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## Happy Birthday To Ourselves

In the left hand corner up at the top of the front page of the Observer each week is a little noticed item. This week it reads Vol. 83, No. 1, which means the Robert Lee Observer is beginning its 83rd year of continuous publication. It is the oldest business

### 4-H Dress Revue Set for Thursday

The public is invited to attend the Coke County 4-H Dress Revue on Thursday, July 6, at 3 p.m. in the Recreation Center in Robert Lee.

Sixteen 4-H girls have participated in the clothing program which consists of construction of at least one garment, learning about buying, grooming, posture, care of clothes, and accessories.

Garment construction and clothing records will be judged Thursday morning. The garment of the girl will be judged Thursday afternoon. Judging the models will be Elaine Winn and Janet Brownfield, Junior 4-H Leaders, and Mrs. Bruce Byrne and Mrs. Sidney Compton, Adult Leaders, all of Mitchell County.

Ribbons will be awarded all participants during the revue. Winners will participate in the District VII Dress Revue in Abilene on Aug. 9.

4-H members expecting to model garments Thursday are Melinda Barrett, Tanya Skelton, Glenda Caudle, Karen Arrott, Lana Webb, Vicki Gartman, Kathy Deen, Sheila Roberts, LaJohnna Deen, Mary Elaine Lackey and Vallery Deen.

## PERSONALS

Weekend visitors in the homes of Mrs. Mabel Mundell and Mr. and Mrs. Turney Casey were Mr. and Mrs. Mike Casey of Midland.

Weekend and Fourth of July visitors of Mrs. Elsie Latham were Mrs. Billie Gaines and children of Levelland and Mrs. Virginia Latham of Denton.

Fourth of July guests in the home of Mrs. E. O. Higgins were her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. John L. Bruton, Patti and Paula of Midland. They also visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Garvin.

Tony Dean and a friend, Cindy Whitaker, of Matador spent the weekend and July 4 holiday visiting his mother, Mrs. Wilson Bryan, and other relatives.

Mrs. Curtis Wayne Walker of San Angelo visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Gartman, Sunday afternoon.

John Kellis of New Orleans, La., is here spending some time this summer with his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Virgle Hendley.

institution in Coke County, and has been published continuously since June 13, 1889.

Down through the years, the Observer has had 22 owners. It was begun as The Democrat, three months after the Act of the Legislature creating the county. It was next known as the Coke County Rustler. A four column, four page paper, it was first published at Heyrick by Warren and Edgar. Editors changed often during its first years.

The name was changed to Robert Lee Observer after the paper, along with the county government, moved to Robert Lee. Publishers in recent years before Ben Ogles, by have been A. J. Kirkpatrick, John H. King II and Ulmer S. Bird.

### Possible Twister Hits at Percifull

A possible light twister or tornado struck the Frankie Percifull place southeast of town last Wednesday night. High winds blew the side and roof off the tractor shed and a large pecan tree in the front yard was torn up. Big limbs were torn out and twisted. A large mesquite tree in the pasture was uprooted.

A piece of tin blown from the barn struck their dog, cutting off one leg. The dog had four three weeks old puppies. She had to be killed.

There was no hail with the storm.

### HEART OF TEXAS CRUSADE JULY 16-23

The Heart of Texas Crusade is planned for Bulldog Stadium at Brady (Texas) High School July 16-23. Services will be held at 8 p.m. each evening.

Dr. A. B. Lightfoot, nationally known evangelist, and Sam Allen, singer, will conduct the Crusade, sponsored by churches in the Central Texas area.

### Visitors at Lake Represented 50 Towns in June

Nearly 50 towns were represented in the list of visitors at Lake Spence during a four week period during June.

There were 47 Texas towns represented in people contacted by lake patrolmen, the Colorado River Municipal Water District reported. There also was one out of state party.

Patrolmen interviewed 1,744 individuals, and they estimated they saw no more than 60 per cent of those at the lake. On this basis, the traffic at the lake has been 3,700 individuals for 6,000 visitor days.

Of the groups interviewed, 260 appeared to be picnicking, 286 skiing, 3,482 fishing, and another 468 were on outings with their boats.

Based on the actual interviews, there were 770 from Odessa who spent a day or more at Lake Spence during June, according to R. A. Schooling, administrative assistant in charge of the lake. Midland ranked next with 470, while Robert Lee had 480. Big Spring ranked next with 310.

Towns represented in the survey extended from Monahans and Farwell on the west to Lubbock on the north, Dallas on the east and Ballinger on the south.

