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Annual Banquet Is Tuesday

Gen Tel Hikes RL Phone Rates

New telephone rates for Robert Lee customers were approved by the Robert Lee city council and will become effective with the May 16 telephone bills, according to Jack Goss, San Angelo division manager.

Deadline Nears On License Tags

The deadline for purchasing new 1973 license tags is approaching and will be here Saturday, March 31. The law provides that all vehicles must have the new tags by Monday morning, April 2.

County Tax Assessor-Collector O. B. Jacobs announced Monday that his office will stay open Saturday so the new tags will be available on the last day of the month.

Jacobs said he expected to sell a lot of the new tags this week, since quite a number of Coke County residents had not purchased them as of Monday.

The new tags are made up of black lettering on a reflecting white background.

Jacobs asked all license plate buyers to bring the three part application they received through the mail. If no application was received, purchasers should take their titles and last year's receipts.

KATHY DENMAN POST TO GET PHI BETA KAPPA KEY

Phi Beta Kappa spring initiates were announced this week at the University of Oklahoma. Among the 114 selected to receive Phi Beta Kappa keys is Edna Kathleen Denman Post, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Denman of Snyder, formerly of Robert Lee.

Phi Beta Kappa is a national honorary society composed of the upper 10 per cent of the graduating seniors in the College of Arts and Sciences. Selection is based on scholarship. The new members will be initiated at the annual spring banquet Monday, April 30.

Mrs. Post is a graduate of Robert Lee High School.

FEBRUARY BOND SALES IN COKE REACH \$4,273

According to Gerald C. Allen, chairman of the Coke County Savings Bond Committee, February sales of Series E and H United States Savings Bonds totaled \$4,273 while sales for the two month period were \$5,602 for 19 per cent of the 1973 sales goal of \$30,000.

Texas sales during the month amounted to \$21,221,162 compared to \$19,273,003 during February 1972—an increase of 10 per cent. Sales for the first two months totaled \$45,148,051 for 21 per cent of the yearly sales goal of \$216.6 million.

The last rate increase in Robert Lee was June 21, 1962. The rate of return on invested capital on present rates is 4.42 per cent, Goss said, and the new rates will raise the earnings to 6 per cent.

The new rates for Robert Lee, without tax, are:

Business One Party	\$16.00
Business Extension	1.75
Residence One Party	6.80
Residence Two Party	5.80
Residence Extension	1.25
Multiparty Business	14.50
Multiparty Residence	5.80
Semi Public	16.00

"It is our sincere desire to continue to provide Robert Lee customers with the most modern and dependable telephone service available," Goss stated, "and with an adequate return on the company's investment this goal is attainable."

DAVID L. ROE PROMOTED TO SERGEANT BY AF

David L. Roe, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Roe of Robert Lee has been promoted to sergeant in the U. S. Air Force.

Sergeant Roe, an administrative specialist at Dyess AFB, serves with a unit of the Strategic Air Command, America's nuclear deterrent force of long range bombers and intercontinental ballistic missiles.

The sergeant, a 1969 graduate of Robert Lee High School, attended Angelo State University.



Billy R. Reagan

Hagel Rites Held At Fredericksburg

Services for Clemens Alexander Hagel, 71, were held Monday at 10:45 a.m. in Schaeffer Funeral Home Chapel and at 11 a.m. in St. Mary's Catholic Church in Fredericksburg with burial in St. Mary's Cemetery.

Mr. Hagel died at 8:20 p.m. Friday in St. John's Hospital in San Angelo.

He was born Feb. 11, 1902, in Meyersville and moved to Coke County in 1970. He was married to Mrs. Willie Trimble Dec. 19, 1970, in Robert Lee. Mr. Hagel was a welder and a Catholic.

Survivors include his wife of Robert Lee; a daughter, Mrs. Constance Krauskotf of Fredericksburg; a step-daughter, Mrs. Ray Murrell of Big Lake; a brother, George M. Hagel of San Antonio; two sisters, Mrs. Frank H. Walker of Ardmore, Okla., and Mrs. Max Garcia of California; and two grandchildren.

Billy R. Reagan will be the speaker for the Annual BCD-Robert Lee-Silver Lions Club Banquet, April 3, at 7 p.m. in the school cafeteria. Tickets may be purchased from any member of the BCD or Lions Club.

Special attention is called to the April 3 (Tuesday) date, since last week it was announced the banquet would be held April 6.

Funeral Held for Mrs. Thomason

Funeral services were held for Mrs. E. A. (Velma) Thomason, 73, at 3 p.m. Tuesday in the First United Methodist Church with burial in Robert Lee Cemetery under direction of Newby Funeral Home. Pastor of the church, the Rev. A. A. Kendall, officiated.

