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## Board explains financial problems

A large crowd of over 100 interested citizens congregated in the District Courtroom Tuesday night, February 11th, to attend a general meeting concerning the West Coke County Hospital, its current financial problems, and possible solutions.

Hospital board president Dale Wojtek opened the meeting, welcomed those in attendance, and introduced board member Bill Helwig, who presented the program.

With the help of an overhead projector and some charts which were in some cases not visible to the large audience, Helwig nevertheless proceeded with an excellent presentation, as summarized below:

In 1984, tax revenues for the WCCH district totalled \$500,000. With an 8% increase the following year, an additional increase in revenues totalled only about \$40,000, which was somewhat discouraging to board members, who decided to

take a look at other methods besides increasing taxes to solve the district's financial problems. Falling oil prices, which would reduce tax revenues for the coming year, also dictated that the situation would require immediate action.

A consultant, Arthur Anderson, who had previous experience in advising the Schleicher County Hospital officials, was hired to provide his expertise to the West Coke Hospital. The major recommendation from this firm came in the form of laying off a large number of hospital personnel.

Helwig also stated that by November of 1985, the hospital deficit was running around \$300,000 over and above tax monies being received. It was brought out that several capital improvement expenditures had been made over the past two years, and other items were being procured on a lease-purchase agreement.

Collections for surgery fees were termed especially low, and every effort was being made to improve collections in all areas of hospital charges. One of the problems with collecting accounts receivable is that over 85% of everything done at the hospital is done through Medicare, and the use of a manual bookkeeping system severely delays payment of these procedures. However, the board has considered a computer system of bookkeeping, but deleted it from the budget, due to its \$70,000 price tag.

Patient average daily census was posted on a chart (cont'd. on page 2)

### County Stock Show begins today

The Coke County Junior Livestock Show will be held February 14 and 15 at the exhibit barn in Robert Lee. Over 70 4-H and FFA exhibitors will be showing close to 200 market animals in the sheep, swine and beef cattle shows.

The show begins on Friday, February 14 at 5:00 p.m. with the lamb show being judged by Rex Stultz, County Extension Agent in Concho County, followed by the swine judging Saturday at 8:30 a.m. by Kenneth Dudensing, Vocational Agriculture instructor of Sweetwater and market steers at 11:00 a.m. judged by Kirk Lewis, County Extension Agent of Nolan County.

The directors will sponsor a barbeque beginning at 12:00 noon with a \$5.00 plate for adults and a \$3.00 plate for children. This is followed by the sale of all premium animals at 2:00 p.m. The public is invited to attend the show and sale and help support the youth of Coke County in their efforts.

### Courthouse to close

The Coke County Courthouse in Robert Lee will be closed on Monday, February 17, in observance of President's Day announced Judge Aubrey Denman.



BHS BOYS VARSITY Basketball team: L to R - Corby Kelso, Terrance Hale, Kerry Lee, Conda Richards, Stephen Lee, David Phillips, Cody Hartman, John Morrow, Jamie Powers, Waylan Ensor, Pete Puentez and Coach Rocky Rawls, kneeling.

### Rawls talks about Horns

Rocky Rawls has not let the fact that he is a relatively new figure in coaching deter him from doing great things in the three short years he has served as basketball coach of the Bronte Longhorns. Rawls began his coaching job with the Bronte team after graduating from Southwestern University in 1983. He has put together an enviable 61-13 record over the past three years, with his team winning two district crowns, a bi-district championship and are entering the play-offs this year after completing an undefeated season.

Rawls refused to predict

how far the team will go, but instead preferred to praise his players for their hard work and dedication saying, "They are a fine bunch of kids overall."

He credits this year's success to more experience, a little more height, balanced scoring and good team leadership. Rawls also noted that the team is a much better rebounding team than in the past.

Team leadership is provided from senior David Phillips, a four year starter, and the leading scorer on the team. Also, senior Kerry

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### Coach speaks of RL girls

Clinching the district title last Friday night against Blackwell (62-17) was merely a formality for the Robert Lee girls basketball squad. Their regular season record stands at 22-0.

The team is coached by Wayne Alexander who is fairly new to the coaching profession. He is in his third year at Robert Lee. Alexander graduated from Bronte High School in 1975 and from McMurry in Abilene in 1980.

