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COKE COUNTY CLERK, J. L. Tinkler, at left is pictured swearing in Coke County officials that were elected and some who were re-elected for 4 year terms in November of 1960. Being sworn into office, left to right, by Tinkler are: Frank Dickey, County Attorney; Melvin Childress, Sheriff; Floyd Harmon, Commissioner Precinct 3; O. B. Jacobs, Tax Assessor-Collector; Fern Havins, Commissioner Precinct 1.

STERLING LINDSEYS WIN HOME DECORATION CONTEST

By Merle King

Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Lindsey repeated for the second year as overall winner in the annual Home Decoration Contest, featuring a yard arrangement of three angels, the front door covered in red and adorned with an old fashioned carriage light, and an indoor flocked tree hung with two different sized red balls.

Winning second place was the Homer Carwile home, and third place went to Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Sheppard.

The Sterling Lindseys collected \$5 for their display, judged the most outstanding in regard to artistic design and adequate light-

ing, as well as decorative lighting. Second place winner received \$3 and third place, \$2. Judges combed the city, inspecting each of the entries, before selecting the winners in the city-wide contest. The El Valle Garden Club and the Board of Community Development sponsor the contest each year to encourage residents to give the city a holiday atmosphere. Displays that received Honorable Mention were those of the Bryans, the Eddie Goods, the Sam Jays, W. T. Roachs, W. E. Jacobs, Robert Vaughans, and the Charles Sims. The Sawyer home and the County Park were most outstanding according to the judges, with most effective lighting. In downtown Robert Lee, the lighted tree on the court house lawn was very decorative, as was the display window of Cal Wallace's Grocery Store. Miss Carol Hooper heads a committee to set up rules which will govern the contest next year, and these will be published at a later date.

New Zealander Returning Home From World Tour Visits Sister in Robert Lee

Picture Next Week

Joe Devcich, brother of Mrs. A. V. Hughes, stopped here for a visit of several days while en route to his homeland, Auckland, New Zealand.

Devcich left his home in New Zealand in August for a world tour beginning at Hong Kong and went on through the East and Near Eastern countries en route to the World Olympic Games that were held in Rome, Italy. He was in Rome from August 25 until September 14.

The New Zealander had the privilege of seeing two of his countrymen win gold medals in the Olympics. Peter Snell of Auckland won the 800 meter race and Murray Halbeig won the 5,000 meter. These victories came for New Zealand within one hour.

After the Olympic Games came to a close, Joe Devcich journeyed to Venice, Switzerland, Germany,

France, England and other European countries before coming to the United States.

He stated that all nationalities that attended the games in Rome were exceedingly friendly and courteous. He said there weren't any demonstrations of anti-American or anti-Russian nature during the time he attended the games.

He observed that most of the countries were economically sound with the exception of East Berlin, England and Italy.

Devcich is returning to New Zealand by way of Las Vegas, Nevada, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Seattle and Canada.

He is employed as a titles officer by the New Zealand Government in the Department of Maori Affairs.

Another brother of Mrs. Hughes was here in July of 1960. Both brothers met in England and toured France together.

FORMER RESIDENTS VISITING

Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Petross and sons of Bangs visited recently with the Lew Heuvels and other friends in Robert Lee.

Mr. Petross was principal of the Robert Lee High School for several years. He accepted the position as superintendent of schools at Bangs in 1959.

Man Jailed After Auto Accident

A Latin-American laborer of Colorado City was jailed Tuesday night in Coke County jail after he was involved in an auto accident with San Angelo College students on State highway 208 in front of Froggie's Cafe.

Sheriff Melvin Childress said that the man was Louis E. Garcia and charges filed were driving an auto without an operator's license, driving an auto on the wrong side of a public highway and assault with an automobile.

Occupants of the other automobile involved were taken to Coke County Memorial Hospital by Clift ambulance for observation for cuts and bruises.

They were Miss Sonja Jacobson of Amarillo, James Carson, Plainview, Texas and Jerry Vandergriff, Tulia, Texas.