Mrs. Thomason died at 8:20 a.m. Monday in West Coke County Nursing Home following a long illness.

She was born Nov. 12, 1899, in Smith County and came to Coke County in 1904 with her parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Yarbrough, and lived here the rest of her life. She was married to Ned Thomason Dec. 13, 1919, in Robert Lee. He died March 2, 1969.

She was a member of the First United Methodist Church.

Survivors include a brother, Elmo Yarbrough of Troupe; a sister, Mrs. Frank (Naomi) Meixner of Junction; a daughter-in-law, Mrs. Jerry Thomason of Robert Lee; three grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Pallbearers were Hays Prince, Carlton Fields, Freddie Fields, Maurice Yarbrough, Curtis Yarbrough, Gary Sam Williams, Sherman Williams and Arthur Runion.

Improvements Planned In Spence Park Areas

A great deal of work is underway or being planned in the development of recreation areas at Lake Spence. BCD President Roy Ford told of a tour which he and Cumbie Ivey Jr. took with O. C. Ivie, general manager of the Colorado River Municipal Water District. Some work already is in progress and more is scheduled in the next 30 to 60 days.

The boat ramp at Y. J.'s Marina is being widened and extended this week and work has been started on improvement of the park area in that vicinity. It is designated as Park Area 1.

Park Area 2 is Wildcat Creek. Plans call for benches and tables to be built soon. Also shelters will be built on skids so they can be moved as the lake fills. Concrete is being poured there this week for boat ramps.

Park Area 3 in the plans for recreational facilities is located on

the north side of the lake just below the Marvin Simpson ranch home.

Park Area 4 is located near the Humble Pump Station, also on the north side of the lake. Materials for benches, tables, shelters, etc., have been purchased for Areas 3 and 4 and work will get started soon.

Park Area 5 is on Pecan Creek on the far southwest side of the lake. It will be some time before development will start there due to the necessity for obtaining easements and right-of-way through private property.

Coke County has been contacted and requested to cooperate in building roads around the recreational areas and to help in other ways in developing the facilities.

It was brought out that there has been some misunderstanding about lake permits. No permit is required for picnicking, swimming

and camping. A permit is required for fishing, boating and all water sports.

Ford said the next 30 days will show a big improvement in the development around the lake.

Supt. Jimmy Bickley announced that final plans and preparation for the Spring Banquet have been completed and it will be held Tuesday, April 3, at 7:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria. More details will be found in another story in this week's Observer.

A motion carried not to have the regular BCD meeting next week because of the banquet.

Ford presided at the meeting and 10 members were present. Also present was one sustaining member, Cumbie Ivey Sr.; also two guests, Darwin Worlip, who came with Jack Mathews, and Ned Lane, owner of Old Edith Store, who was a guest of Ford.

Reagan's present position is executive vice president, Management Services Associates, Inc., of Austin. Some of his previous positions were: executive vice president, American Institute for Character Education, San Antonio; regional commissioner, U. S. Office of Education, Department of Health, Education and Welfare, Kansas City, Mo.; superintendent of schools, North East Independent School District, San Antonio, director of curriculum and elementary and secondary teacher in Austin Independent School District, San Antonio.

Reagan has a Masters Degree in education from the University of Texas and is a member of many professional and civic organizations. He graduated magna cum laude from UT.

A meal of ham, sausage, vegetables, salad and desserts has been planned.

Everyone is invited to attend this community event for a good meal and a good program.

Steers Take Third At Track Meet

The Robert Lee Steer track team gathered up 64 points to take third place in the track meet held here Saturday. Sonora dominated the meet and made 123 points. Wall came in second with 65, one point more than the Steers made.

The local lads took fourth place in the 440 yard relay with a time of 46.2. The mile relay team was second with a time of 3:40.3.

First places were taken by Harvey Wink in the mile run with a time of 4:50.0, and by Johnny Wolfe, who cleared the high jump bar at 5 feet 10 inches.

Other events in which the local boys placed were:

120 yard high hurdles, Johnny Wolfe, 2nd, 17.7; 440 yard dash, Lyn Sockwell, 2nd, 53.2; 220 yard dash, Rudy Abalos, 4th, 24.5.

Schools entered and their points were: 1. Sonora 123; 2. Wall 65; 3. Robert Lee 64; 4. Lorraine 38; 5. Eldorado 37; 6. Jim Ned 33; 7. Ira 26; 8. Roby 20; 9. Paint Rock 19; 10. Christoval 18; 11. Sterling City 14; 12. Bronte 11; 13. Hobbs 8; 14. Forsan 8.

