

# Robert Lee Observer

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## School to Open August 23



Ben Boykin (left) with Judge W. W. Thetford

### Boykin, Arrott In Who's Who

Two Coke County farmers 300 acres have been notified of their selection for recognition in the 1971 edition of "Outstanding Farmers of America." They are Ben Boykin of Robert Lee and C. E. Arrott of Bronte. They were notified by Keith Miles, publisher, who said "you came to our attention through your activities with the Rolling Plains Cotton Growers, Inc."

The 1971 edition will be placed in the Library of Congress and each State Library in the U. S.

#### Boykin Is a Veteran

A World War II veteran, Boykin is also associated with: Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers Association; Brucellosis Eradication program; is community committeeman with the ASC; served as president of the Coke County Farm Bureau five years; is a director in the Coke County Livestock Association, Rolling Plains Cotton Growers and of Miles Coop Gdn, and is on the rural development committee.

An active member of the First United Methodist Church, he is a member of the choir, and official board and a past president of the Men's Bible Class.

While he was serving as Farm Bureau president, the group received a plaque when the FB exceeded its membership quota.

He married his Australian born wife, Dawn, while in the service. They have four children: Lynnette 10, Rosanna 16, both still at home; Bennie, 27, married, of Robert Lee; and Dawn Highsmith, 24, of San Antonio.

Boykin owns 460 acres five miles south of Robert Lee which he has most plowed. He has seeded 175 acres and sprayed 100 acres of mesquite. Two new improvements last year were a new three bedroom brick home and a metal barn.

He also ranches northeast of a leased 1440 acres. On this place he has built two new storage tanks and mesquite sprayed

#### Arrott a Diversified Farmer

Clarence Edward Arrott, 69, Route 2, Bronte, was married to  
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C. E. Arrott

### Western Auto To Open Monday

The new Western Auto Store here will be open for business next Monday, Aug. 9, according to Bob Wrinkle, owner of the store. A formal opening is planned in the next few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Wrinkle have constructed a new building on Commerce Street. The metal building is 45 feet by 102 feet in overall dimensions, with a 45 by 80 foot area for use in displaying merchandise. Martin Lee Construction Co. was contractor for the building.

The Wrinkles will handle a complete line of Western Auto merchandise, including all kinds of hardware, tires, batteries, television sets, major and small electrical appliances and gift items.

Mr. and Mrs. Wrinkle and children, Kerry Don and Kristi, recently moved to Robert Lee from Bronte, where he had been operator of the Gulf Service Station.

They invite everyone to visit their store.

### Rainy Weather Leaves County Cool and Wet

Drought breaking rains continued last week and weekend in this area. Gorman Walker, south of Robert Lee, reported 4 inches last week and 1.4 inches last weekend, bringing a total of 13.4 inches of rain since April 16.

As of Monday, 3.5 feet of water was received in Lake Spence with more runoff to come in from rains in Mitchell and Howard Counties Sunday morning.

Robert Lee reported 1.68 inches Sunday. Other reports were Sanco, 2 inches Sunday and 1 inch Friday; Panther Gap, 2 1/2; Silver, 2 inches Friday and 1 1/2 Sunday; Edith, 2; Arthur Runion, south of town, 1.7; and Cumbie Ivey, east of town, 1.2.

## Rains Fall, Surcharge to Go

The bountiful rains which have fallen in the area during the past several days was the main topic of discussion at Tuesday's meeting of the BCD. Everybody present seemed to feel the rainfall couldn't have been better for the latter part of July and the first of August.

Sheriff Melvin Childers reported water is 37 feet deep at the spillway in Lake Spence. He said runoff from the watershed is still coming in from the heavy rainfall in the Colorado City, Westbrook and Big Spring areas.

S. E. Adams told the group that the water level is only three feet below San Angelo's intake pump. He added that fishing permits are selling well in town. Local dealers reported that they had sold more daily, monthly and yearly permits in the past week than in the past year.

Mayor Wilson Bryan was happy to report that the new water tower has been completed and is now in use. He said the city is strictly on lake water now and all wells have been shut off. The mayor felt the city has a supply of water to last until next summer, and more is expected to be caught in Mountain Creek Lake during the rainy fall and springs months ahead.

#### Surcharge Out

Citizens of Robert Lee will be glad to know that the \$2.50 surcharge which was put on all water bills, starting last February, will be abolished Sept. 1. The additional charge was put into effect to help finance the city's almost desperate search for water back in the spring and early summer.

