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Phone Company Asks Rate Increase To Improve Service

San Angelo Telephone Company is ready and willing to improve its lines and switchboard to give Robert Lee patrons better service. But it will also be necessary to increase the telephone

This matter was presented to members of the Board of Community Development Monday noon by John E. Robbins, Jr., commercial and traffic superintendent of the phone company. He also filed a proposed schedule of rate increases with Mayor Fred McDonald

Robbins pointed out that the company actually lost money on its Robert Lee operations last year. While the number of telephone users has increased, operating expenses of the company have gone up faster.

According to figures submitted by the telephone company representatives, the rates in Robert Lee are the same as they were in 1931. There seems to be logic in their argument that it is not possible to pay postwar costs of furnishing telephone service with the revenues established 20 years ago.

Mr. Robbins also reported that engineers have run surveys on rural lines and in the near future they will have a definite plan to lay before this group of patrons.

The company will have to show it is making a fair profit on its Robert Lee investment before additional expenditures for improvements will be considered.

Robbins will confer with Robert Lee people again Friday of this week and is scheduled to address BCD members May 14.

FFA Boys Win Area **Judging Honors**

Robert Lee High FFA Boys made fine showing in the area judging contests at Lubbock last Saturday. Their coach and sponsor is Carl Maddoux.

The livestock judging team composed of Ted Cox, Bill Carwile and Milburn Wink, placed 3rd among 110 compet- Flies Home From ing teams. They judged cattle, sheep and hogs and Milburn was third in Korea in 3 Days sheep judging.

The Robert Lee team leaves Friday for College Station where they will compete among 60 teams in the state livestock judging contest.

Robert Lee's wool judging team, composed of Bill Casey, Bill Havins and Elmer Greathouse, won first among 19 teams and also took top honors in wool grading. Casey was high point man and 21 that he had been granted a pass. Greathouse 4th in grading.

In the entire wool contests, Casey ranked 1st and Havins 4th.

There will be no state contest for wool judging and grading.

MORE HOSPITAL GIFTS

Mrs. J. C. Strickland, business manager of Coke County Memorial Hospital, says several valuable gifts have been received at the hospital recently. The Firemen's Auxiliary and American period started in the big push Sept. 1. Legion Auxiliary each presented the hospital with nice framed hand painted pictures, and a new electric heating pad was the gift presented by young women of the Baptist Sunday School.

Births

MACH

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Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mach are parents of a son born at 11:35 a.m. April 27 at Coke County Memorial Hospital. The baby weighed 5 pounds 3 ounces and has been named Donald Ray. The father man. is employed on an oil rig and the family resides at the Henson trailer courts in Robert Lee.

JUNIOR CLASS PLAY

Robert Lee high school Juniors will present their class play Friday night of this week. "Who Killed Aunt Caroline?" is the title of the mystery thriller, and that will have plenty of comedy, too. Mr. McNeil Wylie, high school English instructor, is the director. Read the ad in this issue of The Observer.

NEW FIRESTONE STORE

Mr. and Mrs. Wilton Scott were in Dallas the first of the week where the former purchased stock for his new Firestone Store which will be formally opened Friday, May 11. A new building to house the store is nearing completion. Mr. Scott says that new store will handle home appliances, auto accessories, tires, and hundreds of small items. Watch next week's issue of The Observer for announcement of the Grand Opening.

American Legion Auxiliary Honors Mrs. Strickland

Signal honors came to Mrs. J. C. Strickland, well known Robert Lee resident, when she was elected assistant president of District 21 of the American Legion Auxiliary at the spring convention in Brownwood over the week-

Mrs. Dorothy Browne, wife of the new district commander, Wallace Brown of Bandera, was chosen district Auxiliary president.

Mrs. Strickland has been active in Legion and Auxiliary affairs for several years. She is a past president of the local unit, and has served on various district appointments and is a former counselor at Girls State.

During the past year Mrs. Strickland was chairman of the district committee on rehabilitation. Mrs. Hugh Lewis, Jr. of this city was district Child Welfare chairman.

Robert Lee was represented at the district convention by Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Strickland, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Lewis, Jr. and Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Patterson. Mr. Patterson is commander of the local Legion post and his wife is president of the Auxiliary unit.

Happy to be home for a visit with his wife and two little sons here is Sgt. 1st Class W. F. Pharis, who is on rotation leave from eight months of active duty in Korea.

Pharis lost no time when he got orders at the front the morning of April Later that day he caught a plane to Tokyo and arrived in San Angelo April 24, making the entire journey by air. He was about 20 miles north of the

38th Parallel and things were quiet in that sector when he left. He is attached to a medical unit of the 24th Infantry.

