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# Sewer System Ready For Use

# **Talent Show Set**

many features it will appeal to rection of L. W. Parker; several the tastes of everyone, will be numbers by Lion Charles Taylor held Saturday night in the Rob- of Bronte, well known pantomimert Lee School auditorium. The ist. program calls for the event to run from 7 to 9 p.m.

Sponsored by Robert Lee-Silver Lions Club and El Valle Garden Denman and Lions Club Sweet-Club, the event was planned to heart Elaine Fikes; humorous raise money to carry on various community projects sponsored by dancing by Sherry Baker, acthe organizations. Admission compained by Mrs. Wilson Bryprices will be 50 cents for adults; an; and 25 cents for students.

Among the features of the program are the Robert Lee High

### **Public Is Invited To Band Concert**

The public is invited to attend a band concert Thursday, Jan. 25, at 7:30 p.m. Band director L. W. Parker will be in charge of the program which will be presented in the school auditorium. No admission will be charged.

Parker said the entire program will last from 40 to 45 minutes. The program will include a variety of music ranging from band marches and overtures to latest Herb Alpert numbers such as "Spanish Flea."

The band has a total of 64 members, as of this week, the director said. "We hope the 'flu bug' will hit us easy, so that most of the band members will be able to participate," he added.

Parker concluded, "We hope as many Robert Lee folks as possible will be at the concert. We have a good program set up and we want a big crowd present to enjoy it and hear what these youngsters have accomplished.'

The program will be strictly informal, and a reception-gettogether will be held following the concert.

### **Tinkler Show Top** Lamb At Abilene

Walter Tinkler, 13-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Tinkler, showed the champion finewool lamb at the Abilene Fat Stock Club member. Before his lamb was selected for the championship, it was placed first in the lightweight division.

Also winning honors at Abilene were Jeania Tinkler, who took had registered at his office. He second place in the lightweight said he was well pleased with finewool division. She is a member of Robert Lee 4-H Club.

Jan Magness won third place in both the crossbred and year is the first time persons over intermediate mutton breeds. Jan, 60 years of age have been requirthe daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill ed to registr. Magness, is a member of Bronte 4-H.

A talent show, which has so School Stage Band, under the di-

Also solos by Sterling Allen, Kay Roberts and Vernay Vaughan, accompanied by Kathy readings by Garland Davis; ballet

Also, Western music by Richard Beck, Charles Atkins, C. E. Light, Coach Kenneth Mitchell, Sam Williams, Ray Shandley, Upton Mathers, Jack Denman and others.

Remarks by Garden Club presiden Mrs. J. D. Mumford and election. Lions president Furst Moore will complete the program.

Members of the stage band include: Roy Ivey, Make Mumford, Jan Havins, Donna Wallace, Peg-Longoria, Ernest Herford, Gene each succeeding Congress. McDaniel, Steve Smith, Richard Guerrant, Bobby White, Scott Jones, Mary Donley, Buzzy Wojtek, Quency Wright, Linda Parker, Larry Sockwell, Danny Percifull and Riley Waldrop.

Officials of both sponsoring organizations said a good program is promised and everyone has a cordial invitation to attend.

for the Robert Lee PTA last Thursday night. He spoke on presures and anxieties of today's children and youth.

James Herford, president, presided for the meeting. Mrs. Wilson Bryan's sixth grade music class furnished special music.

Armistead's sixth grade class. Casey, and other relatives.



Congressman Omar Burleson

### **Burleson Running** For Congressman

WASHINGTON, D. C. - Congressman Omar Burleson, who represents the 17th District of Texas in the U.S. House of Representatives, has announced for re-

He has filed for a place on the Coke County ballot in the Democratic Primary Election on May Girl Scout Cookie

Burleson was elected to the Sale Announced gy Baker, Edwin Lindsey, Bobby 80th Congress from the 17th Dis-Mumford, Jerry Sirus, Salvado trict and has been re-elected to

> He is Chairman of the Committee on House Administration in the House of Representatives, and ranks second from the Chairman on the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

### TREASURER'S REPORT IN THIS WEEK'S PAPER

The quarterly report of Coun-DR. MEREDITH PTA SPEAKER ty Treasurer Mrs. Jerry Thoma-Dr. Hugh Meredith of Angelo son is being printed in this week's State College was guest speaker Observer. Attention of readers is invited to the report, which shows amount of receipts and expenditures in various county funds for the last quarter of 1967.

Amphibious base in Coronado, is home on a 30 day leave visiting Room count was won by Mr. his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mike

people has been fulfilled this week. The word has been given that local residents may tie on to the new sewer system now.

is the culmination of many hun- both present and recently past.

