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BOND ROW SETTLED

Action Taken Monday by Commissioners' Court Settles Racket.

The commissioners' court is to be congratulated because of the manner in which they handled and settled the row over the \$100,000 road bond money while in regular session Monday, to the satisfaction of all concerned.

A group of citizens hurriedly got out a petition which was a rebuttal to the one circulated by Jeff Davis last week and published in the Observer. This last petition was practically adopted in full. In the 20 minutes they had to work at the petition they secured 42 signers. While Uncle Jeff had about 160 on his, after working about a week.

The petition reads as follows:

To the Honorable Commissioners' Court of Coke County, Texas:

"Whereas a petition has been presented to your court asking said court to spend said bond money from Tom Green county line to Mitchell county line without State aid, we the undersigned petition said court to take the matter of State aid with the State Highway Department before any money is spent and build the road according to State specifications.

"In case the State fails to aid in said road project, then we still ask that the road be built according to State engineer specifications so that in the future we will have a chance to get the State to take it over.

"We also petition said court that the same kind of a road be constructed from Robert Lee north to the Mitchell county line as from Robert Lee south to the Tom Green county line so far as can be done with county funds."

State aid will be asked and a survey according to the specifications of the State Highway Department will be made from one side of the county to the other.

Forty per cent of the funds is to be spent north of Robert Lee and sixty per cent south. The court could not have found a better way than that of being fair to all concerned as the north end pays practically forty per cent of the bond issue and are justly entitled to receive the same. To be exact the taxable valuation of the north end as given on the tax rolls is \$446,535 while the valuation of property in the south end is \$674,624; so the north end is not necessarily paying more than half of the bond money" as Uncle Jeff's petition published in last week's Observer states.

Another fine thing done by the court was the spending of some \$20,000 for a new bridge across the Colorado River that

will meet the requirements of the State Highway Department. The old bridge may be moved up the river to the place on the Edith and Robert Lee north road from which the former bridge was washed away about five years ago.

The entire \$100,000 was saved when the court passed an order to build a roadbed according to the specifications of the State Highway Department; but if it had followed the petition circulated by Jeff Davis the money would have been squandered on the old roadbed without any intention of ever asking the state for aid. It is generally admitted that the article in last week's Observer saved the district \$100,000 in cold cash.

Jake Harper, county commissioner of Tom Green county, was present and told the court that the State Highway Department had promised them state aid on their part of the road from San Angelo to the Coke county line when Coke county puts their road up in as good shape as they have theirs, and that 17 miles cost them around \$20,000. We have \$40,000 left to put our end of the road up and it is thought that will be sufficient. We have that mountain and a lot of bridges and culverts that they didn't have, but it is thought we will have only about 15 miles to build between Robert Lee and the Tom Green county line when the state survey has been made. Therefore, the money won't be wasted for we have a mighty fine chance of getting the state to take it over.

The \$40,000 properly used ought to complete the north end in good shape. Work will begin as soon as a right-of-way can be secured.

The Lewis Patton Co., of San Antonio is going to ship out a tractor and two graders, at their own risk and expense, on sixty days free trial. Should the court decide to keep them \$8,270.00 will be paid said amount to come out of the north and south end, equally, and out of the bond money.

Since everybody got a square deal (the very thing we were fighting for) we don't believe we will need any decent funerals. With peace and harmony prevailing, let's all pull together for a state highway on to Colorado City.

Common School District Becomes Independent

Robert Lee Common School District became an Independent School district Monday, when Dr. J. K. Griffith finished the job of getting enough signers on a petition to make it so. 193 qualified votes signed the petition which is more than the amount required by law to make it an independent School district. Only three refused to sign it.

An Election is to be had July 27th to elect seven trustees.

JACOB McCRAW DEAD!

"Gone, But Not Forgotten!"

"Safe in the arms of Jesus,
Safe on His gentle breast;
There by His love overshadowed,
Sweetly my soul shall rest."

Jacob Brannon McCraw, born July 15, 1907, died at Albany, Texas, July 5, 1929. Funeral services were conducted at the residence of his wife's parents by Elder Sabettesboth and his remains were interred in the Albany cemetery. A large crowd from various parts of north and east Texas were present.

"Jake," as he was familiarly called, was born in the Wild Cat community near Robert Lee where he has many friends who mourn his death. On July 19, 1921 misfortune befell him in the loss of his father. In 1925 he went out in the world to support himself and mother. He secured a position with the West Texas Utilities Company, mastered the details of the work and assumed every responsibility that the company saw fit to place upon him.