Commissioners' Court Sets Salaries For Officials in '61

The Commissioner's Court Tuesday set salaries for the sheriff, a full time deputy sheriff, dispatcher for the sheriff's department, tax-assessor, tax assessor's chief deputy and assistant deputy tax assessor.

Salary schedule for these officials are the following: sheriff, \$5,800; tax-assessor, \$5,800 plus \$240 for title-certificate duties; deputy sheriff, \$4,200 plus 10c per mile automobile expense; sheriff's dispatcher, \$1,800, tax assessor's chief deputy, \$3,000 and assistant deputy tax assessor \$2,400. All other county employee salaries remained at the same level as 1960.

Officials that have been elected or appointed are Sheriff Melvin Childress, Deputy Jesse Parker, Tax Assessor O. B. Jacobs, Tax Assessor Chief Deputy Jean Mathis and Assistant Tax Assessor Deputy Yvonne Devoll.

Fat Stock Show To Be Held Here

The 1961 edition of the Coke County Fat Stock Show will unravel at the show barn in Robert Lee on Monday, Jan. 16, with approximately 45 girls and boys with 220 animals competing for the awards and a place in the sale. A large crowd is expected to be present to see the champion fat and breeding animals selected. An auction sale will be held for 30 lambs and/or market swine following the show.

The show will begin with the judging of the breeding swine classes at 8:30 a.m. However, activity at the show barn will be plentiful on Sunday afternoon as the animals arrive, are weighed, ear tagged and assigned stalls or pens. Entries are required to arrive at the show barn between 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. this year in order that the necessary weighing, classifying, sifting and stalling can be completed prior to the exhibitions.

Approximately 200 ribbons, trophies, rosettes, banner and showmanship awards along with \$550 in prize money will be awarded the top animals exhibited. Five breeding animals and five fat animal champions and reserve champions will be selected from the sheep, cattle and swine exhibited by the girls and boys from over the county. Judging the show will be H. A. "Swede" Hanson.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Burton were in Midland over the Christmas holidays visiting their daughter and family, the E. D. Ellwells. The Burtons brought their grandson, Guy Mike Ellwell, home with them for the remainder of the Christmas vacation holidays.

REV. TRAVIS B. McNAIR ACCEPTS BANDERA PASTORATE

Rev. Travis B. McNair will move from Robert Lee this week, going to Bandera, Texas, where he will assume his duties as pastor of the First Methodist Church.

McNair came to Robert Lee as pastor of the First Methodist Church in November of 1955, after serving his first church, Trinity Methodist in Brady.

While a resident of Robert Lee, McNair has been a member of the Board of Community Development, a member of the Masonic Lodge Concho 1260, and an active member of the Quarterback Club. Mr. and Mrs. McNair are members of the Order of Eastern Star Chapter in Robert Lee.

Mr. McNair is a native of Uvalde County. He played professional baseball in the Texas League at Beaumont, Gulf Coast League at Harlingen, and the Western Association in Muskogee, Okla., from 1929 until 1937. He played short stop position.

In 1938 McNair went to work for the State of Texas as a bookkeeper-accountant. He was associated with the state hospital in Laredo and the McKnight Hospital in Carlsbad.

Rev. McNair and LaRhesa Gunn were married in 1940 at San Angelo. They have one daughter, Mary, age 17, who is a student

of San Angelo, formerly V. A. teacher at Ballinger and Winters. H. B. Edmondson, V. A. teacher of Ballinger, will sift and classify the animals.

The superintendents of the various divisions that will be directing the activities are — Baby Beef Division: Douglas Gartman, Nolan Pentecost, L. E. Wink. Fat Lamb Division: J. Lee Ensor, Crowley Harmon, Bert Blaylock. Market Pig Show: Jack Corley, James Wells, Teddy Pitcock. Breeding Animal Divisions: D. K. Glenn, Bob Cox, R. H. Sims.