He feels close to his team who were freshmen and sophomores when he began

coaching. "I've had an easy job this season; I haven't scored a point; they've done the job. We have no discipline problems; they play as a team. The first 5 girls are improving every game and the bench is to be highly commended this year. Jana Gartman, a senior, is averaging 12½ points per game and is the floor coach. We have much better height and experience than in the last few years. Rachel Metcalf at 5'10" is our tallest and most improved player. I believe

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### Jan Hohensee named agent

After several months of making do without an Extension Agent (Home Economics) in the county, Jan Hohensee has been appointed to the position vacated by Debbie Reber.



Jan Hohensee

The announcement was made by Texas Agricultural Extension Service officials, along with the Coke County Commissioners' Court.

Miss Hohensee, a native of Wall, Texas, received her Bachelor of Science Degree in Home Economics from Southwest Texas State University at San Marcos, Texas. While attending college, Miss Hohensee be-

came a member of the Home Economics Association, and served as treasurer of the organization in 1983, and reporter in 1984. She was also a Gaillardian nominee in 1983.

Her job experience includes employment with Shannon West Texas Memorial Hospital as a medical secretary, and a sales clerk position with Southland Frame Center & Gallery, a retail outlet in San Angelo, Texas. She has also served as deputy district clerk with the Hays County Courthouse, San Marcos. Prior to her appointment in Coke County, Miss Hohensee served an internship with the Tom Green County Agricultural Extension Service this past summer.

Personal interests include sewing, cooking, water skiing, and working with people.

As stated previously, Miss Hohensee's appointment is effective immediately, and she may be contacted at the County Extension Office in Robert Lee.

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# Timmons announces for commissioner



Charles Timmons

Charles Timmons of Bronte announced last Monday that he has filed for a place on the Democratic Primary ballot on May 3. He will be subject to voters as a candidate for Coke County Commissioner in Precinct 2.

Timmons is a longtime Coke County resident. He moved to Bronte with his family in 1936 at the age of four and attended Bronte schools. He moved from Bronte in 1951 to begin work for Plains Machinery. He was employed by them over much of Texas for 14 years as a diesel mechanic, shop foreman, and, finally, into sales. In 1965, he was employed by Browning and Ferris Machinery in Houston where he was their #1 salesman three consecutive years.

In 1971, Timmons went into business for himself in Freeport as a general contractor for Dow Chemical Company. He returned to Bronte in 1975 and is now co-owner of T & S Oilfield Service.

Timmons has three daughters, Laquita Shelburne, wife of a CPA in San Angelo; Larita Wilder, an employee of GTE for 10 years; and Tina Timmons of Bronte, who is employed by Sav-On Food. He and his wife, Margaret, are interested in all community affairs.

He is a member of the Central Baptist Church where he is Sunday School Superintendent. Timmons is also a longtime Gideon. His off-time hobby is painting.

"I feel my business experience and expertise with heavy machinery lend credit to my ability to care for and make judgements concerning county equipment and property. I would make careful considerations of all is-

ues if elected and feel I am capable of making sound decisions. I want to serve as your next commissioner and will be contacting each of you in the near future. If I chose a platform it would be: Accepting challenge - Meeting demands - Positive change for "our" community," said Timmons. "I ask for your consideration and vote in the upcoming Primary election."

# Walker is candidate

Mrs. Jackie Walker of Robert Lee announced her bid this week for the Coke County Treasurer's office in the May 3 Democratic Primary.

She commented "I look forward to meeting those new residents I am not acquainted with, and visiting with as many others as I can before the election. I feel qualified for this office due to my previous employment and business experience and will do a good job for all if I am elected. I certainly would appreciate your support at the polls in May."

Jackie was born and reared in Coke County. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Sparks, reside in Robert Lee. She is the granddaughter of two pioneer families, the late Mr. and Mrs. Lem Cowley and the late Mr. and Mrs. E.T. Sparks.

A 1956 graduate of Robert Lee High School, she married the late Ralph Walker that year. The couple had four daughters, Mrs. Glenn (Loretta) Bridges, an Eden

teacher; Carla Walker, a state auditor in Odessa; Mrs. Paul (Pam) Talley of San Angelo, who recently completed her law degree; and Mrs. Kerry (Frankie) Gartman, Lubbock, a January graduate of ASU. (Jackie has one grandson, Marshall Bridges, of whom she is also very proud.)

