

# Robert Lee Observer

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## Officials Cite Laws On Cycle Operation

County Attorney Frank C. Dickey and Sheriff Melvin Childress expressed deep concern this week over the operation of motorcycles by young people of the county. They stated that too often laws governing the operation of two-wheeled vehicles are either not known or are disregarded by cycle operators.

Special attention was called to the laws which govern the use of headgear while either riding or operating a motorcycle.

The sheriff and county attorney prepared the following statement which outlines the laws and the policies of Coke County law enforcement officials in regard to riding on motorcycles on public streets of this county:

As of Dec. 31, 1967, no person may operate a motorcycle on a public street or highway of this state unless he wears protective headgear which has been approved by the Department of Public Safety; nor may any person carry a passenger on a motorcycle on a public street or highway of this state unless the passenger wears protective headgear which has been approved by the Department of Public Safety.

The law requires that an operator of a motorcycle must be licensed. Any person between the ages of 15 and 18 years of age may be issued a special combination operator and commercial operator restricted license to operate a motorcycle, not to exceed five horsepower.

The law states that any peace officer may stop and detain any

## BCD Talks About Care of Cemetery

President Hugh Lewis Jr. presided at Tuesday's luncheon meeting of the Board of Community Development. One of the main items of business was a discussion of the need for an active cemetery association to provide continual permanent care and maintenance for the Robert Lee Cemetery.

Lewis reported that he had contacted members of Hayrick Masonic Lodge, asking for cooperation and assistance in setting up the organization. Plans are to bring the matter up at the next lodge meeting.

All BCD members present agreed that the project is one which is needed.

Some discussion was held regarding the Forts Trail tour which is scheduled for the latter part of July. Governor John Connally will be among the group making the tour. Lewis said he felt that a special invitation should be issued to make Robert Lee one of the scheduled stops on the tour.

The tour was originally scheduled for next week, but was postponed so the Governor would be able to participate in it.

Ten members were present for the meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Earl Martin of Big Spring visited in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Blair Sunday. He visited his grandmother, Mrs. Emma Adkins Sunday afternoon.

motorcycle operator or passenger for the purpose of inspecting his protective headgear to determine if the headgear is of style and make approved by the Texas Department of Public Safety which will also include a drivers license check.

We trust this information will be accepted in the same manner as given. The primary interest of those whose responsibility it is to enforce these laws is the safety of those who may be involved.

Failure to comply with this law is made an offense and is punishable by fine from \$10 to \$50.

Violations of this and other traffic laws by minors is cause for canceling their drivers license. All peace officers are responsible for the enforcement of this law. Parents are punishable by fine for permitting their minor children to violate this and other traffic laws.

The County Attorney and the Sheriff Department of Coke County will cooperate with the Department of Public Safety in the enforcement of the law.

## Mrs. M. J. Thomason Dies Wednesday Morning

Mrs. M. J. Thomason, 39, of Robert Lee died Wednesday morning about 8 o'clock in Shannon Hospital in San Angelo. Her death was attributed to a gunshot wound in the lower abdomen. The shooting incident occurred Friday, June 7, at her home in Robert Lee.

Funeral services are scheduled for 10:30 a.m. Friday in First Methodist Church of Robert Lee. The pastor, the Rev. Bobby Palmos, will officiate. Burial will be in Robert Lee Cemetery, under direction of Williams Funeral Home. Robert Lee Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, will conduct the graveside rites.

Mrs. Thomason was born June 2, 1929 at Fort Sill, Okla. Her parents were Mr. and Mrs. Walter Webb. She was married to Melvie Joe Thomason, July 16 1948, in Houston. The family came to Coke County in 1961, when Mr. Thomason was assigned here with Pan American Oil Co.

Mrs. Thomason was a member of the Methodist Church and the

Eastern Star. She was a nurse and X-ray technician at West Coke County Hospital.

Survivors include her husband; two sons, Perry and Bob; one

daughter, Carolyn, all of Robert Lee; and her mother, Mrs. Edith Ringo of Houston.

### Son Is Charged

Her son, Perry Thomason, 18, was charged in the shooting with assault with intent to murder. He was jailed shortly after the incident and bail was set at \$5,000. Up to Wednesday, he had failed to make bond.

District Attorney Frank C. Dickey Jr. told the Observer Wednesday morning that no decision had been reached as to whether the charge against young Thomason would be changed, since his mother's death. He said a grand jury has been called to meet Monday to consider the case.

According to information gathered by Sheriff Melvin Childress, the incident grew out of an argument over the use of an automobile.