Sgt. Pharis left Fort Hood last July 10 with the Tank Battalion of the Second Armored Division. The outfit landed at Pusan and after a brief training

He is due to report back at Camp Stoneman, Calif., May 25, and is in hopes he may get a different assignment.

FRIENDSHIP HD CLUB

Mrs. Tom Schooler was hostess to the Friendship Home Demonstration Club Thursday afternoon, April 26. Eight members were present and there was one visitor, Gladys Waldrop.

Mrs. Schooler was elected as a delegate to go to council as THDA chair-

The program was on Leatherwork, and several belts were tooled. This work will the school house, you may secure cenbe continued at the next meeting.

New City Lake May Furnish Ample Supply Of Water

The ban on using city water for lawns and gardens may be lifted within another week, according to City Secretary McNeil Wylie. In other words the city has more water than officials had estimated.

Last week Engineer Cooper was called here from Lubbock to confer with the City Commission. He went over previous figures and made a new survey, and his findings showed there is a two or three months supply of water in the new reservoir on Mountain Creek.

He estimated there are about 20 acre feet or 61/2 million gallons of water available for city use. The lake is also fed by springs and more water will seep in. Cooper said there is enough water in the lake to run 84 days, allowing 150 gallons per day for every man, woman and child in the city.

City wells, which have been running low, will also furnish at least 15,000 gallons per day. Some water has been used from the new lake for several months, but it has not been properly

However, the new treatment plant will be put into operation as soon as one remaining valve is installed. It was shipped from an eastern factory last week and should arrive very soon.

When the plant begins operating satisfactorily, city officials will take off restrictions on using water. Until that time, however, it is requested the present conservation rules be followed.

Watr samples are being sent to the State Health Department regularly by Water Commissioner Sam Jay, and every report has been O. K

Wednesday, May 9th Is Clean Up Day

Next Wednesday, May 9, has been designated as Clean Up Day in Robert Lee. The event was discussed at Monday's luncheon of the Board of Community Development.

Mayor Fred McDonald, Jr. has issued a proclamation urging all property owners to clean up their premises on or before the above date. City officials are cooperating with the BCD Committee headed by W. D. McAdams.

The city will furnish a truck to haul off trash and waste material throughout the day next Wednesday. Rubbish is to be piled so that it will be accessible. Persons wishing to have the truck come to their residence, are advised to phone the City Hall, No. 149.

John E. Robbins, Jr., of the San Angelo Telephone Co., was a guest and spoke of his company's plans to improve the phone service here. He was accompanied by Alvin Bell, new lineman for the Robert Lee and Bronte area. Some of Mr. Robbins' proposals are pub-

lished elsewhere in this newspaper. C. S. Brown and W. D. McAdams, membership chairmen, reported they had signed up a number of Sustaining Memberships at \$5.00 each, but their campaign was not complete as yet.

City Secretary McNeil Wylie reported on the city water situation which is also covered in another article.

President John Harvey was in charge of the interesting meeting, with 20 members present. Geo. L. Taylor of San Angelo, former school superintendent here, was a guest at the luncheon.

NOTICE TO PARENTS

Scpt. B. C. Goodwin requests that parents of all six-year-old children be sure they are enumerated by the school census. If it is not convenient to go to sus blanks at the Robert Lee post office.

CHANGE AT BANNER AGENCY Floyd and Kayo Higgins have sold their Banner Ice and Dairy Products agency in Robert Lee to Melvin J. Krall 258 Barrels Oil of San Angelo. The new owner was formerly with Tennessee Dairy at San During 14 Hours Angelo. He has a wife and son, Mike, 4 years old. Mr. and Mrs. Higgins plan to take a trip to Arkansas to look for a location. Their many friends hope they

IN STATE TRACK MEET

will not leave Robert Lee.

Allen Sparks, Robert Lee high school senior, will take part in the State Track and Field Meet at the University field in Austin this weekend. Allen is entered in the high jump and is expected to be right up with the top notchers in that event. He set a mark of 6 feet in the district meet, which is close to the state high school record.

Announce List of Honor Students

Honor students of the Robert Lee High School Senior Class and Eighth Grade were announced this week by Supt. B. C. Goodwin. Highest rating among the Seniors was achieved by Tommy Kirkpatrick, with Don Fields a close

Tommy made an average of 91.475 during the last two years and will be valedictorian of his class at the graduation exercises May 21. Don's average was 91.187, giving him the role of salutatorian.