Jackie has attended a number of tax preparation courses and has previously been employed in several offices including Dr. J. Parker, Junction; Larry Harrison, abstract and law, Junction; and Dr. Rowell, ASU, San Angelo.

She and her husband were self-employed in Junction and returned to Robert Lee in 1979. Jackie is owner and operator of Mountain Creek Lodge and Walker Tax Service which the couple operated until his death several years ago.

Jackie is a member of the Robert Lee Baptist Church, Order of the Eastern Star, and Alpha Kappa Pi Sorority.

# ...Hospital

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which ranged from 2 to 8 patients daily, with the patient numbers increasing gradually over the past year. Employment figures were told to be approximately 54 for the hospital, and 31 for the nursing home.

Over the past several months, the board has been considering several offers from larger hospitals, including St. John's and Shannon in San Angelo and Hendricks in Abilene, to lease or assist in the management of the local facility. These agreements range from a very loose alliance which involves no money and local control, to more binding contracts, which would cost the district up to \$300,000 per year, and no local control of the hospital.

All the hospitals who presented contracts stressed that at no time would they dictate what hospital a patient should be moved to for more intensive care. It was also pointed out that in the event of a contract of one kind or another, it would not effect the excellent local volunteer ambulance service in the district.

A committee consisting of citizens, employees, and board members was appointed to visit several hospitals in the surrounding area, to get more insight into the plights of other area hospitals, and their solutions to these problems. This committee consisted of Judy Williams, Jim Dunklin, Linda Arledge, Bobbie Arrott, Jenny Jordan, Ruth Robertson, Jeanine Owen, Golda Brown, and Diane Simpson. Board members serving were Dale Wojtek, Richard Johnson, Barbara Chesney, and Bill Helwig. Members of this group visited the Eden and Sonora hospitals, who have agreements with St. John's in San Angelo, and

also visited hospitals in Comanche and Seymour, who have management contracts with Western Affiliates, which operates Hendricks Memorial Hospital in Abilene.

A question and answer session followed the presentation by Helwig. During this discussion, the crowd applauded their agreement after one person voiced his approval of the board's actions, and in their ability to make the right decision.

When asked about when these decisions would be made by the board, Helwig responded that some decision would have to be made concerning the issue within the next 30 to 45 days.

## Robert Lee State Bank sponsors tourney

Robert Lee State Bank will be the sponsor for an ABC Tournament on Sunday, Feb. 16, at Mountain Creek Golf Course, weather permitting. Tee-off time is set for 12:30 p.m. and entry fees will be \$6.00.

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## Gene Tuttle gets coaching nod

In a special session held Thursday, Feb. 6, the Bronte School Board of Trustees selected a head football coach from a field of 65 applicants for the job. The board conducted three interviews at this special meeting and decided on Gene Tuttle of Colorado City to head up the football program, a vacancy created upon the retirement of Head Coach Gerald Sandusky.

Coach Tuttle is presently head of the junior high football program at Colorado City, but has a varied coaching background. He has served as an assistant at both Angelo State University and Ranger Jr. College and has held assistant jobs at North Mesquite High School, Roosevelt High School in Lubbock, Sealy High School and was a student coach at Lakeview. A graduate of ASU where he played football in 1970-71, Coach Tuttle is from Lamesa.

He and his wife, Dietra, are the parents of three children, a daughter, Stephanie who is 11 years of age, Scott, 4 and Chad, 2. Mrs. Tuttle, a native of Coahoma, is an elementary teacher and will be teaching a third grade class in Bronte.

The board also has under consideration the hiring of an assistant football coach, and one of Bronte's own athletes, Keith McCutchen, is the top candidate for this position. McCutchen is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Luther McCutchen of Bronte, and is presently an assistant coach at Mason High School. His wife, Vicky, is the daughter of Hazel Magness, also of Bronte, and is currently a 4th grade teacher at Mason.



Monday, Feb. 17: Breakfast - Rice, pear slices, biscuits, butter and jelly. Lunch - Salisbury steaks with brown gravy, creamed potatoes and English peas.