### Welcome Rains Relieve Heat

The rains began last Wednesday night to put an end to a record summer heat wave. Showers have fallen during the week and weekend, and continued Tuesday, for a most unusually cool July 4 holiday.

Amounts reported during the several showers are: Sanco, 2.8 inches; Lawrence Higgins, Silver, .7; Wayne McCabe, Silver, .9; R. A. Bloodworth, Silver, 1.3; Floyd Harmon, Edith, 3 inches; Fred McCabe Jr., Divide, 3.3; G. C. Allen, south of town, 4 inches; Cumbie Ivey, east of town, 1 inch; Paint Creek, 1.4; Frank Percifull, southeast of town, 1.5; J. W. Service, north of Robert Lee, 1.4; and David Key, west of Robert Lee, 1.7.

Price Construction Co. of Big Spring and Snyder was apparent low bidder Monday for the contract for sealcoating and repairing paved roads in the county and construction of some new pavement. Their bid was \$112,018.63.

Bids were opened at 1 p.m. Monday by County Judge W. W. Thetford and Coke County Commissioners Court. The Price Company edged out Jack and Reece Albert, San Angelo contractors, by only \$324. Their bid was \$112,342.

### Jacoby Retires; Serves 29 Years

W. E. (Jake) Jacoby, district soil conservationist with the Coke County Soil and Water Conservation District, retired Friday, June 30, after 29 years with the Soil Conservation Service. He has been in charge of the Soil Conservation office in Robert Lee for the past 13 years. A lieutenant colonel in the Army Reserve Corps of Engineers, Jacoby is also retiring from the Army. He served five and one-half years on active duty during World War II.

Jacoby began work with the Soil Conservation Service in December 1938. He plans to stay active in agricultural work and to continue to make his home in Robert Lee.

Rex Brand will be in charge of the Coke County office now and L. L. Wilkins will also still be employed in the office.

Jacoby said that there have been lots of changes in Coke County since he first came here, with lots of progress made in land use and conservation practices. He said his work here has been gratifying and that Coke Countyans have been fine people to work with.

Mrs. Jacoby will continue her work as office deputy in the Coke County Sheriff's office.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacoby have two daughters, Mrs. Linda Link of Long Island, N. Y., and Mrs. Nancy Jameson of Corpus Christi. They have two granddaughters.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred L. Beaty were recent guests in the home of their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Crowder, of Midland.

Four contractors submitted bids on the work. Wilson Paving Company of San Angelo submitted a bid of \$124,000 and Pioneer Construction of Abilene had a bid of \$137,000.

The contract will be signed within the next 10 days and calls for completion of the work in about 60 working days after the contract is signed. The contractor is ready to move in as soon as the contract is signed.

The work will be financed with money voted in a \$200,000 bond issue approved by voters last March. The road bonds were sold to Columbian Securities Corp., and will be retired in 10 years.

As a part of the road bond issue a contract was awarded earlier for the construction of four bridges in the county. Ferrier Bros. Bridge Co. was successful bidder on the project, and four bridges were built on Snead Creek, Messbox Creek, and two on Mule Creek, at a cost of \$66,855.81. These bridges have been completed and the contractor paid.

Included in the paving contract is re-topping of pavement in Robert Lee and Bronte and county maintained rural paved roads. An estimated \$26,000 will be spent to construct new pavement. Other items included are revising grades and dips and widening some of the existing pavement.

### Screwworm Cases Make Big Jump

By County Agent Sterling Lindsey

The number of screwworm cases found in Coke County continues to climb. A total of 26 cases have been logged in the county during 1972, an increase of 16 confirmed cases during the past week.

Most of the cases came from the middle section of the county, but the pattern is beginning to spread out. Simpson Brothers had most of the cases, a total of 10, from samples submitted during the previous two weeks.

Other cases being confirmed were submitted by Gene Baker from his place six miles southwest of Robert Lee; James Arrott, five miles west-southwest of Tennyson; Fred and Larry Jameson, two miles southeast of Silver; Clyde Bowen, 14 miles south of Robert Lee; Frank Percifull, eight miles southeast of Robert Lee; and Don Stewart of Lamesa, on his place approximately 18 miles southwest of Robert Lee.

The recent showers have been wonderful for the pastures, but could cause the screwworm control program problems. Everyone is encouraged to check livestock regularly for possible cases and to be sure to submit a sample of all cases found. Sterile fly drops are made on locations from which confirmed cases were taken.