Supt. Jim Bickley gave infor-

mation about the opening of the 1971-72 school term. Details of this matter can be found in another story in this week's Observer.

Some discussion was held on the new brochures which are to be printed in the near future. Plans were made to take some colored pictures last weekend for the brochure, but this work had to be postponed because of cloudy weather and rain. The BCD does plan, however, to get on with this project as rapidly as possible.

Hugh Lewis Jr., former president, presided at the meeting. Twelve members were present. Two guests were also present: Richard Dodson with George Newby and Earle Hutton with Rev. Joseph Yates, pastor of Pecan Baptist Church.

Registration for seniors will be Aug. 19 at 1 p.m.; juniors at 2 p.m.; sophomores at 3 p.m. Freshmen will register at 9 a.m. Aug. 20; the eighth grade at 10 a.m.; and the seventh grade at 11 a.m.

Grade kindergarten through six will report at 8:30 a.m., Aug. 23 for enrollment. Buses will run for the first time on that day, the first full day of school.

Teachers will have an in-service training school at Angelo State University Aug. 16-18.

At this date the faculty is one member short, due to the resig-

### Billy J. Poe Jr. Services Held

Graveside rites were held Monday in Robert Lee Cemetery for Billy J. Poe Jr., 44, of Casper, Wyo. Funeral services were held earlier at Allen Davis Funeral Chapel in Ballinger. The Rev. Plez Todd, pastor of the First United Methodist Church in Ballinger, officiated.

A former Ballinger resident, Mr. Poe died at 10:30 p.m. last Wednesday in a Casper, Wyo., hospital from injuries received in an auto accident June 20 at Worland, Wyo.

He was born in Howard County March 2, 1927, and moved to Ballinger with his parents in 1940. He attended school there and also attended the University of Texas.

He married the former Joan Vestal in Ballinger Dec. 19, 1953. He had also lived at Knox City and Ft. Smith, Ark., before moving to Worland three years ago. He was employed by an oil company.

Survivors include his wife; a son and daughter, Rodney and Kyla, of the home; his mother, Mrs. Bill Poe Sr. of Ballinger; and two sisters, Mrs. Edna Tubb of Grapevine and Mrs. Nelda Herring of Dalhart.

nation of Dale Hamby, high school social studies teacher, who has taken a position in Canyon.

#### Immunizations

A new law passed during the last session of the Texas Legislature requires a number of immunizations for certain diseases. Locally, the only immunization requirement to enter kindergarten or first grade this fall will be evidence of a small pox vaccination. Further instruction on other immunizations will be given to students and parents after school begins.

### Texas Air Tour To Stop Here

Official preparations are underway for the 23rd Annual All Texas Air Tour. This year the tour will be from Oct. 2 to Oct. 9. Starting in Temple and ending in Kerrville, it will cover 32 stops and 3,000 miles.

The Air Tour committee has selected Robert Lee as a Howdy Stop on Sunday, Oct. 3. Estimated time of arrival is 10:15 a.m. The planes will be on the ground approximately 45 minutes.

Other plans for the stop had not been released this week.

The Air Tour is composed of 60 per cent out of state businessmen who are interested in seeing Texas. The other 40 per cent are Texans showing off their state.

### Last Rites for Mrs. Whiteside

Funeral services for Mrs. Temp Whiteside, 93, were held at 3 p.m. Saturday in Johnson's Funeral Home Chapel in San Angelo. Graveside services were held in Robert Lee Cemetery.

Mrs. Whiteside died at her residence in San Angelo about 9:30 p.m. Thursday.

She was born Aug. 1, 1877, in Hunt County and had lived in San Angelo for 31 years. She was married to Temp Whiteside in Robert Lee in 1899. He died in 1926. She was a member of the First Church of the Nazarene.

Survivors include a son, T. K. Whiteside of Robert Lee; two daughters, Mrs. Johnnie Ruth of Robert Lee and Bessie Whiteside of the home; four grandchildren, 18 great grandchildren and three great-great grandchildren.

#### REVIVAL IN PROGRESS AT PECAN CHURCH

A revival meeting is in progress this week at Pecan Baptist Church west of Robert Lee. It will continue through Sunday. The Rev. Joseph W. Yates, pastor, is preaching for the services at 8 p.m. each week night and at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sunday.