A better scholastic record, however, was made by Harriet Porter with an average grade of 92.46. But she was ineligible to compete for top honors because she had not been atudent here Skyhawks Coming the entire two years. She had completthe entire two years. She had completed 12 weeks of her junior work before This Sunday, Sure moving to Robert Lee from Abilene. Supt. Goodwin stated Abilene Christian College has announced it will award Harriet a full scholarship.

Other top ranking Seniors were Lynn Doris Varnadore with a two-year average of 90.53, and Charles McDaniel who scored 90.03.

In the Eighth Grade Leslie Nell Wink was high with 97.45, followed closely by Betty Loyce Burson, who scored 97.15. They will be valedictorian and salutatorian, respectively, at the Eighth Grade Commencement set for Wednesday night, May 23.

Abilene Man Jailed **After Losing Appeal**

serving a 30-day sentence in the county jail. He was convicted on a liquor transportation charge in county court here last December, and later lost an appeal to the Court of Criminal Appeals. Besides the jail sentence he was assessed a fine of \$500.

Efforts have been made to have the sentence suspended, on grounds that Jones is a disabled veteran and requires medical attention every few days. However, County Judge Jeff Dean says the matter was taken out of his hands when the case was appealed to a higher court.

Davis Scarborough, attorney for Jones, has asked the State Pardon Board to take action. At last report Jones was still in

SNYDER MAN PAYS FINE

Sterling M. Hull of Snyder was released from jail last week after paying a fine of \$50 and costs. He had pleaded guilty before County Judge Jeff Dean to a charge of driving while intoxicated.

School Events

May 4-Junior Class Play. May 11-Junior-Senior Banquet. May 20-Baccalaureate Sermon at Methodist Church.

May 21-High School Commencement May 23-Eighth Grade Graduation May 24-School Term Ends.

Mathers 15 Flows

Another good producer in the Jameson field near Silver was indicated this week when Sun No. 15 Mathers flowed 258.5 barrels of oil and no water during a 14hour test. The pay section 6,192-6,383 feet was acidized with 2,000 gallons.

Gauge was through a quarter inch choke with pressures of 725 pounds on tubing and 875 pounds on the casing. Gas-oil ratio was 1.363-1.

Ray-Harris had the drilling contract and moved its rotary rig to Sun J. S. Walker No. 5. It was drilling Wednesday at 1,420 feet in shale and anhydrite.

Sun No. 15 Jewell Brannan, southwest of Silver, was preparing to swab after running tubing for completion. It topped the pay at 6,154 feet and was bottomed at 6,453 feet.

Sun A-2 J. B. Walker was swabbing after treating with 5,000 gallons of acid a pay section 6,300-6,320 feet. Total depth is 6,323 feet.

Sun No. 16 Brannan was drilling in lime and shale at 4,610 feet.

Sun No. 7 W. I. Tubb was at 2,135 feet in shale and lime.

South of river at Silver Sun No. 2 Ralph Harris Estate was at 4,770 feet in shale.

West of Edith Sun No. 10 Davidson was drilling in lime at 2,440 feet.

In southwestern Nolan county Sun No. 2 Eunice Paramore was coring in lime below 6,796 feet. It topped the lime, probably Ellenburger, at 6,774 feet.

The Skyhaws, crack base ball club representing Goodfellow Air Force Base at San Angelo, will be here next Sunday for a game with our own Rabbit

Scheduled for last Sunday, the contest was postponed a week when the Skyhawks learned they were booked for a game in Corpus Christi the previous

Lefty Shelton of Forsan and his catcher, Winnie Cunningham, will be used to bolster the Robert Lee lineup. Shelton says he has been working out for several weeks and his pitching arm feels

R. W. Bowman will be at his old position at short, with Lew Heuvel holding down third base. John Conley, Chilly Tinkler, Jerald Ivey, Royce Smith K. P. Jones, Jr. of Abilene has begun and Frank Percifull will probably complete the starting lineup.

Robert Lee had a 7-inning workout last Sunday wehn they entertained a Latin-American team from San Angelo. The visitors weren't very good, but some needed batting and fielding practice resulted. Robert Lee won by a score of 20 to 1.

John Heuvel and family have been guests the past week in the home of his brother, Lewis, at Edith. John is also employed by Sun Oil Co. and is being transferred from Falfurrias to Snyder. He works in the production department.

Coke County Hospital News

April 25 - Fred McDonald, Sr., Mrs. Vernon Yoachum, admitted.