Messingers to Sing At Baptist Church

The Messingers, a youth singing group of the Robert Lee Baptist Church, will present music for the morning worship service Sunday, April 1. The group, composed of 25 to 30 junior high and high school age young people, is directed by Ronnie Ruff, the church music leader.

Two weeks ago they presented the music at a service at the local Bethel Baptist Mission, and last Sunday they traveled to Zephyr to share their testimony in song.

The church cordially invites the public to hear these young people at 11 o'clock Sunday morning.



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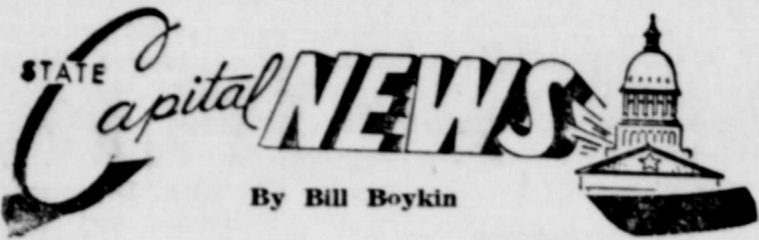
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Austin — A widely publicized ruling of the U. S. Supreme Court relaxed pressure on the Texas Legislature to overhaul school finance laws and the property tax system.

Predictions are the major revisions will be undertaken in special session—if they are undertaken at all before the 1975 regular legislative meeting.

The High Court, reversing a San Antonio three-judge federal court ruling of December 1971 upheld property tax financing of local schools and concluded education is not a right assured by the Constitution. The lower court had invalidated the Texas system of financing schools on grounds it varied quality of education from district to district rather than fixing it on the basis of state wealth.

Gov. Dolph Briscoe and Atty. Gen. John Hill emphasized that inequities must still be abolished in public school finance. House Speaker Price Daniel Jr. and others agreed the heat on the Legislature to "act now" has been turned down several degrees.

Bills are pending in both Houses backed by Texas Board of Education and Texas State Teachers Association to revamp finance formulas.

The bills are slated for House Education Committee hearing April 4 at 6 p.m.

Under the Board of Education bill, the state would assume virtually all basic education program cost over a five year period.

TSTA's proposal calls for local districts to pay 30 per cent (instead of the present 20 per cent) of program costs and would require the local school districts to meet state standards for assessing property and setting tax rates.

With the heat off, legislators aren't expected to rush into anything so far reaching and controversial as school finance.

ALTERED PRESS BILL ADVANCE — Weakened versions of open meetings and newsmen's privilege (called the "free flow of information bill") measures moved forward last week.

HB 3—the open meetings bill—advanced to the Senate calendar with Jurisprudence Committee approval in a form criticized by the Texas Joint Media Committee and Common Cause.

Amendments to the measure are being prepared to tighten the sections on real estate transactions and attorney-public body meetings. These amendments should make the bill more acceptable to the Senate, media groups, House sponsors and other supporters of public access to information.

The "free flow of information"

bill, HB 10, to protect sources of information from forced disclosure was due for Jurisprudence Committee consideration after winning sub-committee approval.

Critics noted that an amendment to the open meetings bill permitting closed deliberations on "negotiated contracts" and real estate sales cover a lot of territory never contemplated in the original House bill.

The shield law as it cleared sub-committee on a 4-0 vote would permit the State Supreme Court to order source and information disclosure if it can be obtained by no other means and if withholding it would cause or threaten "substantial cause or injury, endanger public health and welfare or cause substantial injustice."

Spokesmen for the Texas Joint Media Committee said this was a "qualified" privilege, but better than the present common law which gives no privilege at all.

REFORM BILL KILLED — Senators crushed one of House Speaker Daniel's top reform measures—to limit powers of spending and taxing conference committees by statute—on a 10-21 vote.

Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby and ranking senate members maintained the conference limitation is best handled by legislative rules, and senators approved joint rules containing the recommended controls.

However, Daniel claimed failure of the bill (HB 5) dealt pocket-books of the people a stunning blow. He said millions of dollars are written into appropriation bills at every session not approved in original House and Senate budget measures.

Senators opposing the bill argued it would open the door to a myriad of nuisance lawsuits challenging tax and budget bills.

COURTS SPEAK — The U. S. Supreme Court held for Texas in a long standing lawsuit over boundaries of the Sabine River between Texas and Louisiana. The Court ruling that the boundary is the middle of the river means millions of dollars to the state and the cities of Port Arthur and Orange in oil lease revenues.

Short Snorts

Saturday is the deadline for getting your 1973 car license plates. New tags must be displayed by Monday, April 2.

The Senate approved submission of a proposed constitutional amendment to provide for annual legislative sessions and \$15,000 a year pay for lawmakers.