Everyone is invited to the remaining services.

Mr. and Mrs. George Grim and children of San Angelo spent Sunday visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fern Havins, and other relatives.





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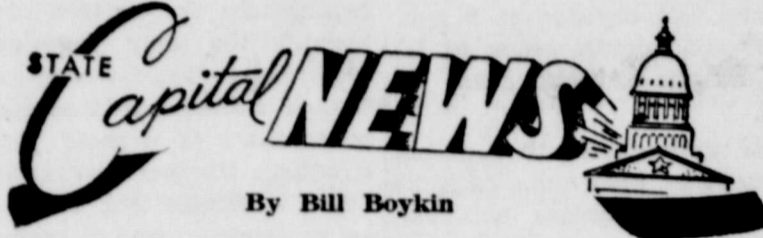
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Austin — Competition is shaping up in the top two state races for 1972.

State Sen. Joe Christie of El Paso emerged recently as a possible candidate for the Democratic Senate nomination.

Christie, a 38 year old El Pasoan, said he would be reluctant to abandon his state senate place, but he is keeping a close eye on U. S. Senator John Tower's activities in the Senate and considers him vulnerable to contest by a strong Democrat.

Christie's statement was seen as a trial balloon aimed at detecting just how serious Democratic leaders are about fielding a candidate against Tower — and whether they would consider him

as the man to unite behind. Meanwhile Dolph Briscoe of Uvalde is declaring his candidacy for governor and asking support in a series of statewide speeches.

Lt. Gov. Ben Barnes, of course, announced his candidacy for governor in mid-June, and already is campaigning (with time out to get married to the former Mrs. Nancy Sayers of Austin, a longtime friend).

Former U. S. Sen. Ralph Yarborough is still leaving the door open for either a senate or gubernatorial race.

Gov. Preston Smith hints, from time to time, he may seek reelection.

Houston Post President Wil-

liam P. Hobby is the only announced candidate to succeed Barnes as lieutenant governor, but a lot more are expected to follow.

COURTS SPEAK — State Supreme Court upheld an intermediate court finding that an individual has no vested "property right" to welfare aid.

In other recent decisions, High Court held:

\* A 1966 constitutional amendment does not outlaw use of market value to determine tax value of agricultural land. Kerr County ranchers had contended valuation should be determined on net income per acre from agricultural use only.

\* Beaumont Baptist minister of a church moved into a residential neighborhood cannot be held in contempt of a court order which blocked construction of an animal health clinic on same site.

\* Texas law does not require a father to support his illegitimate children. (Only one other state fails to provide for such support.)

\* Contractors cannot collect on an insurance policy as the result of fire at a missile site near Abilene from which they had been hired to move property.

\* Austin district judge cleared the way for an appellate court test of whether the legislature in effect repealed penalties for possession of LSD and certain other illegal drugs.

\* Driver who failed to prove the other party in a traffic accident was not insured cannot collect on his uninsured motorist policy.

SENATE "RATED" — League of Conservation Voters rated 11 senators with perfect voting records on seven selected environmental issues this year.

Eight others were given a passing score, and 12 flunked (with less than five favorable votes out of seven). Seven of the latter group who registered two or less votes deemed correct by the environmentalists were put down as having "abominable records."

BRAND RECORDING NECESSARY — Cattlemen must record their brands and marks, including locations on animals, with county clerks after Aug. 30.

Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers' Association said six months is allowed after Aug. 30 to register brands. Thereafter, brands must be registered every 10 years.

INDUSTRIES EXPAND — Texas Industrial Commission report lists 161 new industries as starting in the state in the first six months of 1971, an increase of eight over last year.

One hundred others expanded. Commission announced a comprehensive research project to find why some Texas rural areas have a population upsurge and others continue in a slump.

Agency also ordered a feasibility study to determine the future of textile manufacturing in the state. Texas produces more than 30 per cent of the nation's cotton, 97 per cent of mohair and 50 per cent of wool, with most of it processed in other states. A recent survey showed processing facilities may add more than \$7 billion a year to the state's economy.

Short Snorts

Houston and Waco were selected to participate in new community development (Model Cities) experiment.

Parks and Wildlife Commission has set Sept. 1 as opening day of dove season for the North Zone.

Drivers' records will be computerized by the end of the year. Criminal records also are being compiled for a statewide data retrieval system to be linked with

California and the National Crime Information Center.

