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Steers Finish Good Season



MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED
—Kathy Prince and Rudy Gloria have been selected as Most Likely to succeed among students at RLHS. Kathi is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hays Prince and Rudy is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Gloria. Kathi has served as class reporter her junior and senior years. She is parliamentarian of the Student Council this year. She is a three year



member of FHA and a two year member of FTA. She has run track one year, played basketball three years and tennis one year. She was UIL solo accompanist as a freshman and participated in UIL typing one year. Rudy's accomplishments were listed in the Feb. 1 edition of the Observer when he was recognized as Mr. Citizenship, so they will not be listed again this week.

Mandy Harmon Presented DAR Citizenship Award

Mandy J. Harmon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Harmon, has been selected to receive the DAR Good Citizenship Award for Robert Lee High School for this year. Selection were made by the school faculty.

She and her mother attended the George Washington Tea Tuesday afternoon in the Crystal Room of the Cactus Hotel in San Angelo. The affair honored girls from area schools who received the honor. The tea was sponsored by the Pocahontas Chapter of Daughters of the American Revolution.

Girls are chosen for the Good Citizenship Award on the basis of dependability, leadership, service and citizenship. The girls were presented pins and certificates. A college scholarship will be given to the top contestants in the state.

Miss Harmon also recently received word that she has been named Robert Lee High School's 1973 Betty Crocker Homemaker of Tomorrow. She was chosen on the basis of scores in written knowledge and attitude examination administered last December.

She will receive a specially designed award from General Mills, sponsor of the contest, and is eligible for state and national honors. State winner will receive a \$1,500 scholarship and runnerup will receive a \$500 scholarship. State winners will move on to national competition where the top four will receive scholarships worth \$5,000, \$4,000, \$3,000 and \$2,000.

The 1973 Steer basketball team finished the season Tuesday night when they went to Menard and downed the Yellowjackets 75-58.

Last Friday night the boys went to Sonora and were downed 63-58 after an overtime period. Bobby Mumford was high man for the locals with 24; Bill Rowoldt had 10; Johnny Wolfe 7; Harvey Wink 7; Wibby Millican 6; Rudy Abalos 4.

In the game with Menard it



Mandy Harmon

RL Steer Band To Give Concert

Band Director Douglas Fry will present the Robert Lee Steer Band in concert Sunday at 3 p.m. in the school auditorium. A varied program will be given and the public is invited to attend. There will be no admission charge.

BOB FIELDS SELLS COKE COUNTY BUTANE CO. TO J. R. THOMPSONS

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Thompson of Blackwell have purchased Coke County Butane from Mr. and Mrs. Bob Fields and have taken over the operation of the business. The Thompsons will operate the business under the name of Richards Butane Co., since they already operate at Blackwell and San Angelo under that name.

The Thompsons, who are long time operators of an LP gas business, have rented a house at 122 West 11th for an office. They will maintain office hours from 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. until school is out, then they plan to move to Robert Lee. Until then they invite collect phone calls to their place in Blackwell from those who need gas service.

They are parents of six children, three married sons, a daughter who lives in Dallas, a single son of the home and James Earl, who is a senior in Blackwell High School.

Both the Fields and Thompsons are running an ad in this week's

Football Banquet Set for Saturday

Annual football banquet honoring the Robert Lee Steers will be held Saturday night in the school cafeteria. The affair will begin at 7 p.m.

Guest speaker for the occasion will be Coach Wade Turner, who is an assistant to Coach Grant Teaff, at Baylor University in Waco.

Tickets are on sale in the office of the high school principal or may be obtained from any of the RLHS cheerleaders.

Everybody in the community is invited to attend the banquet

Observer. The Fields noted that they felt they should sell the business since he has assumed duties as commissioner of precinct 1 and expressed their thanks for the good business they have had over the years. The Thompsons expressed their desire to continue to be of service to all the firm's customers.

Water Project Discussed; Doctor to Decide Soon

The county wide water district which has been under consideration the past few weeks was the main topic for discussion at Tuesday's meeting of the BCD. County Judge W. W. Thetford discussed the matter at some length.