In the spring of 1927 he was sent to Albany and on December 25, 1928, he was united in marriage with Miss Edna Kenschalo, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Kenschalo, one of the most popular young ladies of that city. They lived in undisturbed happiness until he was taken ill about March 1, 1929. On the 18th day of April of the same year, he was conveyed to a hospital at Stamford where he remained until the best physicians pronounced his case hopeless. He then returned to the home of his wife's parents where all was done that money and friends could do until death came.

The boys of the West Texas Utilities Company from Monday, Abilene and Breckenridge were the pallbearers. The funeral was equal to a millionaire's.

He is survived by his wife, his mother, Mrs. W. L. McCraw, two brothers, Willis and Freddie McCraw and three sisters, Mrs. Frank Clawson, Misses Nora May and Winford McCraw.

Written by lifetime friends.

Methodist Meeting

The revival meeting which began at the Methodist church Sunday, is starting off well.

The Rev. McBreyer of Winters is doing some good preaching and Grady Morton of Rochester is ably directing the song services.

Everybody is cordially invited to attend.

Edith Gin Burns

On Tuesday night of last week the gin at Edith burned. The origin of the fire is not known. The gin was owned by E. E. Pruitt of Bronte.

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Has Family Reunion

Last Sunday was a happy day for Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Bell, when all their children was under the same roof once more at the same time, and the first time in six years they all been together. And the first time, that some of the Brothers-in-law had met, after being Brothers-in-law some five or six years. All was present Sunday except one son-in-law. Marcus Turner of Ballinger, who could not be here. They are Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Sturman and children and Miss Mildred Sturman of Elida, N. M. Mr. and Mrs. Paul J. Brown and children of Miles, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Lowry and son of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Rial Denman and son and Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Turner of Ballinger, Mr. and Mrs. Mannie Landers of Bronte, Mr. and Mrs. Freeman Clark and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Allie Bilbo and children and Miss Jeffie Bell of Robert Lee.

Old Settlers' Reunion

Slaton, Texas, July 12.—Plans are practically complete for holding the three days' Old Settlers' Reunion, July 18, 19 and 20, at the old Igo Ranch, five miles north of Slaton, in the Yellowhouse Canyon. This is announced by H. L. (Bud) Johnston, former Lubbock County sheriff, one of the ranch owners.

The 3-day program of entertainment will include swimming, fishing, boating, rodeo performances, many kinds of sports, buffalo riding, pony racing, chariot racing, a terrapin derby, band concerts, public speaking and other forms of diversion.

Extensive improvements on the 5,300-acre ranch, which is a natural playground, furnishes excellent facilities for entertaining the several thousands of West Texans who are expected to attend, Johnston said. Among the visitors will be hundreds of old-timers, he has announced after receiving scores of letters from all parts of West Texas.

Baptist Meeting Closes

The two weeks' meeting which had been in progress at the Robert Lee Baptist church closed Sunday night.

The singing, preaching, and piano playing throughout the meeting was excellent. Bro. McLain was forced to go home several days before the close of the meeting on account of an affected throat. Bro. Corder did the preaching the remaining days.

There were three additions to the church—two by letter and one by baptism.

We are always glad to get the local news; send them in.

Volume 40 No. 1

On the 13th day of July the Observer will be 40 years old. It started its career at Hayrick July 13th 1889, with Warren and Mathes, as Editors and owners. We have that copy in the office here now. Several times since then different Editors have started out and quit, and another would take his place. It has progressed as the county progressed which is pretty slow but steady and sure.

In checking over its past history, we can find no trace of a hard battle, it ever got into, for progress, until the present owner got hold of it. And it missed its calling a million miles, ever time it failed to get into any move that was ever made here to bride, and check progress. That answers the question you often here asked, "Why is our county so far behind other counties joining it?"

So long as the present owner owns it, or has anything to do with it, And steps are being taken by non-progressives that we believe to be injurious to the best interests of the town or county. Just book us down in the battle for progress because we refuse to set here, and allow it to go on with out a battle.

Sawed off shotguns, butcher knives or cannons, doesn't interest us a bit.

Forward March!

Girls Organize Club

Misses Pauline and Verna Conner invited several girls to a four o'clock tea at their home Wednesday afternoon for the purpose of organizing a club.

An interesting program was given by several of the girls. Miss LaVelta Taylor gave a piano solo, Miss Lois Denman, a reading, and Miss Pauline Conner spoke on the subject, "We Should Organize a Club." Several of the girls expressed their thoughts concerning a club. When the question of naming the club came up it was hard to decide which one of the many suggested names to use to settle the argument. They took a vote on it and decided upon "G. A. G."

The following officers were elected: Miss Pauline Conner, president; Miss LaVelta Taylor; vice-president; Miss Lois Denman, Secretary-Treasurer; Miss Velma Havins, Reporter; Miss Verna Conner, gunner; Miss Flora Cowley, gunner's mate.