### Rains Total 2 **Inches In Area**

More soaking rains have fallen in this area during the past week to give the country its wettest winter in several years. The average reported for the western part of Coke County appears to be about two inches.

Sanco reported 1.7 inches; Silver had 2.1 inches; the area south of Robert Lee had an even 2 inches; Robert Lee's official gauge showed 1.55 inches.

The rain was heavier to the east, as some measurements around Bronte reached 4 inches.

Most farmers and ranchmen wouldn't admit they were tired of rainy weather, but few complaints have been heard about the sunshine the past couple of

It is Girl Scout cookie time again and Junior Scouts of Robert Lee are preparing to canvass the area. They will be calling on area residents Jan. 26 through Feb. 3.

This year they will be selling four varieties: assorted sandwich creams, chocolate mint, butter shorties. They are fifty cents per box.

Profit goes toward building and maintenance of Camp Boothe Oaks and other council-owned property. It will also assist Senior Scouts in attending national and international events. The remaining profit stays within the troop to help further their pro-

Local leaders said, "Show your Larry Casey from the Naval faith in the Girl Scout movement and contribute your part to Girl Scouting by buying their cookies. When your doorbell rings, answer the call."

A dream of many Robert Lee | dreds of hours of work and much personal effort and money spent on the part of many persons, particularly Mayor Robert Vaughan Completion of the sewer system and members of the city council,

> Along with the sewer plant gathering plant, considerable improvements were made in the city's water system.

> After many months of planning and meeting specifications required by the federal government for a grant, the city was ready to receive bids on the projects. Bids were opened Feb. 28, 1967, with W. B. Abbott of Lubbock as low bidder on the sewage disposal plant and on the water works improvements,. San Antonio Construction Co. was the successful bidder on the sewer gathering system.

> Bids were \$184,482.95 on the gathering system; \$87,723 on the treatment plant; \$92,081 on the waterworks improvements.

Several local contractors are seeking the jobs of tying on Robert Lee homes and business

Rules and regulations concerning tying on, etc, were published in The Observer Nov. 16, 1967. They stated that all structures located on property which lies within 100 feet of a sewer line must be tied on. City officials stated at that time that they hoped local residents would start preparing to tie on, but the notice also stated that everyone who does not tie on voluntarily will be given 90 days notice that he must tie on to the sewer system.

Anyone who needs financial assistance in tying on to the sewer should contact the city hall where arrangements for monthly payments can be arranged to take care of the cost.

### Steers Break Even In Basketball Tilts

Robert Lee Steers have won a game and lost one during the past week. The girls team has chalked up two victories.

Last Friday night the boys sneaked past the Roscoe Plowboys, 51-49 in a game played in the local gym. Quinn Conley was high pointer with 17; D. Devoll had 11 and Blair sank 11.

The Steers went to Rotan Tuesday night, when the Yellowhammers stung them with a 67-59 win. Again Conley was high pointer for the locals with 19. Parker chalked up 12; Williams and Blair each had 11.

### Girls Win Two

In last Friday night's game Lots of action is in store for with Roscoe the girls defeated the Roscoe lassies, 66-29. Scoring in double figures were Lois Heuvel with a big 24; Judy Gartman with

> Tuesday night saw the girls take a 66-42 win from Rotan, Jackie Conley was high pointer for the winners with 24.

Aspermont will be here Friday night to try the local hardwood artists.

## Register

tax assessor-collector.

As of Wednesday morning, Jacobs reported that 1,212 persons the number, but found it difficult to make a comparison with other major election years, since this

Everyone Has To Register Jacobs emphasized that every- A deputy from Jacobs' office any of these elections.

Deadline is drawing near for one, regardless of age, must re-, was scheduled to be at First Navoters to register so they can par- gister in order to be eligible to tional Bank in Bronte Wednesday, cording to O. B. Jacobs, county ter before the Jan. 31 deadline in live on the east side of the counorder to vote in elections which ty.

occur after their birthdays. Persons who find it inconvenient to come by the tax assessor's office may mail in an application. A blank is printed on an inside page of this newspaper. It can be clipped, filled out and mailed to Jacobs, and he will send the registration back to the appli-

Deputy at Bronte

Show this week. He is a 4-H ticipate in 1968 elections. Jan. 31 vote. Young persons who will be- Thursday and Friday of this week is the last day to sign up, ac- come 21 during 1968, must regis- for the convenience of voters who

Texas voters this year. A President of the United States will be elected in November, as will other officials on down through state, 18, and Sharon Walker with 10. district, county and precinct level. Democratic Primaries will be held in May; school board and city elections will be held in April. Jacobs pointed out that registration is a requirement to vote in

The story was written by Abe and Edith Halperin.

Bloodworth is an employee of velopment.

