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MRS. JACK C. SNEAD

POPULAR YOUNG COUPLE MARRIED IN BAPTIST CHURCH CEREMONY

In a double ring ceremony at 8 o'clock Saturday evening, Miss Glovenia Caraway became the bride of 2nd Lt. Jack C. Snead. The Rev. James C. Shipman officiated at the rites in the First Baptist Church of Robert Lee.

The bride is a daughter of Mrs. Clayton Caraway and the bridegroom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Snead, Jr. of Robert Lee.

Wilfred Caraway gave his sister in marriage. She wore a ballerina length dress of white net over white taffeta. The bodice of white illusion net featured a sweetheart neckline and high, stand-up collar. Her veil of white net was caught to a tiara of seed pearls. She wore white organdy and tulle wristlets and carried a bouquet of orchids.

Miss Zelda Caraway, sister of the bride, was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Mrs. Bobbie Allen, Misses Billie Roberts and Johnnie Beth Snead. They wore blue net over blue taffeta gowns and carried pink carnations.

J. F. McCabe was best man. Ushers were Horace Scott of Del Rio, Bob Muncy of Ballinger, and Kenneth Lackey.

Traditional wedding music was presented by Miss Edna Mae Wallace. Miss Joan Thompson of Ballinger was vocalist.

Vows were exchanged before an arch of fern and greenery flanked by baskets of white gladioli and candelabras holding white tapers. White gladioli were on the piano.

A reception was held in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Allen, uncle and aunt of the bride and later a party was held at the Melody Club in San Angelo.

A wedding rehearsal Thursday night was followed by a supper at the ranch home of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Allen, with Mrs. Bill Allen serving as hostess.

The bridegroom is an honor graduate of Robert Lee high school and San Angelo College. He also attended the University of Texas two years before enlisting in the Air Force July 21, 1951. He has been taking Air Force Cadet training since last May and received a commission as Second Lieutenant at

Shepherd AFB at Wichita Falls on March 11.

Lieut. Snead was head of his class which completed the radar-bombardier course. The previous year he completed a mechanics school. He will report March 26 at Randolph Field for combat crew training on B-29 bombers.

The bride is a graduate of Blackwell high school and for the past two years has been employed in the office of County Clerk Weldon Fikes.

The couple will reside in San Antonio following a honeymoon trip to Monterey, Old Mexico.

W. O. Thomason, who has been working on a ranch in New Mexico, was recently injured in a car accident. He was cared for by his sister, Mrs. Herman Carwile, at Carlsbad, New Mex., and last week was brought to San Angelo where he will spend some time with another sister Mrs. Belva McCutchen.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Jameson write that they are coming back to Texas after spending several months in Tucson, Ariz. They will return to their ranch home near Colorado City.

FARMERS BUSY WITH PLANTING

Farming operations were getting under way this week, and everyone is optimistic following generous rains which came to Coke county ten days ago. Most sections of the county received enough moisture to plant on.

Feed crops and some corn acreage will get first attention. Cotton planting and bundle feed will come later. David Key, local feed and seed store owner, received a big shipment of planting seeds this week.

Oat and wheat fields are coming along rapidly since the rain and many farmers have stopped grazing and will try for a grain crop.

Fred and Pete McDonald, who operate the Percifull place south of Robert Lee, have 150 acres of oats and 600 acres of wheat that is looking good. They will continue grazing only 60 acres.

MATHERS 39 HAS REEF OIL

A new lime producer in the Jameson Field at Silver is indicated for Sun 39 C. E. Mathers, which flowed 128 barrels of oil, no water, during a 15½ hour test. Gauge was through a quarter-inch choke. Pressures were 950 pounds on the tubing and 1650 pounds on the casing. Gas-oil ratio 2,950-1.

The hole was bottomed at 6,474 feet and the pay section treated with 2,000 gallons of acid.

Baker & Taylor was the contractor and moved rotary to Sun 31 Mathers. It was drilling ahead Wednesday at 901 feet in shale and lime.

Sun 30 Mathers bottomed at 6,195 feet. Two drillstem tests in the Sand recovered gas-cut mud. Operators were running electrical survey.

Sun 22 Homer Jameson was drilling in shale and sand at 2,671 feet. Sun Tubb D-3 bottomed at 6,150 feet. Perforations 5,993-6,004 feet were treated with 2000 gallons of sand oil and a small amount of oil was being swabbed Wednesday.

Sun Central Nat'l Bank-State Unit A-1 was drilling in shale at 5,915 feet.

Sun 1 Mattie Jacobs was drilling ahead at 3,520 in shale and sand. Contractors twisted off March 4 and finally recovered 16 drill collars Tuesday.

Sun 4 Parramore in southwestern Nolan county was drilling at 4,880 feet in lime.

Sun 2 Victor McCabe, in Mitchell county, two miles north of Silver, was drilling in shale and lime at 3,805 feet.

Diamond Drilling Co. 1 Mrs. Ruth G. Featherston drilled out plugs Tuesday after surface casing had been cemented to a depth of 515 feet. The wildcat is a half mile north of Green Mountain school house and two miles east of production in the Millican field, west of Edith.