They set Friday evening for the business meeting. At that time they will also initiate new members into the club.

A delicious course of sandwiches and tea was served to the eager club members.

The girls are planning to have a good time these hot summer days. Look out for the "G. A. G. girls."

The Observer

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A. W. PUETT Editor and Business Manager

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The cause of human progress is our cause, the enfranchisement of human thought our supreme wish, the freedom of human conscience our mission, and the guarantee of equal rights to all people everywhere the end of our contention.

POLITICAL PARTIES

What is the difference between the Republican and the Democratic parties in regard to the national policies for which they stand? Certainly, this question cannot be answered by analyzing the memberships of the two parties. Both have within their ranks prohibitionists, supporters and opponents of protective tariff, those for and against business monopolies, those who advocate a Department of Education and those who are opposed to the establishment of such a department, and so on in regard to practically every national question.

The leaders of the two parties aware of this difference of opinion within the ranks, apparently, have learned to steer clear of what are termed controversial matters within the party. In seeking to maintain harmony, they defeat the main purpose of the party—that of an agency through which the people may express their will in government administration—by attempting to ignore national questions that are of vital interest to the public.

A political party has been termed a science of government, but when it no longer sets forth definite issues, is no longer a medium through which the citizens are given a

chance to define the policies of their government, then it has outlived its usefulness and becomes only a plaything in the hands of politicians, to a certain group a ticket to the gravy train. Yet, a party that adopts and supports well defined policies is a necessary element in a representative form of government and is essential to the welfare of that government.

Those who believe in America for Americans, restrictive immigration, public education, and similar policies, or those who take the opposite view, should have the opportunity of electing to the administrative offices of the government men, who, they can be assured, will carry out these policies. If parties already in existence do not offer such an opportunity then they have the recourse of forming a new party.—Scottish Rite News.

ONE COW VS. ONE DOZEN

"Why milk twelve poor cows when one good cow will do the work of the twelve?" asks the bulletin of the American Bankers Association Agricultural Commission. It declares that analysis of more than 100,000 individual yearly records from cows on test in dairy herd improvement associations indicate that on the average: Cows that produced 100 lbs. butterfat a year returned \$14 each over feed cost;

Cows that produced 200 lbs. butterfat a year returned \$54 each over feed cost;

Cows that produced 300 lbs. butterfat a year returned \$96 each over feed cost;

Cows that produced 400 lbs. butterfat a year returned \$138 each over feed cost;

Cows that produced 500 lbs. butterfat a year returned \$178 each over feed cost;

In other words, one 500-pound producer will return \$10 more over feed cost than twelve 100 lb. producers. This does not take into account, either, the added labor of milking and caring for the larger herd, or the much greater expense of providing stable room for a dozen instead of a single animal. The figures are based on farm prices from all parts of the country.

Nerves Need Watching

There is a tendency for people who feel indisposed to blame it on their nerves and let it go at that. Real nervous disorders, however, are serious and the excuse of nerves should not be used to camouflage some other disorder.

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..Lawyer..

Office in Court House

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JOHN SAUL

Robert Lee, Texas, pd Oct 1 29

Where "Q" Got Name

The name of the letter Q comes from the French queue, meaning a tail, as the letter O with a tail.

We are always glad to get the local news; send them in.

Gaudy Uniforms
The crew of Stephen Decatur's ship, the Macedonia, in 1813, wore a uniform composed of blue jacket, scarlet waistcoat and straw hat. Sailors of those days who circumnavigated the globe wore hats of light, lacquered bamboo from China or East Indies as a mark of their travels.