Commissioners' Court met Monday with Bill Fox, San Angelo engineer, and discussed the feasibility of a project which would insure a plentiful water supply for Robert Lee and Bronte, as well as for a large number of residents in rural areas.

Judge Thetford said a project of this scope would be a tremendous undertaking and would require the complete cooperation of Robert Lee and Bronte and everyone else in the county.

Thetford said a lot of interest has been shown in the proposal and he felt it should be explored more fully. He added that if such a project should be feasible, it would be the county's place to act as sponsor in the creation of

some type of water district.

Gerald C. Allen said that in his work with the UCRA he found having an organized board to go to Austin and do the leg work was very helpful in promoting any kind of water project. He added that a project of this kind probably would have to be approved by several state boards.

Allen said there are several ways a project of this kind could be financed, including issuance of long term revenue bonds and through the UCRA. Allen also reported that an engineer has finished a survey on the cost of getting water from Lake Spence to the Robert Lee treatment plant. He said he felt the laying of this line is something that needs to be done right away.

The Robert Lee banker also noted that he believed lack of available water is the principal holdup in development of Murphy & Rochester's Lakeside Estates. Mayor Wade White of Winters

was at the meeting and commented on how a water district was created in Runnels County to provide treated water for some 500 rural customers.

Reports on Doctor

Victor Wojtek, president of the board of directors of West Coke County Hospital District, reported that he had talked on the telephone with the Doctor Fisher who was here recently checking on hospital and community facilities, with the idea of setting up a practice. He said the doctor told him that he and his family were well impressed with Robert Lee. The doctor told Wojtek that he planned to make up his mind this week-end whether to settle in Robert Lee or one of two other small towns he is considering.

President Roy Ford presided at the meeting with 17 members present. Mayor White was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Adams.

was Rowoldt for scoring honors with 22; Mumford 12; Millican 12; Wolfe 8; Abalos 6; Wink 5; David Beaty 4; Darrel Copeland 3; Jerry Wojtek 2; Lyn Sockwell 1.

Third in District

The Steers finished the season with a third place standing in district play. Wall won the pennant and Sonora was in second place.

Season record for the Steers was 19 wins with only six losses. District record was eight wins with four losses.

B Team Split

The junior varsity team won one and lost one during the past week.

They sneaked by Sonora last Friday night 57-55 after two overtimes. Craig Bessent was high man with 13; Cliff Cole and Doug Herford were right behind him with 12 each; Jesse Eads 7; Bobby Large 4; Ardie Brasuel 4; Carl Bagwell 3; Manuel Abalos 2.

The JV team let Menard outdo them Tuesday night 37-34. Herford was high with 10; Lyn Sockwell 8; Bagwell 5; Cole 4; Don Sparks 4; Abalos 2; Bessent 1.

Freshmen Win

RLHS freshmen went to Colorado City Monday night and had to play two overtimes before they could come home with a 56-52 win. James Beaty was the big gun with 20; Poly Abalos was just about as big with 19; Kyle Long 9; Walter Flowers 3; Mike Percifull 2; George Abalos 2.

Lions, 4-H'ers Plan Pancake Supper

Robert Lee-Silver Lions Club and Coke County 4-H Club will sponsor their annual Pancake Supper and Talent Show Friday evening March 2.

Pancakes will be served in the Robert Lee School cafeteria from 5 to 8 p.m. Tickets will be available at the door. Admission price will be \$1 for adults and 75 cents for students. Those attending the big feed will enjoy a delicious meal of hot buttered pancakes with syrup, bacon, coffee and milk, according to Lion and 4-H leaders. They said everyone is invited to attend the supper and show.

The talent show and special entertainment will be held in the auditorium, starting at 6 p.m.

Sponsors need more talent for the show. Anyone who is interested or knows of any person or group who would appear is asked to contact Louis Thornton at Bronte or Douglas Fry, Add Davis, Mrs. Faye Roe or Sterling Lindsey as soon as possible.

Proceeds from the event will be used for community projects by both the Lions and 4-H Clubs.

JUNIOR HIGH TEAMS IN STERLING TOURNAMENT

Robert Lee junior high basketball teams will participate in a tournament at Sterling City this weekend.