The story starts by quoting day's labor." Bloodworth: "Just taking it out of a book and giving it back on a test doesn't belong here. A per-

Bloodworth is instilling this he is teaching at the Farm Mechanization School at Navrongo, a village of red mud round houses, a few miles from Ghana's northern border with Upper Volta.

The story continues that the influence of Bloodworth is being bring him their problems and go cal advice.

This year, under Bloodworth's instruction, Navrongo farmers produced so many tomatoes they had a surplus to ship to Accra, Ghana's capital city 400 miles away on the Atlantic coast.

agricultural mechanics, and farmthe fields to show the natives in the classroom.

Bloodworth is now in his second positions for two years in Bur-AID in 1952 and hopes to stay such Texas favorites as pinto

article in the Texas Magazine, "AID is accomplishing something a supplement of the Houston here." His work presents a real Chronicle. Bloodworth, an agri- challenge to improve agricultural opportunities in the savannah West Africa, is the son of Mr. lands of the north, which are fly both the Lone Star flag and and Mrs. H. L. Bloodworth of plagued with months of hot, dry the Stars and Stripes. weather followed by torrential rains. "He told the authors of the story: "The people here work Oklahoma and California, but 13and appreciate the help, refuting the Agency for International De- the popular notion that Africans are not too eager to put in a good Burma, and has lived in Thailand

Bloodworth said that most persons usually fight transfer or assignment to the northern part son who can't do it doesn't know of the country, away from the more hospitable area of the coast and capital, but he said his famphilosophy into the 55 students ily likes the climate, finds the tutor. north interesting and the people friendly.

A graduate of Texas A&M, Bloodworth worked as a representative of Roger Grain Co. in the Houston area after getting out of college. He also taught felt not only at the school, but for 12 years in Texas schools, in with the area's farmers, who Gonzales County, Lott, Falls, Mason and Lee counties, and Lex- it. back to their farms with practi- ington. He was also farm manager at the Corsicana State Orphan Home, and was on the Oklahoma State University faculty for two years after joining AID, and accumulated 35 hours toward his doctor's degree.

The Texas Magazine continues Bloodworth teaches welding, its story by telling how the home of the Bloodworths is the cening methods. He also goes into ter of social life in the area. It states that there are few Amerihow to do the things he teaches can families in the area and they do a lot of entertaining. Bloodworth's wife, Frances, tries to hitch in Navrongo, the article keep her family and home as tysaid. He has also served in simi- pically American as possible. Her kitchen is well equipped and well ma, five in Thailand and two in used. She bakes her own bread Liberia. He began working for and cakes and never runs out of

ly has some big parties. Last Christmas there were 65 for dinner, including members of the Peace Corps, their British and Canadian counterparts, members of the big Catholic mission in

Navrongo and Ghanaian friends. They throw a Texas-style barbecue each Fourth of July, and

The Bloodworths have three children; the older two live in year-old Mary is with her parents. She was born in Rangoon, and Liberia. She went to school in the United States her first two years, but has studied at home since then. Her mother, who has a master's degree in elementary education from the University of Texas, serves as her

Mrs. Bloodworth told authors Abe and Edith Halperin that one of the nice things about being overseas is being able to pick up things you like. She has ideas about decorating a future home in the United States, and has accumulated quite a collection of furnishings and decorations for

Bloodworth is a firm believer in the work he is doing. He feels that such organizations as AID are making a tremendous contribution in developing emerging nations, bettering the lot of the people and the world.

Bloodworth reported that the people of Ghana are always impressed with motor driven machinery. He said sometimes they are rough with it and sometimes gentle. His students know that if they break a piece of machinery they will have to repair it, so they soon learn to treat it with

beans and hamburgers. The fami- The Observer, Robert Lee, Texas

Navrongo hard to swallow. He is a man who is used to doing things for himself, and the natives are always rushing to help him with any chore he underdo little of the work himself. His Ghanaian friends will be there to spare him.

The Texas Magazine article is concluded with the following pa-

"Navrongo is a tiny dot on the Mrs. E. O. Higgins.

Bloodworth finds one thing in world map, but it is a full-scale example of what can be accomplished. Navrongo men are proving that when Africans are shown what their work will bring forth, tkes. Anytime he plans a pro- when there is a W. Allen Bloodject he knows he will be able to worth of Mason, Texas, USA, to set a good example, they will take up the fight for the future."

