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Coke Goes Strong For Democrats

Coke county folks turned out pretty well for the general election Tuesday, registering an almost solid front for President Truman, Lyndon Johnson for U. S. Senator, and the entire Democratic ticket.

From incomplete returns it is apparent that Truman polled around 800 votes, with 50 for Dewey and 40 for Thurmond.

A total of 339 ballots were cast in the Robert Lee voting box. The vote was 307 for Truman, 7 for Dewey, 8 for Thurmond and 2 for Henry Wallace. Lyndon Johnson polled 297 votes here, with Jack Porter, the Republican candidate, receiving 9. Gov. Jester got 316 votes, while 3 votes went to Lane, the Republican candidate for governor.

The entire district and county Democratic ticket was elected without opposition.

The first six proposed constitutional amendments carried in Coke 2 to 1, but local voters opposed the last two amendments on the ballot.

Schlumberger Opens Office

Because of the expanding oil field activities in Coke county, Schlumberger has opened an office here in the Masonic building, according to Jim Baldry, survey engineer of Abilene. The Schlumberger rig stationed in Coke county is being operated by Carl Preston and H. H. Reynolds, who are residing in the W. B. Clift home. Schlumberger, commonly referred to as "Slumber-Jay," is used in making an electrical analysis of formations in oil drilling tests.

Pfc. Preston Ross was home for a weekend visit with relatives and friends. He is a headquarters clerk at Kelly Field near San Antonio.

Steers Have Open Date; Longhorns Are Improving

Robert Lee high school Steers have an open date this week and Coach Mike Hughes is hoping to bring his small squad into top form for the remaining three games on the schedule.

The crack Craie outfit comes to Robert Lee on Friday night of next week, and fans will again see a great Class B team in action. The Steers play at Coahoma on Nov. 19 and wind up the season with Bronte here on Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 25.

Bronte's Longhorns seem to be improving steadily. They lost last week at Hermleigh 12-0 and will entertain Loraine on the Longhorn field Friday night of this week. From all indications the Bronte-Robert Lee contest here on Turkey Day will be a natural

CARD OF THANKS

With grateful appreciation, we wish to thank each one, who had any part in helping to lighten our sorrow in the loss of our dear son and brother, Verdon T. Allen, who gave his life for his country, for the kind words, deeds and beautiful floral offering May the Lord bless you and when sorrow comes your way may you have as good and kind friends as we have.—Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Allen, Thelma Odom, Ruthelle Clegg, Durward Allen, Lucille Evans, Charlie Allen, Cleone Sanders, Billie G. Allen, Nita Archer, Esther Allen.

Will Thompson and wife of Wichita Falls were here Monday looking after business matters and visiting the former's brother, Charlie Thompson, near Edith.

Barbecue at Harris Ranch

Mrs. Ralph Harris will give a big free barbecue next Wednesday evening, Nov. 10, at the ranch house, 10 miles northwest of Robert Lee. The occasion will be a celebration following the fall roundup on the ranch and the recent oil strike on the Harris property. There will be plenty of barbecued beef and all the Coke county friends and neighbors of the Harris family are invited, and of course the oil folks, too. Serving will start at 5 p. m. Arrangements for the barbecue are being handled by Buster Fields, foreman at the ranch, and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Weaver, son-in-law and daughter of Mrs. Harris.

Oil Prospects Improve At Jack Lassiter No. 2

Encouraging reports came in Thursday from No. 2 Jack Lassiter following workover operations which have been under way the past few days. Packers were re-set to test the lower Ellenburger section from 6,836 to 6,868 feet. The new formation was treated with 15,000 gallons of acid. Good oil and gas shows were in evidence during swabbing Thursday, according to Doyle Gregory, drilling superintendent in the Lassiter field.

No. 2 Lassiter is a diagonal northeast offset to the No. 1 Lassiter discovery, 3 miles northwest of Sanco, operated by the Alford Oil Co. of Dallas. No. 1 Lassiter is producing from the Marble Falls.

Less favorable reports come from No. 1 B. D. Gartman, a west offset to the Lassiter discovery producer. After failing to locate production in the Ellenburger and Mississippian, operators have plugged back to the Marble Falls. A perforated section from 6,522-48 feet was acidized with 8,000 gallons. Swabbing Thursday, it was showing some oil and gas and a great amount of salt water.

The Gartman test was farmed out to Bob O'Brien and C. W. Sharp of Shreveport, La., both of whom are spending some time on the location. Longhorn Drilling Co. is the contractor in the Lassiter field, the two rotary rigs being in charge of J. M. Couquat, son of the owner. Workover operations on Lassiter No. 2 are in charge of Oscar Bourg of Odessa.