April 26 - Mrs. Howard Morrison, Mrs. Betty Neagle, Mrs. Frank Mach, admitted. Mrs. J. L. Phelan, Mrs. Elsie Latham, Mrs. J. S. Castleman, dismissed. April 27 - Son born to Mrs. Frank Mach at 11:35 a.m. Mrs. Howard Mor-

rison, Fred McDonald, Sr., dismissed. April 28 - Mrs. William Sharp admitted. Mrs. Vernon Yoachum dismissed. April 30 - C. J. Bogue, Jr., Bobby Villa, Charlie Millican, admitted.

May 1 - Willis Smith admitted. May 2 - Mrs. Mary Heuvel dismissed.

Soil Conservation **District News**

Coke Ranchmen Are **Seeding More Grass**

Respect for the fact, "Grass, man's two rigs drilling for Sun near S"ver. best tool for anchoring soil against wind and water erosion," is gaining respect in this District because the district cooperators have seeded many acres of abandoned cropland to native and introduced grasses this spring. Those seeding K. R. Bluestem grass for a seed source last week were B. B. Pierce, 5 acres; and L. E. Wink, 3 acres. Wink also seeded 7 acres to a mixture of Weeping Lovegrass, Sand Lovegrass, and Blue Panic Grass.

A farm pond was completed on Glenn Waldrop's farm, located near Hayrick. The pond, which was designed by personnel of the Soil Conservation Service, was located and designed to provide better distribution of livestock water. The pond is a part of Waldrop's complete coordinated soil and water conservation plan that he is applying as a district cooperator with the Coke County Soil Conservation District.

A farm pond was also completed on R. C. Lasswell's farm located near Hayrick. The pond was located to give better distribution of livestock water and to reduce trampling by livestock around watering places.

Four miles of terrace lines were run on Noah Pruitt's farm, one and one-half miles northeast of Bronte. The terrace system, designed by personnel of the Soil Conservation Service, was layed out to retain all water that falls on the

J. B. Glenn, who owns land one mile north of Tennyson and who is a member of the Tennyson Conservation group, has developed a complete coordinated soil and water plan on 2224.5 acres. Glenn was assisted in developing his plan by the Soil Conservation Service assisting the Coke County Soil Conservation Dis-

R A. Stroud, a cooperator with the Soil Conservation District, had a ranch pond staked last week on his ranch 3 miles south of Robert Lee for better distribution of livestock water and to reduce trampling of livestock around watering places. The pond was staked by personnel of the Soil Conservation Service.

A Want Ad Will Sell It



S. E. ADAMS Oil Properties Insurance



Personals

Paul Isbell and family moved back to Robert Lee this week and are occupying moved out of Scurry county and now has host of home town friends.

W D. McAdams and family spent the ing and tailor shop in the Martin county

Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Turner moved | Marcus Marcus Turner moved | Mrs. Marcus to San Angelo Saturday and are now located in their new home at 316 Iris street. The move was made since Marcus the W. S. Bell home on North Austin is engaged in oil field work south of avenue. Paul has been at Snyder the past San Angelo. He is a foreman for Pool six months operating a Baker-Taylor Well Service Co. Marcus and Robbie Drilling Co. truck. The company has take with them the best wishes of a

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Harmon visited over the weekend with Robert Lee weekend in Stantan with the former's relatives and friends. They recently rebrother, John, who operates a dry clean-turned from Tatum, New Mex., and are again living in Snyder at the 101 Trailer

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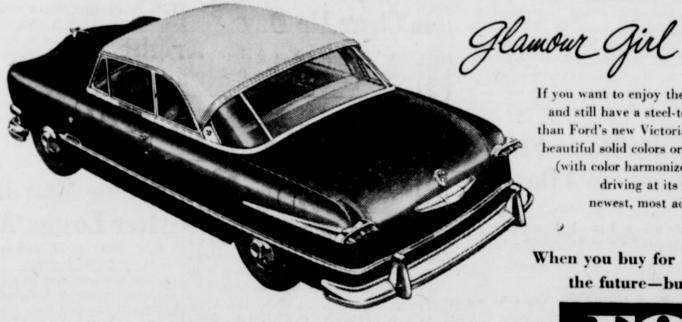
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MRS. M. B. SHEPPARD -Abilene Reporter-News Photo

Mrs. M. B. Sheppard, Former Resident, Dies At Abilene

Death came Saturday morning to Mrs. M. B. Sheppard, 72, Coke county pioneer woman, whose passing occurred at Hendrick Memorial Hospital in Abilene, where Eddie Preslar. They hope to help Frank she had been a patient for two weeks. dispose of his property there so he can She had been in ill health the past two return to Coke county to make his home.