A comparative negligence bill permitting damage suit awards

on the basis of partial fault received Senate approval and was returned to the House. House members approved a

modified version of Speaker Daniel's bill to limit speakers from succeeding themselves except in event of a genuine draft.

The new State Democratic Executive Committee will hold its first full scale meeting in Fort Worth March 31.

Saturday, March 31

IS THE DEADLINE FOR BUYING

1973 License Plates

Your tax office in the courthouse will be open Saturday, March 31, to accommodate those who wish to buy 1973 license plates. Please bring the 3-part form you received in the mail. If you have not received your application in the mail, bring your title and last year's receipt.

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John C. White, Commissioner

Which Way for Rural Texas?... las, Fort Worth, Houston and San Antonio areas.

Cattle on Feed... Citrus Production Increases... Milk Production Declines.

Plans to improve job opportunities, community services, and the social and physical environment in rural Texas has been detailed by the Texas Rural Development Commission. The commission is a joint effort of the governor's office and the Texas Department of Agriculture.

The five point program to revive rural Texas as outlined by the commission is as follows:

1. Give people a choice of where they live by providing attractive employment opportunities, adequate community facilities and services (including health, housing, transportation, and public protection), and a more attractive living environment in rural areas which will create a better balance in the distribution of population.
2. Attract new industries and develop existing industries in rural areas.
3. Provide relevant educational opportunities for rural residents.
4. Provide for the orderly development and protection of the natural environment in rural areas.
5. Maintain a profitable agricultural industry as a major element of the rural economy.

The commission also recommended the establishment of a committee on rural development in each house of the Texas Legislature.

About 20 per cent of the state's population now lives in rural Texas. This is more than 2,250,000 people. Texas' rural population is more than the combined populations of five states - Alaska, Delaware, Nevada, Vermont and Wyoming.

The commission is composed of 25 civic leaders from throughout the state. It notes that 85 per cent of the state's growth between 1960 and 1970 occurred in the Dal-

... Antonio areas.

The rapid growth in metropolitan areas and the decline in rural areas has created an imbalance in the distribution and the quality of life.

TEXAS, naturally, retains, its leadership as the nation's top beef cattle feeding state. There are 2,184,000 head of cattle and calves on feed for slaughter in Texas as of March 1. This is 18 per cent above a year ago, but one per cent below a month ago.

Placements into Texas feedlots during February totaled 341,000 head, which is 13 per cent above February of last year but four per cent below marketings for January. Nationwide, in the seven major cattle feeding states—Texas, Arizona, California, Colorado, Iowa, Nebraska and Kansas — there were 9,698,000 head on feed, a four per cent decrease from a month ago, but eight per cent more than a year ago. Iowa is closing in on Texas; it has 2,018,000 head of cattle and calves on feed.

CITRUS production for 1972-73 in Texas is now estimated at 18,100,000 boxes, which is 3,100,000 boxes more than last season's crop. It is also an increase of 900,000 boxes from the Feb. 1 estimate.

Harvest of the crop is expected to improve as weather conditions return to normal. Citrus trees are in excellent condition and fruit continues to size well with the rains.

MILK production in Texas during February was down five per cent below 1972 and 10 per cent below the previous month's production. Nationwide, milk production also showed a decline of four per cent compared to a year ago. Milk production per cow in Texas was 705 pounds which is 40 pounds below a year ago and 75 pounds under a month ago.

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Griffin Pineapple Preserves, 18 oz. jar - 2 for 89c

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TIDE DETERGENT - home laundry size \$2.59

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I. G. CANNED BISCUITS - 3 for 29c

- FRESH PORK CHOPS - - - - lb. 98c
DANKWOROH GERMAN SAUSAGE - ring 83c

- FRESH CARROTS - - - - 1 lb. bag 15c
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Mirror, mirror, on the wall . . . Who's the fairest—M'lady stands poised, ready for the happy answer. It must be she; but then she sees a sagging chin line and turns away in dismay. She dashes to the store in search of sudden beauty and finds, instead, a chin strap made of elastic bands. The strap is designed to pull up and tighten the skin on the lower part of the face, primarily around the chin. Let her husband say what he will, M'lady is certain it will work.

Well . . . maybe, says Today's Health. The effectiveness of the bands depends on how adept one is at applying them, and how much "facelifting" is needed. (Many people require a surgical facelift to achieve significant improvement.)

Facelifting bands are tied around the head and attached at the temples with adhesive tape or glue; some are also anchored to a section of hair at the back of the head. The bands are supposed to be worn during the day, concealed with hair and make-up, or a wig.