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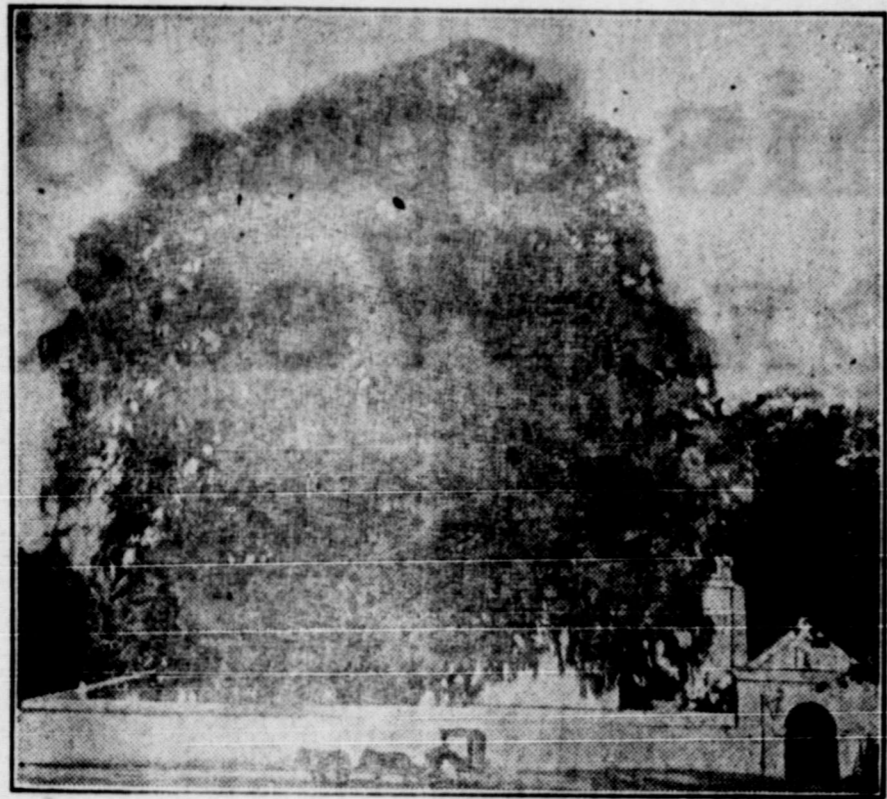
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Mexicans Mysteriously Hanged as Result of Nap Under Sacred Tree



MEXICO CITY.—While souvenir hunters in London have succeeded in stealing royal silverware, and those in Palo Alto, Cal., have stolen rose bushes at the Hoover home, death awaited those who even went too near the 5,000 year old "Cortez Cypress" tree at Santa Maria del Tule, in Oaxaca, Mexico.

Its age variously estimated at from 4,000 to 5,000 years this huge coastal plain cypress is known to Mexican pilgrims, many of whom have journeyed to Santa Maria with the express purpose of seeing it, as the oldest living thing in the world. It is 118 feet in circumference and is said to have sheltered "the whole European army of Cortez." The Missouri Botanical Garden authorities, at St. Louis,

are quoted as acknowledging its great age.

Recently townspeople of Santa Maria del Tule, who look upon the ancient cypress with superstition, were horrified to discover, one hot afternoon, that three soldiers, disregarding the warnings of passersby, had entered the churchyard where the cypress stands, and taken a nap under its ample branches. Evil fortune has been supposed to attend all those who have not shown the tree proper respect in the past, and when news of the soldiers' actions got abroad in the village there were mutterings against them.

The next morning all three were found dead, on the outskirts of Santa Maria del Tule, hanged to death.

Sanco Camp Meeting

July 24th to Aug. 4th.

We plow our land, we plant our seed, we reap our harvest. Regularly and systematically we look after our physical being. We build our own school houses, we send our children to school, we toil and toil and toil for the body and mind of our loved ones sparing no expense or toll, and all to be spent on this earth, just in the few allotted years in this lifetime. And all of us are living and acting as if we are to live here forever making no provision for moving into another world, and we are just as sure to move as that the sun shines in the heavens. Why not make provision for this last and everlasting move? Why?

Impressions made in childhood and youth last through this life and cling to us in manhood and old age. Why not make good impressions while young? Why not bring our children under influences regularly and systematically that will more and more bring out the best in them, that will enable them to choose the right at all times, to choose between good and evil.

Has any being ever received evil from attending divine services regularly on the Sabbath? Has any human being ever received any evil from reading God's word with the heart, acknowledging accepting and appropriating the same.

Sanco Camp meeting is a wonderfully good influence especially in Coke county. No family in Coke county or elsewhere that will give the ten days in camp and Bible study, together with fine teachers to be present, that will not be benefited permanently in body, mind and spirit. It is the duty of every parent to fully provide for the body and mind of his child and God holds every parent responsible for the proper training of their children for eternity, to constantly bring them under influences that will cause them to think of their soul's welfare.

It is a dead open and shut proposition, Christ or Devil, good or bad, saved or unsaved, and no one can successfully battle with the devil and all his cohorts here on this earth without the help of God and all of the means that he has provided.

There is no half way measures to be used; if a man wants really and truly to reach heaven God must pass on his case, just common sense, every man needs to be dead sure and he can, a man must go to God himself and if God passes favorably everybody will know it. Are you saved? Are you conscious that you are saved?

Will you bring your family to Sanco Camp where we will earnestly study these measures and sincerely ask our God for the truth, that we ourselves deeply want to know—the truth about ourselves, and then by prayer and fasting ask our God to bring such deep and pungent conviction upon our loved ones and friends that they will definitely and permanently seek God until found, and all make regular and daily provision to enter heaven. This is worth it all, this is worth more than all the world put together. Do you believe it? Come over and camp with us and "We will do thee good." W. E. Hawkins Sr.