Mrs. J. W. Wallace and children of Grapevine spent a few days here last week visiting her sister, Mrs. Add Davis and family. Debbie remained here for a visit in the Davis home.

# Community Banquet Set Tuesday; Public Invited

Reagan Brown of College Station will be speaker for the community banquet set for next Tuesday night, July 11, in the Robert Lee School cafeteria. Brown is with the Agricultural Economics and Rural Sociology Department of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service and is hailed as "an

outstanding speaker."

Deadline for ticket sales for the banquet is tomorrow (Friday), since meals must be ordered ahead of time. Tickets are \$1.75 each and may be purchased from any member of the BCD or the Robert Lee-Silver Lions Club.

Everyone in the community is invited to attend.

The menu will include turkey and dressing, German sausage, shrimp salad, carrot congealed salad, broccoli casserole, green beans with whole potatoes, a pickle assortment, hot rolls, tea, coffee and two kinds of pie.



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By Bill Boykin

Austin — Wide variance in election costs over the state have been pointed up by Secretary of State Bob Bullock in a recent report.

Bullock said primary expenses ranged from 36 cents per voter (Democrats) in Travis County to \$4.83 (for Republicans) in El Paso County.

Some county chairmen managed a "thrifter, better organized election," while others spent the maximum amount authorized, said the chief election officer.

"These figures have reaffirmed our belief that single polling places for both parties, with primaries financed through the county clerk's office, would be a positive step toward reducing our primary election costs," said Bullock.

Bullock noted this breakdown for major counties:

County	Demo Cost per voter	GOP cost
Travis	36 cents	\$2.50
Harris	61 cents	\$2.44
Tarrant	61 cents	\$1.83
Dallas	57 cents	\$1.94
Bexar	59 cents	\$2.65
El Paso	50 cents	\$4.83
Nueces	52 cents	\$4.48

Higher unit cost for Republicans is not surprising, due to the small size of the GOP primary, Bullock said.

In some counties, the Secretary of State complained, 400 voting machines were allowed where "half as many" probably would have done the job.

COURTS SPEAK — A U. S. Supreme Court decision holding the death penalty unconstitutional left uncertain the fate of 41 Texas prisoners on death row.

A federal court at Brownsville held five Texas laws used in labor disputes are unconstitutional and scored the role of Texas Rangers in a 1966-67 Starr County farm workers' strike.

The State Supreme Court next fall will hear arguments concerning the extent of a health insurance policyholder's rights in suits based on alleged misrepresentation in policy sales.

The High Court ruled Sun Oil Co. has rights to use 100,000 gallons of water daily for injection of oil bearing sands beneath a Hoekley County tract to increase production.

Part of the value of medical and legal practices of divorced husbands can be held as community property for distribution to wives, the Supreme Court held.

NEW TRADE MISSION PLANNED — An August trade mission by 12 Texas industrialists to the South American cities of Sao Paulo and Rio de Janeiro is planned by the International Trade Division of Texas Industrial Commission for Aug. 20-31.

The trip will emphasize these products as best possibilities in South America: petrochemicals, chemicals, power equipment, construction and mining equipment, steel, graphics industry equipment, machine tools, office machines, textile machinery, transportation and communication and agriculture and food processing.

FILIBUSTER MARK SET — Sen. Mike McKool of Dallas cracked the world's filibuster record during the special legislative session, arguing 42 hours and 33 minutes for more funds to improve mental health-mental retardation services.

Indications are there is little hope of winding up work on the \$4.1 billion appropriations bill before Friday. Additional federal funds totalling nearly \$128 million

apparently will be assured for welfare.

Senators scheduled a mid-week clash over adoption of new rules which include a controversial provision to authorize consideration of appointments by the governor in open session. Senators traditionally have done this work behind closed doors, and showed reluctance last week to depart from the old practice.

HIGHWAY FUND IN JEOPARDY — The entire Texas highway program is in jeopardy, Texas Highway Commission members Charles Simons told Texas Press Association at its summer meeting in Corpus Christi.

Simons warned the highway program is threatened by proposed environmental controls, raids on the federal highway trust fund, government reorganization, federal revenue sharing and bureaucratic red tape.

He said the federal government should finish the interstate system as pledged, then release to the states responsibility for collection of the special highway user taxes invoked in 1956 to establish the highway trust fund.

Simons expressed concern over schemes to divert trust fund revenues to build rail mass transit systems in the East and Midwest. He charged a proposal for governmental reorganization is a move to "dominate the highway program and to divert highway user tax revenues to wild eyed welfare and other socialistic schemes."