Sheriff Childress has a 30.06 rifle in custody, which is alleged to be the gun from which the shot was fired that struck Mrs. Thomason. He also has in custody a .22 caliber pistol which was loaded with pellets.

Mrs. Thomason's husband received head and ear injuries in a scuffle which preceded the shooting, and was hospitalized for a time. Young Thomason also received a shoulder wound during the fracas, and was treated at West Coke County Hospital before he was taken to jail.

### Grand Jurors Called

A list of grand jurors who have been called for Monday's session are L. E. Higgins, Ronnie Baker, Elmo Bell, Bert Blaylock, Mrs. Douglas Ditmore, George Conner, David Key, Royce Smith, A. E. Bell, G. A. Braswell, Wayne Dunnam, Clark Glenn, Bill Luckett, Guy Strickland and Dale Brown.

## Camp Among Hills To Begin Monday

The "Camp Among the Hills", held each year in the Sanco community, will begin Monday, July 1, and close Friday night, July 5. This year's gathering of young people will be the 12th encampment which has been held since it began in 1956.

The camp is sponsored by the Rev. and Mrs. Ernest DeWitt of San Angelo and Mr. and Mrs. Nolan Pentecost of Sanco. Rev. DeWitt is pastor of the Evangelical Methodist Churches of San Angelo and Sanco.

Recreational and religious activities, along with outdoor living, will be featured at the camp. A small fee is charged each young person attending, to take care of actual costs.

## Up to 1 Inch Rain Falls Over Area

Rain of varying amounts fell in this area Sunday night. Strong wind accompanied the moisture, but no appreciable damage was reported.

Robert Lee had an inch in some places, with lesser amounts reported in some rain gauges. Silver had .5 inch, Sanco reported .2 inch and Edith had .6 inch.

## CORRECTION

An article in last week's Observer concerning progress being made on the Robert Lee Dam was in error in one paragraph. This paragraph stated that the "rock rip rap has not been placed on the oil field mounds because of a court dispute over a lease involving the rock to be used."

A note from Mrs. Evelyn McGinley, daughter of I. A. Bird from whose property the rock was to be taken, reads in part:

"That statement is an error. Whatever delay there has been in placing the rock on the mounds has not been caused by the Bird interests."

The Observer is sorry of having been misinformed on this matter and apologizes to all those involved.

## Mr. And Mrs. Hawley C. Allen Celebrate 66th Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Hawley C. Allen were honored Sunday with a reception in honor of their 66th wedding anniversary. The affair, held from 3 to 5 p.m., was attended by approximately 65 relatives and long time friends. Mr. and Mrs. Gerald C. Allen, son and daughter-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. Allen, hosted the reception.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen were married June 15, 1902, in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Caraway, in the Hayrick community. Both the Allens and Caraway's were pioneer families in the Hayrick area.

Mrs. Allen's family came to Coke County in 1883, and Mr. Allen arrived here in 1889.

The couple has three sons: Gerald C., Robert Lee banker; Frank, who works with the family ranching interests; and H. C. Jr., who lives in San Angelo and is employed by Robert Massie Co.

There are two grandchildren, Bill Allen of Robert Lee and H. C. Allen Jr.'s daughter, Lisa. Bill Allen's two children, Sterling and Clay are the couple's great grandchildren.

Mr. Allen is a long time ranchman in this area, and in his

younger days served 16 years as sheriff, four years in Coke County and 12 years in Tom Green County.

Among the special guests present for the reception were Mrs. Allen's sister, Mrs. Tom Perciful of San Angelo; Maj. and Mrs. Jack C. Snead and children of Albuquerque and Miss Sharon Scott of Tacoma, Wash. Other guests calling were from Robert Lee, Bronte, San Angelo and Abilene.

Miss Scott and Miss Christi Roach presided at the refreshment table.



Mr. and Mrs. Hawley Allen

**MURTISHAW REUNION HELD AT OAK CREEK LAKE**

The children of Mrs. Grace Murtishaw and the late Claude Murtishaw had their family reunion last weekend, June 15-16. They met at the Oak Creek Lake cabin of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Murtishaw. They enjoyed visiting, boating, fishing, swimming, and skiing.

All seven of Mrs. Murtishaw's children were present. They are Mrs. Gene Wojtek, Robert Lee; Mrs. Thula Eubanks, Lovington, N. M.; Floyd Murtishaw, Las Vegas, Nev.; H. C. Murtishaw and J. I. Murtishaw Bronte; Mrs. W. D. Sparks, Colorado City; and Mrs. C. F. Sharp, San Angelo.