Methodist News

The popular Church Night program at the Methodist Church which provides food, fellowship and worship for the entire family will be on Wednesday night, Nov. 10, in the basement of the Church.

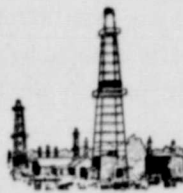
The program committee is made up of Mesdames Marcus Turner, Hugh S. Lewis, Jr. and R. W. Kannady. On the food committee are Mrs. Chism Brown, Mrs. Delmir Sheppard and Mrs. Ross Welch.

Druggist Buys a Home

T. W. Farris, new Robert Lee druggist, has purchased the former Lizzie Hester residence from Johnny Rives. The latter bought the place a few months ago and moved to town, but has decided to return to his ranch northwest of Robert Lee. Farris has disposed of his home in Brownwood and will move his household goods here this week. Mr. Farris and his son, W. M., purchased the Allen City drug store in Robert Lee the first of September.

Capt. Coye Wilson was a guest here the first of the week of his sister, Mrs. O. A. Madison, and family. Capt. Wilson has been a patient at Brooks general hospital at San Antonio for several years and is being sent to the Mayo clinic for further treatment.

Notes from the Oil Field



McQueen & Clevenger, drilling contractors, moved in their jackknife rotary rig and were preparing to spud yesterday on Humble's No. 1 R. E. Hickman, one mile west of Bronte. It is an east offset to the Hickock & Reynolds C. E. Rawlings discovery which is pumping 50 barrels of oil daily from the Palo Pinto. Elmer Ernest will handle tools for M & C.

Another offset to the Rawlings well is No. 1 Jess Percifull, a quarter mile north across the Robert Lee-Bronte highway. Operator of this lease is American Republics. Rotary equipment owned by George Callahan and Ted Wilson of Abilene is now being rigged up. Wilson will be the pusher.

Exploration Drilling Co. moved its rotary to Roby the past week after being released from Seaboard-Southern Minerals No. 3 M. G. Reed which failed in the Ellenburger. The Reed location is 11 miles southeast of Robert Lee.

Chapel Hill Gas System will move a second drilling rig into the Ralph Harris Estate field, where operators recently completed a heavy producing well in the Pennsylvanian sand. Penrod Drilling Co. is the new contractor. Delaney is now on its third well for Chapel Hill. The Harris field is east of the Sun block south of the Colorado River, southeast of Silver.

Death from heart disease came unexpectedly Wednesday to Cecil Watson at Hobbs, N. Mex. He was stationed here some time the past summer as tool pusher for Delaney on the Harris location. Cecil was a fine gentleman and had many friends over West Texas. His home was at Lubbock where funeral services will be held Friday afternoon.

Seaboard's No. 1 Fred McCabe, wildcat southwest of Robert Lee, was drilling Thursday in shale at 6,670 feet.

Carnival Queens Chosen; \$780 Proceeds from Event

Janet Dean, Robert Lee high school senior, was crowned queen of the annual Halloween Carnival at the school auditorium here last Friday night. Also sharing honors in the big event was Jeanette Lassiter, who was chosen queen of the elementary grades.

Janet, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Claud Dean, was attended by Bobby Earl Seltz. Jeanette, pupil in the 8th grade and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lassiter, was attended by Louie Dell Holden.

The carnival sponsored by the PTA was largely attended and gross receipts of \$780 is reported. A portion of the funds will be devoted to improvement of the school library.

Guests in the home of the Fred Smiths on Sunday were Mr. and Tommy Williams and sons of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. T. Coffey and children of Silver, Mr. and Mrs. Willie Wallace and Mrs. Pete Davis. Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Coffey, Mrs. Wallace and Mrs. Davis are sisters of Mr. Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Parker and daughter, Arlene, were over from San Angelo Monday. Claude renewed his Observer for another year.

\$200 Gifts Next Wednesday

Another big Award Day is scheduled for next Wednesday, Nov. 10, when Robert Lee merchants will distribute \$200 among their customers. The drawing will be at 4:30 p. m. and persons must be present to claim their awards. Robert Lee Trade Days were launched two weeks ago and will continue through Dec. 22. Gift coupons are given with each \$1.00 purchase at Robert Lee stores.

BCD Luncheon Monday

The Board of Community Development will hold a luncheon next Monday noon at 12:15 at the Methodist church dining room. President G. C. Alien says some interesting topics will be brought up and a good attendance is requested. Luncheon tickets are \$1 each and must be purchased before Saturday night at Buchanan's barber shop.

Work To Begin Soon On Silver Gas Plant

Jack Calder arrived here the past week to take up his work as acting superintendent and district field clerk for J. F. Pritchard & Co. of Kansas City, Mo., who has the contract to construct the new gas plant for Sun Oil company at Silver.