More than 425,000 Texas horses have been vaccinated in the drive against Venezuelan Equine

Encephalomyelitis (VEE).

First half of 1971 showed a substantial increase in total construction authorized for the state, according to University of Texas Bureau of Business Research.

County hospital district can contract with private hospitals and doctors for laboratory services at a discounted fee rate, attorney general has held.

William Crocker of Austin was named executive director of new Texas Motor Vehicle Commission.



Let all things be done... in order.—(I Cor. 14:40).

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### New Telephone Books Distributed In Coke County

Delivery of more than 44,000 telephone directories with listings for San Angelo, Blackwell, Bronte, Carlsbad, Christoval, Eden, Forsan, Mertzon, Miles, Robert Lee, Sterling City, and Water Valley began July 23 according to Jack Goss, division manager.

For the first time Bronte and Robert Lee are included in the big directory, most of whose listings are for San Angelo phones.

Goss urged customers to review carefully all the information in the front of the directory. There is an alphabetical index which lists all the information available, including emergency telephone numbers, how to have telephone service changed, the various types of long distance calls and rates which are available, how to use Expanded Direct Distance dialing and many other facts which will assist customers in getting the most from their telephone service. There is also a place to make a note of frequently called local and long distance numbers.

Some customers have found money between the pages of directories, and the division manager cautioned customers to thumb through the old directories for important letters or documents or notations before discarding them.

Customers who have not received new directories should call the business office, 653-2911.

#### MRS. GUERRANT TAKING PART IN MEETING

Mrs. Elbise Guerrant, homemaker teacher in the Robert Lee High School, will participate in the State In-Service Conference for Homemaking Teachers and the annual meeting of the Vocational Homemaking Teachers Association being held at the Statler Hilton Hotel in Dallas, Aug. 2-6.

A number of authorities on various aspects of homemaking will be on the program and an awards banquet was scheduled for Wednesday evening.

More than 1800 teachers were expected to attend the meeting.

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### Taylor Children Gather at Home

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Those present included: Mrs. Lee Ligon, Odessa; Mr. and Mrs. John Ligon, James, Rob and Joanie of Kansas; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ligon, Joey and Lea, Austin; Mr. and Mrs. Ivey Eubanks and Jeff, Robert Lee; Mr. and Mrs. J. Q. Counts and John, Sterling City; Rocky Counts, Houston; Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Kennemer, Rebecca and Sue, Longview.

Also, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Kennemer of Rhode Island; James Kennemer, Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Goldsmith and Nancy of Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. Mike Schoenhals, Ann Arbor, Mich.; Mrs. Bobby Mahon, Weimar; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Mahon, Mr. and Mrs. Nick Marsalis, Eagle Lake; Mrs. Jack Martin, Judy and Roy of New Mexico; Mrs. Kent Goode, James and Betty Weimar, Mrs. Bert Sheppard, Dixie, Debbie, Beth and Roxy, Spearman; Mr. and Mrs. Coy Jones, Matt, Russ, Martha and Walt, Brownfield; Mrs. Ronnie Koonce, Odessa; Mrs. Daisy McCutchen and Gordon McCutchen, Robert Lee; Alvin Counts, San Angelo.

Doyle Caulder of Corpus Christi spent the weekend here visiting with his wife and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Darrel Pitcock of Brownwood were weekend visitors in the homes of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Pitcock and Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Walker Jr.

### WELCOME

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Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship ..... 11:00 a.m.  
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## BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth W. Mitchell are parents of a baby girl born July 14 in Shannon Hospital, San Angelo. She has been named Glynis Colette and weighed 8 pounds, 11 1/2 ounces. She has one sister, Karie, who is 3 years old. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Mitchell and Rev. and Mrs. J. Ivey Miller, all of San Antonio. Mitchell is band director in Robert Lee Schools.

### IN ALL STAR GAME

Doyle McCabe played for the West team in an all star football game at Levelland last Friday night. It was held during the six and eight man coaching school there. The West lost by one point, 33-32. McCabe was one of the three captains of the team.

Attending the game from here were his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred McCabe Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Copeland and Nita Gay.

## PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Clark and children of Nashville, Tenn., and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Siler and family of Lubbock were weekend visitors in the home of their father, Jim L. Robertson.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Carwile of Carlsbad, N. M., spent the weekend here visiting with Effie and Henry Carwile at Sanco and with his mother, Mrs. Fannie Carwile, who is in West Coke County Nursing Home. Other guests in the Carwile home Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Homer Carwile of Robert Lee.