BILLBOARD FORMS AVAILABLE — Application blanks to erect billboards within 660 feet of highways are now available through Highway Department and city offices.

Sign permits are required under the new State Highway Beautification or billboard control act which went into effect last week.

Plans for enforcing sections of the billboard law dealing with illegal, abandoned and non-conforming signs, junkyards and auto graveyards will be announced later.

Short Snorts

The May unemployment rate for Texas rose slightly but remained below the May 1971 level. More than 420 cities received \$40 million from the local option sales tax during the first quarter of 1972.

A \$441,638 federal grant will help the Texas Department of Public Safety expand its criminal intelligence functions.

Texas's business recovery continues slowly, but the threat of inflation remains, according to the University of Texas Bureau of Business Research.

Building permits in the state reached a new record high last month.

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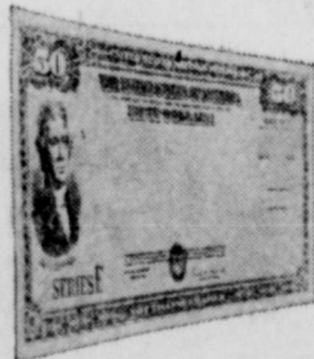
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Washington — The Brookings Institution here in Washington is a non-partisan, non-profit, research organization. In its economic studies it draws on some of the best scholars in the country.

In a recent study, a group headed by Charles L. Schultz, who was Budget Director in the Johnson Administration, came to conclusions and opinions considerably different from those he and associates expressed in the early 60's.

At that time, along with other prominent economists, Schultz, Walter Heller and other saw a "fiscal dividend" in the country's economic growth immediately ahead. At that time they saw large amounts of revenue coming into the Federal Treasury permitting tax cuts, revenue sharing with states and localities and funds for programs of the "Great Society."

The report recently completed by these gentlemen and others has the effect of repudiating many of the actions which were a part of the Great Society. The report calls for a reversal of direction for the Federal Government from providing goods and services and other complex schemes for aiding the poor, to increasing the quality of opportunity and improving the quality of public services. In clear terms it calls for drastic change in the spending programs of the Federal Government and warns of the fiscal plight which has overtaken it. One significant line stands out — "For the first time in American history, except during major wars, government spending—even without any new programs—is now rising relentlessly faster than the growth of revenues from an expanding economy." In other words, the conclusion is that the government is overspending itself and the programs to which the government is committed

can't be paid for without huge deficits.

Following this conclusion, the report says that the overcommitted Federal Government can not spend any more on trying to solve social or other problems without a big tax increase. It says that even if the Congress enacts this year only the programs that President Nixon has proposed, and no more, the Federal budget for 1975 will reach \$300 billion and that this would be \$17 billion more than tax revenues under present rates.

The makeup of the Brookings group who produced the report reflects a change of attitude on the part of liberal intellectuals who had considerable influence in shaping policies and programs now criticized. They refer to many programs as uncertain, wasteful and not providing solutions. It goes far in undermining the liberal intellectual belief in the Federal Government as the chief problem solver in our society.

The Brookings people seem to agree with proposed reforms which have been around several years. Essentially what is needed, among other things, is (1) five year budget projections submitted annually; (2) pilot testing of any new programs; (3) a joint congressional committee to evaluate the total budget to determine both revenues and expenditures and (4) more disciplined spending.

What is needed is new incentive to reduce the tax drain and curb spending for programs of uncertain effect.

This sort of policy contradicts candidates on the campaign trail who dreamingly promise to cut taxes and increase spending. It just can't be done and people know better.

**PERSONALS**

Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Caston and Kim and a nephew, Rodney Caston, returned home Sunday from a 3,000 mile trip which took them to Yellowstone National Park and Teton National Forest. On their return trip they visited his brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Caston at Farmington, N. M.; her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Gossett and Michael at El Paso; and with Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Caston at Coynosa. They were gone a week on their tour of the Northwest.

Weekend visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Capps were his niece and family, Mr. and Mrs. Fagan Owens and children of Pilot Point.

Mrs. Lois Mae Smith recently visited her mother, Mrs. J. R. Johnson, at Melvin. The ladies drove to Waco where they visited Mrs. Mary Grubb, on to Ireland to visit Mr. and Mrs. Henry Johnson, and to Mexia to visit Mrs. Ruth Davis.