Those present included Mr. and Mrs. Gene Wojtek, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Wojtek and Terry, Harvey and Carla, Mr. and Mrs. Otho Long, Coy and Randy, Robert Lee; Mrs. W. D. Sparks Sr. and Linda, Colorado City; Mrs. Thula Eubanks and Darwin, Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Eubanks and Lajuan, Lovington, N. M.

Also Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Sharp and Cliffie, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Sparks, Jr., Shelley and Torrey, Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Sparks and Mr. and Mrs. Tony Sparks, all of San Angelo; Floyd Murtishaw, of Las Vegas, Nev.

And Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Murtishaw and Mark, Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Murtishaw, Johnny and Ginger, and Mrs. Grace Murtishaw, all of Bronte.

The reunion is held annually in June to honor Mrs. Grace Murtishaw, whose birthday is June 14.

**1962, 1963 SENIORS CLASSES MEET AT LAKE NASWORTHY**

Members of the 1962 and 1963 graduating classes of Robert Lee High School had a joint reunion June 8 and 9 at Lake Nasworthy near San Angelo.

The weekend was spent boating, skiing, picnicking and visiting.

From the 1962 class were Mr. and Mrs. Royce Hood and family of Winters and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ledbetter (Kay Wink).

Class members of 1963 included:

Mr. and Mrs. Terry Bryan (Prescilla Wylie) and Terika, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Bell (Beverly Higginbotham) and Douglas, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lara, all of Robert Lee; Mr. and Mrs. Bob Holloway (Lexis Lewis) and Bobby and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Morrison (Carol Hester) and Curtis, all of Dallas; and Mr. and Mrs. Phil Louder (Ann White) of Maryneal.

**CRMWD to Take Bids on Barge**

Next Thursday, June 27, is the date set by the Colorado River Municipal Water District to open bids for construction of a barge to be used on the Robert Lee Reservoir.

Specifications call for the barge to be 25 x 27 feet and for it to be capable of carrying a load of 100,000 pounds. It is to be used for transporting equipment over the lake.

CRMWD expects to be ready in the next few days to advertise for bids on a 42 mile pipeline from Moss Creek Lake to Big Spring; 11 miles of 24 inch pipeline from Moss Creek Lake to the district's line which serves Sun Oil Co., and for 12 miles of 21 inch pipeline from a juncture of the Sun Oil and Moss Creek lines northeastward to the terminal storage above Colorado City.

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**Travel Guides Issued by State**

Austin — Governor John Connally today announced the publication of detailed folders for two of the Statewide system of Texas Travel Trails.

The folders, published by the Texas Highway Department, will serve as guides and detail numerous points of interest along the Texas Mountain Trail in far West Texas, and the Texas Forest Trail in deep East Texas.

The folders will lead travelers through picturesque landscapes, by historic sites and to colorful cities and towns on the two official State trails.

Connally announced the new Statewide system of trails last January. Each county erected special Travel Trail signs along the ten official trail routes.

The Mountain Trail folder guides travelers through the tallest region of Texas, where 90 peaks thrust above a mile high. The route goes past the nation's newest national park, to be developed in the Guadalupe Mountains, and to Davis Mountains State Park.

Those following the Mountain Trail will visit Big Bend National Park, the scenic El Camino del Rio from Big Bend to Presidio, and through the cities of Van Horn, Fort Davis, Marfa, Alpine and El Paso.

The Texas Forest Trail explores a 790-mile loop through the vast Piney Woods region. It goes through four national forests and past scores of federal, state and county recreational areas.

Other spots of interest include the East Texas oil field, the State's only Indian reservation, the Big Thicket and such popular water sports areas as Lake o' the Pines, Caddo Lake and Sam Rayburn Reservoir.

Texas Trail literature is available from the Texas Highway Department tourist bureaus and district offices, and at chambers of commerce along the Travel Trail routes.

Individual folders for the remaining eight Travel Trails, including the Texas Forts Trail which goes through Coke County, will be released during the next few weeks as soon as printing is completed.

**TIME TO FILE FOR SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS**

June is the month for all persons who will turn 65 in the next three months to file applications for social security benefits and enroll for Medicare.

Ted F. Moellering, district manager of the Social Security office, said today that applicants who bring with them evidence of their age and of their 1967 earnings when they file their applications will have claims handled more efficiently and quickly.

Original birth certificates or baptismal certificates, recorded early in life, are the best evidence of age. When no such document is available, other records of age made early in life may be acceptable.