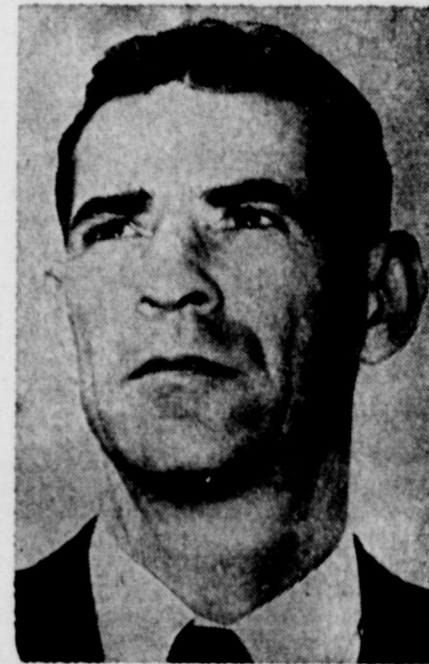
The Show Association Officers and Directors who have planned and made the preparations for the 1961 show are D. K. Glenn, President; L. E. Wink, Vice-President; and Bob Cox, Secretary-Treasurer. Also, Teddy Pitcock, Nolan Pentecost, Crowley Harmon, Bert Blaylock, Douglas Gartman, Hollis Ensor, J. Lee Ensor, R. H. Sims, Hurlin Lee, Jack Corley, James Wells and J. W. Service.

4-H entries expected to be on exhibition at the show are as follows:

Beef Cattle — Robert Holland, 2 angus steers; Jo Alice Evans, 1 angus steer and 1 hereford steer; James Bird Pentecost, 2 hereford steers; Gaylon Pitcock, 1 hereford steer; Darrell Pitcock, 2 hereford steers; Kay Wink, 2 shorthorn steers, 1 shorthorn heifer; Robert Wink, 2 shorthorn steers, 1 shorthorn heifer; Kenneth Wink, 1 hereford steer.

Lambs: Jimmy and Ronnie Varnadore, 2 Southdown lambs, 6 crossbred lambs, 3 finewool lambs; Ronnie and Donnie Devoll, 3 Southdown lambs, 4 finewool lambs; Bennie and Dawnie Boy-

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REV. TRAVIS B. McNAIR

at Robert Lee High School.

Before entering the ministry, McNair attended business college at San Antonio. He attended college at San Angelo College for one year, transferring to McMurry in Abilene. Graduating from McMurry in 1954 with a Bachelor of Arts degree, he took his theological work at SMU, Perkins School of Theology in Dallas.

"Brother Mc", as he is known in the community, is identified with community service and interest in youth.

VISITORS IN BILBO HOME
 Visiting in the A. J. Bilbo home during the holidays were their five daughters and their families: Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Kay, Jan and Mark of Alpine; Mr. and Mrs. Bob Boren, Kathy, Tom and John, of Snyder; Mr. and Mrs. Jarvis Littlefield, Jerry, Jim, Ricky, Randy and Lynda of Afton, Okla.; Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Evans, Sandy and Steve of Midland; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Havins and Billy of Midland.

Also visiting on Christmas Day were Mrs. Jennie Bilbo of Silver, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Tallant of Mercury, and Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Turner of San Angelo.

Roland McArthur, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. McArthur has been assigned to the medical division at Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio.

The Dan Halls of Borger were guests in the home of Mrs. Hall's parents, the Dave Kings, during the holidays.

BIRTHS

JAY — Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Jay became the parents of a daughter, Sammie Lea, December 28, in the Clinic-Hospital of San Angelo. The baby weighed approximately seven pounds.

Grandparents of the new daughter are Mr. and Mrs. Sam Jay of Robert Lee and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Castello of San Angelo.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay are also parents of Benjie, four years old, and a daughter, Jenna, sixteen months old. Mr. Jay, formerly band and chemistry instructor at Robert Lee High School is now a physics instructor at Eldorado High School.

Visiting in Robert Lee during the holidays was Rufus Floyd, formerly of Robert Lee, of Edinburg, Texas. Mr. Floyd is in the sheet metal and blacksmithing business in Edinburg.