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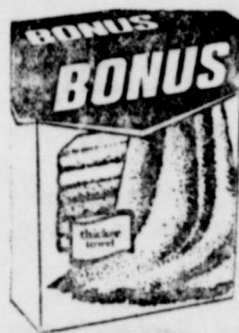
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## FISHING REPORT from Lake Spence



Channel cat and white bass were biting well at Lake E. V. Spence during the past week.

There also were some catches of black bass and striped bass.

Among those reporting strings of white bass were:

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Weeden, 140 in three days of fishing, ranging up to 2½ pounds; Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Tatsch, Midland, 18 up to 1½ pounds; Ward Harris, Odessa, 40 up to two pounds in three days of fishing (he also had five

channel cat); Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Nichols, Midland, 20 up to 1½ pounds; Paul Dempsey, Hobbs, N. M., 20 up to 1½ pounds; Max Norton, Odessa, 14 weighing up to 1½ pounds; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Purser, Big Spring, 14 going to 1½ pounds.

Charles Coffin, Odessa, landed a 7¾ pound striped bass, a little less than the previous record of eight pounds and five ounces for the lake. Y. J. Sherrill, Odessa, who holds the record, landed a pair of strippers, one 5½ and the other 5¾.

C. A. Gartman, Sterling City, landed 20 channel cat, the largest a five pounder, also 10 black bass up to two pounds; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Steward, Odessa, had a string of 27 channel cat up to two pounds. W. H. Hubbard, Odessa, caught 12 channel cat up to 2½ pounds; James Jennings, Odessa, 45 channel cat to three pounds; Wayne Jennings, Jal, N. M., 65 channel cat up to 2½ pounds in three days of fishing; Jerrel Jones, Jal, N. M., 58 channel cat in three days of fishing; Mr. and Mrs. D. Roberson, Denver City, 24 channel cat up to two pounds.

Herman Manson, Midland, boated 15 black bass up to two pounds, and Gary Williams, Robert Lee, had 10 black bass up to three pounds.

July 4 visitors of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Bloodworth of Silver were: Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Bloodworth, Charles, Lonnie and Lori; Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Bloodworth, Janice, Clay and Patty, all of Silver; Mr. and Mrs. Waymon Robertson, Mrs. Bessie Walker, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Wallace Jr., Jacky, Donna, Susan and Buddy, and Troy Millican, all of Robert Lee; Mr. and Mrs. Herman McMullen, Pam and Jana of Abilene; Ricky and Mike Dumas of Casper, Wyo.; and Pete Hudson of Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

## PERSONALS

Mrs. Lillian Gaines visited Sunday afternoon with her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Dave King. They had had word that their aunt, Mrs. Lucy Large of Midland, is improved after a recent illness.

Visitors over the weekend and Fourth of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Bilbo were Mrs. Alvin Bilbo of Long Beach, Calif., Mrs. Bill Bilbo and children of Fresno, Calif., Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Tallent of Mercury, Mrs. Robert McGuire of Big Lake, Mrs. Bob Boren of Snyder and Mrs. Peggy Gilmore and children of San Angelo.

Weekend visitors on June 24-26 in the home of Mrs. Pearl Sellers were her daughter, Mrs. G. T. Sowell of Snyder. Mrs. Peggy Mashey, also of Snyder, spent last week visiting here with her grandmother.

Jay Weldon Phillips and children, Lois Ann, Bobby and Little Jay of Maryland are here visiting for 10 days in the home of his mother, Mrs. Effie Phillips.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Williams Sunday were her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Sigler of Waxahatchie, and Dan Sigler of Carlsbad.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Bloodworth of Silver visited last Sunday afternoon with his brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Bloodworth, at Colorado City.

### Lions Elect International President



GEORGE FRIEDRICHS

George Friedrichs of Anney, France, was elected president of Lions International at the association's 55th annual convention in Mexico City, June 28-July 1. Serving as the 56th president of the world's largest humanitarian service organization, Friedrichs leads over 979,000 members in 25,646 clubs located in 147 countries and geographical areas.

His 1972-1973 program stresses the need to increase understanding and cooperation between Lions Clubs through projects in international service. Increased participation by the clubs in the international youth exchange program is among the goals Friedrichs has set for his presidential year.

## Wojtek Family Has Reunion

The V. V. Wojtek family and some friends had a get-together last weekend.