Calder says actual construction work will not start for a few weeks, although a considerable amount of material has arrived. Some finishing work remains to be done on the new paved road leading to the plant, and the building site has not been entirely leveled.

Two large motors are already the site and among other types of huge equipment to be installed are seven propane tanks weighing 95,000 pounds each.

Local help will be used on the job, except for the key positions which will be filled by experienced men. More than 100 men will be employed when the project gets under way.

Mr. Calder and his family will make their home in Robert Lee, and will reside in their trailer house at the A. B. Sheppard camp. Mr. and Mrs. Calder have two children, both of whom enrolled in the Robert Lee high school Monday. Ralph is in the tenth grade and his sister, Mary Ann, is a senior.

Notice To Bidders

The City Commission of Robert Lee, Texas, will accept sealed bids on Tuesday night, Nov. 16, at seven thirty o'clock on the old City Hall Building, which is now located on the City Hall Lot in Robert Lee, Texas. A cashiers check representing ten per cent of bid must accompany sealed bids. The City Commission reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

By order of the City Commission. R. S. Crum, City Secretary.

Melvin Childress is reported to be recovering satisfactorily at Shannon hospital where he submitted to an emergency appendicitis operation Monday night. Surgeons found the appendix had ruptured, but no serious infection has resulted. Mr. Childress is foreman of the C. R. Russell ranch, a few miles northwest of Robert Lee.

F. W. Puett writes from San Bernardino, Calif., as follows: "Please change my address to 260 South Allen St. Also remind all my friends when they are making a trip out this way to drop by. I am in the phone directory. San Bernardino is on the highway from Los Angeles to anywhere in the USA."

Sun No. 1 Brannen Flows 309 Barrels During 24-Hr. Test

Sun Oil company's No. 1 Jewell Brannen was completed the past week and flowed 309.3 barrels of 48.2 gravity oil during an official 24-hour test. Gas-oil ratio was 1,460-1.

Location is on the former Conner ranch southwest of Silver. No. 1 Brannen was a south offset to one of the C. E. Mathers producers in the southwest corner of Sun's Jameson field.

Baker-Taylor Drilling Co. moved its jackknife rotary rig over the weekend to No. 3 Jewell Brannen, a south offset to No. 1. Surface pipe has been set to a depth of 528 feet.

No. 13 Homer Jameson has been completed to a total depth of 6,405 feet and was flowing yesterday. During a 5 1-2 hour test through quarter inch choke it made 27 barrels of oil and no water. Gas-oil ratio was 1,880-1.

Morris-Hamilton's rig is moving to No. 14 Homer Jameson.

C. E. Mathers No. 9 cored from 6,223-46 feet in limestone and shale, with a fair to good odor reported.

No. 4 J. B. Walker, south of the river, was running tubing to 6,306 feet to complete.

W. I. Tubb No. A-2 was drilling in shale at 3,833 feet.

No. 7 Fred Jameson was in shale at 5,662 feet.

No. 1 Mary Haney, Sun's wildcat near Maryneal, failed to recover any oil shows on a drillstem test in the Ellenburger at 7,402 feet. There were 600 feet of sulphur water.

No. 1 P. W. Millican, Sun's wildcat 3 miles west of Edith, flowed naturally 87 barrels of oil through quarter inch choke during a 17 hour test. There was no water. Tubing pressure was 25 pounds and casing pressure 375. Gas-oil ratio was 1,400-1.

UCRA Is Considering Robert Lee, Bronte Dams

The Upper Colorado River Authority will discuss with city officials of Robert Lee and Bronte Friday night the possibility of UCRA construction of two small dams to provide municipal water supplies. The meeting is set for 7 p. m. at the city hall in Bronte.

City officials recently approached the UCRA with the idea of having the state agency construct the dams, with repayment to be made over a 25-year period. Officers and directors of the UCRA discussed the matter at a meeting in San Angelo on Monday, and the proposition received favorable consideration.

Neither Robert Lee nor Bronte is financially able to complete a satisfactory waterworks system by its own financing. The UCRA proposal would be a great opportunity for the two towns to solve their water difficulties, and there is a strong possibility that the matter can be worked out satisfactorily.

Supt. B. C. Goodwin of the Robert schools is at Mineral Wells attending a state-wide meeting of college representatives, educational supervisors and superintendents who are discussing plans to secure more and better teachers through cooperation with the higher institutions of learning. Supt. Goodwin was selected to represent the San Angelo district by Joe Humphress, deputy state superintendent for this area.