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Light at the Poles

In speaking of the period of darkness at the poles, complete darkness is not implied, but rather a sort of twilight. There is sufficient light for ordinary activities to be carried on.

Avoid Soothing Syrup

Never give children soothing syrups to make them sleep. Find the reason why the child does not fall asleep or sleeps restlessly and correct the fault. Often it is a too heavy meal, or excited play before retiring.

Steam in Warfare

Rear Admiral George Wallace Melville says that when the British Admiral, Sir John B. Warren, succeeded the Potomac in 1812 his expedition was reconnoitered by an American steamer.



a new independence

— — — In July we celebrate the anniversary of the Declaration of Independence. And it is good that we set aside one day each year in which to rejoice over the freedom for which our forefathers fought and died.

— — — There is still another kind of freedom which we of this modern age enjoy—Freedom from the slavery of drudgery, disease and discontent. This new freedom is the result of years of experimenting with that great discovery—ELECTRICITY.

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— — — Through the extension of its facilities, industry is moving to the country. The vermin of the tenement has been eradicated by bright electric lights. The electric washing machine and iron, vacuum cleaner and similar labor-saving devices has swept drudgery to the forgotten past.

— — — We are proud of the fact that this company has a part in spreading this new freedom to 110 prosperous cities, towns and communities in West Texas. Fed by three major generating stations and fifteen auxiliary plants, more than 2,000 miles of transmission lines of this company carry an unlimited supply of electrical energy to the people of this "Land of Opportunity."

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RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts, undoubtedly good on personal Or collateral security.....	\$195,881.21
Loans secured by real estate, worth at least twice the amount loaned thereon.....	\$1,600.00
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Bonds, stocks and other securities (Bankers Acceptances).....	88,863.75
Real Estate (Banking House).....	\$3,600.00
Furniture and Fixtures.....	\$8,420.00
Cash on hand.....	\$5,714.38
Due from other banks and bankers, subject to check on demand.....	\$24,209.78
Interest in Depositors' Guaranty Fund.....	\$514.65
Total.....	\$278,808.72

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock.....	\$30,000.00
Certified Surplus Fund.....	40,000.00
Undivided Profits Net.....	10,664.52
Individual Deposits subject to check.....	183,660.35
Time Certificates of Deposit.....	8,523.12
Public Funds on Deposit	
State \$.....	} Total \$
County \$.....	
City \$.....	
School \$.....	
Other Liabilities (Reserved for taxes).....	\$955.73
Total.....	\$278,808.72

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We, Fred Roe, as President, and W. W. McCutchen, as Cashier of said Bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.
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Subscribed and sworn to before me this 3rd day of July A. D. 1929. Jeffie Bell, Notary Public.
SEAL) Coke County, Texas
Correct—Attest: W. M. Simpson, D. R. Campbell, J. S. Craddock, Directors.

Wild Cat Meows

The fourth was a big day for most of the people of this community.

Misses Mildred and Thula Murtishaw were shoppers in town Wednesday.

Little Misses Nola and Zada Patterson were guests of Miss Virgie Ditmore last week-end. Miss Lucile Smith spent the week-end at Sanco.

Miss Ruby Dodson of Robert Lee spent Sunday afternoon with Miss Ila Belle Patterson. A. V. Hughes spent Sunday with Floyd Murtishaw.

We are sorry to hear of the death of Mrs. W. L. McCraw's son, Jake, which occurred at Albany.

Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Corder and children of Robert Lee spent Thursday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Bob Patterson.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Creech went to Rankin last week-end in response to a message that their son-in-law, Blake Adkins, had been hurt by a horse. Mrs. Johnnie Williams went with them.

A good rain fell here Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Childress entertained with a dance Thursday night.

Miss Ora Ditmore spent Sunday afternoon with Miss Jane Creech.

Mrs. Edgar White was taken to San Angelo for medical treatment last week but has returned home now.

The little two-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Hunter is very ill.

Rev. Herman Patterson and General Grover Creech attended Sunday school Sunday. Live Wire.

Wheat Becomes Biscuits In Less Than 18 Minutes

Ranger, Texas, June 30. — Golden wheat was waving in the field. Just 17 minutes and 38 seconds later the same wheat had been transformed into hot, brown, appetizing biscuits.

The wheat was reaped, threshed, rashed in an auto to a mill, made into flour, thrust into ovens, and emerged, ready to be consumed in less than 18 minutes.