Tuesday, Feb. 18: Breakfast - Cereal, grape juice, biscuits, butter and jelly. Lunch - Lasagna, buttered corn, tossed salad and cocoa crunchies.

Wednesday, Feb. 19: Breakfast - Applesauce and donuts. Lunch - Corny dogs, macaroni and cheese, green beans, chilled pear slices.

Thursday, Feb. 20: Breakfast - Bacon slices, pineapple chunks, biscuits, butter and jelly. Lunch - Stew, cheese sticks, carrot and celery sticks, cornbread and banana.

Friday, Feb. 21: Breakfast - Cheese toast and grapefruit juice. Lunch - Chicken sandwich, French fries, lettuce, tomato, pickles and onions and applesauce cake.

## Horns win undisputed district crown

Bronte varsity boys downed Trent 77-46 to close out their regular season of play.

The win gave them the undisputed crown of Dist. 27-A and will send them into bi-district play with an opponent yet to be determined. In the meantime the Horns are staying busy with practice games - one was played Tuesday night against Irion County with the Horns winning 57-38, and another scheduled for Monday, Feb. 17, at 7:30, against Coleman at the Winters gym.

Scoring for Bronte in the Trent game were David Phillips, 27 points, 12 rebounds, 6 assists and 5 steals; Stephen Lee had a big night with 26 points, 12 rebounds; Pete Puentez made 10 points, 6 assists and 5 steals; John Morrow had 8 points; Kerry Lee, Terrance Hale and Cody Hartman all hit for 2 and Jamie Powers made 11 assists. They preserved a no loss record with 22 wins for

the season and 6-0 in district play.

### LADY HORNS

The Bronte ladies are district runners-up and will be facing either Santa Anna or Rochelle at bi-district either Thursday, Friday or Saturday (game time had not been determined at press time).

The Lady Horns relinquished an early lead and lost to Irion County by 34-42 in their practice game Tuesday night in the Central Gym in San Angelo.

In their meeting with Novice last Tuesday, the Lady Horns lost 63 to 47. Carol Reyes led scoring with 14; Dorinda Scott, 9; Melanie Cooper, 8; Melinda Parker, 6; Misti Taylor, 4; Tina Hines, Estella Puentez and Melissa Arrott, 2 each.

Friday evening's game with Trent gave the Lady Horns a happy ending to their regular season when they outscored the Trent ladies 78 to 30. Dorinda Scott sunk 23 points and Carol Reyes added 21. Other point-makers were Misti Taylor, 9; Melinda Parker and Estella Puentez, 7 each; Melanie Cooper, 6; Molly Glenn and

Tina Hines, 2 and Sandy Hilliard, 1.

Girls' coach Larry Willard, who is in his first year at Bronte High, said, "This year has been basically a rebuilding year for this young team made up of 4 juniors, 2 sophomores and 5 freshmen. The girls have made improvement, but have not had enough game experience to overcome some costly mistakes. With no seniors for leadership, the team had to call on anywhere from one to three freshmen as starters and at times the team was made up of 3 freshmen and 2 sophomores." In spite of these odds, the girls have done well and their future looks promising.

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## Super Seniors to meet

Bronte Super Seniors will meet on Thursday, Feb. 20 at 10 a.m. for their regular

monthly Potluck Luncheon and Game Day.

## Hometown Hardware is new name

No, they're not closing the doors at Whites Auto but they are going to change the name of the business!

The new name will be Hometown Hardware and the owners, Wendell and Jeanna Lee will try to stay right in stride as they go about business under the new name.

heard, Whites Home and Auto, who has been the primary supplier of the local store, is going out of business and this has sent Wendell and Jeanna in search of a new major supplier. This new supplier will be H.W.I. or Hardware Wholesalers Inc. which is a co-operative hardware group much in the same line as Ace Hardware and True Value.

As some have read and

**POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**  
The Observer/Enterprise has been authorized to announce the candidacy of persons listed below for the offices and in the elections indicated:

**DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY**  
MAY 3, 1986  
For Representative 17th Congressional District  
**CHARLES W. STENHOLM**

For County Judge  
**AUBREY DENMAN**

For County Commissioner Precinct 2  
**BILLY JOE LUCKETT**  
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## Steers finish second

Robert Lee Coach Ed Poehl's Steers basketball team ended their regular season in Blackwell Friday night. Although they were defeated 53-38, the squad has had a successful year and by virtue of their 2nd

place finish in the district, they will be in the bi-district play-offs. The boys will be

playing some practice matches before the playoff schedule is announced next week.