Funeral rites were held at 2 p.m. Suntor, officiating. Burial followed in Paint Mr. and Mrs. Sloan Boone. C-eek cemetery in Edith.

in Lampasas county, the former Loula visiting in Crane with her grandpar-Pearl Fields. She came with her parents ents, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Partin. to the Edith community before Coke county was organized. On Oct. 28, 1894, end guests of Mrs. Kay's parents, Mr. she married Miles Burton (Bert) Shep- and Mrs. A. J. Bilbo. pard, the ceremony taking place in Paint Creek school house.

moved to Abilene 27 years ago. The in Colorado City. family home was at 1950 Amarillo Street. They observed their golden wedding anniversary in 1944. Mr. Sheppard died Johnson, and family. Josh recently movin September, 1947.

Survivors include three daughters, Mrs. B. J. Robbins, Natalia; Mrs. W. A. Shel- office.

ton and Mrs. H. H. King, both of Abilene; two sons, W. Delmir and A. B. Sheppard, both of Robert Lee; 18 randchildren and 12 great grandchildren.

Also surviving are three sisters, Mrs. J. M. Sparks, Kermit; Mrs. R. H. Price, Fort Stockton, and Mrs. A. G. Cook, Blythe, Calif. A brother, Hubert Fields of Edith, died two years ago.

Grandsons who served as pallbearers were Harold, Jerome, Delmir Morriis and Floyd Sheppard, Gene Homan King, Telvie Robbins, Tyrus Davis and Jack

Personals

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wyatt have been residents of Robert Lee the past month, having taken possession of the nice rock house in the west part of town which they purchased from J. F. Hamilton. Roy Wyatt and his family have moved onto his father's place north of Robert

Frank Preslar of White River, So. Dak., and his brother, Thos. J. Preslar, have visited among Coke county relatives and friends the past couple of weeks. Thos. J. has been on the west coast but plans to remain in Texas. Frank returned to South Dakota this week, accompanied by Green Preslar and Mrs.

Richard Boone, who enlisted in the Air Force March 20, is now with a transporday from the First Methodist Church in tation Replacement Training Center at Abilene, with the Rev. E. A. Reed, pas- Camp Eustis, Va. Richard is the son of

Lexie Lewis, five year old daughter Mrs. Sheppard was born July 8, 1878, of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Lewis, Jr., is

The Lamar Kay family were week-

Mr. and Mrs. Elton Millican of Sterling City visited last Friday night in the The couple retired from the ranch and home of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Blair, Jr.

> Mrs. A. C. Johnson is visiting in San Angelo in the home of her son, Josh ed back to San Angelo from Lubbock where he was employed in the post

THE SAN ANGELO TELEPHONE CO.

Why New Telephone Rates Are Necessary in Robert Lee

For the first time since 1931, the Telephone Company is asking for an adjustment in telephone rates in Robert Lee. The request is made necessary by the high level of postwar costs of furnishing telephone service, which has thrown our operations here with insuf-

Here are some of the reasons an adjustment in telephone rates is necessary at this

During 1950 we furnished telephone service in Robert Lee at insufficient earnings.

We collected\$15,197.16

Robert Lee telephone rates have not been changed since 1931.°

During the past 10 years Robert Lee has grown from about 203 telephones to

Several general wage increases have been granted telephone employees since 1945. The total monthly payroll in Robert Lee is more than four and one-half times as high as in 1945 due to higher wage rates and a larger number of employees.

Telephone poles, wires, switchboards, and other equipment and supplies cost more than they did before the war. New schedule of telephone rates:

Following is the new schedule of telephone rates in Robert Lee:

	New	Month
Class of Service	Rate	Will B
Business Individual Line		7.00
Semi-Public		4.80
Business Two-Party		
Extension		1.50
Residence Individual Line		4.00
Residence Two-Party		
Extension		
Rural		3 25

The increase is about 11-cents a day for business customers, 6 cents a day for residence customers. The discount for wall type telephones will be discontinued, and customers may have their choice of desk or wall handset telephones. In addition, charges for various auxiliary telephone services will be adjusted in re-

lation to today's higher cost of furnishing them. The adjustments are moderate in comparison with the increase in cost of furnishing service and the higher prices Robert Lee families and business concerns pay for most things

they buy today. It is not possible to pay post-war costs of furnishing telephone service with the revenues from rates established 20 years ago.

At that time they were reduced from rates established in 1926.