R. C. ROBERTS CHILDREN HAVE NEW YEAR REUNION

The children of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. "Uncle Bob" Roberts met in the home of Allen Roberts at 1415 Martin Street in San Angelo for a New Year's dinner-reunion. Those attending the affair were: Mrs. J. M. Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. James Jackson of San Angelo; Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Collett of Robert Lee; Mrs. Rubie Pettit of San Angelo; Mr. and Mrs. Carl Chapman and family of Big Spring; Mr. and Mrs. Alton Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Roberts and family, Mr. and Mrs. Lenn Roberts, all of Robert Lee.

Hosts and hostesses for the occasion were Mr. and Mrs. Allen Roberts and Mr. and Mrs. Dirvis Roberts of San Angelo.

PERSONALS

Ralph Garvin and family visited friends and relatives in Robert Lee during the New Year's holidays. The Garvins, formerly of Robert Lee, have recently moved from Sheffield to Odessa.

L. D. Mathers and family of Seminole, Oklahoma, spent the New Year weekend with relatives in Robert Lee.

Holiday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Walker were: Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Walker, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Walker, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Wayne Walker and son of San Angelo.

Mr. and Mrs. Royce Smith and children accompanied the Willis Wayne Smiths to Melvin for a holiday visit.

Guests at Mrs. Bert Duncan's home during the holidays were her two daughters and their families, Mrs. Bill Baker and sons, Zackie Bob, 5, and Terry Mark, 3, and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Stewart of Ranger.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Kelley and Jimmy of Estancia, New Mexico, visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Ell Hatley during the holidays.

Mrs. Clyde Gibbins of Clyde, Texas, and Mr. and Mrs. James Munson and James Clyde of Abilene were recent visitors in the home of Mrs. A. E. Hayley.

Lance Corp. Frankie D. Casey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Casey, visited for one week during Christmas holidays. He is stationed at Camp Pendleton, California.

WALKER FAMILY GATHER AT CHRISTMASTIME

Dee J. Walker had all his children present for the Christmas holidays. They included Edna Varnadore and Billy and Kaye, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hardin, Linda and Phil, all of Amarillo; Mr. and Mrs. Duane Conger and Debbie of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. D. J.

Walker Jr., Sharon, Becky and Audrey, and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Walker, Loretta and Susie, of Robert Lee. Also his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Walker of Robert Lee. Also dropping by were several nieces and nephews.

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Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Mathers had all their children home for the holidays. They are Mr. and Mrs. George Pennington and Dennis of Midland, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Kuhn and children of Colorado City, Mr. and Mrs. Upton Mathers, Rodney, Kenneth and Delbert of Seminole, Okla., and Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Higgins of Robert Lee.

Mr. and Mrs. Nova Seaton, Mike, Terry and Kim of Mt. Carmel, Ill., are here for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. McDaniel. Mr. Seaton is employed by Snap-on Tool Co. in Mt. Carmel.

The N. K. Cheathams had their son, Larry, home for the holidays. He is a student at Texas Tech in Lubbock. While here, Larry killed two deer while hunting on the Spade ranch. Also visiting in the Cheatham home recently were Larry and Lane Arthur of Strawn.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Jameson spent Christmas weekend with their son and family, the G. A. Jamesons in Big Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Mullican and Billy Lynn and Bryan of Lubbock spent the Christmas holidays with his parents, the Frank Mullicans.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Savage and his sister, Miss Lou Savage of Lovington, New Mexico, stopped by for a short visit this week with Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Mathers. The Savages were enroute home from Copperas Cove where they visited their daughter and family, the Don Nugents. All are former residents of Coke County.

Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Jennings have returned from Sabine Pass where they visited their daughter and family, the Don Postlewaites. Mr. Jennings was on a month vacation from his duties as foreman with Sun Pipe Line Co.

Kay and Mit Rogers of Big Spring spent last week with their grandparents, the Ross Ganns.