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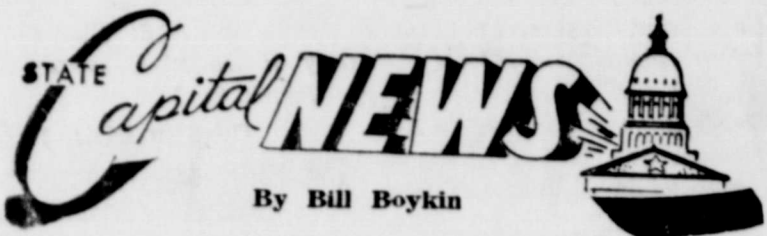
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Austin — First formal step toward rewriting the patchwork 1876 Texas Constitution was finally approved by the Legislature and Gov. Dolph Briscoe late last week.

Briscoe lost no time in signing into law legislation authorizing appointment of a 37 member Constitution Revision Commission when both houses finally agreed on terms.

The Commission, which will study the constitution and make recommendations to the legislature when it convenes as a constitutional convention next year, will go to work within 14 days after it is named. It has only until Nov. 1 to complete its hearings, study and report to lawmakers.

Under the legislation, Briscoe

will serve as chairman of the six member selection committee to pick the study commission. Other selection committee members are Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby, Atty. Gen. John Hill, House Speaker Price Daniel Jr., Supreme Court Chief Justice Joe Greenhill and Court of Criminal Appeals Presiding Judge John Onion Jr.

Legislators served notice they want the Commission to be fairly and equitably representative of sexes, ethnic, social and economic groups and geographic regions.

Recommendations for membership already are pouring in from interest groups.

A majority of the House (76 members minimum) and Senate (at least 16) could reject the selection committee's choices of a commission slate.

A controversial provision of the legislation permits the selection panel to meet in secret (by majority vote) to consider its appointments—after first holding an open session and later meeting publicly for final, formal action.

SHIELD, LOBBY BILLS ADVANCE — The proposed "free flow of information law" to protect newsmen from forced disclosure of their confidential sources of information to investigative bodies has passed the House with only a handful of dissenting votes.

At the same time, the House passed (with just 25 dissenting votes) a tough lobby control bill. Both measures are part of the reform package of Speaker Daniel who also backed amendments to the open meetings law and a measure to ease access to governmental documents in the public interest.

Sponsors of the shield law fought off five amendments to

weaken protection against source disclosure.

The lobby control act, to be administered by a 12-member ethics commission, would require reports of lobbyists' activities, including gifts or loans of more than \$50 in any month of a legislative session to legislators.

Both measures now advance to the Senate, where a somewhat less enthusiastic reception is anticipated.

TEEN-AGERS ON JURIES — Under legislation approved by the House without debate, 18 year olds can serve on all juries.

Representatives further passed a bill to extend until 1975-76 the deadline for school districts to go on the quarter basis.

Another bill advanced by the House to the Senate would make the school district fiscal year conform with the July 1-June 30 federal fiscal year timetable.

AG OPINIONS — Atty. Gen. John Hill advised Governor Briscoe the state cannot intervene to prevent abortion during the first three months of pregnancy. Only during the last three months of pregnancy is state regulation possible under a Jan. 23 U. S. Supreme Court decision, Hill wrote.

In another recent opinion, the Attorney General held that requirements for membership on the Texas Board of Examiners in the Fitting and Dispensing of Hearing Aids include a provision that one member be a licensed physician or surgeon specializing in otolaryngology and another be a trained audiologist—both actively practicing.

AIR'S CLEANER NOW — According to the Texas Air Control Board, air pollution has abated a bit.

Samplings over a two year period indicated a slight improvement, a board report maintained.

The board further claimed its program of permitting polluters additional time to clean up the messes they make has been successful in obtaining voluntary compliance with standards.

APPOINTMENTS — Governor Briscoe recalled Maj. Gen. Thomas S. Bishop as adjutant general. Bishop, who served 1962-1969 when he was replaced by Maj. Gen. Ross Ayers, awaits Senate confirmation as head of the Texas National Guard.