Mr. and Mrs. Freeman Clark visited over the weekend in Medina with their daughter and her family, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Craddock. They made the acquaintance of their great grandnephew, Timothy Wayne, new baby of Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Wells.

Mrs. Mary Payne was surprised Sunday, Aug. 1, when a niece, Mrs. James Stuart and family from Oklahoma City, came for a short visit. Also her son, Morris Payne and family, came from Andrews and brought Mary Lou Payne. It was the first time the cousins had seen each other in 16 years.

Mayor and Mrs. Wilson Bryan returned Sunday from a two week trip to northern California. They went by way of Salt Lake City, to Fortuna, where a week was spent with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dean Bryan, brother and sister-in-law of the Mayor. After a week of cool weather and sightseeing in the area, the Bryans returned home by way of the San Joaquin Valley and the Grand Canyon. They reported a wonderful trip and the Frank Dean Bryans sent greetings to their Robert Lee friends.

Brent Evans spent last week here visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Bilbo.

Karen McDonald of Moore, Okla., arrived Saturday for a two weeks' visit with her friend, Wanda Prine.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Post of LaVerne, Okla., and Mrs. Farris White and family of Sterlington, La., spent several days last week visiting here in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Bloodworth. Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Post of Robert Lee visited them Sunday.

### GOSPEL SINGING TO BE EACH WEEK

Beginning Aug. 7, there will be a gospel singing held at 4 p.m. each Saturday at the Full Gospel Church in Robert Lee. The pastor, Bill Tucker of Blackwell, and the assistant pastor, J. D. Elkins, will lead the singing.

Everyone is invited to attend the song sessions which will be held through the fall.

## Hospital News

July 27: Dona Bryan, Mrs. Marie West admitted.

July 28: Aaron Wells dismissed.

July 29: Mrs. Elsie Latham, Mrs. Velma Thomason, Mrs. Elmer Adkins admitted.

July 31: Mrs. Mabel Mundell admitted.

Aug. 1: Walter Hester admitted. Mrs. Elmer Adkins, Mrs. Perry Mullis dismissed.

Aug. 2: Mrs. Winnie Waldrop, Mrs. Sam Williams, Inez Gartman admitted.

Tuesday morning, there were 12 patients in the hospital and 27 in the nursing home.

## Bagwell Finishes Course at TSTI

Michael R. Bagwell of Robert Lee will receive a certificate of completion in machine shop operations at the James Connally Campus of the Texas State Technical Institute in Waco.

He will complete the course of study in commencement exercises Thursday, Aug. 5, at 8 p.m. in the Heart of Texas Coliseum.

Bagwell is the son of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Bagwell of Robert Lee.

Participating in the exercises will be the first group of students to receive the Bachelor of Technology diploma and the Bachelor of Technical Education diploma. The 14 students were graduated from advanced programs in April, and will formally receive their diplomas with the August graduates.

Among the August graduates are four students who comprise the second group to receive advanced diplomas.

TSTI is the state's first technical institute to grant the diplomas. The state's first technical school also has campuses in Amarillo, Harlingen and Sweetwater.

### BRIDAL TEA HONORS MISS KATHY EDWARDS

Miss Kathy Edwards, bride-elect of Bobby Blaylock, was honoree at a bridal tea Saturday, July 24, at the Robert Lee Baptist Church Fellowship Hall.

Mrs. Mary Beth Drennan and Mrs. John Jacobs served cake and punch. Mrs. Weldon Fikes registered the guests. The registry table held two wedding bells with pink, yellow, blue and green streamers.

Miss Edwards' chosen colors of yellow and white were carried out in decorations. The table was laid with a white lace cloth over yellow and centered with hearts formed in a circle and covered with satin and white lace.

Hostesses were Meses. Bill Beatty, Roy Walker, T. B. Childress, Lowell Reane, John Jacobs, David Key, J. L. Carwile, W. T. Roach, A. J. Roe, Fikes, Waylon Drennan and O. B. Jacobs.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Light and children of Midland spent the weekend here visiting her mother, Mrs. Lydia Kuykendall, and her aunt, Mrs. Elsie Latham.