Holiday visitors in the Marion Cox home were their sons and their families, Mr. and Mrs. Sammy Cox, Debra and Sammy, Jr. of Borger and Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Bolen of Phillips. Other recent visitors in the Cox home were Mrs. Buddy Mayes and Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Taylor of Holdenville, Okla.

J. D. Windham, a pre-med student at North Texas State College, has returned to Denton after spending the holidays here with his parents, the J. C. Windhams, and in Colorado Springs, Colo., with friends.

T. Z. Phillips has returned from Medina where he attended funeral services for his brother, J. N. Phillips, of Las Cruces, N. Mex. Services were held Dec. 22 and burial at Medina, former home of the Phillips family.

Mrs. W. M. Brown of Kilgore, a former Silver resident, visited here recently with the Marion Cox and J. C. Windham families. She continued on to Pecos where she will visit her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Preston.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Shingleton have returned home after spending a week in McAllen with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Wilkes of Rayne, La., were recent visitors

in his parents' home, Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Wilkes.

The Maurice Duncans spent Christmas holidays in Coahoma with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Elvin Haigood, Debbie and Cindy of Rockport spent Christmas holidays in his parents home, the C. M. Haigoods. Also Mrs. Haigood's sister, Capt. Frances McKinney of San Antonio, Mr. and Mrs. Arch Mathers and Robert and Troy Walls spent Christmas holidays in Grand Prairie with the Thad Walls family.

New Years weekend with C. M. Haigoods were his brother and family, Wallace Haigoods of Guyman, Okla.

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Anderson and Mr. and Mrs. Hal Anderson were in Bangs Tuesday for funeral service for Henry Anderson of Brownwood.

Mrs. Bill Burleson and grandson, Jimmy Burleson, of Slaton spent New Year's weekend with her sister and brother-in-law, the R. S. Andersons.

James C. Furr, Jameson Natural Gas Plant employee, has been confined to bed several days.

Visitors in the J. C. Furr home during the Yule holidays were Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Autrey and children, Lesa and Cheryl, of Dallas. Also Mr. and Mrs. T. W. James and children, Mike, Jan and Lori, of Guyman, Okla.

MRS. T. B. CHILDRESS WINS HIGH AT BRIDGE CLUB

Mrs. T. B. Childress won high at Tuesday Bridge Club's meeting that was held in the home of Mrs. Vaughan Davis, Tuesday, December 27.

Mrs. Curtis Blair won second. Guests that attended the affair were Mrs. Jack Snead, Effie Campbell and Mrs. Frank McCabe.

The Ernest Varnadores are in Moab, Utah, visiting their daughter, Mrs. Colleen Thompson, and family.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Turner and son spent several days with their parents and grandparents in Natalie, Texas, during the holidays.

Among recent visitors in the Ray Shandley home were Mrs. Shandley's brothers and their families, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Hamilton of Hobbs, New Mexico, Mr. and Mrs. John Hamilton of Andrews, and Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Hamilton of Roswell, New Mexico. The visitors were also guests of Mrs. G. C. Casey and Mrs. Carl Hurley.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Walker and Mr. and Mrs. D. O. King were in Lubbock for Christmas eve at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Anderson and family.

The Lynn Hammacks were guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Hammack and Mr. and Mrs. John Hunter, all of San Angelo, during the recent holiday season.

Mrs. Stella King, 606 Scurry, Big Spring, Texas, was a holiday guest of her son, John King, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Jay have their grandson, Benjie Jay, son of the Robert L. Jays of Eldorado, visiting them this week.

Mrs. Eva Vowell, mother of Charlie Vowell, was in Robert Lee during the holidays visiting her son, sisters and brothers.