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Mr. and Mrs. John L. Bruton and children of Midland spent the weekend here visiting her mother,

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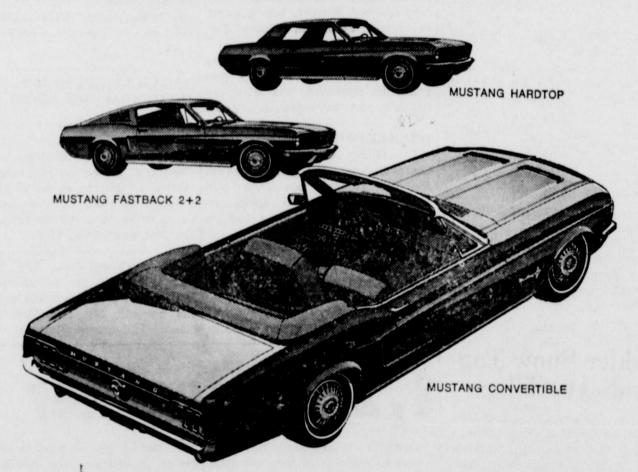
## NOTICE!

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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Both events point to the thing that everyone has begun to believe. The World's Fair is not far away.

With the turn of the New Year, the realization that the April 6 opening was just around the corner became evident. That was when people stopped referring to the \$156 million spetacular as the World's Fair that "will be held next year."

The Swiss Skyride became operational Dec. 23, and met immediate success. A total of 5,700 persons took the 10-minute aerial tour across the grounds during the Christmas weekend alone.

There's less than 100 days to go for the big extravaganza, and everyone connected with it is act- lion", using figures from a priing like a proud father. Just a short time ago, the area in downtown San Antonio was ticketed for Urban Renewal.

HemisFair came along and turned it into a \$156 million jewel box which really defies description.

It has gone up like clockwork. And, when it is ready for the curtain call April 6, it truly will be something to see.

The focal point will be the Tower of the Americas, tallest in the western hemisphere. It will have a revolving restaurant at the top, a view of 100 miles around, and has been set up to handle 1,750 people per hour on the two observation decks.

But, no matter how awesome it is, the Tower is ony one small part of HemisFair. There will be more than a score of foreign countries showing off their products and culture, a host of private exhibitors, the United States exhibit and at least two state pavilions.

What really makes these pavilions good to the budget-minded traveler is they are all free after admission to the grounds.

Of course, there is plenty more, and it won't be all culture and business. Fiesta Island, Hemis-Fair's answer to Coney Island, will have a multitude of rides for all ages, including many that have never before been available in this country.

The fun theme will be emphasized at Bell Telephone's exhibit at the 92.6-acre faid. Included in the pavilion will be a picturephone and numerous other electronic marvels including tic tac toe on an electric board. (Word is you can't beat the machine, only tie it.)

The 10,000 square foot exhibit, which is ready for use, is being staged by Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. in conjunction with American Telephone and Telegraph Co. and Western Electric

Other gadgets in the pavilion will be an age guesser, in which the machine narrows down your age with just a few guesses; a voice mirror, which records a persons' telephone voice and plays it back, and a pitch machine, which sounds a tone and the visitor presses a button to try and

match the machine's tone. There will be plenty of room

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On top of that, 2,000 more are being built in San Antonio, and the building boom extends along all routes leading to the World's Fair city.

To make early reservations contact Visitor Services Inc., a non-profit organization which has set up a referral service to handle the flood of requests. VSI, (P. O. Drawer H, San Antonio, Tex. 78206) already has handled more than 13,000 requests for more than 43,000 bed nights during the fair with 100 per cent success.

Governor John Connally differs with HemisFair estimates of the expected attendance during the April 6-Oct. 6 spectacular. Hemis-Fair estimates "at least 7.2 milvate survey.

Connally, who is Commissioner General of the big event, feels that this is too conservative.

"They can say 7.2 million if they want, but personally I believe it will reach at least 10 million," the governor says.

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### Notes From The Oil Field

G. W. Strake, Midland, will drill the No. 1-B Sadie Harris as a southwest offset to its No. 1 Harris, opener and lone product for Coke County children. er in the Bloodworth, South (5600 S) field, six miles northwest of Robert Lee.

Location is 4,170 feet from the southwest and 660 feet from the northwest lines of C. Waas No. 515, Abst. 734, or 569 feet southwest of the north corner (Colorado River) thence 660 southeast to location in the above survey. Contract depth is 6,500 feet; elevation, 1,890 feet.

The discovery was finaled Jan. for 217.26 barrels of oil perforations at 5,589-5,627 feet. Dry Hole

Tucker Drilling Co. Inc. and from the north and 1,550 feet her home for the weekend were March Survey 2, eight miles lington, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Keel southwest of Robert Lee. The and family, Mr. and Mrs. Carl wildcat was drilled to a total Groat, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Keel depth of 6,920 feet.

visited here Sunday with her fa- family, Mr. and Mrs. Ray White BUY U. S. SAVINGS BONDS | ther, D. J. Walker, Sr.