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> James Stewart-Barbara Hale in THE JACKPOT

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BEST WISHES, JUNIORS!		nt, May 4th	COMPLIMENTS OF	
H & L Truck Co. Phone 139	Robert Lee School Auditorium Curtain 8 P. M. Admission—Students 25c, Adults 50c CAST OF CHARACTERS Mrs. Eleanor Endicott, a piano teacherGoldie Wojtek		Mac's Grocery	
BAHLMAN Cleaners	Agnes, her 24-year-old daughter Riccy, her 17-year-old son Beryl, her 15-year old daughter Cicely, her 10-year-old daughter Aunt Caroline Miss Mabbitt, her companion David Thompson, Agnes' fiance Dan Donovan, Riccy's pal Miss MacLain, his teacher Una Hagaman, a music pupil Lieutenant Clayton, of the police	Sondra Hester Garland Davis Thelma Jo Bryan Rhonda Farris	Banner Milk And Ice Cream Floyd and Kayo Higgins	
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			Company	
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Sgt. Jimmie D. Rabb Back From Alaska

Visiting among Robert Lee relatives and friends this week is Sgt. Jimmie D. Rabb, who returned to the States early in April from 30 months of duty with the Air Force at Fairbanks, Alaska.

He will report May 10 at Westover Field in Massachusetts for a new assignment, but does not expect to be sent overseas again for at least six months.

Jimmie enlisted in the Air Force July 2, 1948, with Preston Ross and L. C. Day. Ross was recently ordered to Europe, and Day is now at White Sands, New Mex., having previously spent 16 months at Goose Bay, Laborador. The boys enlisted for three years, but the Air Force has extended the period another year.

Jimmie grew up in Robert Lee and is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Carlos Rabb, now of Roswell, New Mex. He visited here with his grandmother and aunt, Mrs. W. L. Clawson and Viola. Also another aunt, Mrs. Otis Rabb, and family.

He is spending most of his time in San Angelo with his paternal grandmother, Mrs. J. C. Rabb. The latter has not been too well recently because of injuries received when she fell off the porch at her home the past winter.

First War Bonds Begin To Mature

Ten years ago on the first of May, 1941, the United States Treasury sold the first Series E Savings Bonds. Americans now hold around 500 million E Bonds, worth some \$34½ billion, present cash value. On May 1, 1951, E Bonds begin to mature.

fense Savings Bond, Series E" until after
The first E Bonds were titled "DePearl Harbor when the title became
"War Savings Bond", followed in 1946
by "U S. Savings Bond." Since midJanuary the treasury department has
been referring to them as Defense Bonds.
Homever, under all these names it is
the same Series E Savings Bond, the most
widely owned security in the world.

About \$1,096,000,000 of Series E Defense Bonds issued in 1941 are still outstanding and will mature month by month between now and the end of 1951. In 1952-54 the amounts maturing will markedly increase, reflecting the heavy wartime sales of E bonds in war loan drives and on the Payroll Savings Plan during 1942-44. In 1955, maturities will begin to come down to peacetime levels.

In a statement embodying these facts, Chairman T. A. Richardson of the Coke County Savings Bonds Committee, reminds owners of Series E Bonds that under a recent act of Congress (H.R. 2268), they now have three options at maturity, two of which are new priveleges:

(1) CASH. The owner of any series E Bond may receive, if he wishes, full cash payment by presenting his matured bond to any qualified bank or other paying agent. This has not changed. The new options are:

(2) EXTENSION. The owner may retain the matured E Bond and for a period not to exceed ten additional years the cash value of the bond will increase each six months, interest accruing t the rate of 2½ percent simple interest for 7½ years, and then at an increase rate for the remaining 2½ years, to bring the tyggregate interest return to approximately 2.9 percent, compounded semi-annually (the average rate as for the original ten-year period.)

(3) EXCHANGE. Those who prefer to receive interest as current income, rather than having it accrue and add to the cash value of the bond, may change maturing E Bonds in amounts of \$500 or multiples thereof for Series G Savings Bonds. Series G Bonds are registered bonds issued at face value (selling at par.) They bear interest at the rate of 2½ percent per annum, payable semi-annually from the issue date until their maturity in 12 years.

The options outlined apply to all outstanding E Bonds as they mature and will apply to all new Series E Savings Bonds issued in the future, Mr. Richardson added.

SUNSHINE 4-H CLUB

The Sunshine 4-H Girls met April 24, with 44 members present. Two of them were new members. In the absence of the secretary the minutes were not read. The girls took part in a contest in which they pointd out various farm hazards which were listed on a paper.---Joy Adkins, Reporter.





