

Author revises Panhandle history

An informal history of the Texas Panhandle, *Between Sun and Sod*, has been published by the Texas A&M University Press.

The 200-page book (\$12.50) by Willie Newbury Lewis is a revised and expanded version of a volume first published in a small edition in 1938 and unavailable for many years.

Included in the book are reproductions of H. D. Bugbee's original pen-and-ink illustrations.

Mrs. Lewis explains in the preface that the book began as a desire to preserve for her children a permanent record of their father's early life on the Panhandle Plains.

"As my interest and understand-

ing of the subject increased, I came to realize that the story of my husband and the story of the region were closely related, and that, for the sake of coherence, his story should be preceded by the story of the land that produced him," she said.

Mrs. Lewis, who was reared in Dallas, went to the High Plains with her rancher-husband as a bride in 1912.

The frontier had passed by then, but she knew many of the oldtimers and observed firsthand what remained of an earlier way of life. Her account of the civilizing of the region is based largely on personal interviews and correspondence with some 50 of the men and women who made it happen.

Introduction is by Fred Rathjen.

Sculptor needed

The City of Lubbock, Texas, is seeking applications from sculptors in the Southwest Region of the United States who are capable of executing a major work to be placed in the environs of the new Civic Center currently nearing completion in the city.

This project is supported by a matching funds grant from the National Endowment for the Arts of Washington, D.C. Available funds for the work and related expenses are budgeted at \$50,000.

Brochures and photographs of completed works by the sculptors will be used in preliminary selection procedures. It is anticipated that a minimum of four artists so selected will be invited for personal interviews.

The commissioned work is to be contemporary in design and specifically executed for the Civic Center project. Already completed works cannot be considered.

The selection committee will consist of three Lubbock citizens and three persons appointed by the National Endowment. This committee of six will select the sculptor and review preliminary designs. Supervision of the execution of the work will be in the hands of the local committee.

Inquiries, brochures and photographs should be directed to Mr. Larry Dyer, P. O. Box 2000, Lubbock, Texas 79457. Expendable submissions are preferred, but at the artists' request, mailable material will be returned.

ROTC cadets travel far for summer orientation

Army, Air Force and Navy-Marine Corps programs at Texas A&M University will send almost 300 cadets to summer field training this year.

In four- to six-week sessions, cadets will train in military units and assignments that help prepare them for commissioning as U.S. armed forces officers.

Col. Thomas R. Parsons, commandant, said summer training meshes with individual program work and Corps of Cadets experience. It has a record of success in officer production at Texas A&M that goes back over many years.

Naval ROTC cruises, at ports and bases around the world, account for 46 percent of the trainees. Col. Jack Ivins, professor of naval science, said 130 midshipmen will be assigned throughout the U.S., and on ships operating out of the Philippines, Japan, Scotland and Hawaii. Two cadets will be on foreign exchange cruises, in West Germany and Sweden.

They will be billeted at McConnell AFB, Kan.; Lackland and Dyess in Texas; Dover, Del.; Holloman, N. Mex., and Vandenberg, Calif. The professor of aerospace studies, Col. Robert Elkins, said basic orientation of cadets will be at a variety of installations. Pilot contract cutbacks have limited the program.

Army summer camp at Fort Riley, Kan., will involve 88 A&M cadets. Another five will go to Ranger School, at Fort Benning, Ga., in lieu of the regular Third ROTC Region camp. Five of the Riley- and Benning-bound cadets will also attend Airborne School.

ROTC summer assignments are more complex due to the dual nature of the program for Navy and Marine Corps officer candidates. Cadets in the Navy segment make two summer cruises, for orientation and more specific training.

Forty-seven juniors are headed for career orientation cruises, which will involve one week each at San

Diego and Camp Pendleton, Calif.; Corpus Christi and Charleston, S.C. They get surface orientation on destroyers, amphibious warfare, Navy aviation flights and submarine orientation.

The program will have 20 seniors at Quantico, Va., for "Bulldog" Marine officer basic. It is a six-week camp starting June 25.

Senior NROTC cruises of four to six weeks will put Aggie midshipmen on vessels in the Far East, Hawaii and various West Coast ports. Several will also be on the East Coast. They will take part in a 20-day Bicentennial Naval Review off Norfolk.

Seven seniors will be on nuclear powered ships, of which six will be submarines operating off the East Coast and from Holy Loch, Scotland.

Two women are due summer cruises. One will be at the San Diego Naval Station and the other will be attached to a sub-command of the U.S. Atlantic Fleet in Virginia.

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Beasley and German began working on the detector several years ago. It allows power company workers quickly to pinpoint powerline disturbances causing radio noise, most noticeable as television interference.

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