The social security office is located at 3000 West Harris Avenue in San Angelo or the representative may be contacted during his monthly visit to Coke County.

Dewey Gartman of Colorado City visited his daughter, Inez Gartman and other relatives here Monday.

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STATE **Capital NEWS**  
By VERN SANFORD

Austin, Tex. — This is a crucial week for the special session of the legislature which, as expected, neared the half-way mark without coming to grips with any major assignments.

House members were due to face up to Gov. John Connally's "small bottle" liquor by-the-drink bill early in the week, followed closely by a vote on a \$2,500,900,000 budget for 1969 state governmental operations.

The mini-bottle liquor bill was voted out of the House State Affairs Committee, but only after one of the most confusing bouts of legislative in-fighting history.

Two "wets" held critical positions. They voted for the bill on the second day of the committee debate after opposing it throughout the preceding day.

First, Rep. James Clark of Dallas captured the spotlight when he switched his vote from pro to con during the initial day's debates. Clark had offered amendments to the bill which were defeated by the committee.

Then, late in the afternoon, Clark started voting with the "drys" saying the legislation was an impossible "hodgepodge of legal gobbledegook."

But the next morning Clark voted for the bill, as did another "wet" opponent, Rep. Jake Johnson of San Antonio.

Both men indicated they had received assurances from the authors of the bill that their amendments would be given favorable consideration on the floor of the House if they would just help get the bill out of committee.

Clark and Johnson both want liquor by-the-jigger legislation instead of liquor in two-ounce mini-bottles as provided in the governor's bill. But they said they would go along with the little bottles if they could secure certain other changes in the law.

They want at least three provisions added:

1. An amendment to outlaw the practice of legislators representing the clients before the Texas Liquor Control Board.

2. A provision doubling the license fees for persons selling liquor and beer.

3. A provision requiring complete financial disclosure by holders of beer and liquor licenses. This is aimed at stopping the practice of juke box operators making loans to tavern operators at high interest rates.

With these assurances from the bill's authors, Clark and Johnson would seem to be in a strong position to make their demands be met but margin on the House floor appears very close, and the Senate even closer.

In case of failure of the governor's tax proposals, tied largely to a raise in the sales tax rate to three per cent with 75 per cent of the new income refunded to incorporated cities on basis of their populations — lawmakers may turn to a straight increase in the sales tax without refund provisions. Both the governor's bill (\$127,200,000 a year total taxes) and the straight sales tax raise (\$150,000,000 annual yield) were reviewed by the House Revenue and Tax Committee and sent to sub-committee.

House Speaker Ben Barnes has indicated he would like to have his representatives face all three major issues of the session — taxes, budget and liquor by-the-drink — by the end of the week. That would leave less than two weeks for Senate action and final reconciliation of differences in conference committees.

**STATE CONVENTIONS** — Two Texans will go to the national political conventions as favorite son candidates for president — Governor Connally for the Democrats and Sen. John Tower for the Republicans.

Both won their honors overwhelmingly in state party conventions.

Both also are being mentioned prominently as prospective candidates for vice presidential nomination, although they deny they seek or expect places on the national ticket.

Connally and the moderate-conservatives proved they still are in firm control of the State Democratic party machinery when they crushed liberal opponents 2,835 to 499 on the favorite son resolution at their state meeting in Dallas.

All 104 Texas delegates to the Democratic convention in Chicago, Aug. 26, bound to support Connally under the unit rule until he releases them—which is expected to be early—in favor of Vice President Hubert Humphrey. It is doubtful there are any supporters of Sen. Eugene McCarthy on the delegation.

Republicans shouted four-to-one approval of the Tower favorite son resolution, and instructed their 56 delegates to Miami Beach for the Aug. 5-8 national GOP convention to back him "until released after consultation" among the group.

While most of the Republican delegation is believed to favor Richard Nixon for the presidential nomination, an estimated 12 to 16 prefer California Gov. Ronald Reagan. Reagan boosters, catching the majority by surprise at the Corpus Christi convention, forced through a resolution commending the actor turned governor on his administration and his "constructive influence on national affairs," and urging him to take a more active role in national GOP politics. There were no backers of Gov. Nelson Rockefeller among the Texas delegates.

Texas Democratic leaders polled in Dallas acknowledged a race between Nixon and Humphrey would be too close for comfort.

**ATTEND DEDICATION**

Mr. and Mrs. Ulmer Bird and Mrs. Bryan Yarbrough attended a homecoming and historical marker dedication Sunday at Wilmeth. The marker honors both Runnels County communities, Wilmeth and Mazeland. They merged in the early 1900s to become one community.