K. C. Jones, Ranger's mill owner, and Ben Whitehouse, agricultural instructor, conducted the race against time, aided by two chefs. Last year a similar test required 41 minutes.—Olyde Enterprise

KNOW TEXAS

Texas is the leading Jersey cattle state in the union. Ohio used to be.

Texas has 108 airports with 58 more under construction planned or proposed.

Texas leads the United States in oil refining.

Texas manufactured products in 1928 were valued at \$1,200,000,000, having practically doubled in volume (not value) since 1920.

Exports through Texas harbors in 1928 were valued at \$797,140,493,—second only to those of New York.

Ball Game

July 4th, at Robert Lee, The Christoval ball team came up and played the home boys but got defeated, the score was 11 and 7.

Sunday, the Post office ball team of San Angelo played the home boys at Robert Lee and was defeated 7 and 3.

RECKONING

BY WILLIAM JONES

If the God of Eternity came down from his throne
All our grief and our sorrow to help bear,
Would we turn as the tide, when our sorrows were o'er
And bid him our happiness share?

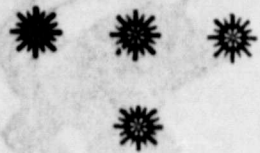
If he lived as a pattern, a measure of truth—
A prize within reach of all men,
Would we walk in this life apart from his steps,
Too short for His plan in the end?

If he should forsake all his glory to die in our stead
Conquer death that we might have life,
Would we sail for the shore of His infinite love
From the peril of fathomless strife?

If he pilots a lifeboat through the dangers of storms
To the souls crying out from the waves,
Would we cling to our raft of doubting and scorn
And go down to watery graves?

McCallum-Reed Stores, Inc.

Robert Lee, - Texas



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With
Us**



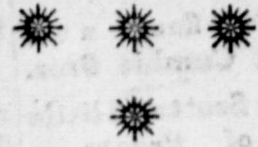
Tipping Our Hat to New Fall Styles

Smart, snappy styles they are, too.
You just should take the time to
see them early, for it is time for a
new topper.

A New Shipment of Up-to-the-Minute Felt
Hats for Men Has just Arrived. See Them
Before Buying.

Our Prices Are Never High

Our Aim Is to Merit Your Patronage and Friendship



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Save you
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McCallum-Reed Stores, Inc.

Baker-Hemphill's

San Angelo,

Texas

SUMMER DRESSES

\$16.95

The women who are now shopping for our \$16.95 dresses have been more than satisfied with the large and smart variety of styles that are being featured wash silk dresses for sport for afternoon . . . for ANYTIME in pastel solid shades or very unusual prints all sizes . . . when in San Angelo do not fail to drop in and see these frocks at this popular price.

For the convenience of women in West Texas, our

Personal Shopping Service

Brings Baker-Hemphill's
To Your Very Door

Shop by mail with Miss Lilli Barr, personal shopper; by mail, by telephone she takes as much care with your order as though you were shopping here yourself.

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HOLDER ICE

A pure, wholesome product—man's cheapest necessity for

A Long And Happy Life

Come And See Us
If We Don't Please You
We Don't Want Your Money

Yours For Service

Robert Lee Ice Plant

Treat 'Em Rough

Perhaps if your bees haven't been doing so very well it's because you have been treating them too tenderly. The latest bulletin from a well-known bee expert says: "Don't coddle your bees."—Kansas City Star.

What Could It Be?

The savage desert tribes of Africa pay no taxes, we read. It is difficult, therefore, to know what makes them savage.—Groversville Leader Republican.

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..Attorney-At-Law..

ROBERT LEE - Texas

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LOCALS AND PERSONALS

We pay top prices for any thing in the poultry line. Phone us. Walter Modgling, Bronte, Texas.

Mrs. Curtis Stewart was carried to the Ballinger Sanitarium Monday, it was not decided at the last hearing from them what was her trouble.

J. S. Craddock, D. P. Key, Claude Parker, James Wallace Clift, Than Brown and Woodrow Garbner went to Dallas after five new fords this week.

Cherry Belle flour and Cream meal at Cumbie Bros.

Mrs. Lamont Scott and little son, Horace of Bronte is spending the week with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Cresch, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Clawson, Mr. and Mrs. Willis McCraw, Floyd Pruett and Mrs. W. L. McCraw, attended the funeral of Jake McCraw at Albany July 6th.

Hot barbecue, honest-to-God barbecued, at W. Modgling's, Bronte, Texas, every day.

W. E. Newton has a case of Polson oak on one arm and shoulder.

Herbert Conner is confined to his bed this week with the measles.

Call us if you want to sell your eggs and chickens.

Walter Modgling, Bronte, Tx. Special \$1.00 ladies hose at Cumbie Bros.

Mrs. Drue Cumbie of Portales, N. Mexico and Mrs. R. I. Collier of Bronte were in town Monday.