Attending were Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Wojtek, Denise, Sharon, Lacy, Terry Dill, Dianna and Mike, Johnny Terry and Miss Dianna Ainsworth, all of Houston; Mr. and Mrs. Victor Wojtek, Vickie, Rex and Mike and Johnny Terry, Oklahoma City; Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Wojtek, Kevin and John, San Antonio; Mr. and Mrs. V. V. Wojtek Jr. and Kathy Junette, Midland; Miss Pat Ward, Bowie; Mr. and Mrs. Troy Montgomery, Mr. and Mrs. Greg Williams and Shelley, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Hurt, Lubbock.

Also Mr. and Mrs. David Burk, Shannon and Brant, Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Gray, Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Thomason and Ann and Mrs. Jackie Freeman, Garden City and Big Spring; Mr. and Mrs. Pete Nutter, Bronte; Bill Franklin, Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Frankie Wojtek, Donna and Jo, Eden; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Cobb and Joyce Ann, Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Wojtek and Joan, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Johnston and Debbie, Mr. and Mrs. James Bryson and Windy, Mrs. Gene Williams, Kenneth and Billy, Mr. and Mrs. Marlow Wojtek and Stacy Mr. and Mrs. David Aston, Jana and Susan Stewart, all of San Angelo.

From Robert Lee: Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Winton, Mr. and Mrs. Victor Wojtek, Ronda, Charles and Phyllis, Dawn Montgomery, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Wojtek, Mrs. Melba Long, Coy and Ready, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Ivey, Roy and Dennis, Gene Montgomery and Mr. and Mrs. Otto Wojtek.

### WALKER REUNION PLANNED

The descendants of the late Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Walker will hold a reunion Sunday, July 9, at the Rec Hall in Robert Lee. Friends are invited to come by and visit.

Mrs. Harvey Reid underwent major surgery at West Coke Hospital last Wednesday. She is reported to be "doing as well as can be expected."



## NEW HIGHWAY SIGNS WILL GIVE NEW LOOK TO TRAFFIC SIGNALS

Although the "new look" in highway signs is not as revolutionary as the miniskirt—Texas Highway Department engineers hope it will be as eye-catching.

In many cases, symbols, shapes and colors are substituted for words. It is hoped that this will give the message to motorists at a glance and remove language barriers.

The new symbol signs and pavement markings adopted by the Texas Highway Commission are from the revised "Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices" released by the Federal Highway Administration.

The new prohibitive signs are probably the most important. These signs all have a red circle with a slash cutting diagonally through the center which means "DO NOT" or "NO." The symbol inside the circle shows what is prohibited.

For example, a sign showing a black left turn arrow with a superimposed red circle and slash designates "NO LEFT TURN."

The yellow diamond shaped signs still stand for a warning, but some of the symbols showing hazards are new. In addition most warning signs continue to have a word message, but the message is located under the sign on a plaque.

For example: The word message "MERGING TRAFFIC," is replaced by a black arrow being joined by a smaller black line. A plaque under the sign will have the word "MERGE." It is hoped this will minimize confusion as to which stream carries the merging traffic.

School signs are shaped like a schoolhouse, containing the silhouettes of two children on a yellow background.

Color is a key in the new sys-

tem. Red indicates stop or prohibition; green shows movement permitted; blue signifies motorist services; yellow indicates general warning; and black on white is used for regulatory signs such as those for speed limits and for most guide and destination signs.

In addition, orange (a new color in the manual) will convey construction and maintenance warnings.

The shapes of the new signs are important. Diamond shaped signs signify warning; rectangular signs with longer vertical dimensions provide traffic regulation; rectangular signs with longer horizontal dimensions contain guidance information. An octagon always means stop and an inverted triangle means yield.

In addition to the new signs, there are major adjustments in the use of color for pavement markings.

Yellow lines will be the only color used for centerline markings on two way roads and white will remain on multiple lane highways—for separating traffic flows in the same direction.

A broken yellow centerline will mark the division of the road where passing is permitted. A solid yellow line to the right of a broken yellow centerline will mean no passing is allowed for traffic in that lane. Double solid yellow lines will denote areas where no passing is permitted by traffic traveling in either direction. Similarly, a double yellow line will mark the center line of multilane divided highways.

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**H D Agent's News Dept.**

By MRS. FAY C. ROE

**Easy Care and Durability Tops**  
Easy care and durability top the list of what homemakers want most in household textile products.

In a study of buying habits and attitudes toward natural and man-made fibers, researchers found that homemakers prefer easy care and durability in sheets, blankets, room size rugs and tablecloths.

Although they mostly buy cotton sheets, homemakers are especially concerned about ease of care, regardless of the fiber. In a comparison of all wool, all cotton, and all synthetic blankets, wool was considered durable yet rated lowest because it shrinks and can't be washed.