Speaker for the occasion was former District Judge O. L. Parish, who held offices in Runnels County for 63 years until his retirement a few years ago.

Bird, who is a member of the Coke County Historical Survey Committee, went to school at Wilmeth for three years while his parents were teachers there.

Mrs. Johnnie Ruth underwent surgery Tuesday in West Coke County Hospital. She is reported to be making a good recovery.

**WELCOME**

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Bill Beaty, Pastor

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ASKINS HAVE NEW SON

Charles Ray Askins, Jr. is the new son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Askins of Lubbock. He was born Monday, June 10 and weighed seven pounds and one ounce.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Foy Askins of Robert Lee and Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Bloodworth of Silver. Great grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Bloodworth of Silver.

Raymond Bloodworth, Charles and Lonnie, Mrs. J. C. Wallace and Buddy visited the Charles Askins family in Lubbock Sunday. Mrs. Raymond Bloodworth has been visiting them the past two weeks to help care for the new baby.

Mr. and Mrs. Travis Allen and girls of Arlington spent several days here last week visiting in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Wallace and with other relatives.

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34 of 37 Seniors To Attend College

A surprising large percentage of the 1968 Robert Lee high school seniors are planning to continue their education. Of the 37 graduates, 34 have indicated that they plan additional schooling, with a large number planning to enroll at Angelo State College.

The graduates and the schools they have chosen are:

Lloyd Cones, National Railroad Institute; Keith Waldrop, Odessa Commercial College; Ross Adkins, Schreiner Institute; Alfred Blair, Jacksonville College; Jackie Counts, Texas Women's University; Diane Baker, Ranger Junior College; Lois Heuvel and Albert Fields, Southwest Texas State College; Marilyn Wallace and Linda McDaniel, Abilene Christian College; Bobby White, Danny Smith, and Kaye Roberts, Texas Tech.

Planning to attend Angelo State are Gary Williams, Ricky Whitaker, Vernay Vaughan, Mike Post, Craig Thomason, Kathy Service, Kathy Percifull, Gary Parker, Jimmy Millican, Eddie Meredith, Jeffrey McCabe, Thomas McBroom, Richard Long, Roy Ivey, Patty Hughes, Jeannie Hatch, Randy Hall, Donnie Devoll, Donnie Devoll and Lonnie Bloodworth.

PERSONALS

Mrs. Allen Bloodworth and Mary of Stillwater, Okla., are spending some time here visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Bloodworth at Silver. Her husband is stationed in Ghana, Africa and the family is staying in the States for Mary to attend school. Other visitors in the home Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Bloodworth of San Angelo and Mr. and Mrs. Waymond Bloodworth.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Pierce returned last weekend from a ten day vacation trip to Quinlan where they visited her sisters and their families, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mitchell and Mrs. Vera Deweese. They attended the Quinlan homecoming program on Sunday, June 9. They also visited Mr. Pierce's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Clay Pierce at Terrell and Mrs. Lula Pierce and Mrs. Inez Russell, who live in Dallas.

Mrs. Ray Mayhall and girls of Ranger visited a few days last week here with her mother, Mrs. Emma Adkins. Mary stayed to spend a few weeks with her grandmother.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Smith visited in San Angelo Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Dean Williams.

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sloan Boone over the weekend were Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Glasgow and family of Sweetwater.

Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Gaines of Midland visited in the home of his mother, Mrs. Lillie Gaines Sunday.

Political Announcements

The following candidates have authorized The Observer to announce their candidacy for nomination to the office shown below, and on the indicated party ticket.

DEMOCRAT

For State Representative:
GEORGE BAKER
Of Pecos County

REPUBLICAN

For State Representative:
JIM KENT
Of Ward County

VICKIE ROWOLDT IS BACK FROM DRUM MAJOR SCHOOL

Arlington — High school and junior high student band leaders representing 61 schools from 36 cities in Texas and Louisiana attended the University of Texas at Arlington 11th annual drum major leadership school last week, June 9-14.

Vickie Rowoldt of Robert Lee high school was among the 97 drum majors enrolled. UT Arlington band director Jack Mahan was in charge of the school.

AIRMAN PROMOTED

Airman Bill D. Baker has been promoted to airman first class. Stationed at Davis-Monthon AFB at Tucson, Ariz., Airman Baker is married to the former Marion Fikes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Fikes.