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Editorial

Official Business at Hand

For some time now, nearly a full month, Coke county has been without a county judge. A vacancy occurred when Bob L. Davis resigned the office to accept the position of city secretary at Pecos. The county commissioners have not been able to agree on an appointee, and the apparent deadlock seems destined to continue until the first of the year.

This situation is embarrassing to the public and is causing concern among patrons of the common school districts. Under the Coke county setup our county judge is also ex-officio county superintendent of schools, and it is his duty to sign all common school warrants before they are valid. Teachers salaries are being held up and the contractor is not getting paid for his work on the new Silver school house.

The county judge also acts as chairman of the commissioners court and work is piling up in the office, with a regular monthly meeting of the court scheduled for next Monday.

The Observer feels that Jeff Dean should be appointed to the office, and that it should be done today. Dean has been elected to take over the job the first of January and many believe he is the person entitled to first consideration.

When Commissioners Varnadore and Harmon refused to confirm Dean's appointment a month ago, they were thinking of the county hospital issue which has been opposed by Commissioners Smith and Brooks from the east side of the county and they felt that Dean might injure himself if he stepped into the office just now and had to make any decisions on the hospital matter.

From what The Observer can learn Mr. Dean is ready and willing to accept the appointment, and we believe he is capable of handling the controversy as well as anybody else. The office should not be left vacant any longer. Since Commissioners Smith and Brooks state they have no intention of changing their minds, we hope that Commissioners Harmon and Varnadore give in this time. As to the future decisions, however, we hope they stay stand pat 'til heck freezes over.

Why a County Hospital?

The Observer has favored a county hospital ever since the matter was suggested a year ago. We firmly believe it should be built from tax money because under that procedure every person will contribute his equitable share of the cost.

Of course, any community that has a hospital given to it by an individual or group of persons, is fortunate indeed. We would be happy to see enough funds donated to build a hospital, but there is no such prospects at present.

More than half (it might be as

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much as 80 per cent) of the property in Coke county is owned by non-residents. Folks from outside like to invest in Coke county land where the assessed valuation is low and the tax rate reasonable. Recently the oil interests have come in and indications are that they will soon pay more taxes than all the rest of the property combined.

Sun Oil company, the largest operator, is anxious to pay its share toward a new county hospital. They want medical care and hospital facilities made available to their employees and they are willing to go along with other Coke county folks on the project.

There's another point to clarify. The proposed hospital is not for Robert Lee. It's purpose will be to furnish hospitalization to anyone needing same from all over the county. Just remember that in the election last spring people from Edith, Silver, Sanco and all around voted as strong for the proposition as they did in Robert Lee.

Some question has arisen as to the legality of the hospital election and the time warrant payment plan. Officials at Austin give it their okay and that's the way the county will buy that new bulldozer next week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ike Millican returned Friday from a two weeks' visit with their son, N. T. Millican near Littlefield. They report their son's crop of feed and cotton is very good considering the drouth.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Chapman returned last week from Hays, Kansas, where they were called by the serious illness of Mrs. Chapman's mother. Mr. Chapman is a driller for Ray-Harris.

Coke Teachers Form County Organization

Twenty-nine of Coke county's 34 public school teachers met at high school building in Robert Lee Monday night and organized a county unit of the Texas State Teachers Association. The unit will be affiliated with District 22 of that organization.

Miss Ruth Hillyer, president of Dist. 22 and teacher of mathematics in San Angelo high school, was present and talked about the state and district organizations and of plans and aims of the T.S.T.A. for the welfare of the Texas schools and of the members of the teaching profession in this state. Miss Hillyer was accompanied here by Miss Maurine Bullock and Miss Gladys Cowles.

The most interesting feature of the meeting was a talk by Miss Cowles, exchange teacher from Wales, who discussed the educational system of Great Britain, with emphasis on the system in force in Wales. Miss Cowles answered many questions of the interested teachers.

Officers elected to serve the Coke County unit are: J. L. Carroll, Bronte, president; Mrs. Chet Holcombe, Bronte, first vice president; Mrs. Bryan Yarbrough, Robert Lee, second vice president; Mrs. J. T. Henry, Bronte, secretary; H. R. Gassiot, Silver, treasurer.

Misses Joyce Littlefield, Betty Jo Mauldin and Edna Wallace sang two songs. Following the business session, cookies and coffee were served in the high school lunchroom. — Jessie Yarbrough, publicity chairman.

Mr and Mrs. G. B. Shellburne, Jr. and children, G. B., Gene Paul and Ruth Ann, of Kerrville visited last weekend in the parental D. P. Key home.

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SILVER NEWS

Mrs. Dalton Millican has returned from a weeks visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Adams of Midland.

Willie I. Tubb is in the Bronte hospital suffering from a badly infected arm. He is reported to be improving and is expected home within the next few days.