Briscoe also named Joe D. Carter as chairman of the Texas Water Rights Commission. Carter has served on the Commission since 1961. He was executive secretary of the Texas Water Development Board 1958-1961. He succeeds former Sen. Dorsey Hardeman of San Angelo, who served briefly by choice of former Gov. Preston Smith. Hardeman remains on the Commission. TWRC will open a Houston area office soon.

OIL OUTPUT DECLINE SEEN — While Texas oil production was at an all time high last year, it didn't keep pace with energy demands, and a decline is forecast for 1973.

A University of Texas "Business Review" article cites early need for a deepwater port to handle energy imports for nuclear power plants. Dependence on foreign imports, writes UT's Dr. Francis B. May in the article, should be temporary. May also suggests tackling problems of shale oil production, increasing on and offshore drilling and solving environmental disadvantages of coal.

Short Snorts

There were 355 new Texas industrial plant locations last year—just 56 short of the 1969 record.

The U. S. Office of Education cleared nearly \$2.5 million in grants to aid Texas school desegregation efforts.

Attorney General Hill gave his strong backing to a new deceptive practices-consumer remedy act introduced in the House and Senate.

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Sheep Production Declines . . . Stocks of Grains Show Ups and Downs . . . Citrus Planting increases . . . Red Meat Production Reported . . . Three Commodities Above Parity.

Texas sheep numbers continue to decline. A nine per cent drop in numbers of sheep and lambs is reported compared to last year. Sheep and lambs totaled 3,214,000 head. Stock sheep are eight per cent below the previous year. Sheep on feed at 339,000 head were 15 per cent below last year.

The number of sheep farms also declined 500 from last year to now total 14,000.

Nationwide, the downward trend

COKE WOMEN INVITED TO ENTER SA SHOW

Women of Coke County and this entire area are invited to enter crafts and handiwork in the Fortieth Annual Stock Show and Rodeo March 7-11 at the Coliseum on the Fairgrounds in San Angelo.

Ladies who wish to enter the Women's Department of the show may write to the Fortieth Annual Stock Show and Rodeo, P. O. Box 712, San Angelo, for a booklet and entry card. Requests should indicate the number exhibits to be entered and the number of entry cards needed. Entry cards must be in by Feb. 28. Nine divisions are open for entries and rules and instructions are included in the answers to requests for more information. Men are invited to enter their work in any of the divisions.

THOMASON GRADUATES FROM TEXAS UNIVERSITY

James Craig Thomason of Robert Lee is among the approximately 130 seniors who were candidates for bachelor's degrees in the University of Texas School of Communication at the close of the fall semester. Thomason received a Bachelor of Journalism degree. He is the son of Mrs. Jerry Thomason of Robert Lee.

Weekend visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Jones were their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Alton Jones and children of Las Cruces, N. M.

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in sheep production continues. The Jan. 1 inventory of all sheep and lambs at 17,726,000 head declined five per cent during 1972.

STOCKS of wheat, rye and oats in Texas are above a year earlier while stocks of sorghum, corn, barley and soybeans are below last year's levels.

Wheat stocks in the state are estimated at 87,000,000 bushels, compared with 61,000 bushels in 1972.

Grain sorghum stocks at 233,000,000 bushels are down 43,000,000 bushels from a year ago.

Corn stocks at 25,800,000 bushels compares with 28,900,000 bushels a year ago.

Nationwide, stocks of the four feed grains—corn, oats, barley and grain sorghum—are three per cent less than totals of last year.

CITRUS plantings have increased seven per cent above the previous year in the Rio Grande Valley. Licensed citrus nurserymen and private citrus nurserymen in the Valley report 206,000 citrus trees moved from nurseries to groves during the year July 1, 1971, to June 30, 1972.

The totals reflect new plantings in commercial groves. Of the total moved to groves, about 95 per cent were grapefruit.

DECEMBER red meat production in Texas is down nine per cent from the previous month but still 21 per cent above the December 1971 figure. Cattle slaughtered during December totaled 260,000 head, or 47,000 head more than December 1971.

Hog slaughter during December numbered 162,000, which is 14,000 below last month and 32,000 head less than December 1971.

Sheep and lambs killed during December numbered 97,000 head which is 9,000 less than last month but 23,000 more than last year.