Most respondents to the study seemed to favor fiberglass for curtains and draperies in living rooms.

The study also showed that homemakers prefer all acrylic, all nylon and all wool room size rugs since they look good over long time periods and require little care. All acrylic fibers rated highest for use in bedroom scatter rugs, and all cotton ranked first for bathroom mats.

Cotton is the leading fabric purchased as yard goods for sewing at home

For more information, a copy of "Homemakers Opinions About Fibers in Selected Household Items: A Nationwide Survey," (MRR-958) is available free by postcard from the Office of Information, U. S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C. 20250.

**Sprays Spell Ironing Ease**

Spray starch and fabric finishes earn their keep.

These aerosol products improve appearance and feel of garments, restore crispness and body lost in washing and offer convenience.

Spray an entire garment, damp or dry, and press. Or use the sprays for added crispness on collars, cuffs and trims. If the first coating isn't enough, a quick respray and ironing will add more body.

It is pointed out that starch gives firm body or crispness while fabric finish provides light body. And fabric finish is especially suitable for synthetics, permanent press and blends since it responds well to lower iron temperature settings that are recommended for these fabrics.

Both types of sprays make washing and ironing easier. Dirt is deposited on coated surfaces rather than embedded in the fibers. So soil washes out easily.

"Glidability" becomes an ironing

plus for coated fabrics. But sticking can result from excess moisture or improper iron temperature setting.

When this happens starch or finish can build up on the iron. Under continued heating, this build up will scorch. So don't overly dampen material and use the appropriate iron setting.

If a low setting is necessary, switch from starch to fabric finish, which permits smooth ironing at lower temperatures. A finish also helps prevent sticking or scorching on dark washables if it's sprayed on the wrong side to eliminate shine and if it's absorbed by the fabric. Absorption requires waiting only a few minutes before ironing.

Fabric finish may also solve flaking problems that occur from starch on fabric surfaces or from iron temperatures that are too low. Some resin treated fabrics don't absorb starch well. Use fabric finish, then, or roll up the starch coated garment for a minute until the starch is absorbed.

For satisfactory and economical use of sprays, follow instruction for use. Most labels advise homemakers to shake contents before using, line markers on the spray button and can, and hold the can at the proper angle. Also, clean the spray opening by removing and rinsing the button or by holding the can upside down and exhausting the residue in the hose.

**Hospital News**

June 27

Weldon Fikes admitted. Mrs. Roy Ross, Velma Thomason dismissed.

June 28

Mrs. Florence Pelkington, Mrs. Johnny Ruth, R. M. Lykins, Mrs. Harvey Reid admitted. Cooke Hinnard dismissed.

June 29

Weldon Fikes, Dale Wojtek dismissed.

June 30

Renea Flanagan, Mrs. Clifford Burch, Mrs. J. L. Tinkler admitted. R. M. Lykins, Mrs. Johnny Ruth, Mrs. Florence Pelkington dismissed.

July 1

Phebe Howard, Mrs. Curtis Walker, Pearl Sellers, Mrs. T. M. Wylie Jr. admitted. Mrs. J. L. Tinkler, Malendy Hickman, Mrs. Clifford Burch, Renea Flanagan dismissed.

July 2

Cleve Casey, Mrs. Sam Williams, Altha Stephenson dismissed.

Monday morning there were eight patients in the hospital and 27 in the nursing home.

**TIPPEN APPOINTED TO COMMITTEES**

Newly elected Senator Bill Tippen, representing Senatorial District 24 which includes Coke County, has been appointed by Lt. Gov. Ben Barnes to serve on the following Senate Committees: Agriculture and Livestock, Banking, Counties, District and Urban Affairs; Legislative, Congressional and Judicial Districts, Oil and Gas, Parks and Wildlife, Rules, Transportation, Water and Conservation, and Youth Affairs.

Senator Tippen began his service to these committees immediately upon appointment, and will serve until Jan. 1, 1973.

Mrs. Lynn Herr of Hampton, Va., spent four days here last week visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Childress, and other relatives. Herr is a colonel in the U. S. Air Force and is stationed in Maryland.

Waynette Roberts of Jal, N. M., is here spending a week with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Bell. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Roberts.