While they're not harmful in themselves, facelifting chin straps can contribute to headaches if worn too tightly. But if M'lady

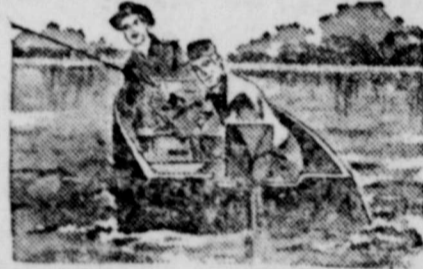
has any doubts, she should insist that someone at her store show her the proper way of applying the bands. And if all goes well, she may still get her happy answer—although she shouldn't expect miracles.

Pilot light peril . . . The pilot light on your stove or heater may be out of sight, but don't let it be out of mind or a serious burn could result. This warning comes from Hollis S. Ingraham, M.D., New York State Health Commissioner, who explains that within a matter of seconds flammable substances such as tile paste, lacquer thinner, natural gas and kerosene, placed even many feet away from a pilot light may vaporize and ignite, causing a flashback.

"If the cleaning fluid or household substance you're using is labeled 'flammable' be sure to keep it away from the pilot light area," says Dr. Ingraham. "If you turn off your pilot light, make sure that it is relighted only after the working area has been well ventilated."

WANT MORE INFORMATION?
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FISHING REPORT from Lake Spence



Activity on Lake Spence was rather light last weekend due to high winds which made the outdoors uncomfortable. Some 300 fishermen were here, it was estimated.

Gordon Schmth of Midland had some nice catches during three days at the lake. He caught 9 black bass up to 4 lbs., 14 oz. one

day and 10 blacks up to 4 lbs. 6 oz. the second day. He and Charlie Stewart of Big Spring boated 12 blacks up to 4 1/2 lbs. the third day.

Others from Midland included: Glenn Jobo and James Hall with 18 blacks up to 4 lbs. Joe and Anne Morris, 18 blacks up to 5 1/4 lbs. W. George, 1 black, 4 lbs. Fred Williams, 25 crappie up to 2 1/2 lbs.

From Odessa were: George Register, 6 blues up to 5 lbs.; 27 crappie up to 2 lbs.; 9 channel cat up to 8 lbs., 3 oz. Bill and Lois Schweger, 4 blacks up to 4 lbs. and 6 crappie. Lee Goolsby and Junior Carraway, 12 blacks up to 4 lbs. Charles Simmons and Ruben Valasquez, 3 blacks up to 5 1/4 lbs. George Griffin, 12 crappie up to 1 1/2 lbs. Jerry Watts, 8 blacks up to 3 1/2 lbs. David Rhoades, 14 channel cat up to 4 lbs. and 4 white bass to 2 lbs.

Russ Shannon of Levelland had a black bass at 4 lbs. 3 oz. D. L. Mayes of Hobbs, N. M., 12 crappie up to 2 1/4 lbs. and 2 black bass to 1 1/4 lbs. Jack Touchstone, Big Spring, 2 black bass up to 4 lbs. Bill Long, Brownfield, 2 blacks up to 4 lbs. M. L. Chandler, Snyder, 38 crappie. Larry Newman, San Angelo, 33 crappie up to 1 1/2 lbs. Deact Dodson, Hobbs, 6 blacks, up to 4 lbs. Howard Henery, Robert Lee, 10 blacks up to 5 lbs.

Mrs. Dean Childress of Mesa, Ariz., had major surgery March 21 in Mesa General Hospital. Sheriff and Mrs. Melvin Childress spent several days last week at Mesa visiting his mother and other relatives. They returned home Monday and reported she is making a good recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. John Palmer of Colorado City were weekend guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Palmer. The group went fishing at Lake Spence.

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BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Mahon of Eagle Lake are parents of a son born March 18. He weighed 7 pounds, 13 ounces and has been named Shane Allen. Grandparents of the new baby are L. B. Mahon of Robert Lee, Mrs. Bobby Mahon of Weimar and Mr. and Mrs. Nick Marcellis of Eagle Lake. Mrs. Eva Mahon of Robert Lee is a great-grandmother.

Patrick Michael was born at 2 p.m. Friday, March 23, in a Lubbock hospital. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Irish and weighed 8 pounds, 5 ounces. Mrs. Irish is the former Rhea Jean McCutchen. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Irish of Abernathy and Mr. and Mrs. Raymond McCutchen of Robert Lee. Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Jim McCutchen of Robert Lee and Mrs. W. F. Olsen of San Angelo.

OAK CREEK BRIDGE TO BE WIDENED

A contract for highway construction in Coke County has been awarded by the Texas Highway Commission. The project is located at Oak Creek in northeast Coke County on U. S. Highway 277. Construction will cover 0.2 mile and will include widening the bridge and approaches.