Wayne Smith of Fort Worth was an overnight guest in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Smith one night last week. He is employed with a California nursery firm and does a lot of traveling.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that Coke County will receive sealed bids in the office of the County Judge until 10 o'clock A. M. Monday, July 1, 1968 for the following:

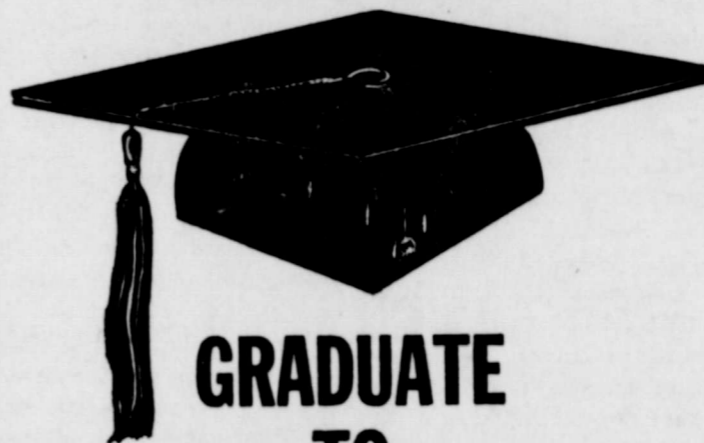
- 1 - New 1968 Chassis-Cab, 2-Ton truck, V-8 Engine (not less than 327 cubic inches), Wheelbase, (not less than 149 inches), Cab to Axle not less than 84 inches, 6 - 825 X 20, 10 ply tires with tubes, on disc wheels 2 speed rear axle (not less than 15000 lb) Heavy duty rear springs, (not less than 23000 lb. with auxiliary overloads) Oil Bath air cleaner Recirculating heater and defroster West Coast Mirrors Heavy duty radiator Reflectors, lights and turn signals

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## Notes From The Oil Field

Production has been assured in Tucker Drilling Co., Inc., and Peter Henderson of San Angelo No. 9-C Foster S. Price in Section 234, Block 1A, H&TC Survey. The well, located four miles northeast of Silver in Nolan County, flowed 298 barrels of oil in 24 hours, late last week.

The test was through a 16.64 inch choke and perforations at 5,666.80 feet.

The well is in the Bloodworth, Northeast multipay Canyon field.

Another Tucker and Henderson well, No. 8A Price, flowed 1.88 barrels of load in one hour through perforations at 5,745.55 and 5,762.64 feet.

The test was made following setting of casing at 5,800 feet.

The well is located in Section 257, Block 1A, H&TC Survey, in the Coke County portion of the Bloodworth Northeast field.

An earlier test indicated production as gas flowed at the maximum daily rate of 875,000 cubic feet and oil at an estimated hourly rate of 20 barrels.

## JP RECORDS

May records in the office of Justice of the Peace Roy P. Ross show the following persons were fined for the amounts and offenses indicated:

John W. Bunyard of Odessa was fined \$20 for speeding. Selso Barraen Abalos of Robert Lee fined \$15 for improper turn.

William Todd Anderson, no address given, fined \$5.00 for failure to display a current Texas registration.

Grace Green Ditmore of Robert Lee, fined \$5.00 for not having a valid operator's license.

### Criminal Docket

Entries on the criminal docket for April and May are:

Larry Bell of Robert Lee, charged with theft of automobile, and bond set at \$1500.

Johnny McGee, no address given, charged with theft of automobile, no bail set.

Perry Richard Thomason, of Robert Lee, charged with assault with intent to murder, bond set at \$5,000.

## Ponies, Teeners Down Hermleigh

Robert Lee's Pony and Teenage teams both won their games last Friday when they went to Hermleigh. The Ponies swamped their opponents with a 18-1 score, while the Teenagers won with a more respectable 6-4 tally.

The battery for the Pony Leaguers was made up of Edwin Lindsey on the mound and James Hood behind the plate. Richard (Red) Day is manager.

Dale Freeman pitched the Teenagers and Mike Mumford was catcher. Lynn and O. L. White manage the squad.

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Classified Ads — 4 p.m. Tuesday  
Display Ads — 4 p.m. Tuesday

### CARD OF THANKS

We are sincerely grateful to all for their many acts of sympathy during our sorrow. Our special thanks to the nurses, Dr. McDaniel and hospital staff, and also those who were so faithful in visiting daddy Dee in his long illness.

The Family of Dee J. Walker

ANYONE KNOWING the whereabouts of the following people's families — Frank Daniel, a cousin to me; Florence Daniel Loper or Mrs. Billy Loper; Fannie Daniel Wroten or Mrs. Bill Wroten, both my aunts; please contact H. H. Daniel, Bay Springs, Miss. They were living in Coke County in 1915.