ONLY three commodities were above effective parity as of January 15, the Texas Crop and Livestock Reporting Service notes.

Oats, calves and sheep are above parity. Oat prices in Texas averaged \$1.05 per bushel; effective parity is \$1.02 per bushel. Calf prices at \$52.10 per cwt. compared with the parity ratio of \$48.12. Sheep prices at \$13.50 per cwt. are up \$2.30 over parity of \$11.20.

Cotton continues to be in the doldrums at 20 cents per pound average with effective parity at 58.62 cents per pound. Eggs have shown some increase averaging 52 cents per dozen; parity is 56.8 cents per dozen.

Some improvement in weather conditions have helped to speed up final 1972 harvest operations. Cotton harvest for the state is now more than 90 per cent complete.

Wheat continues to recover from recent freezing weather. Oats are also recovering from the cold weather.

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Myrph Havins, a longtime employee of Gandy's Dairies, Inc., has been named general plant supervisor for the San Angelo based dairy, according to Gandy's president John Gandy.

Havins is a native of Robert Lee and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Havins of Midland, formerly of Robert Lee. He is a nephew of Fern and Pat Havins.

The new supervisor will oversee all phases of production and maintenance at Gandy's San Angelo plant, which processes over 35,000 gallons of milk products daily for distribution to 60 West Texas counties. "We are pleased to promote a man of Havins' experience and enthusiasm to a position of such responsibility," Gandy said.

Havins joined Gandy's Dairies as a milk bottler in 1937. After six years, he moved into ice cream production and in 1948 he was named supervisor of Gandy's ice cream plant, a position he has held for 25 years.

Havins, 55, is active in civic and church work in San Antonio. He and his wife, Juanita, have one son and two daughters.

PERSONALS

Virginia Latham has just returned home following a week's visit in San Antonio with Mr. and Mrs. Shelby Wheelus.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton and children spent the weekend visiting Mr. and Mrs. Perry Post at La Verne, Okla.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Bloodworth and children of Silver are spending several days with her parents, the D. C. Todds, at Weatherford. Visiting in the homes of Mrs. E. O. Higgins and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Garvin over the weekend were their children, Mr. and Mrs. John L. Bruton, Paula and Patty of Midland. Sunday guests in the Higgins home were Mrs. Floyd Higgins, Linda and Cindy, and Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Smith, all of San Angelo.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Selzer of Dallas were weekend guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Kinsey, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Clell Varnadore of Fort Smith, Ark., are spending some time here this week visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Varnadore. Mr. Varnadore spent last week in West Coke County Hospital and was released last Friday. He is reported to be improving.

Visiting this weekend in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Robertson were Mr. and Mrs. Ray Aldridge and children of Denver City. Mrs. Aldridge and children remained here for a week's visit in her parents' home.

Thetford to Head Easter Seal Drive

Judge W. W. Thetford will head the 1973 Easter Seal Appeal in Coke County, it was announced by Rodney D. Hargrave of Dallas, president of the Easter Seal Society for Crippled Children and Adults of Texas.

Residents of Coke County will receive the annual Easter Seal Appeal letters in the mail beginning March 1. The Easter Seal Appeal, conducted yearly to provide disabled persons and their families treatment and services will continue through Easter Sunday, April 22.

Judge Thetford is one of 223 men and women throughout Texas who are serving in this capacity. The cost of the statewide Easter Seal program is over one million dollars, financed mainly by the Easter Seal Appeal. Almost 90 per cent of all funds raised by the Easter Seal Appeal remain in Texas to support the growing needs of the disabled in the state.

Special emphasis is being given in the 1973 Easter Seal Appeal to disabled citizens in Coke County who may need assistance and not know where to obtain it. Any disabled person can contact Judge Thetford at the courthouse in Robert Lee, who will provide the request form for a determination of the extent and type of assistance needed and the most efficient way of obtaining that assistance. Arrangements for qualified treatment or service will be made by the Easter Seal Society.

Lunchroom Menu

Monday, Feb. 19: Hamburger patties and gravy, creamed potatoes, green beans, hot rolls and butter, milk and jelly.