The contract went to Earl Gargus of Clyde on a low bid of \$125,597.50. W. B. Hoppe of Ballinger is the Highway Department engineer in charge of the project which will take an estimated 100 working days.

Noel W. Gregston Weds Miss Quincie Lee Wright

Miss Quincie Lee Wright and Noel Wayne Gregston were married Sunday, March 25, at 11 a.m. in the home of Mrs. D. D. Therrall in San Angelo.

Mrs. Therrall performed the ceremony.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Gregston are graduates of Robert Lee High School. He is owner and operator of Gregston's Welding Shop. They will make their home in Robert Lee.

PERSONALS

Company in the A. J. Bilbo home during the weekend were his sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Talbott of Mercury.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Wallace of Pecos spent Saturday here visiting Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Wallace and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Boone of Abilene were Friday visitors in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sloan Boone.

Friday guests of Mrs. P. E. Mahon were Mr. and Mrs. J. J. S. Smith of Sweetwater and Rudy Wilkins of Lawton, Okla.

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Tuesday, March 3: Macaroni and cheese, blackeyed peas with snaps, peaches with cottage cheese on lettuce, hot rolls and butter and ice cream.

Wednesday, April 4: Pinto beans with salt pork, French fries, spinach, corn bread and butter, milk and peach cobbler.

Thursday, April 5: Barbecued chicken, carrot and coconut salad, buttered potatoes, hot rolls and butter, milk and strawberry Jello.

Friday, April 6: Hot dogs with chili, cole slaw, buttered corn, potato chips, milk and applesauce cake.

Mrs. Alma Varnadore spent the weekend at Abilene visiting her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Franklin. She returned her grandchildren to their home following their visit with her last week.

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PERSONALS

Visiting here in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Varnadore and other relatives Sunday night were their son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Varnadore of Redondo Beach, Calif.

Bill Walker of Bensonville, Ill., spent last week here visiting his brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Walker and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. James Fields of Abilene were weekend guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Fields and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Green.

Mrs. Curtis Walker returned home last Wednesday following a 14 day stay in Clinic Hospital. She had major surgery two weeks ago. Visitors in the Walker home during the weekend were Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Walker and children of Odessa, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Walker and family and Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Wayne Walker and children, all of San Angelo, Mr. and Mrs. John Palmer of Colorado City, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Palmer of Robert Lee and Bill Walker of Bensonville, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Aldridge and children of Denver City are here spending several days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Robertson.

Weekend guests of Mrs. Ruth Denman were her sisters-in-law, Mrs. Bertia Bennett and Mrs. Roy Denman of Cleburne and Mrs. Lois Boys of Fort Worth.

Recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Zeddie Beal were his brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Roland Beal and Theresa of Coahoma. The Beals were hosts to a birthday supper March 16 honoring their son, Lynn Beal of San Angelo. Other supper guests were Mrs. Lynn Beal, Mr. and Mrs. Willis Wayne Smith and John Hanna of Wall.

Mrs. Josie Tucker of Lutbock visited several days here recently in the home of Mrs. Bertha King.

Mrs. Lillie Gaines returned home Saturday following a two weeks visit with her sons and their families, Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Gaines and Jasper Gaines and children, at Levelland. While she was away Mrs. Gaines, Mrs. Josie Tucker and Mrs. Bertha King drove to Peralta, N. M., and visited several days with Mr. and Mrs. Leonard (Slim) Brooks.

Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jim McCutchen and Mrs. Dottie Childress were Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Blair and D'Linn of Sweetwater.

Visiting here over the weekend with their son, Fred Farr, were Mr. and Mrs. Ray Farr of Eden. They were guests at the Sunday services at Northside Church of Christ.

Mrs. Harvey Reid visited Monday with Effie and Henry Car-wile.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Brooks and Mrs. Leroy Hollinshead of Big Spring and Mrs. Ed Dart of Dallas visited here one day last week in the Curtis Walker and A. R. Palmer homes.

ELECTION ORDER AND NOTICE

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF COKE

On this the 11th day of January, 1973, the Board of Trustees of Robert Lee Independent School District convened in regular session, open to the public, with the following members present, to-wit:

D. J. Walker, Jr., President; J. D. Mumford, Foy Askins, Joe B. Flowers, Bobby Baker, Wilbern Millican, J. C. Wallace, Jr., and the following absent: None, constituting a quorum and among other proceedings had by said Board of Trustees was the following:

WHEREAS, the term of office of J. D. Mumford, Joe B. Flowers, and Bobby Baker, members of the Board of Trustees of this School District, will expire on the first Saturday in April, 1973, said Saturday being April 7, 1973, and on said date a trustee election will be held in said School District.