MAKE LOW down payment or trade on equity of 1966 Town-Country split level 56x19 Early American house trailer. Like new. Fully carpeted. Payments \$78.78. Call 453-3441.

CALL 453-3441 for your plumbing or wiring needs. Artic Circle air conditioners, window type or duct job for quiet cooling. Kohler or American Standard fixtures.

FOR SALE: Refrigerator and range, good condition. Call 453-3081.

FOR SALE — 2-wheel 10 x 5 ft. trailer. \$150. Call 453-5522.  
2tp

PIANO AND ORGAN lessons this summer. Call me collect at RA-8-2675, Colorado City exchange, Bonita Copeland. 3tc

FOR SALE: 1 used 4500 window type evaporative cooler, 2 speed, \$45.00; 1 used Kenmore washer, reconditioned, \$50.00; New Whirlpool appliances and refrigerated air conditioners; New Champion evaporative coolers. Maurice Yarbrough, 453-2721. 2tc

### NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that the Robert Lee Independent School District will receive sealed bids in the board room until 8 p.m., July 8, 1968, for the following:

Roofing on five teachers' residences and the agriculture building.

Specific information may be obtained by calling 453-3911.



Miss Laveta Todd

## Miss Laveta Todd and Carl Bloodworth to Wed

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Todd are announcing the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Laveta Todd, to Carl Bloodworth, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Bloodworth of Silver.

The wedding is planned for July 27 in the Silver Baptist Church.

Miss Todd is a sophomore in Robert Lee high school and plans to continue her education.

Her fiance is a graduate of Robert Lee high school and is attending Angelo State College.



DIGGIN' AIN'T COWBOY  
WORK, BUT NOT LETTIN'  
M'HORSE PLOW KEEPS  
SOME OF MY DIGNITY.

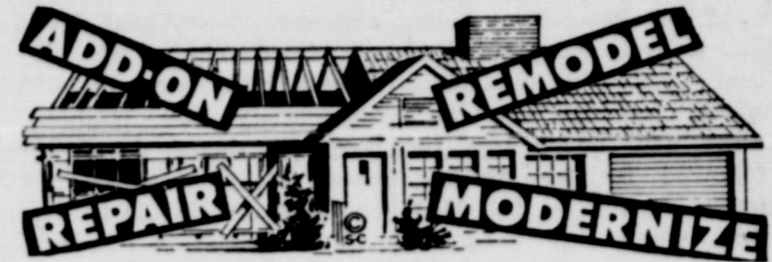
## Funeral Held For Clint L. Feaster

Funeral services were held Wednesday for Clint L. Feaster, 79, at Kiker and Son Funeral Chapel in Colorado City. He died Monday night in a San Angelo hospital. Burial was in Colorado City Cemetery.

Born Jan. 11, 1890, in South Carolina, Mr. Feaster came to West Texas about 1900. He was

a retired farmer and a member of the Masonic Lodge. He was married to the former Linnie Bloodworth of Silver in January 1921.

Survivors include his wife, two brothers and two sisters. Mrs. Carolina, Mr. Feaster came to Bloodworth of Silver.



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**WASHINGTON**  
"As it looks  
from here"  
**OMAR BURLESON**  
Congressman  
17th District

WASHINGTON, D. C. —Growing up on a farm we had bees. Having been told about the duties of the queen, the workers and the drones, they were interesting to watch. (If in that day there had been television, probably the bees would not have been noticed.) But it was fascinating to learn that when the old queen had expired and her usefulness served, the new queen left the hive, followed by the workers who surrounded her on the Mesquite limb where she chose to light.

AT THIS POINT, the drones, too, had served their purpose and either died or were killed by the workers. When the new queen was installed on her throne in a new hive, the workers immediately began to gather the materials for new comb and to dress up the new palace with all needed fixtures.

WE LEARNED that the worker bees would sting and were willing to give their life afterwards to protect their queen and her castle. The drones could be caught with the hand without injury. They carried no stinger and did not leave the hive except for a stroll outside for fresh air.

OUR SOCIETY IS something like this. It has one criterion, namely, that the individual have a willingness to work. Our economic system is not designed for the "drones", for the shiftless and for the fellow who wants to lie abed in the morning while oth-

ers are out on the job. THE GREAT MARVEL of our free enterprise system in America is that it virtually guarantees a reasonable annual income to about everyone, provided he or she is willing to work. There are, of course, exceptions. In the past we have not done all which should have been done to give opportunity for training more people for better jobs. There are those who, for some misfortune or other, are unable to obtain and hold a decent job but no country in history has been so successful in creating job opportunities as has this Country.