Tuesday, Feb. 20: Chicken salad sandwiches, vegetable soup, lettuce wedge, milk, potato chips and banana pudding.

Wednesday, Feb. 21: Tamales and chili, buttered rice, fruit Jello, hot rolls and butter, milk and pineapple upside-down cake.

Thursday, Feb. 22: Corn dogs, pinto beans, mixed greens, corn bread and butter, milk and cherry cobbler.

Friday, Feb. 23: Barbecue chicken, scalloped potatoes, combination salad, hot rolls and butter, milk and peanut butter supreme.

Wilson Carwile of San Angelo visited here over the weekend with his mother, Mrs. Fannie Carwile, who is a patient at West Coke Nursing Home, and with Effie and Henry Carwile at Sanco.

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By MRS. FAY C. ROE

Blender "Works" for Baby
 Blenders go to work for babies when the homemaker finds she saves money by making baby food at home.

For example, four jar (almost eight ounces each) were made from a No. 2½ can of sliced, water pack peaches costing 39 cents. So cost for each ounce of home-made baby food was about 1.3 cents.

A jar of commercially prepared "baby" peaches costs 16 cents for almost five ounces. So each ounce costs 3.4 cents.

Homemakers also can prepare blender baby food from the family table, using foods that don't have much salt, spices, sugar, seasonings or strong flavors.

After preparing food in the blender, one homemaker fills clean plastic ice cube trays with blended meat and vegetable leftovers. She wraps the filled trays in airtight freezer wrap, then freezes them. At mealtime, she thaws just enough cubes for the baby's meal.

Another money saving idea is to buy canned or frozen vegetables especially for baby food. Cook in a small amount of water until just tender. Then use the cooking water in the blender with the vegetables—so vitamins that went from vegetables into the water will be saved.

Use canned or frozen fruits packed without sugar, such as water pack.

One more advantage of blender preparation is that just the right consistency can be achieved. As a young child grows and can handle food less smooth, decrease blending speed or time. This helps the homemaker make food that meets the child's needs.

RECOVERING FROM SURGERY

Ernest Jones was released Saturday from St. John's Hospital. He is reported to be recovering nicely at his home from major surgery he had week before last.

Hospital News

Feb. 6: Jim Robertson, Helen Fowler, Janis Fowler dismissed.

Feb. 7: Ouida Scott admitted.

Feb. 8: No admissions, no dismissals.

Feb. 9: Foy Askins admitted. Ouida Scott, Henry Varnadore dismissed.

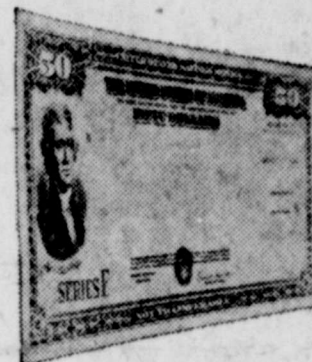
Feb. 10: Allie Childress, Mrs. Bryan Gartman, Mrs. Gerald Brasuel admitted.

Feb. 11: Jim Robertson, Ralph Hickman admitted. Foy Askins, Mrs. Gerald Brasuel, Ralph Hickman dismissed.

Feb. 12: No admissions, no dismissals.

Tuesday morning there were three patient in the hospital and 27 in the nursing home.

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PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Palmer of Robert Lee and Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Palmer of San Angelo visited during the weekend with another brother, John Palmer, in Root Memorial Hospital at Colorado City. He was transferred later to the Veterans Hospital at Big Spring. While they were getting him settled in the Veterans Hospital they visited with a sister and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Brooks, who are residents of Mountain View Lodge and Nursing Home.

Mrs. A. R. Palmer fell Monday at her home and broke her arm. She was admitted to Shannon Hospital in San Angelo Monday night.

Visiting Mrs. Ruth Denman over the weekend were her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Denman and Barbara of Baird.

Mrs. Alma Varnadore left Monday to visit her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Franklin at Abilene, and will go from there to Garland and visit several days with her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Varnadore.