A. E. and L. W. Preston of Casper, Wyo., have gone to Toledo, Kan., after a week's visit with their brother, A. W. Preston.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Rogers of Lamesa visited relatives here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. S. V. Fant and Norma Jo spent two days last week in San Angelo with relatives.

Returning home the first of the week after a visit with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Allen, and attending the funeral of their brother, Verdon T. Allen, were: Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Clegg of Cataumet, Mass., Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Allen and Mr. Lonnie Evans and sons of Winslow, Ariz., Mrs. Jerry Sanders of Houston, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Allen of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Archer of San Angelo and Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Allen of Van Court.

Mrs. Evans remained for a longer visit with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Kuhn and children of Cisco were weekend visitors of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Mathers.

Mr. A. E. Moore and Eva visited Tuesday with Mr. and Mrs. W. Y. Byng and other friends at Sterling City.

Mrs. Fred Stubblefield of Winslow, Ariz., who came here for the funeral of her cousin, Verdon T. Allen, returned home Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Padgett of San Angelo, accompanied by his sister Mrs. Ira Jackson of Houston, were Silver visitors Tuesday. Mrs. Jackson was the former Ella Padgett and lived here for many years.

Visiting the C. G. Walkers last weekend were "Doc" and Mrs. Scudday and children of Garden City. Mrs. Walker and Mrs. Scudday are sisters.

H. R. Gassiot, principal of Silver school, attended the Coke county Teacher's Conference Monday night at the Robert Lee high school.

The Halloween Carnival held Friday night at the Silver School provided fun for the large crowd which attended and funds for the school. Profits from the carnival will be used for the P. T. A. projects during the year.

Mrs. W. J. Turner returned Sunday from Mission, Texas, after a two weeks visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Hooks.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Millican and children of Spade attended the Halloween carnival here Friday night. Jimmie Lee Johnson, sister of Mrs. Millican, returned home with them for the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. John Shimer and Mr. and Mrs. Clark Rennells are the first residents in Sun's new camp.

The Shimers have three children, two of whom are in school here. Carolyn is a second grader while this is Jay's first year. The Rennells have a small daughter, Ruth Ann.

We are glad to have these new people and hope their stay here will be a pleasant one. We are looking forward to the time when all the other houses will be occupied.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Shore of Hereford arrived Tuesday night for a few days visit with their daughter and family. Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Rose.

Clothing Needed

"I was naked and YOU clothed me." It's easy as 1-2-3.

1. Go through your closets, bureau drawers, chests and take out everything you can spare, especially outgrown garments. (Ladies, how about those short dresses you won't be wearing this season?)

2. Wash the linens and cottons if they are soiled and have woollens and rayons cleaned, but remember—no pressing or ironing necessary.

3. Lay them in a box and take to the clothing bin now set up in the Silver Baptist church and you see for you it's easy as 1-2-3. For the recipients life and hope!

"I was naked and ye clothed me." How many will you help re-clothe?

Garden Club Meeting

El Valle Garden club held its regular meeting Oct. 27 in the home of Mrs. W. B. Clift, with Mrs. W. K. Simpson as co-hostess.

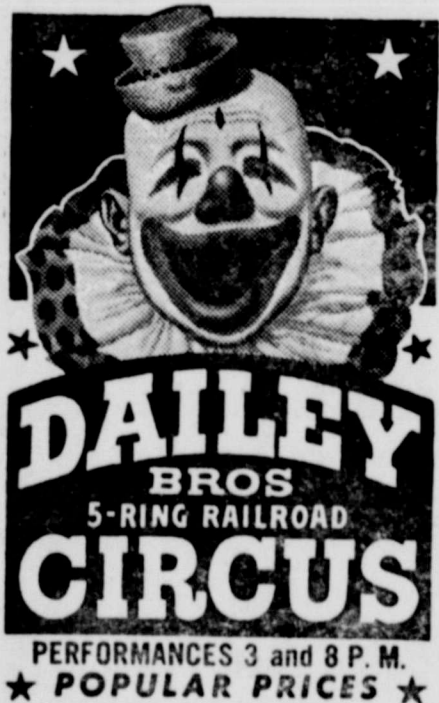
Opening the program was a flower quiz roll call conducted by the secretary. An interesting discussion on the culture of sweet peas was presented by Mrs. B. A. Austin. Mrs. J. C. Strickland spoke on pansies.

The hostess had a number of articles from Korea on display and gave the history of a few of them.

Refreshments were served to 19 members and five guests.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Harmon enjoyed a visit last weekend from their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Carriger, of Brownwood. The Carrigers are moving this week to Corpus Christi. Robert Lee folks will remember Mrs. Carriger as the former Annie Harmon.