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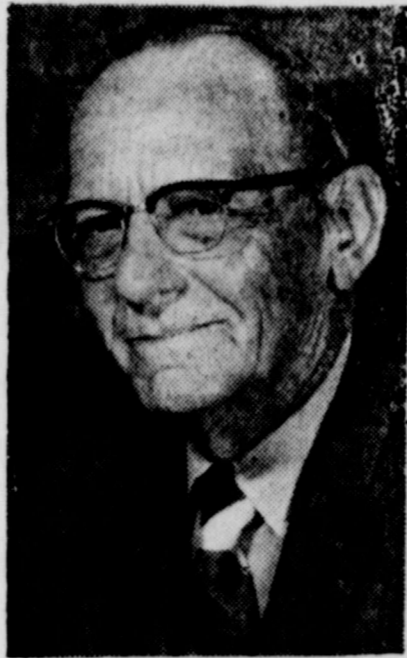
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H. C. Ledbetter



R. E. Ruble

### H. C. Ledbetter to Succeed R. E. Ruble As District Manager for WT Utilities

R. E. Ruble, district manager for West Texas Utilities Company's Ballinger District for the past 14 years, will retire Sept. 1 and is taking his vacation during the month of August.

H. C. Ledbetter, assistant district manager in Ballinger since April, will be promoted to district manager.

Announcement of the change was made today by Durwood Chalker, vice president in charge of district operations.

#### Ruble with WTU Since 1928

Ruble's career with WTU began in 1928 when he was employed as assistant chief clerk in the Childress office. Three years later, he was promoted to chief clerk and was transferred to Dalhart.

In 1936, he was transferred to McCamey as chief clerk, a position he held until 1947 when he was promoted to power sales engineer. Three years later, he was made district manager for the McCamey District. He served in this capacity for two years, and then in 1952, he was transferred to Ballinger as power sales engineer. In 1957, Ruble was promoted to district manager of the Ballinger District.

Born in Lott, Tex., in 1906, Ruble attended public schools there and graduated from Lott High School in 1923. Following graduation, he attended Baylor University for three years.

Mrs. Ruble is the former Minnie Maurice Roberts of Corsicana. They were married in Waco in 1926 and are the parents of two children, Mary Ruble Sheehan and C. R. (Bob) Ruble.

The Rubles are members of the First Baptist Church in Ballinger where he has been a deacon and a teacher. He has also been the vice president and president of the Ballinger Chamber

of Commerce and of the Ballinger Rotary Club.

#### Ledbetter Started in Abilene

Ledbetter joined West Texas Utilities Company in 1935 in the Abilene Office. During the next eight years he worked as a merchandise bookkeeper, as a meter reader and a collector.

In 1943 Ledbetter was promoted to assistant auditor and five years later he was transferred to Marfa as district auditor for the Big Bend District and was promoted to district manager there in 1957. In April of this year, he was transferred to Ballinger as assistant district manager.

Born in Palo Pinto County in 1912, Ledbetter moved to Abilene with his family and attended the Abilene Public Schools. Following graduation from Abilene High School he attended Abilene Christian College.

Mrs. Ledbetter is the former Mrs. Edythe S. Cruze of El Paso. They were married in 1970. She has one son, Ralph Thomas Cruze of El Paso, and he has one daughter, Mrs. Alan E. Rompel of New Braunfels.

While in Marfa, Ledbetter served five years as a member of the school board, two years as president of the Marfa Chamber of Commerce, three years as a member of the board of directors and three years as chairman of the Industrial Committee.

He is a past president of the Marfa Rotary Club, served as chairman of the Big Bend National Park Development Committee for two years, chairman of the Presidio County March of Dimes for two years, and superintendent of the annual 4-H and FFA Stock Show and Sale. He has served as a director of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce for the past 14 years.

### Selective Service Deal Explained

Selective Service System Executive Neil Royall, who manages San Angelo's local board, says the current Congressional impasse over extending the induction authority has created great uncertainty among area draft age men.

The San Angelo board has jurisdiction over Coke and Irion counties as well as Tom Green.

Mrs. Royall continued, "Selective Service Director Curtis Tarr has recently stressed the importance of explaining to our draft age men the high probability that draft calls will resume in the near future and that the current impasse in the Congress is not likely to affect any registrant's chance of being drafted."

"Our local board has been specifically instructed to continue to register and classify men, and to order for preinduction physical examinations those young men who may be needed to fill draft calls in the coming months," Mrs. Royall said.