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### **Money Allocated** For Coke Children

A telegram received Tuesday from Congressman Omar Burleson indicated that \$19,062.04 in federal funds has been allocated

The telegram read:

"Pleased to announce \$19,062. 04 Office of Education grant to the state for 118 Coke County children in low income families, age 5 to 17, under Elementary and Secondary Education Act. Omar Burleson."

No details of the method of distribution were received, but it is presumed the money will be made available to local children under the Economic Opportunity program. Some local children through a 9-64-inch choke and now receive similar aid through jobs at school.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Blair and Peter Henderson No. 1 Ora Ad- family of Pueblo, Colorado, spent ams Neill, et al, has been aban- a week here with his mother, doned. It was located 660 feet Mrs. Jim Blair. Other visitors in from the east lines of N. M. Mr. and Mrs. Jim Thomas of Arand family, Mr. and Mrs. Dwayne Blair and children, all of San An-Mrs. Dwayne Conger of Zephyr gelo, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Blair and and children, all of Robert Lee.

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### Notice Taxpayers

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## With the changes on '68 gas ranges...mom can enjoy cook-ins as much as the rest of the gang!



### **Jury Cuts Award** For Land Needed For RL Reservoir

The condemnation suit appeal which was heard by a six-man jury resulted in lowering an earlier award some \$347,859.84. The appeal, which was made by the Colorado River Municipal Water District, in its suit against Mrs. Helen Harris Wilcockson, et al, for 4,014.43 acres of land needed CARD OF THANKS for the Robert Lee Reservoir, came after a three-man board awarded the defendants \$916,685 .-95 last September.

The jury's award amounted to \$568,826.11.

The award was made to Mrs. Wilcockson, Mrs. Patricia Steph, FOR SALE: 2 bedroom house lo-Mrs. Gwin L. Tucker and Mrs. Sadie Gwin Blackburn.

### Appeal Planned

According to stories earlier this week in the San Angelo Standard-Times, San Angelo attorney Bill I. Marschall announced that he plans to appeal the county court decision for Mrs. Wilcockson and the other owners of the property.

Marschall did not express objection to the jury's decision but said he did object to the legal tactics of the CRMWD. He said Built-in electric kitchen. Will the district amended its original condemnation petition after the September award and before the appeal trial.

CRMWD attorney James Rosser of Snyder filed an enhancement amendment claiming value of the remaining land of the ranch would be enhanced by the presence of the lake. The jury awarded no damages to the remaining acreage because of the

Marschall said the injection of the enhancement amendment by CRMWD created a new issue in the case and constituted an error in the trial.

The jury decided on value of the property as follows:

Surface value to 4,014.43 acres of land, \$441,587.30; one-half of the underground water and water rights, \$75,000.00; damage to 442 acres of land above the reservoir on which CRMWD requested an nent, \$5,747.56; damage to minerals and mineral rights, \$46,491.25; total \$568,826.11.

Testimony began Monday of last week after a jury was selected, and continued into Friday afternoon. The jury was dismissed early Friday to give attorneys time to prepare their charges. When court reconvened Saturday are on the trail, and Fort Chadmorning, attorneys for both sides bourne is one of the eight early made their final pleas, and the jury began its deliberation about 1 p.m. and brought in a decision

Some of the history of the ranch was brought out in the final arguments. It was purchased through the following West Texin 1936 by Ralph Harris from as counties: Brown, Coke, Co-John Sauls for \$7.60 per acre, manche, Eastland, Erath, Jack, John Mark McLaughlin of San Jones, Mason, McCulloch, Menard, Angelo, appearing for Mrs. Wilcockson, said that the family "never intended to sell it."

CRMWD attorney James Rosser brought out the need for eminent domain to construct a lake northward to Robert Lee, then such as the Robert Lee Reservoir. He also stated that Humble Oil and Refining Co. has the property under lease and will continue the lease, saying that any inconvenience caused by the lake in developing oil will be Humble's and not the owners of the mineral rights. He also brought out that Starting back south, it will go Humble is the main customer for the water whose value was under Brownwood, Brady and Mason. consideration in the suit.

presided at the hearing.

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### **Newly-Designated** Fort Trail To Run Through County

Added tourist interest in Coke County was made possible this week when it was announced that much of the county will be a part of the newly-designated Texas Forts Trail. The announcement of the route was made Wednesday by Gov. John Connally at the third annual Governor's Tourist Development Conference in

Both Robert Lee and Bronte day forts on the trail. Others are Fort Concho, Fort McKavett, Mason, Fort Richardson, Fort Belknap, Fort Griffin and Fort Phantom Hill.