Spending some time here last week were Mr. and Mrs. Burt Robertson and family and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Sealer and children, all of Lubbock; Mrs. Roy Clark of Nashville, Tenn., and Mr. and Mrs. Otis Robertson and family of San Francisco, Calif. The children and their families came to visit their father, Jim L. Robertson, who has been a patient at West Coke County Hospital.

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Robert Lamar White of Robert Lee was one of 986 student in the six colleges and the graduate school at Texas Tech University who completed work for degrees at the conclusion of the fall semester.

Of that total, 174 were graduate students, 25 qualifying for doctorates and 149 for masters degrees.

Because no formal graduation exercises at the conclusion of the fall semester, students who qualified for their degrees are invited to participate in the spring commencement. Degree requirements were completed by 812 students at the undergraduate level.

White received a Bachelor of Business Degree with a major in finance.

'64 STUDY CLUB HAS PROGRAM ON LAW

The '64 Study Club met Tuesday night in the home of Mrs. Delbert Walling. Co-hostesses were Mrs. Hays Prince and Mrs. Wilson Bryan.

The program was given by Highway Patrolman Bobby Hart of Bronte who spoke on "The Law and You."

This program was scheduled two weeks ago but was postponed due to inclement weather.

if it is now determined, as a national policy, that draft dodging and desertion are to be condoned and forgiven?

Moreover, under our system of government no individual has the right to decide which laws or which wars he chooses to support. If he is in fact a genuine conscientious objector that person is not required to fight.

The issue is clear: It's a criminal offense under our law not to answer a draft call. It's a criminal offense to desert. Those who violate such laws must be held fully accountable for their deeds.

That procedure is in accord with the cherished American system of justice. There can be no valid reason why deserters and draft dodgers should be treated differently from any others who violate the laws of our land.

If fugitives from American justice do not like our laws, let them remain in other countries where the laws are more to their liking.

Our Newsletter

By Congressman O. C. Fisher

Demands for amnesty for draft dodgers and deserters are again being heard, but prospects for forgiveness appear remote.

That is as it should be. It is estimated that as many as 70,000 Americans—perhaps more—chose to evade the laws of their country and obtain a safe haven while others served and fought, and many died.

It must be kept in mind that while the slackers were turning their backs on their own country, some three million young Americans answered the call and loyally did their duty.

It would be manifestly unfair to those who fought to forgive those who refused. Moreover, how could the United States ever field an army of draftees in the future

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By H. IVEY



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1. The area over, or in which, equipment may be operated shall include the counties of Lynn, Garza, Kent, Dawson, Borden, Scurry, Fisher, Martin, Howard, Mitchell, Nolan, Glasscock, Sterling and Coke.

2. The target area, within which the precipitation is intended to be enhanced can be described as follows:

The boundary may be described by a line beginning at a point of origin at Big Spring, Texas, and running along Highway 87 in a northwesterly direction to Lamesa, thence north-northeast on Highway 87 to the north border of Dawson County, thence east along the north border of Dawson, Borden, and Scurry Counties to Highway 84; thence southeast along Highway 84 to Roscoe, in Nolan County; thence south-southeast to Marynetal; thence southwest to Silver in Coke County; thence south-southwest to Highway 87 at a point approximately 13 miles northwest of Sterling City; thence northwesterly along Highway 87 to the point of origin at Big Spring, Texas.

3. The equipment, materials and methods to be used in conducting the operation within this area of approximately 3500 sq. miles include a 3cm radar system, cloud seeding aircraft, and the application of silver iodide ice nuclei, hygroscopic nuclei or other nuclei considered appropriate to the artificial nucleation of clouds on weather systems.

4. The program will be operational during the period from April 15, 1973, through October 15, 1973.

5. Any persons who feel they may be affected in some adverse way by this program may file a formal complaint to the Texas Water Development Board, P. O. Box 12386, Austin, Texas 78711. Signed:

THOMAS J. HENDERSON
President
Atmospherics Incorporated

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Sealed proposals for constructing 0.151 miles of Widen Bridge & Approaches Oak Creek Bridge, 1.5 Miles SW of Runnels Co. Line on Highway No. US 277, covered by C 407-1-13 in Coke County, will be received at the Highway Department, Austin, until 9:00 A.M., February 21, 1973, and then publicly opened and read.

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