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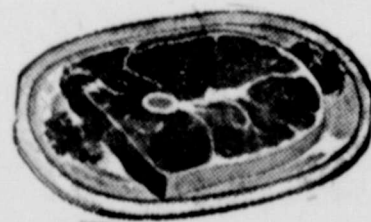
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Menard Defeats Steers By 13 To 6

The Menard Yellow Jackets defeated the Robert Lee Steers here last Thursday night by a score of 13 to 6. The visitors were redhot and put up the best game of the season to humble the Steers who did not seem quite up to top form.

To local fans the score was quite satisfactory, since Menard had two or three other touchdowns nullified because of penalties. Jackson, 150 pound halfback for the Yellow Jackets, gave the best demonstration of broken field running seen on the Robert Lee field this year.

Buddy Havins was a standout in the Steer lineup. He did some wonderful punting, also handled the passing and was a good ground gainer. Roy Tinkler made some nice gains when he carried the ball. Bill Blair, playing in the backfield with Royce Smith out of the lineup, was unable to get loose against Menard. Frankie Percifull played his usual good game.

The Menard folks brought along their swell marching band and pep squad and put on a mighty pretty show.

First Quarter

Robert Lee kicked off and Jackson returned 20 yards to his 33. On the first play from scrimmage Jackson got loose around his right end and ran for a touchdown. A placekick converted. Score: Menard 7, Robert Lee 0.

Havins received the kickoff and came back 20 yards to his 34. Blair plunged thru center for 4 and Percifull added 5. Tinkler went to the Steer 49 for a 1st down. Tinkler got thru right guard for 4 yards and Havins circled right end for a 1st down on the Menard 37.

Tinkler picked up three yards and Havins gained 5. Havins carried around end for a 1st down on the 25. Tinkler went thru for 4 and Percifull circled right end for a 1st down on the 8. Tinkler gained 3 thru the line. Havins was stopped on an end run. Percifull found a hole in the center of the line and scored. A pass attempt failed to convert. Score: Menard 7, Robert Lee 6.

Menard brought the kickoff back

to their 32. The Yellow Jackets made only 7 yards in three plays and punted on the 4th down to the Robert Lee 24 yard line. Blair, Havins and Percifull picked up 6 yards in three plays and Havins punted to the Menard 15.

Second Quarter

Menard gained 5 yards around end and Ellis went to the 30 for a 1st down. On the next play a 5 yard penalty went against Menard. Jackson and Ellis alternated in four plays to get a first down on their 41. Four more line plays advanced the ball to the Steer 46 for another 1st down.

Jackson gained 5 off right tackle and a 15 yard penalty on Robert Lee gave Menard a 1st down on the Steer 22. Jackson slid off right tackle for 9 yards and Ellis made it a 1st down on the 10. Menard was assessed a 5 yard penalty for taking too much time in the huddle. Speck gained a yard and Blair stopped Jackson after a 2 yard gain. McWilliams caught a pass in the end zone for a touchdown. A conversion attempt from place was blocked. Score: Menard 13, Robert Lee 6.

Percifull brought the kickoff back to his 38. Tinkler went thru for a 1st down on his 48. The Steers were held to a short gain as the half ended.

Third Quarter

Havins received the kickoff and shook off several tacklers before being stopped on the Yellow Jacket 35 yard line. The Steers lost 3 yards on a fumble. Percifull was stopped at the scrimmage line and a short pass failed. Havins went around right end but failed to make the required yardage and Menard took the ball on their 26.

Menard lost 5 yards on a fumble. Jackson gained 9 and Ellis picked up 4. Menard punted to the Robert Lee 38. Blair gained 9 off right tackle, but the Steers took a 5 yard penalty on Menard. Tinkler went thru guard for 4. Havins lost 2 trying to circle end and then was downed for a loss of 3 yards. Havins punted out of bounds on the Yellow Jacket 24.

Tremble and Ellis picked up a 1st down on their 36. Tremble made 4 more and Ellis went to the Robert Lee 47 for a 1st down. A short pass failed. Bruton threw failed. Bruton threw Tremble for a 3 yard loss. An aerial was completed to McWilliams who ran for a touchdown. The play was called back and a 5 yard penalty went against Menard for backfield in motion. Jackson gained 5 yards and Menard punted over the Steer goal line. Havins gained 2 yards in two plays.

Fourth Quarter

Havins advanced 4 yards on an end run and then punted to the visitors 17 yard line. Jackson hit center for 3 yards and then went off right tackle for a touchdown. The play was nullified because of an offside penalty called against Menard. Ellis gained 6 yards in two plays. Menard punted to the Robert Lee 47.