Men with lottery numbers through 125 were eligible for induction in June in order to fill draft calls. Since then, the Defense Department has asked Selective Service to draft 16,000 men in July-August. This request is being held by Selective Service headquarters pending final Congressional action on the draft bill, which is expected within several weeks.

"Those young men with relatively low lottery numbers who are eligible for induction this year, particularly those with numbers below 175—the current processing ceiling—have a very good chance of being processed for induction after draft calls are restored," Mrs. Royall said.

"Many young men," said Mrs. Royall, "seem to think that the Selective Service Act has permanently expired and that they probably will never be drafted. Some of them also think that the entire system has stopped. They are wrong since it is only the induction authority that has expired. They, therefore, may be unintentionally breaking the law by failing to register at age 18, by not keeping their local boards informed of their current address or by failing to report, if ordered, for their preinduction physical examinations."

Mrs. Royall also stressed that local boards are continuing to consider CO, hardship, and student deferments and to take other classification actions. "Young men who had planned to submit requests for deferments or exemptions are encouraged to do so," Mrs. Royall said. "The expiration of the induction authority does not affect our responsibility to classify young men."

Mrs. Royall may be contacted at West Twohig in San Angelo, the office of Local Board No. 118.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Blair and boys of Dallas were weekend guests in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Blair. He is assistant pastor at Oaklawn Methodist Church and working on his master's degree at SMU.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Wayne Walker and children were guests over the weekend in the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Gartman. They were enroute home following a two

weeks vacation trip to Colorado. Other guests in the Walker home Saturday night were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Calvert of Snyder and they also visited Miss Effie Murray who is a patient at West Coke County Nursing Home.

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## WASHINGTON

"As it looks  
from here"

### OMAR BURLESON

Congressman  
17th District

Washington — Comments in this column are never intended to be that we all read in our newspapers. Rather an effort is made to go behind the scenes as much as possible for what is hoped to be the unusual.

About every columnist and certainly all news media have carried the bombshell announcement of President Nixon's plan to visit Red China. It can be assumed that the President had been thinking on this possibility for a considerable period of time but, as far as is known now, some of his closest advisors were not aware of the suddenness of the announcement.

Obviously, the President could not contact every category of opinion on the advisability of his making a visit to Peking. If he had asked those of us who have opposed the communist regime for many years should he make the trip, the answer would have been "no." In this same category are those of us who oppose the recognition of Red China as a member of the United Nations. The regime on mainland China has never demonstrated characteristics of a nationhood entitled to such recognition.

Having said this, it is an accomplished fact that President Nixon is going to visit the leaders of Red China. The nation can only hope that good may come of it. There is no need to carp and condemn the action

from now until the trip is made. It is his judgment and the hope must be held that the exercise of that judgment will in some-wise be productive for eventually relieving tensions in that part of the world.

Some writers and commentators are already comparing the President's trip to that of Prime Minister Chamberlain's visit to Hitler in Munich prior to World War II. Some have characterized the trip as simply the President sitting down with Chairman Chou En-lai to eat Peking duck. Maybe even this is worth something.

It is hard to imagine that peace in that part of the world can be eased as long as the communists continue their aggressive aims against smaller and weaker nations in Southeast Asia. It could—and this is the big hope—possibly lead to some better understanding between communist China and our own Government regarding the intents of both in Asia.

The war in Vietnam has been sustained and prolonged primarily by the aid and assistance given by Moscow and Peking. If—just if—something may be said or done to help wind down the whole thing then, of course, the trip would be a victory.

From all indications the President is well aware that the chances of solid accomplishments are slim, but even operating on the theory of "what can you lose," it may be worthwhile.

The "what can you lose" is, in fact, the key to the whole thing. The matter of our relationship with the Nationalist Chinese on Formosa, South Korea, Japan and others, certainly must not be impaired and this seems to be the assurance of the President.

On the other hand, since the announcement, Premier Chou En-lai has continued to condemn and berate the United States as an aggressor in both Korea and Vietnam. This should not be entirely unexpected although not happily received. If the Red Chinese leaders insist, which again they have done since the announcement, that we abandon the Chiang Kai-shek regime on Formosa; that we get out of Ko-

rea and South Vietnam; that we not assist Japan in maintaining a defensive strength and, in fact, completely withdraw from the Pacific Theater, then a good duck dinner would be all that could come from the trip.