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Personals

Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Douthit came from Lubbock for a weekend visit 'n the parental John Brown home, being accompanied by the former's mother and sister. Nathan has completed his work at Texas Tech and will receive a degree in Petroleum Geology May 21st. He has been called to active duty as a First in San Antonio last week. She says it Lieutenant in the Air Forces and rewill be an instructor for twin motored were discussed. While there she enjoy-

Twenty members of the Baptist Young People's Training Union enjoyed a party intendent of a hospital at Cleburne. Wednesday night of last week at the ranch home of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Copeland, north of Sanco. Games were playsponsor and J. L. Carwile is director of the Training Union Mrs. Ernest Stewart and children were guests.

in Coke County Memorial Hospital where she is being treated for malta fever. Her condition is good.

Charlie Millican suffered a stroke Monday forenoon while at work on the new home being constructed by Dr. John McDaniel. He is a patient at Coke County Memorial Hospital and his condition is serious.

Mrs. J. C. Strickland, business manager of Coke County Memorial Hospital, attended the State Hospital Convention was a highly interesting meeting and ported May 1 at Reece Field where he many problems of hospital administration ed meeting Mrs. Ona Faye Brown, former Robert Lee resident, who is super-

The condition of J. I. Murtishaw is improved this week at the local hospital where he has been a patient the past ed and the group enjoyed a barbecued two weeks. His son-in-law and daughfeed. Mrs. W. D. McAdams is the group ter, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Smith, returned Sunday to their home in Nogales, Ariz.

Mrs. H. G. Burch of Monahans visited over the weekend in the home of her Mrs. Bruce Clift remains a patient parents, Mr. and Mrs. V. H. Simpson.

Mr. and Mrs. A. N Counts and Mrs. Anna McCabe spent the weekend with ups. Phone 4823; or write Box 641, Robrelatives near Whitney, Texas.

Charlie Kelsey of Glenrose visited Robe t Lee friends last week. He worked in the Allen drug store here a number of years ago and is also an old friend of Druggist M. W. Farris and family. He resided in Sweetwater when Mr. Farris operated a drug store there. Charlie is in the ranching business at Glenrose.

Fred Murtishaw arrived Sunday from Irrigon, Oregon, to visit his father, J. I. Murtishaw, who has been ill.

Mrs. G. C. Casey left last week for Houston where she will undergo treatment for several weeks. Her address there is 416 McGowen Street.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cowley and children visited at Big Lake Sunday with the Dick Kannady family.

Clyde Gibbins and family of Clyde were guests of Robert Lee relatives over

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Snyder Man Killed Near Robert Lee In Highway Crash

A 25-year-old Snyder man, Robert L. Gray, died instantly about 12:30 a.m. Monday in a freak traffic accident five and one-half miles south of Robert Lee on Highway 208.

Gray's car, a 1942 Mercury convertible, apparently traveling at a high speed, ran off the left side of the pavement, narrowly missing the concrete bridge over West Buffalo Creek, and shot 50 feet through the air across the dry creek bed, before ramming into the opposite

Two other men in the car with Gray were C. J. Bogue, Jr., 20, of Snyder, and Bobby Villa, 19, of Tallequah, Okla. All three were employed on a Snyder dam project.

Villa, who sustained a broken collarbone, and Bogue, who had multiple fractures, are recovering at Coke County Memorial Hospital.

Bogue and Villa told investigating officers they had been at a San Angelo highway resort and were returning to Snyder. The accident occurred near the Lenn Roberts ranch home.

Gray's body was brought to the Clift Funeral Home where it was disclosed that his injuries included a broken neck, a severe head wound and leg and arm fractures. Mr. Clift and Jack Crowley carr'ed the body to Fort Smith, Ark., and burial will occur Friday at Van Buren, Ark., his former home. The man's parents now reside in Topeka, Kans.

Many persons have viewed the wrecked car at the Ivey Motor Co. here. The front of the machine was driven back from 3 to 4 feet, and the steering wheel was bent to an upright position.

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deaths than for the comparable period

The car belonged to C. J. Bogue, Sr., dam project.

From G. A. Harmon Dear Editor:

Enclosed you will find a dollar to extend my paper another six months. I would love to be back at our home in Robert Lee if we were able to take care of ourselves, but my wife is not well anymore and I just have to sit and lay on the bed all the time. Good luck and best wishes .-- G. A. Harmon, Box 43, Coleman, Texas.