Percifull gained 4 and Havins lost 2 yards at left end. Havins

punted out of bounds on the Menard 6. Jackson carried to the 16 for a 1st down. Speck went off tackle for 7 yards and Jackson made it 1st down on the 28. Speck hit center for 3 and then made it a 1st down on his 44. A 15 yard roughing penalty on Robert Lee gave Menard a 1st down on the Steer 41.

On the second play Speck went to the 19 for a 1st down. Menard gained 4 yards in two plays and Roe stopped the ball carrier on the next play with a 2 yard loss. Ellis went to the 10 but Menard failed to make it a 1st down and Robert Lee took the ball.

Tinkler went thru center for 10 yards and a 1st down. Havins connected with a pass to McCallian who was downed on the Menard 30 yard line as the game ended.

The starting line-ups: Menard—McWilliams and Menzies, ends; Warren and Edwin, tackles; Sutton and Tremble, guards; Lancers, center; Jackson and Speck, halfbacks; Kothman, quarterback; Ellis, fullback.

Robert Lee—McCallian and Thetford, ends; Bruton and J. Q. Varnadore, tackles; Hood and Roe, guards; Sheppard, center; Havins, Blair, Tinkler and Percifull, backfield. Substitute, Ronnie Baker for Roe.

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All records for attendance at state fairs in the United States were broken Sunday, Oct. 24, on the final day of the 1948 State Fair of Texas.

Last visitors through the gates brought the total for the sixteen days to 1,892,327, an increase of 128,406 over the all-time record of last year, despite the declines generally shown by other state fairs over the nation this year.

Visitors saw what was generally acclaimed the outstanding exhibitions of all times in Texas. They participated in the largest gathering of rural youth in history. They received \$62,291 in livestock premiums. They beheld history making shows in agriculture, industry, the women's division, sports and amusements.

Large delegations of fair executives from other areas were on hand to study the operation of the Texas fair. Among these was L. B. Haring Jr., manager of the Mid-South Fair at Memphis, Tenn., whose comment that "there is no comparison between this Fair and any other fair over the North American continent" was fairly typical.

Even before the big exposition finally closed on Sunday, plans were being formulated by directors and officials to make the Fair next year still bigger and better, using as a starting point their experience this year with the most popular state fair the country has seen to date.

From Frank Preslar

Frank Preslar, former Coke county resident, writes from White River, So. Dak., as follows:

"Please don't let me miss another copy of your Coke County Rabbit Twister. I received your notice but have so much on this old mind of mine I just forgot all about it."

"I've been planning to visit you dear old neighbors for some time and still hope to do so in the near future. So please send me your paper as soon as possible."

Bridge Contract Let

Meeting in Austin Tuesday the State Highway Commission let a contract for bridge work on the new highway from Edith west to the Sterling county line. C Hunter Strain of San Angelo was the successful bidder at \$58,862.

Mrs. Mattie Tinkler and son, Clarence, and Mrs. L. E. Wink joined Mereta relatives in attending the funeral of Mrs. C Shellburne at Houston one day last week. The deceased resided at Bryan and was a sister-in-law of Mrs. Mattie Tinkler.

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Union HD Club

Mrs. John Keeney was hostess to the Union Home Demonstration club Friday, Oct. 22, in the home of Mrs. Marshall Johnson. Mrs. John Coalson was elected THDA chairman and heads of other committees for the coming year were named by Mrs. Cullen Clark, club president.

Mrs. Luther McCutchen resigned as reporter and another was elected.

Refreshments of sandwiches, potato chips, pumpkin pie and punch were served to seven members and three visitors. They included Mes. J. R. Johnston, Cullen Clark, Everett Bruton, Claude Beaver, Everett Best, John Keeney, Vernon Lammers, Taylor Emerson and Mrs. Walker.

The next meeting will be with Mrs. Lammers Nov. 12.

Visiting recently, in the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Shropshire were Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Gobel of Santa Barbara, California, Mrs. A. C. Williams and baby of Flagstaff, Arizona, Mrs. Carol Reed and children of Sterling City, Texas and Ford Shropshire of Post, Texas. Mrs. Gobel and Mrs. Reed are their daughters, Mrs. Williams a granddaughter and Ford is their son.

Mr. and Mrs. Javan Vosburg and son, Javan, Jr., spent Sunday in Bronte with the G. A. Braswell family. Mr. Vosburg is a sister of Mrs. Braswell.

Mrs. Myrtle Ashurst of California has been a guest the past week in the home of her brother, A. N. Counts, on the divide west of Robert Lee. Other guests in the Counts home on Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Counts, Mrs. Ina Maud Edwards, Mrs. Winnie Carter and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Posey of San Angelo.