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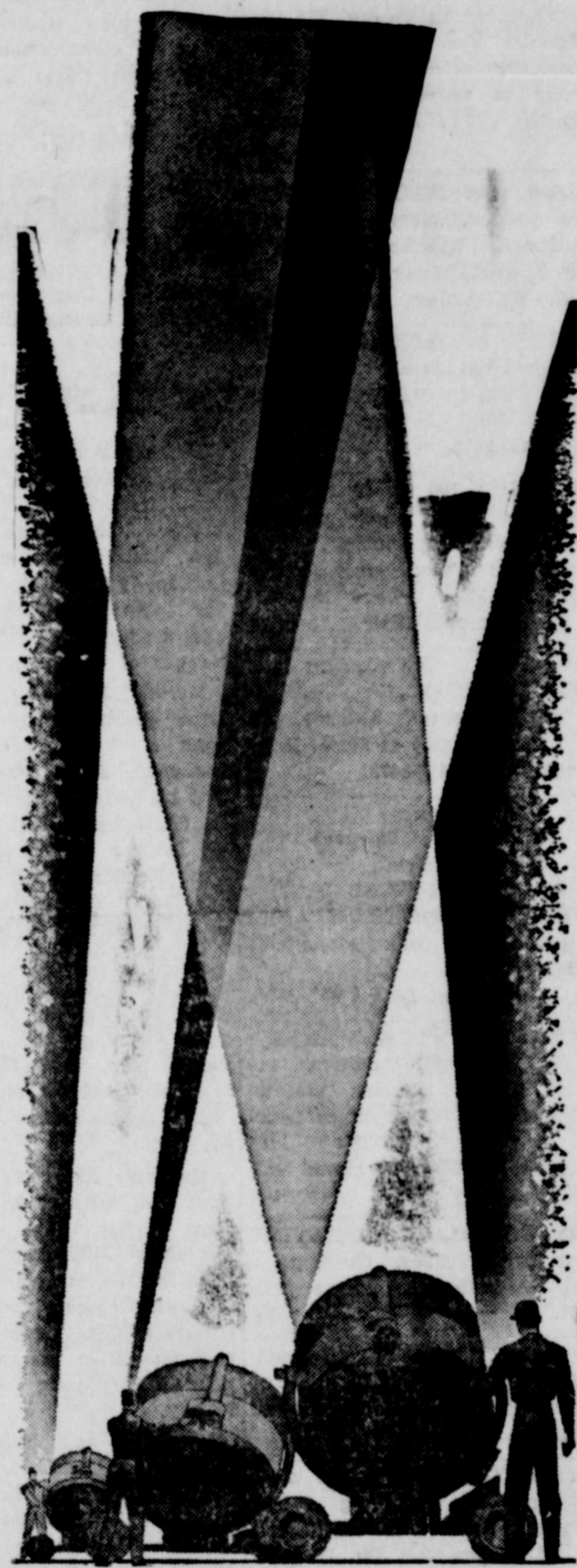
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Mr. and Mrs. Ray Shandley and Lane returned home last week from a 10 day vacation trip to Denmark, Ark., where they visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Shandley. Also visiting were his brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Shandley, of Helena, Mont. The brothers had not seen each other in 14 years.

Abner McFadden of Abilene was guest speaker Sunday at Northside Church of Christ for both morning and evening services. Mrs. McFadden accompanied her husband and they were dinner guests in the J. C. Wallace Jr. home.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Roe, Sharman and Jason of Kerrville, were here to spend the weekend and Fourth of July holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Roe. Martha Kinsey and her fiance, Del Selzer, of Ennis were weekend guests in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Kinsey.

Weekend and holiday visitors of Mrs. A. L. Lofton were two of her sons and their families. Mr. and Mrs. Jiggs Lofton and children of Baytown and Mr. and Mrs. Dale Lofton and family of Oklahoma City.

Mr. and Mrs. Javan Vosburg visited over the weekend at Waco in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Raymond and with his mother at Hubbard. Fourth of July visitors in the Vosburg home were Mr. and Mrs. Steve Rives of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Vosburg of San Angelo and Doug Pierce of Waco.

Visitors in the homes of Mrs. Jerry Thomason and Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Roberts over the July 4 holidays were Mr. and Mrs. Dan McClanahan, Sharee and Mark and her mother, Mrs. Irene Edwards of Garland. Mrs. Edwards is a sister of Mrs. Thomason.

Mrs. A. D. Williams of San Angelo visited Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Smith. Mrs. Claude Dittmore is spending some time this week with her daughter, Mrs. B. D. Taylor at Springtown. Mrs. Taylor had surgery Friday at Harris Hospital in Fort Worth. Mrs. Dittmore will also visit her son and family, the H. C. Schooleys, at Fort Worth.



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