W. E. Newton has just finished a nice residence for Jim Bearing below San Angelo.

William H. Maxwell of Blackwell spent Monday with his parents here.

Mr. and Mrs. Chism Brown and Mrs. N. C. Brown are going to San Antonio this week and after Mrs. Brown's mother Mrs. C. A. Isenhower, who will remain here through the summer.

A. R. Eubanks is back from the Planes.

Mr. and Mrs. Grady Parker and Miss Irene Parker of Eldorado, visited relatives and friends here over the week-end. Miss Parker will teach the Simpson school on the divide next term.

New shipment of white felts for ladies no two alike and all are beautifully style.

W. K. Simpson & Co.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Austin and son, William, of San Angelo visited relatives here this week.

Mrs. Della Fletcher, of New Mexico is visiting her son Oren Fletcher, and brothers, the Austin boys here this week.

For well Drilling at dollar per foot for the first hundred feet, and 25c raise per foot, per 100 feet thereafter, see me, will take trade at a fair price, B. M. Mundell.

Winnie Winkle sweaters to wear with "Whoops" skirts all colors at W. K. Simpson and Co.

Mr. & Mrs. Haffner saw the Auto races at Abilene the 4th,

Mrs. A. W. Puett and children visited relatives in Hamlin Wednesday.

Joe Arledge Jr. has a mashed foot caused by a horse falling on it while roping a calf. Not serious though.

W. M. Simpson and two sons with the McCabe boys seen the Automobile races at Abilene the 4th,

W. A. Clark and family watched the Auto races at Abilene the 4th.

Betty Pierson Good-Morning and Betty Lee frocks at W. K. Simpson and Co.

Mrs. A. E. Latham and her mother, Mrs. Summers, left Wednesday to visit relatives in Oklahoma.

Bill Mahon of Ft. Worth is visiting his brother P. E. Mahon here this week.

Miss Idella Eubanks is back from a two months visit with relatives in Comanche county.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Varnadore left Thursday for a trip on the Plains.

Mr. & Mrs. Jess Varnadore of Texon, visited with relatives here last week-end.

Nice, ripe, juicy peaches on trees at \$1.00 per bushel. R. H. Atchley, 3 miles S. W. of Novice.

Mrs. J. G. Smith and sons, Pressley, James and Earl, left Saturday for Wichita Falls to visit with relatives.

Mrs. A. J. Taylor is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Earl Evans in Abilene this week.

The Coke County singing convention will hold its annual session at Valley View the 4th Sunday in July. The session will last all day and dinner will be served on the grounds.

Mrs. Gail Brown of McKenzieville, who was taken to the Temple sanitarium recently is reported to be doing nicely.

S. M. Conner, Latham and Verna made a business trip to San Angelo Monday.

Herbert Conner is entertaining a case of measles this week.

Notice

The Runnels associational B. Y. P. U. meeting will be held at the Robert Lee Baptist Church Sunday afternoon at 3 P. M. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Confederate Veterans to Meet at Christoval Soon

The Mountain Remnant Brigade confederates Veterans meets in Christoval July 24-25-26.

All old fiddlers are requested to come and bring their fiddles. There will be fiddling and square dancing every night.

Attention, Masons!

Bro. Wilbur Keith of Dallas will be here July 18th., to speak on the symbols of the three degrees in Masonry. All Master Masons in this territory are requested to be present.

W. B. COBB GIN

Fred McDonald of Bronte Buys Gin Here. Installs Machinery.

The gin formerly operated here by W. B. Cobb, now of Eldorado, has become the property of Fred McDonald, who has been very busy for the past 30 days installing new, latest type machinery at considerable cost in order that he may give his patrons the very best service. He has installed a bollie machine, a cleaner, and ball bearings in every needed place throughout the gin. But surpassing everything else he has done, is the installation of a 1929 model round bale press which will make two bales weighing around 250 pounds each out of one average size bale, and the gin is so arranged that it will gin your cotton, either round or flat bale, just as you desire. Just the pulling of a string turns the bale into one or the other of the presses.

Mr. McDonald will buy round bale cotton at the highest market price each day. This cotton doesn't go through the public weigher's hands, neither does it go through the compress. This enables Mr. McDonald to give a little more for the round than for the flat bale.

NOTICE

All persons caught hauling wood, driving stock, robbing bees, or otherwise trespassing in my pasture without my knowing it, will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law. J. G. Smith.

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Editor Sees Auto Races

The editor and family enjoyed the auto races at Abilene July 4th. Those drivers, fighting with time and flirting with death, each trying to get in the lead, furnished four hours of thrilling entertainment. A "Fronty" Ford took the highest prize, a 15-mile race, made in 14 minutes, 10 2-5 seconds.