WHEREAS, it is necessary for this Board to pass an order establishing the procedure for filing for and conducting said trustee election;

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF ROBERT LEE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT:

1. That an election be held in said School District on April 7, 1973, for the purpose of electing to the Board of Trustees of said School District, three trustees.

2. That all requests by candidates to have their names placed upon the ballot for the above mentioned election shall be in writing and signed by the candidate and filed with the secretary of the Board of Trustees at the superintendent's office not later than 30 days prior to the date of said election.

All candidates shall file with said application the loyalty affidavit required by Art. 6.02 of the Election Code.

The Secretary of this Board of Trustees shall post on the bulletin board in the building where the Board of Trustees meets the names of all candidates that have filed their applications in accordance with the terms and provisions of Art. 13.32 of the Election Code.

3. That said election shall be held at the following places, and the following named persons are

hereby appointed officers for said election:

(a) In all election precincts at Robert Lee High School Building, in Robert Lee, Texas, in said School District, with Mrs. Bobby Roberts as Presiding Judge and Mrs. Raymond Bloodworth, Mrs. C. G. Walker, Sr. and Mrs. Freeman Clark, Clerks.

The polls at the above designated polling place shall on election day be open from 8 o'clock a.m. to 7 o'clock p.m.

4. Juanita Trimble is hereby appointed Clerk for absentee voting. The absentee voting for the above designated election shall be held at the School Tax Office within the boundaries of the above named School District and said place of absentee voting shall remain open for at least eight hours on each day for absentee voting which is not a Saturday, a Sunday, or an official State holiday, beginning on the 20th day and continuing through the 4th day preceding the date of said election. Said place of voting shall remain open between the hours of 8:00 and 5:00 on each day for said absentee voting. The above described place for absentee voting is also the absentee Clerk's mailing address to which ballot applications and ballots voted by mail shall be sent.

6. The manner of holding said election shall be governed, as nearly as may be, by the Election Code of this state, and this Board of Trustees will furnish all necessary ballots and other election supplies requisite to said election.

7. Immediately after the votes have been counted, the officers holding said election shall make and deliver the returns of said election and perform all other duties as provided by the Election Code.

8. The Board of Trustees shall give notice of said election, and this combined Election Order and Notice shall serve as Notice for said election. The President of the Board of Trustees is hereby authorized and instructed to post or cause to have posted said combined Election Order and Notice at three public places where notices are customarily posted in this school district, and said posting shall be made at least 20 days before the date of said election.

The President shall also cause a copy of this combined Election Order and Notice to be published

one time in a newspaper of general circulation in the county where this school district is located. Said publication shall be not more than 30 days nor less than 10 days before the date of said election.

9. It is further found and determined that in accordance with the order of the Board of Trustees the Secretary posted written notice of the date, place and subject of this meeting on the bulletin board, located in the administrative office, a place convenient to the public, and said notice having been so posted and remained posted continuously for at least 3 days preceding the date of this meeting.

It is further found and determined that this district is located in Coke County and that written notice of the date, place and subject matter of this meeting was furnished to the County Clerk of each county in which this district is located and that said notices were posted by the County Clerk of each of said counties on the bulletin board at the door of the county courthouse for said county, a place convenient to the public, at least 3 days preceding the date of this meeting. The returns of said posting shall be attached to the minutes of this meeting and shall be a part thereof for all intents and purposes.

The above order being read, it was moved and seconded that the same do pass. Thereupon, the question being called for, the following members of the Board voted AYE: Mumford, Flowers, Askins, Baker, Millican, Wallace; and the following voted NO: None.

