and their son, Carlton Boone, at Sweetwater Sunday.

LOCAL GIRL INITIATED INTO SPANISH FRATERNITY

Thirteen members were initiated into Sigma Delta Pi, Spanish honorary fraternity at Southwest Texas State College at San Marcos, at a Christmas party Dec. 18. "La Posada," a play about Mary and Joseph's attempt to find shelter on the eve of Jesus' birth, was presented following the initiation ceremonies.

Among the 13 new members is Linda Heuvel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Heuvel of Robert Lee.

HOUSING APPLICATIONS — Continued from Page 1

effective when the project is completed. Mrs. Bill (Bobbie) Allen will take over the job and manage the housing units.

Landscaping will not be done until spring.

Housing Authority officials said there is a possibility that some families or elderly persons may not know that they are eligible to rent one of the units, and help of everyone in getting the word to these persons is requested.

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KRAFT SALAD BOWL SALAD DRESSING - Qt. Jar 39c

GLADIOLA FLOUR 5 lb. bag 49c

CANE SYRUP, Wes-Tex - Qt. Size 45c

BAKER'S Groc. & Mkt.

5 LB. BAG **SUGAR** 49c

DEL MONTE PEAS, 303 Size - 2 for 49c

Cheer qt. size 69c

BISCUITS - 3 for 25c

JELLO - 3 for 29c

OLEO, Hormel - 3 Lbs. 49c

10 LB. BAG **Potatoes** 33c

FRESH GRADE "A" EGGS, Medium - 2 Doz. 79c

PRE-TRIMMED MEATS

FRESH WHOLE **Fryers** lb. 29c

FRESH GROUND MEAT - 2 Lbs. 95c

GOOCH'S ALL MEAT FRANKS - 12 Oz. Pkg. 39c