## Stamp Club meeting

The Robert Lee Stamp Club met for their January meeting at the Post Office with ten members and two visitors present.

Old business conducted was setting tentative date for an Open House at the Post Office in March. New business conducted was the election of officers as follows: President, Wanda Smith; Vice President, Coe Lewis; Secretary-Reporter, Kay Lackey; Treasurer, Bobbie Allen, Historian, Vivian Jacobs.

Patsy Dunn was welcomed as a new member along with her daughter Mandy, as a Junior member.

The stamps issued during 1985 were reviewed and a Popularity Poll designating best design, worst design, most important, least necessary and favorite stamp was conducted at the end of the program. A News Update listing 1986 postal issues through mid-March was also included as part of the program.

Hand pre-cancelled (Robert Lee) 1c postage due stamps were awarded to each person present. Door prizes of stamp notification posters were won by Olene Sims, Jessie Faye Russell, Kay Lackey, Jerry Thomason and Bobbie Allen.

## Sparks recovery 'good'

Calvin "Buckle" Sparks of Robert Lee was released last week from a San Antonio hospital a week after undergoing heart surgery for a reported six bypasses. He is making a good recovery.

Sparks was injured in a

January 7 car accident and was transported to a San Angelo hospital. During surgery to repair a broken leg, he suffered a heart attack. Doctors then arranged for him to have heart surgery in San Antonio.

## Boone's escape injury

Bob and Linda Boone of Robert Lee were fortunate to escape serious injury in a one-car rollover Monday morning about 14 miles south on Highway 208. The car, driver by Mrs. Boone, skidded and overturned after

hitting a patch of ice. Their small vehicle was demolished.

Department of Public Safety patrolman Roy Blair of Robert Lee investigated the accident.

## LOOK WHO'S NEW

Cole Alan is a new member in the household of Mr. and Mrs. Randy Flanagan of Odessa. He arrived at 4:04 p.m. on February 5 at Odessa Women's and Children's Hospital and weighed 6 lb. 15 1/2 oz. at birth. He has a sister, April, who is 8 years old, and a brother, Casey, 5.

His grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. James C. Coffee of Odessa and Mr. and Mrs. R.L. Flanagan of Robert Lee. Mrs. Velma Mullis, also of Robert Lee, is his great-grandmother.



- Monday, Feb. 17**  
Fish Krispies  
w/Tarter Sauce  
Tator Tots w/Catsup  
Peas and Carrots  
Hot Rolls-Butter  
Chocolate Cake w/Icing  
Milk
- Tuesday, Feb. 18**  
Chili Dog w/Cheese  
Ranch Style Beans  
Tator Bars w/Catsup  
Banana  
Milk
- Wednesday, Feb. 19**  
Bean and Beef Chalupas  
Lettuce-Tomato Salad  
Chopped Onion  
Corn  
Applecrisp  
Milk
- Thursday, Feb. 20**  
Chili Dog w/Cheese  
Ranch Style Beans  
Tator Bars w/Catsup  
Banana  
Milk
- Friday, Feb. 21**  
Salisbury Steak  
w/Brown Gravy  
Cream Potatoes  
Green Beans  
Hot Rolls-Butter  
Peanut Butter Supreme  
Milk

### Hearing program slated for Bronte

There will be a program on "Hearing Difficulties" at Bronte Senior Center on Tuesday, Feb. 18 at 1:30 p.m.

West Texas Rehabilitation Center Audiology Department of San Angelo will present the program.

Margaret Martin, Bronte director, urges all persons who have a hearing problem or relatives with hearing problems to attend this special meeting.

Mrs. Collins Sayner is recuperating at home following several days of hospitalization in a San Angelo hospital.

## Hospital calls election

At the last special called meeting of the West Coke County Hospital District Board of Directors on Feb. 10, 1986, a directors' election was called for April 5, 1986. There are three vacan-

cies to be filled. Petitions are available upon request by anyone wishing to file for

these vacancies at the Business Office of West Coke County Hospital District.