SILVER NEWS

Mrs. M. D. Perkins of Wichita Falls is here for a visit with her daughter, Mrs. John Shimer, and family. Mr. Shimer and Bob Short attended the Natural Gas Convention in Tulsa last week and stopped in Wichita Falls to bring Mrs. Perkins home with them.

HELP! HELP! We need more contributions for this column. Leave your news items at Odom Drug.

Ed Cathan, chemist at the Sun Gas plant, is home after spending several days in the Colorado City hospital.

Building Materials - Cement and Paint. The right materials at the right price. McDonald Lumber Co., Robert Lee, Texas.

FOOD and health are most of all of our basic problems; raise a garden; then Gray's death brings Coke county's 1951 can your own products. We have Presto traffic fatality to five and the San An- canners and cookers .-- Leeper Supply

FOR SALE-Pedigreed Cotton Seed-Paymaster No. 54 and Western Prolific, de-linted with oil mill saws. We are of Snyder, also a worker on the Snyder now taking orders for March and April

> Cotton Seed is sure to be scarce this season and we urge every farmer to get his requirements now. Our supply is limited, too-just a few hundred bushels. You will not be left with seed on your hands if it doesn't rain-somebody else will want it and pay you a profit. FRED McDONALD, JR.

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FOR SALE-3 bedroom house, good location, priced reasonable. See F. C. Clark or A. J. Bilbo.

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GOOD BUYS - Butane bottles, one 10 gal. and one 25 gallon capacity. Inquire of Garland Green.

NOTICE

My place south of Robert Lee has been posted and \$50 Reward will be paid for the arrest and conviction of any person or persons trespassing upon my property without permission.

-Fred McDonald, Jr.

ROBERT LEE FACES WATER SHORTAGE

The City Commission of Robert Lee requests all water customers to conserve on the use of water during the present emergency.

Our wells are weakening and the lake supply is low. We may have sufficient water for general use if it is used sparingly. If we dont get rain this spring, the city will be forced to spend considerable money to dig new wells. But we don't want to incur this expense when our present bad situation would be entirely remedied with good rains.

Therefore, we are requesting that during this emergency no water be used for yards and gardens.

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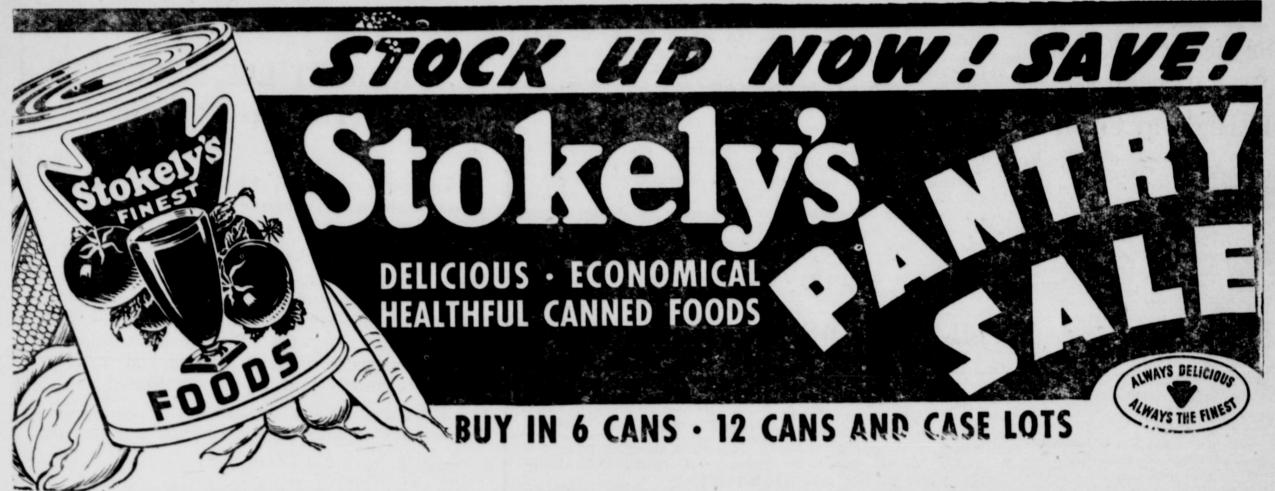
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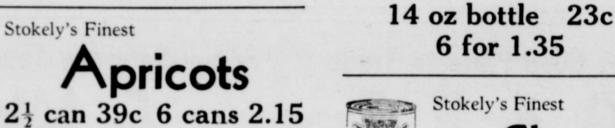
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