As for trade with Red China, they would have markets for a great many materials which we have to export but the kind of exports is something else. If anything assisted them in build-

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ing up their capabilities against world peace, then the big mistake would have been committed.

As for their exports to this country, textiles would be their principal goods which are already a serious threat to our own textile industry from Japan and other nations in the Far East. Again, we must hope for the best since the decision has been made

for this contact with the rulers of Red China. We can hope the President's decision is correct and in the meantime support his mission rather than appear as a nation further divided.

As Stephen Decatur said, "Our country! In her intercourse with foreign nations may she always be right; but our country, right or wrong!"

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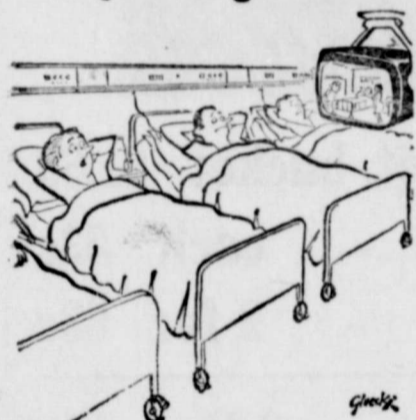
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## BOYKIN, ARROTT —

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Marie Hudgens Dec. 9, 1928. They have two children, LeDrew Arrott and Mrs. B. J. (Marlene) Vaughn, both married and living in Bronte. Arrott operates 6940 acres of land. He farms 90 acres of cotton, 60 acres of milo and 750 acres of small grain and raises sheep, goats and cattle.

In 1970 he won the Coke County Soil Conservation Award as the outstanding conservationist of the year and also received an award for serving 25 years on the ASCS Board. He is a member of the Farm Bureau, Sheep and Goat Raisers Association, Rolling Plains Cotton Association and the Wildlife Association.

Arrott is also active in civic affairs and is a member of the Neon Lions Club, 4-H Boosters and Longhorn Booster Club.

He is also an active member of the First United Methodist Church in Bronte and has served many years on the Administrative Board and Board of Trustees. He is a Democrat.

## Watkins Family Has Reunion

A large crowd attended the Watkins reunion held recently.

Included were Mr. and Mrs. Jim King of Wingate; Pam Millican, Grapevine; Mr. and Mrs. John McChristian, Debbie and Connie, Kansas City, Kans.; Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Millican, Mr. and Mrs. Finis Millican and Sue Ann, Mr. and Mrs. Elton Millican, Tray and Marshall Wayne, Sheri Pitcock, Tommy Hendry and Jeff Blair III, all of Robert Lee; Duane Blair, Sterling City.

Coming from San Angelo were Mr. and Mrs. Garland Watkins and S. M., Mrs. Wanda Durgin and Beth, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Trowbridge, Sherry and Robbie; Mr. and Mrs. Benny Trowbridge, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry McShan, Donna Watkins, Steve, Debbie and Penny Kramer and Brenda Hollums.

Also Mr. and Mrs. John Bramlet and Kathy, Monahans; Mr. and Mrs. Billy Neal, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Dean Hinshaw, Christi and Alan, Stephenville; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Watkins and David, Mr. and Mrs. Randy Martin and Tommy, Brownwood; Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Moore, Melinda, Lee, Eddie, Teresa, Kenny and Denise, Abilene; Mrs. Inez Martin, Mrs. Judy Proctor and Marcie, Dallas.

And Mr. and Mrs. Damon Watkins, Pam and Ronnie, Andrews; Mr. and Mrs. Travis Watkins, Waxahachie; Mr. and Mrs. Bogard Watkins, Fort Stockton; Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Watkins and Clayton, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Thompson, Paula, Johnnie, Rickie and Jimmy, Colorado City; Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Holt, Karen, Diane and Leslie, Houston; Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Watkins and Shirley, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Brasel, Bobby Gene, Shelly and Shana, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Watkins, Kenny and Keith, Big Spring; Mr. and Mrs. Ross Watkins, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Watkins and Marland, Denison; Mr. and Mrs. Lennie Trowbridge and Tamara, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne King, Odessa.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Bloodworth and Charles visited over the weekend at Bryan with their son, Lonnie, who is attending a summer session at Texas A&M. They also visited some friends, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Cook at Rosebud. The Cooks are former Silver School teachers.

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