The 608 mile route will go Palo Pinto, Runnels, Schleicher, Shackelford, Taylor, Throckmorton, Tom Green and Young.

Picking San Angelo as a starting place, the route will run east to Bronte, north to Fort Chadbourne, over to Winters, and then northward to Abilene. Leaving Abilene, it will go north to Fort Phantom Hill and Fort Griffin, then it will pass through Throckmorton, Graham, Jacksboro and down to Mineral Wells. to Ranger, DeLeon, Comanche, Then it will go west to Menard, County Judge W. W. Thetford Fort McKavett, turning north again to Christoval and back to San Angelo.

> A total of ten travel trails have been designated in Texas. Others in West Texas are Texas Plains Trail, Texas Pecos Trail and Texas Hill Country Trail.

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Scott told the group that no longer can a driver renew his license by sending a fee into Austin, and receiving it some time later. Now the driver whose license is about to expire has to come to the courthouse and take an eye examination and have his birthday of the holder.

the American Medical Associa- met recently and worked up a tion, prescribes that everyone letter to mail to all present and who has less than 20-40 vision will prospective sustaining members. have to have glasses before a He said the letters and a memlicense will be issued. Anyone bership card soon will be ready who has less than 20-50 vision for mailing. Sustaining memberwith glasses will be unable to ship fee is \$10. obtain a license. Scott said that such cases are rare, since glasses to fulfill this requirement.

take drivers education. Successmake them eligible to receive a permit to drive when accompan- trail designation is part of a plan included in the census and should

meeting, Joe Scott of the Depart- who have not taken drivers education, must take a drivers test after they are 16 before they will

> Scott explained that drivers whose present licenses end with odd numbers will be issued a license for two years, whereas those whose licenses end with even numbrs will be issued a license for four years. Commercial licenses will be issued for one year. All licenses issued under this new system will expire on the

President Hugh Lewis told The eye examination, set up by members that he and a committee

Lewis also passed out a map census complete. which shows the route of the will usually correct visual defects Travel Trails recently designat-Scott also brought out that the Fort Trail, goes through Coke youngsters must be 15 years old County. The Highway Departbefore they will be allowed to ment will erect signs marking the trails, and expense of the signs ful completion of a course will has to be paid from local funds. a typographical error in it in

ied by a licensed driver. How- to develop tourism in Texas.

to paint the Scout Hut.

### School Census Complete Jan. 1

Robert Lee School is now in the process of taking its annual census. Object of the effort is to count every school age child living in the school district.

All children who were born after Sept. 1, 1950, and before Sept. 1, 1962, should be enumerated in the census, according to Supt. Jimmy Bickley. This includes children who will be six years old, but under 18, on Sept. 1, 1968.

School officials said it is very important that every school age child be counted, since this number is one of the factors used in determining the amount of state aid the school receives.

The cooperation of everyone in the area is asked in making the

Deadline for getting a child signed up on the census is Jan. ed in Texas. One of the trails, 31. Further information may be obtained by going by the school office or calling 453-3911.

(Editor's Note: Last week's story concerning the census had Lewis pointed out that the the birth dates of children to be be disregarded.)

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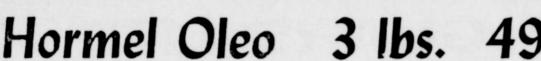
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### Jan. 25, 1968 New Car Tags Are Here, Go On Sale February 1

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Vehicle owners will be required to take four items with them to the tax collector's office when they go to purchase plates: certificate of title, 1967 license receipt, current residence address tractor, 6; trailers up to 10,000 and zip code.

State law requires each owner to register his vehicle in the county in which he resides and to present his title as evidence of ownership.

The 1967 session of the Texas Legislature changed passenger license fees and established a minimum fee of \$5.30 for all vehicles, including boat trailers.

The new rates for passenger cars are: up to 3,500 pounds, \$12.30; 3,501-4,500 pounds, \$22.30; 4,501-6,000 pounds, \$30.30; more than 6,000 pounds, 55c per 100. Jacobs said he has received

new plates in the following quantities: passenger cars, 1830; truck, 650; farm truck, 475; truck tractor, 30; farm truck pounds, 200; trailers 10,000 to

18,000, 25; trailers, 18,000 to 32,000, 25; house trailers, 15; motorcycles, 15; farm trailers, 75; federally owned vehicles, 7; machinery vehicles, 10.

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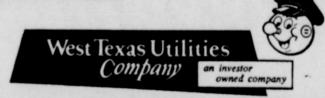
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## Robert Lee School nous

**FHA Studies Finance** 

Future Homemakers met Monday afternoon in the auditorium. The meeting was conducted by Kaye Roberts, chapter president. Lois Heuvel, program chairman, introduced Bill Allen, the guest speaker, who conducted a discussion on family finances.

members present voted Jackie Counts as Girl of the Month for December, based on her work for band teacher, conducts the group. the chapter during the month. Refreshments were served in the home ec cottage by Melinda Morris, Sharon Hughes, Linda Blair, Jerry McDonald and Jackie Conley.