D. J. Walker Jr.
Board of Trustees
President,

ATTEST:
John D. Mumford
Secretary,
Board of Trustees

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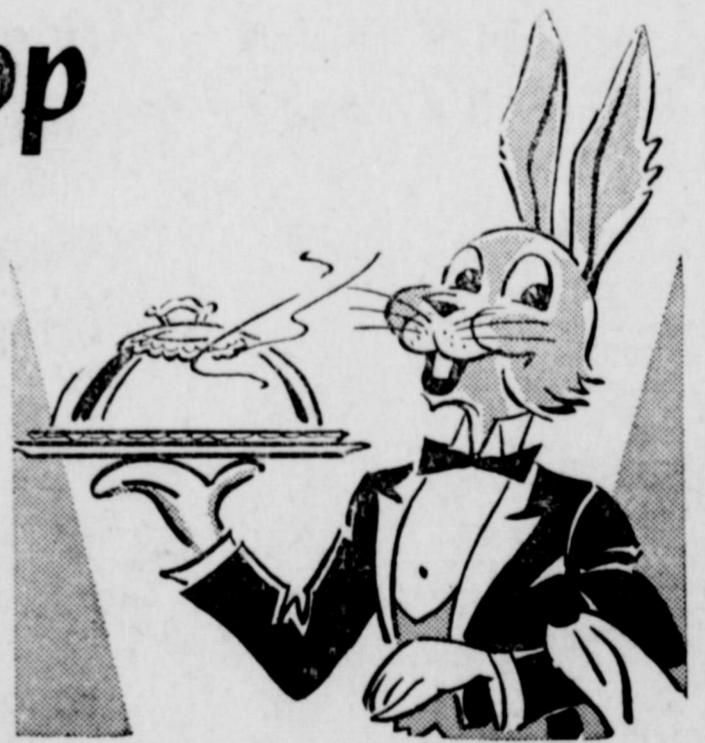
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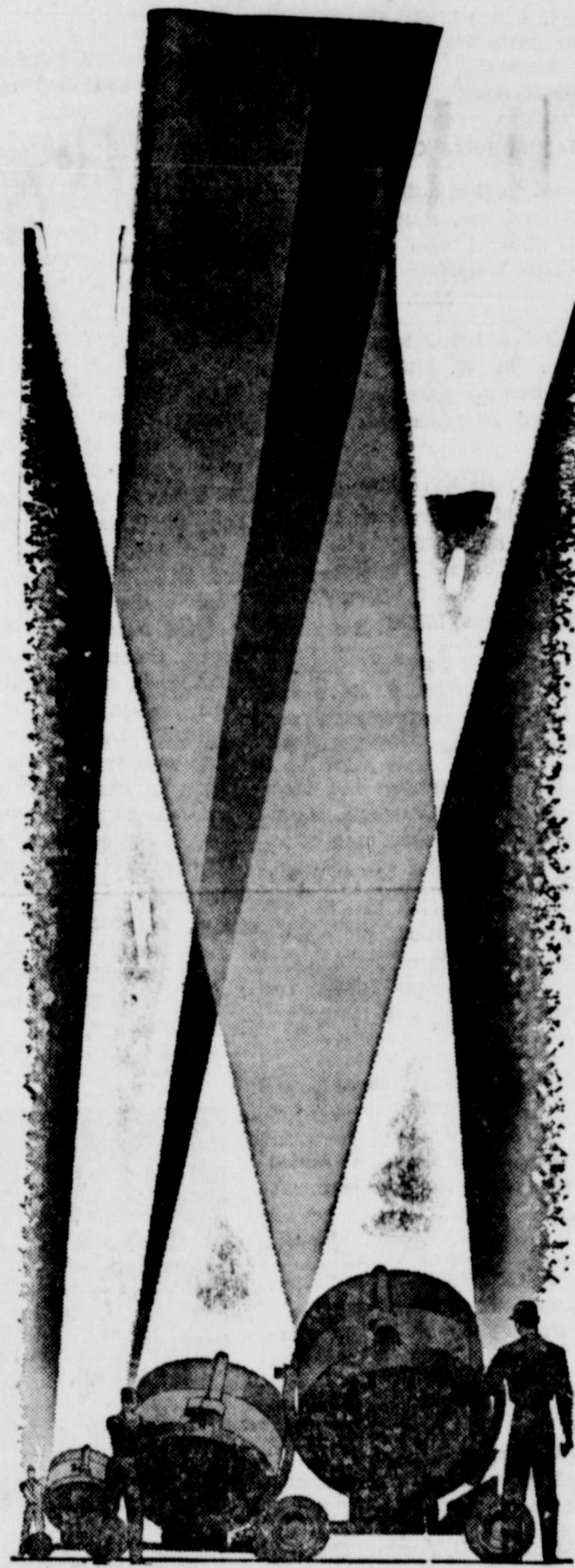
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 By virtue of the authority vested by law in the Texas Water Rights Commission, notice is hereby given that a hearing will be held in the office of the Commission in the Sam Houston State Office Building, Austin, Texas, beginning at 10:00 a.m., on April 25, 1973, in the matter of cancelling, in whole or in part: Certified Filing No. 219 of Robert Lee Waterworks, which authorizes the diversion of 42 acre-feet of water from the Colorado River, Colorado River Basin, for municipal and domestic uses in Coke County, Texas.
 All affected parties are directed to appear and show cause, if any, why the water right listed above should not be cancelled.
 Given under and by virtue of an order of the Texas Water Rights Commission on March 5, 1973.
 /s/ Joe D. Carter
 Joe D. Carter, Chairman
 TEXAS WATER RIGHTS COMMISSION
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