YET THERE ARE SOME people who want to redesign our system so that it gives the "drones" full equality with the "workers."

In February of 1967, the National Commission on Technology, Automation and Economic Progress, produced a 210-page report endorsing a guaranteed minimum annual wage for every American. Should the Commission's report ever be enacted into law, the citizen who chose not to work would get a cash allowance from the Government. The advocates of the guaranteed annual income theory contend that it is everyone's Constitutional right, regardless of the circumstances.

IT IS NOT SURPRISING that the old-line Socialists endorse such a plan because they have always been for a redistribution of the wealth. It is surprising,

however to find some prominent businessmen along with many of the intellectuals advocating such a proposal.

GENERALLY, IT IS DOUBTFUL that the Socialists give any heed or consideration to the cost as a factor in their reasoning. You would think the businessmen, and successful ones at that, would consider the cost and where the money must come from. Estimates of the cost have ranged from \$2 billion to \$20 billion a year. This is the difference between 2 cents and 20 cents — quite a spread in estimates.

IT HAS BEEN PROVED over and over again that there are those who, knowing they are able to extract money from the taxpayers, choose this method as their livelihood. In the big cities, welfare workers say they spend as much time trying to get able bodied men on welfare to go to work as they do in trying to help those who are really entitled to help. Imagine if every chisler realized he never had to work again but only to apply for the guaranteed annual wage, how great the ranks of the "drones" would swell. Imagine, also, the reaction of working men and women who must supply the money to support the "drones." We can well imagine the feeling of people who have to get up early to go to work and others who work all night and who have to find thier rest in the daytime.

CERTAINLY there are many who hold unpleasant jobs simply because they know working is the only way to support themselves and their families. Unless these people felt it morally wrong not to work and felt it an insult not to do their part in society by holding down jobs, they could with considerable justification say, "Why should I work to support the loafers?"

TO SUPPORT the "drones" would be to steal the rightful earnings of those citizens who use

their energies each day to support themselves, their families, their communities and their Country.

WITH INCENTIVE to work destroyed, such a scheme would eventually create a class of totally dependent citizens, vulnerable to the unscrupulous and reckless politician who would promise them more and more.

LIKE THE FELLOW SAID, "I am working — for a guaranteed annual income and I will sit here until I get it."

Mr. and Mrs. John Woodard and children of Crane, Jimmy Caraway of Houston and Major and Mrs. Jack Snead of Holloman Air Force Base, N. M. were here for the installation of their mother, Mrs. W. B. Middleton, as Worthy Matron of chapter 187, Order of Eastern Star. The installation was held Saturday night, June 15. A. H. Jones was installed Worthy Patron.

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Always Like to Know**

**IF YOU HAVE—**

been on a trip  
entertained guests  
celebrated a birthday  
caught a big fish  
moved  
eloped  
had a baby  
been in a fight  
sold your sheep  
cut a new tooth  
sold  
had an operation  
bought a new car  
painted your house  
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303 CAN

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MEAD'S BISCUITS - - - 3 for 25c

MISSION PEAS, 303 Can - - 2 for 25c

SCOTT PAPER TOWELS - - 2 Roll Pkg. 44c

DEL MONTE

46 OZ. CAN

Pineapple - Grapefruit Drink, - - 3 for 89c

**Jello 3 for 29c**

SUNBEAM VANILLA WAFERS - - Pkg. 23c

FR O Z A N, Gandy s, 1/2 Gal. - - 3 for \$1.00

GANDY'S PURE

**Ice Cream 1/2 gal. 69c**

**BAKER'S Groc. & Mkt.**

DEL MONTE

**Tuna 3 for 89c**

PLATES, 100 Ct. Pkg. Ea. 75c

SNOWDRIFT - 3 Lb. Can 69c

SUPREME

CRACKERS - 1 Lb. Box 33c

MORTON'S

FROZEN CREAM PIES - Ea. 29c

FROZEN

FRENCH FRIES - 2 Lb. Bag 29c

**PRE-TRIMMED MEATS**

GOOCH'S CURED (TENDERIZED)

**Picnic Ham lb. 35c**

GOOCH'S

THIN SLICED BACON - Lb. 59c

FRESH

GROUND MEAT - - 2 Lbs. 89c

**WISHING WELL DRAWING**

Will Be Saturday Evening, June 29

Winners Last Saturday — Mrs. A. J. Bilbo  
and Mrs. Jimmy Killam