### FTA Meeting

ture Teachers of America held students will get a closer look at Monday. Various itms of business, fically. About 70 R.L.H.S. stuwere discussed by President Kaye dents will attend the ceminar. Roberts, and Alfred Blair presented a program on parialmentary procedure. Seventeen mem- on the agenda for the following sauce.

bers were present. Th club is sponsored by Mrs. Mary Barnhill.

Band Concert Thursday Night Robert Lee High School Stage Band will hold a concert in the auditorium Thursday night at 7:30 p.m. This is the first public appearance of this group this year, but they will also play Sat-In the business session, the 25 urday night in the Talent Show sponsored by the Lions and Garden clubs. Willis Parker, R.L.H.S.

> Career Day Next Monday On Monday, January 29, junior and seniors will go to the ASC reer day sponsored by the Al-

trusa club. A variety of speakers in many fields of business will Robert Lee Chapter of the Fu- address small group sessions and their regular monthly meeting on fields which interest them speci-

Basketbell Schedule

Jan. 25, 1968 | Week. The high school B team goes for the opening of a tournament at Winaters at 3:30 Thurscomes here for boys and girls games to begin at 7 p.m. On the following Tuesday, Jan. 30, we go to Jim Ned for a pair of matches, also to begin at 7 o'clock. Also teams, coached by Carl Williams, on Tuesday, the Junior High go to Winters to play at 6 p.m. Keep your eye on your local teams, and attend every game!

### **Lunchroom Menus**

Monday, Jan. 29

Hamburgers, buttered corn, lettuce, tomatoes, onions, pickles, potato chips, milk, chocolate pudding.

Tuesday, Jan. 30

Liver and onions, creamed potatoes, garden salad, hot rolls and butter, milk, peach half.

Wednesday, Jan. 31 Beans with salt pork, turnip green, potato salad, pickled beets, campus in San Angelo for a ca- cornbread, butter, milk, peach cobbler.

Thursday Feb. 1

Beef stew with potatoes and onions, English peas, lettuce wedge, hot rolls, butter, milk, raisin cookies.

Friday, Feb. 2

Baked ham, candied sweet potatoes, green beans, celery sticks, Several basketball events are hot rolls, butter, milk, pink apple-

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Tom Roach | Marilyn Scott, who is attending

ure in Dallas this week at mar- Texas Tech at Lubbock is here ket. They are buying summer visiting her grandmother, Mrs. H. day. Then on Friday, Asperment merchandise for their dry goods L. Scott, during the mid-semester holidays.

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From October 1 To December 31, 1967

Fund	Balance Oct. 1, 1967	Receipts	Disbursements	Balance Dec. 31, 1967
Jury	\$ 1,772.19	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 612.87	\$ 31,159.32
General	16,441.60	128,217.37	51,181.12	93,477.85
Officers Salary	13,804.43	22,829.41	14,570.89	22,062.95
Road & Bridge	1,189.88	41,909.75	19,020.54	24,079.09
Farm to Market & F.C.	6,202.81	61,800.82	14,545.06	53,458.57
Social Security	9,678.98	0	3,596.98	6,082.00
Road Bond No. 1, Ser. 1954	56,054.61	671.83	20,625.00	36,101.44
Road Bond No. 1, Ser. 1959	13,209.68	28,209.63	0	41,419.31
Courthouse Bond I&S	33,586.32	14,005.42	20,500.00	27,091.74
Coke County Park I&S	15,897.74	10,009.14	600.00	25,306.88
Prec. No. 1, Road Bond Acct.	6,241.30	0	6,000.00	241.30
Lateral Road	13,108.20	0	13,108.20	0
TOTALS	\$187,187.74	\$337,653.37	\$164,360.66	\$360,480.45

THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF COKE ss

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority appeared Jerry Thomason, County Treasurer of Coke County, Robert Lee, Texas, who being duly sworn, says the within and foregoing is a true and correct statement as taken from the Quarterly Report of the County Treasurer of Coke County, Texas.

> Jerry Thomason County Treasurer, Coke County, Texas

O. B. Jacobs Notary Public in and for Coke County, Texas

### Planning Commission Meets, Dicusses Development Of Area Around Lake

County, particularly as it is to that landowners would be actualaffect the lake area, was the ly the ones to say what might main topic of discussion Tuesday be built on their land, under the in a meeting sponsored by the terms of leases or sales agree-Coke County Area Planning Com- | ments which they might make.

ers, the county judge, and others a group of interested citizens, the rate into eye sores that would mittees to be appointed.