## Seniors slate heart program

Robert Lee Senior Citizens, as well as the public, can hear an educational program on "Heart", in relation to advancing age, given by Lou Wright, a local registered nurse. She will hold the informative presentation at 1:15 on Thursday, Feb. 20, in the Neighborhood Center.

Also on Feb. 20, the monthly Senior Citizens dance for all those 60 and over will take place at 7:30 in the large Recreation Hall. Volunteer musicians will provide the music for the dance. Area senior residents are encouraged to join in the visiting, fun, and exercise.

Friday, Feb. 21, is the date set for the free Blood Pressure Clinic from 10:30 to 12 noon at the Center.

Attendants will check anyone who desires the service. Following that program, the regular Senior Pot Luck Dinner will be held there.

Those who enjoy the game of 88 are invited to join the Seniors at their building each Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday from 1:30 until 4:30.

### Homemakers slate joint meeting

There will be a joint meeting of the Bronte and Robert Lee Homemakers Extension Clubs on Feb. 21 at 2 p.m. at the Bronte Senior Citizens Bldg. Guest speaker will be Pauline Barron, who will speak and show slides of her travels. All members are urged to attend.

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 26-1tp

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## NOTICE TO BIDDERS

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# Smith, Abel wedding vows

Sharon Smith and Micheal Abel exchanged wedding vows on January 24 at 4:30 p.m. in the Shepard Air Force Base Chapel in Wichita Falls. The Chaplain in

charge performed the double-ring ceremony.

The couple was married before a white wrought-iron arch entwined with flowers in the chosen wedding colors of blue and pink.

The bride is the daughter of the Mrs. Ethel Hinnard of Robert Lee and James W. Smith of Deluth, Georgia. Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Abel of Wichita Falls are parents of the bridegroom.

Given in marriage by her brother, Ray Smith, the bride chose a traditional white gown of chantilly lace. The bishop sleeves were caught below the elbow with a lace ruffle. A clipped lace, sweetheart neckline enhanced the fitted bodice highlighted with seed pearls. Her attire was completed by a five foot train with an illusion blusher veil. The bride's bouquet consisted of white carnations, rosebuds, and baby's breath. Her wedding symbols included pearl earrings belonging to her grandmother and a gold watch, gift from the bridegroom.

Shashey Smith, sister of the bride, and Paula Fenton served as bridesmaids for

office of Daniel W. Gower, District Maintenance Engineer, San Angelo, Texas. Prebidder Conference for all contracts will be held at the State Department of Highways & Public Transportation, San Angelo, Texas on February 18, 1986 at 10:00 a.m.

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Mr. and Mrs. Micheal Abel

the ceremony. Miss Smith was clad in a pink satin gown adorned with seed pearls while Miss Fenton chose a blue lace gown.

The groom was attired in a blue tuxedo accented with navy blue as was the best man, Mike Flamahn.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the home of the groom's parents, 1315 Sunnyside Lane, Wichita Falls. Guests were served from a three-tiered white wedding cake decorated with pink and blue

roses, a relish tray, finger sandwiches, pastry swans containing chicken salad, and punch.

Mrs. Abel is a 1985 graduate of Robert Lee High School and attended dental school. The couple will make their home in Wichita Falls where the groom is stationed with the United States Air Force.

Attending the wedding from Robert Lee were Mr. and Mrs. Gene Hinnard, Shashey Smith, and Ray Smith.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

TEXAS UTILITIES ELECTRIC COMPANY hereby publishes NOTICE that, pursuant to the provisions of the Public Utility Regulatory Act and the Public Utility Commission's Substantive Rule 23.23(b)(2), it filed an application on January 14, 1986, with the Public Utility Commission of Texas seeking authority to refund to its customers a prior over-recovery under its fixed fuel factors (base rate fuel component) in the amount of \$78,002,807 as of November 30, 1985, including applicable interest, and to reduce its current fixed fuel factors.