Mrs. Jake Glasgow and Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Read of Blackwell spent Thursday with the D. R. Ainsworths.

Folks You Know

Mr. and Mrs. James Thomason spent Sunday in Bronte with her parents, the J. E. Mitchells.

Mrs. O. B. Jacobs returned Monday from the hospital at Bronte where she was a medical patient the past week.

Mrs. D. R. Ainsworth went to the Sweetwater hospital Saturday for a few days checkup following a recent operation.

County Agent and Mrs. T. B. Hicks were called to Lubbock the last of the week by the illness of her father, who is ill with pneumonia.

Tommy Williams and family of Abilene were guests over the weekend among Robert Lee relatives. Mrs. Mabel Williams accompanied her son and family home for a few days visit.

Bill Allen and Jack Snead, students at San Angelo junior college, attended the Ram Tarleton game at Stephenville Friday night and went on to Ft. Worth to witness the Baylor and TCU grid contest Saturday night.

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S. B. Plumlee returned last week from a few days stay at Grand Saline where he attended a family reunion. A group of 45 were present for a dinner served at the home of Martha Warden. While there Mr. Plumlee visited the salt mines.

Mrs. Wayne McCabe and daughters, Charlotte and Fredda Jane, of McKenzieville, spent the weekend with the former's sister, Mrs. Fred Campbell, and husband.

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Mr. and Mrs. Morris Varnadore are the happy parents of their first child, a son, born at 1 o'clock Sunday afternoon, Oct. 31, at a San Angelo hospital. The baby weighed 7 pounds, eight ounces and has been named Morris, Jr. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Henry Varnadore of Robert Lee and Mr. and Mrs. Dal Wilson of San Angelo.

J. W. Service, Jr. arrived home last week after getting a medical discharge from the Air Corps. He was on his way to Germany when medical officers detected an old knee injury which J. W. received playing high school football. He had been in the service two years.

Sgt. Lee Latham came in for a weekend visit in the parental A. E. Latham home. His wife returned to Roswell, N. Mex., with him, while their little daughter, Monnette, remained here with her grandparents. Lee has been recommended as First Lieutenant in the Air Corps and is also expecting to be transferred from Roswell to another post.

David Key has moved in a house which will occupy a site on the corner north of his father's home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Strickland returned Monday from a two weeks' trip to Del Rio and Eagle Pass, with Mrs. Strickland attending the 21st District convention of the American Legion and Auxiliary in Uvalde Oct. 30-31.

Mrs. W. H. Bell visited last week in Big Spring with her daughter, Mrs. W. J. Garrett.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Plunkett and son of Odessa visited here Saturday with her sister, Mrs. Roy Ross, and family.

Mrs. W. M. Taylor is recovering satisfactorily from a major operation which she underwent Tuesday of last week at a Sweetwater hospital. Her mother, Mrs. Josie Keithly, spent several days with her last week. Mrs. Taylor is the former Doris Woodmansee of Robert Lee. Her husband is a driller for J. C. Hawkins on the Mary Haney location near Maryneal.

Ronnie Baker was taken to the Bronte hospital last Friday for treatment of an infected knee, caused by a slight football injury.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Hicks of Harriet and Mrs. Ed Hayworth of Brownwood were Sunday visitors in the S. R. Young home.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Harmon wish to thank Mrs. Ivey and Mrs. Blake for the nice cake presented to Mrs. Harmon on her 77th birthday, and for the songs sung by the little Blake girls. Mrs. Harmon was also pleased with a beautiful bouquet sent by Mr. and Mrs. McMims.

Mr. and Mrs. Freeman Clark motored to Colorado City Sunday to visit their daughter, Mrs. Bill Craddock, and family.

Those enjoying a chicken barbecue dinner at the L. E. Wink home on Sunday included J. L. and Clarence Tinkler and families, D. A. Dumas and family of Mereta, E. H. Wink and daughter of Wall, the Douglas Gartmans and Tom Walker.

Mr. and Mrs. Lem Cowley enjoyed having all their children home over the weekend, except Franklin Cowley and wife of Ft. Stockton. Those present included Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Sparks and children of Eldorado, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Smith and daughter, Jean, of Bronte, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Rumpy of Mertzon, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cowley and children and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Fields of Robert Lee.

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Genie Baker and family visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Jodie Williams in Ballinger, and also spent some time with their son, Ronnie, at the Bronte hospital.

Sunday dinner guests in the Wilson Bryan home included Messrs. and Mmes. Joe Dodson, Howard Eaton, J. W. Service, Jr., Frank Bryan and Frank Dean Bryan.

Dick Wylie and wife of San Angelo were weekend guests in the home of his brother, T. M. Wylie.

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