That bunch of boosters at Abilene certainly knows how to make people feel at home when they go there.

The Annual West Texas Fair is to be held there the last week in September and we shall make an effort to go because we know we shall be made to feel at home.

Senator Love spilled his beans and lost his chewing gum when he undertook to defend Mrs. Hoovers action in the Nigger episode at the White House tea last week when the senate sought to express itself as well as the sentiment of we white people of Texas on the question of Nigger social equality. Old Tom played sheel that day with his gubernatorial prospects. Sterling City News Record.

As to Water Rights

There are all sorts of legal questions involved in the matter of the control of water. All navigable waterways belong to the public. The federal government has jurisdiction over lakes and rivers as regards their navigation; while the states have the jurisdiction in other matters. Ponds and brooks belong to individuals, subject to state regulations.

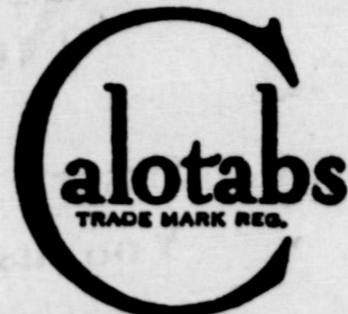
Card of Thanks

We take this method of expressing our deepest appreciation to our many friends for their kindness shown us during the illness and death of our beloved son and brother, Jacob McCraw, and especially do we thank you for the beautiful floral offering.

May the God of heaven be as good to you as you have been to us when sorrow comes your way.

Mrs. W. L. McCraw and Children.

Your tongue tells when you need



Coated tongue, dry mouth, bad breath, muddy skin, groggy nerves and sour stomach suggest its use.

Gulf Stream Temperature

The temperature of the Gulf stream is several degrees higher than that of neighboring oceans. Water has a remarkably high heat capacity. It is four times that of air, five times that of earth. The water of the Gulf stream carries its accumulated heat, derived from the tropical sun, for a long time and to great distances, giving it out gradually to the air.

Humanity Set Apart

Every now and again I meet up with a "lonely" man or woman, who is such because, through some idiosyncrasy of creation, he or she is different from the common run of us. It is rather sad, because there appears to be no help for it. Such folks are like moths confined in a chest of cotton garments.—Portland Oregonian.

Monument Moves

The sway of the Washington monument is rendered perceptible by a copper wire 174 feet long hanging in the center of the structure and carrying a plummet suspended in a vessel of water. At noon in summer the apex of the monument, 550 feet above ground, is shifted by expansion of the stone a few one-hundredths of an inch toward the north.

Standard Time in America

Standard time is a civil time established by law. In the United States there are four standard time zones adopted by the railroads, corresponding severally to mean local time of the seventy-fifth, ninetieth, one hundred and fifth, and one hundred and twentieth meridians west of Greenwich. It is computed from the sun, not from the stars.

Perfection in Samples

The old-fashioned sampler consisted of a square of perforated canvas, the rows of perforations being equally spaced. Designs were stamped on the canvas and filled in with different colored worsteds, the stitches forming little "x's." On the finest canvas this would almost give the effect of a painting.

Looking for a Home?

Described as a "home lover," a cow at Newport, England, recently jumped through the plate glass window of a furniture store, looked over the suites, then leaped back through the window, galloped across the street and climbed the stairs of a real estate office.

Costly Superstition

The Gran Chaco, the country in dispute between Bolivia and Paraguay, is inhabited by Indians who have the curious custom of burning their whole village after a death has taken place in one of the huts.

Young Men—Warning!

"Marry early and don't join clubs," is the recipe for happiness given by Sir Walter Runciman, British millionaire.

Bill Der Says

The modern girl can't make bread, but she makes the dough.



To Those Who Intend To Build or Improve

We have stocked a variety of designs and patterns in sash and doors that are the embodiment of good taste.

First impressions are many times best. If there is any single thing about a house that makes a good first impression, that one thing is the front door.

The sash and doors we offer combine strength and beauty with durability and style.

W. E. Newton

It Isn't safe to push your bargain to far.

FULLER PEP



"FILL HER UP"

That is what all our patrons tell us. They know from past experience that our gasoline is the best on the market. It is not "cut" with kerosene, and you get all the volatility you pay for. And volatility, let us explain, means added power.

Cliff Service Station

Good Rain

Saturday night, the biggest part of coke county got a good rain ranging from 4 inches down to nothing. Silver, Sanco, Edith and Bronte got from 2 to 4 inches, Robert Lee about one inch, and south of the river, from Wild Cat school house to the Orient railroad, it was rather light.