Texas Utilities Electric Company has proposed that the refund be made and its fixed fuel factors be reduced effective with customers usage beginning with the billing month of March 1986. The proposed change in fixed fuel factors is expected to result in a \$233,413,145, or 11.88%, decrease in fuel revenues for the twelve months ended September 30, 1985, adjusted only for customer growth. All customers and classes of customers whose electric service rates include charges for fuel cost pursuant to Texas Utilities Electric Company's Rider FC, entitled "Base Rate Fuel Component," and all territories in which Texas Utilities Electric Company provides electric service through its Dallas Power & Light Company, Texas Electric Service Company and Texas Power & Light Company divisions will be affected if the application is granted.

A complete copy of said application is on file with the Public Utility Commission of Texas.

Persons who wish to intervene or otherwise participate in these proceedings should notify the Public Utility Commission of Texas as soon as possible. A request to intervene, participate, or for further information should be mailed to the Public Utility Commission of Texas, 7800 Shoal Creek Boulevard, Suite 400N, Austin, Texas 78757. Further information may also be obtained by calling the Public Utility Commission Consumer Affairs Division at (512)458-0223 or (512)458-0227, or (512)458-0221 teletypewriter for the deaf.

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### NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR FLUID INJECTION WELL PERMIT

Exxon Corporation, P.O. Box 1600, Midland, Texas 79702 has applied to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a formation which is productive of oil or gas. The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the Harris Sand formation, R.H. Harris Estate Lease, Well Number 40. The proposed injection well is located 12 miles Northwest of Robert Lee in the IAB (Harris Sand) Field, in Coke County. Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 5475' to 5546' feet.

**LEGAL AUTHORITY:** Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected, or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Underground Injection Control Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, Drawer 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512/445-1373).

26-1tc

### BIDDER'S NOTICE

Sealed proposals for contract mowing in various counties will be received at the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation; San Angelo, Texas, on the date and time indicated below; and then publicly opened and read.

February 26, 1986, 10:00 a.m.

Contract #076XXM1002 Sutton Co.

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February 26, 1986, 2:00 p.m.

Contract #076XXM1007 Coke Co.

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February 27, 1986, 10:00 a.m.

Contract #076XXM1008 Kinney Co.

Contract #076XXM1005 Edwards Co.

Contract #076XXM1009 Val Verde Co.

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**...Horns** (cont'd. from front page)

Lee, who sacrificed the role as a starter to become the sixth man in the system, can play every position. Junior starters Pete Puentez, a three year starter and Jamie Powers, a two year starter, have played on the varsity since they were freshmen, and have matured rapidly along with five sophomore team members. The coach also commented that the bench has always done a good job when called on. Per game averages for the

starters are: David Phillips, 24 points, 10 rebounds, and 5 assists; Stephen Lee, 14 points, 8 rebounds; Pete Puentez, 14 points, 5 assists, leading in steal with 5; John Morrow, 10 points, leading rebounder with 11; Jamie Powers, 5 points, 8 assists.

Coach Rawls concluded that the teams' overall strength, speed and quickness have been keys to their success.

**...RL Girls** (cont'd. from front page)

we have a good chance to advance if we can get some breaks and play each game one at a time," stated Alexander.

The team is comprised of 11 players; 4 seniors, Jana Gartman, Tancie Bell, Patty Bloodworth, and Dana Anthony; 5 juniors, Missy Grim, Karla Donnell, Lin Long, Lee Ann Molinar, and Debbie Flowers; 1 sophomore, Rachel Metcalf; and 1 freshman, Kim Hood.

In preparation for the play-offs, the Robert Lee

girls challenged the highly ranked Coleman girls squad in Winters last Monday night. Although they suffered their first loss of the season, they battled the Class 2-A team to a 62-52 total. Rachel Metcalf played an outstanding game with 26 points, backed up by Gartman 11, Grim 6, Molinar and Long 4 each, and Flowers 1.

The team will face Rochelle in the San Angelo Central High School gym Sat. night (Feb. 15) at 7:30 p.m.

**Barrett is Midwestern graduate**

Sheila Kay Barrett was a fall semester graduate from Midwestern State University in Wichita Falls with an associate degree in radiology.

Sheila, daughter of Peggy Barrett of Bronte, is a graduate of Bronte High School and is presently employed as a radiologist at West Coke County Hospital in Robert Lee.

Mary Barrett is a post-operative patient at Shannon Hospital in San Angelo. Visiting with Cliff and Mary Barrett are their daughters,

Meredith Jackson of California and Melinda McCutchen of Knickerbocker and other relatives.

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