Nathan R. Kiser, consultant engineer planner whose services have been secured through a grant by th Farm Home Adminlined possibilities and needs as done in this regard. he saw them, and told the group that it is, after all, up to the to build up the area economically, as well as to determine what should be done to further the matters. right kind of development around the lake.

do River Municipal Water Dis- said that the state, in accordance trict, pointed out public access with the fact that people who traareas planned around the lake, vel, through the gasoline tax, one of which is to be near the pay for the highways, that roads clude committees on: lake area air strip on the south side of the are built where the people want development, industry, tourism, lake, and the other around the to go, and he was sure this would north end of the dam.

Mr. Ivie discussed the type of matter of roads in the lake area. development that might be to the

which they would be located. In the kind of building permitted on summer.

Future development in Coke discussing this it was pointed out

Some landowners have already Meeting wth the commission- indicated they would place certain restrictions to insure that the connected with government pro- property be developed in a sightgrams in the county, as well as ly, attractive way and not degenegroup heard discussion of possi- create problems for the landownble needs and talked about com- er first, and secondly for the neighbors and the lake authority.

Some meeting of landowners in the future is contemplated so that each will have an opportunity to express himself on what istration for Coke County, out- should be done and what can be

With Mr. Ivie was "Skete" Schooling, Superintendent of citizens to decide what is needed Lake J. B. Thomas, and who assisted Mr. Ivie in this area in the purchase of land, and related

Bob Evans of San Angelo represented the district office of the O. H. Ivie, manager of Colora- State Highway Department. He be taken into account in the

Ivie said that CRMWD hoped best interest of the property own- to close the dam in time to ers along the water front as well catch fall run-off in 1968, and of Silver and their daughter, Mrs. as to the best interest of the that if the run off is normal, the J. C. Wallace Jr. spent four days town. CRMWD will have certain lake would have some 50,000 acre last week visiting in the home of sanitary regulations, and other feet of water around the end of Mrs. Bill Bloodworth and family regulations as to the type of piers the year. He explained that would in Stillwater, Ckla. They also viand docks that may be construct- be about the size of Colorado sited Mrs. Allen Bloodworth and City lake.

In regard to a statement made by Ulmer Bird regarding water that might become excess for

water flooding purposes, Ivie said that in all probability there would be such excess and that CRMWD would work with the communities involved in any development that might make use of this water, within the uses permitted by the State of Texas.

Alton Pyburn of the FHA was present and joined in a discussion of possible demand of individuals for houses in rural areas extending north from Robert Lee in the area where water might in time be available for domestic and or industrial use.

The possibilities in "wild game" ranching, including exotic game were discussed by Mr. Kiser, and R. L. Flanagan, game warden, and tentative plans made for a delegation to visit a ranch where it has been done with outstanding

County Judge W. W. Thetford presided. The planning commission is composed of Thetford, Mayor Bob Vaughan of Robert Lee, and Mayor Royce Lee of Bronte, working with such committees as are to be appointed by

Tentatively these are to ingame ranching, water and sewers, transportation, roads and highways and housing.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Bloodworth daughter, Mary, who have just Mr. Ivey pointed out that un- He emphasized that the value returned from Ghana, Africa. sightly, poorly constructed deve- of the lake to the landowner and They plan to spend the spring lopments on any land would de- others, recreationally, would de- months here while Mary goes to preciate the value of the land on pend in considerable measure on school and return to Africa next

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### Junior Compete in Grape Creek Contest

tournament last weekend at leading scorer with 15. Grape Creek. The girls won second place honors and the boys swamped Sterling City by a 40-17 won their first game but lost out score. Nita Copeland was high in the second round.

### **Boys Contests**

The boys started their play off with a 36-24 win over Water Valley. Edwin Lindsey was responsible for 14 points, while Steve Jameson sank 11 points.

Going up against a tough Sterling City team in the second round, the locals lost 32-22. Again Lindsey was high pointer with 9. The junior high boys thus far

### have a 2-2 season record. Girls Games

The girls also played Water Valley in their opening game and fective and cost very little.

Robert Lee's junior high bas- came out on the long end of a ketball teams participated in a 31-18 score. Kay McGinley was

> In their second game, they pointer with 16.

> The final game was with Fairview, and it was a defensive contest, as Fairview came out on top of a low 18-15 score. Copeland was high with 8.

> Both Nita Copeland and Kay McGinley were selected members of the all-tournament team.

> Next home game for the juniors will be Thursday, Feb. 1, when Sterling City comes here for both boys and girls games.

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