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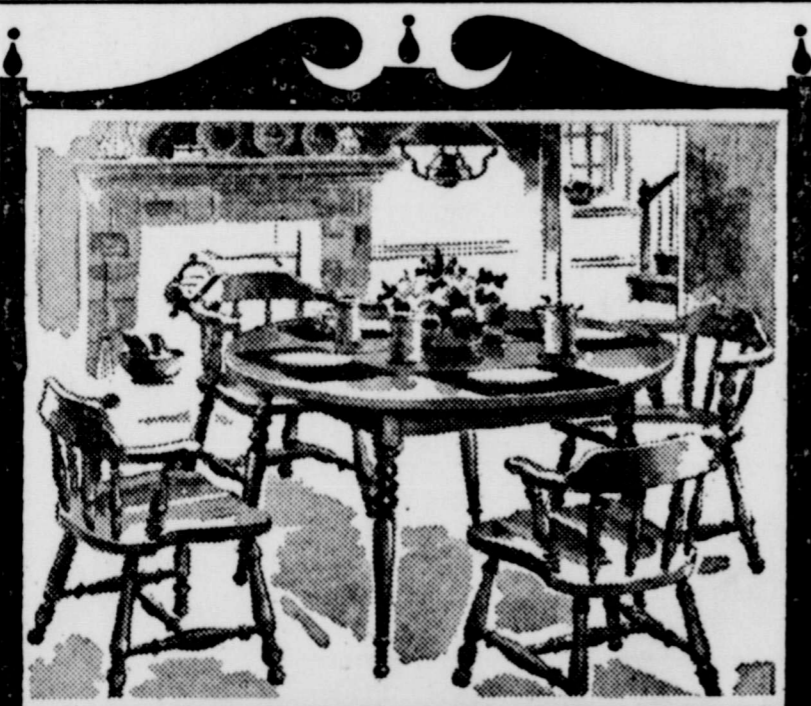
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service, which day and date of service shall be date of publication that this newspaper bears, and which day of appearance will be the 16th day of January, 1961, and contest, by filing written answer of contest, if they or any of them see proper so to do, a verified account, the nature of which is an account for final settlement of such estate, which has been filed by W. M. Millican, the Guardian of the Estate of Jewie Maud Millican, non compus mentis, and is now pending there, in a probate proceeding on the probate docket of said court styled Estate of Jewie Maud Millican, non compus mentis, the file number of which account and the docket number of which proceeding is Number 762, which account will at such 10 o'clock hour, on such day, and at such place be considered by such court.

If this citation is not served within 90 days after date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

Witness J. L. Tinkler, Clerk of the county court of Coke County.

Given under my hand and the seal of said court, at office in the City of Robert Lee, this 29th day of December, 1960.

(signed) J. L. Tinkler

Clerk of the County Court of Coke County, Texas

(Seal)

Mrs. Ethel Green's children, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Green and daughters, Nancy and Judy, of Big Lake; Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Augustine and sons, John and Scott of Sterling City; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Green and children, Carroll, Peggy and Jan, of Colorado City, were guests in her home during the yuletide season.

kin, 7 finewool lambs; Jimmy and Joe D. Blair, 1 crossbred lamb, 1 finewool lamb.

Jimmy and Bob Wells, 3 Rambouillet bucks, 3 Rambouillet ewes; Barbara Blaylock, 5 Rambouillet ewes, 3 Rambouillet bucks; J. B. Arrott, Jr., 3 crossbred lambs; James Bird Pentecost, 5 range ewe lambs; Jackie Counts, 1 Southdown lamb, 2 finewool lambs; Jerry Burson, 3 finewool lambs.

Davie Boykin, 3 crossbred lambs; Rickie Harris, 2 Southdown lambs, 3 finewool lambs; Luther Lara, 2 crossbred lambs; Johnny Gonzales, 3 finewool lambs; Selso Abalos, 2 crossbred lambs, 1 finewool lamb; Jesse Velenzuela, 3 crossbred lambs.

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5 LB. BAG

CORN MEAL 39c

SPINACH, Jack Sprat, No. 303 Can - 2 for 25c

STEAK, Sirloin & T-Bone - - - Lb. 79c

ROAST, Seven Bone - - - Lb. 49c

SLICED BACON, Midwest - - - Lb. 45c

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