Mrs. Joseph A. Dausch of Pittsburgh, Pa., arrived Monday night for a visit with her parents, Editor and Mrs. A. J. Kirkpatrick. She was accompanied by three children, Peter, Tommy and Frances. The Kirkpatrick's other daughter, Mrs. James E. Hillman, and little daughter, Mary Linda, left Thursday for their home in Alexandria Va., after a nine weeks' visit here.

BIRTHS

SMITH — Mr. and Mrs. Willis Wayne Smith (Wanda Mauldin) are parents of a son born March 16 at a San Angelo hospital. Arriving at 8 a. m. Stephen Wayne weighed 7 pounds, 8 ounces. He has a sister, Robbie Jane, 2 years old. Grandparents are Mrs. Willis Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Mauldin.

Coke County Hospital News

March 11 — Carolyn Sue Millican dismissed.

March 12 — Mrs. G. Snyder and infant daughter, Mary Lou, dismissed.

March 13 — Mrs. Luther Lara admitted. Mrs. R. R. Sowell and infant son, J. L. Carwile, Sr., Don Bowen and J. W. McMinn dismissed.

March 14 — Mrs. Delmir Sheppard admitted. Mrs. Luther Lara and Mrs. Floyd Bagwell dismissed.

March 17 — Mrs. Delmir Sheppard dismissed.



MRS. VERNON M. DUNCAN

Elna Jameson Weds Coahoma Man

The marriage of Miss Elna Avis Jameson of Silver and Mr. Vernon Maurice Duncan of Coahoma occurred at 2:30 p.m. March 4 at the San Angelo Heights Methodist Church, with the Rev. B. H. Bohmfalk officiating. Attendants were Miss Mary Sproul and Mrs. Clyde Clemmer.

The bride wore a navy blue faille suit with matching accessories.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Jameson of Silver and graduated from Robert Lee high school in 1951.

The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. V. E. Duncan of Coahoma. He is a graduate of Coahoma high school and last year attended New Mexico A & M College. Both are now students at San Angelo College where they will continue their studies. Mr. Duncan was an outstanding football player for SAC and is majoring in physical education.

Mr. and Mrs. Duncan motored to El Paso and Las Cruces, New Mex., for a few days' honeymoon. They are now at home at 2402 Dalls St., San Angelo.

NOTICE TO TEACHERS

The Silver Peak Common School District will accept applications for elementary grade teachers and a physical education teacher until March 25, 1953.—H. P. Pew, Board President.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Fowler stopped here Monday night enroute to Llano to attend the funeral of Mrs. Fowler's grandmother, Mrs. H. J. Gartman. The Fowlers will be back in Robert Lee the end of the week before returning to his base at Albuquerque, New Mex.



MRS. FORREST WANKER was the former Bertie Mae Gaines of Robert Lee before her recent marriage. The young couple is living in Aspermont.

30 MEN JOBLESS AS H & L TRUCK GOES BANKRUPT

H & L Truck Company, prominent oil field hauling concern for the past five years, has gone on the financial rocks. Owners of the firm, R. F. (Bob) Stephenson, and his brother, M. L. (Whitey) Stephenson went into bankruptcy last week.

Operations were halted March 1 when insurance on the company's trucks was cancelled. First meeting of the creditors is scheduled for March 27, at 10 a. m. in the post office building at San Angelo. Glenn Smith of Ft. Worth was appointed bankruptcy referee and Charles Gibbs of San Angelo is the receiver.

M. C. Harbin, chief bookkeeper and P. E. Mahon, office clerk at Robert Lee have been retained to assist Mr. Gibbs.

HARRIS & LATHAM

H & L was organized here in 1948 by Dave Harris and the late A. E. Latham, at the time the oil field activity was getting a good start. Brand new equipment was purchased, competent help employed and the business flourished. Mr. Harris, a partner in the Ray-Harris Drilling Co., later bought Laham's interest and then sold to the Stephenson brothers.

A couple of years ago they moved their main office to San Angelo, but crews and a repair shop were maintained in Robert Lee and Bob Stephenson continued to reside here.

The company has furnished employment for a considerable number of men, about 30 being on the payroll recently. The employees have been paid up to March 1. Equipment includes 12 trucks, a pickup and 2 passenger cars.

MANY CREDITORS

Because of the continued oil play in Coke County it is more than likely that a truck company will continue to operate here, with more developments to follow next week's meeting of creditors.

Among the local unsecured creditors are D. D. Walker, wholesale oil and gas, Ivey Motor Co. and Vaughan Chevrolet Co., each having an unpaid account of nearly \$1,200. Mrs. A. E. Latham says she has a claim of \$14,000 and ownership of the truck operating permit.

The following news story under the heading, "Bankruptcy Case Filed by Truckers," appeared in the March 11 issue of the San Angelo Standard:

Voluntary bankruptcy was filed in federal court here Tuesday by the H & L Trucking Co., a local firm declaring \$116,768.71 in claims and \$148,578.76 in assets. It was the first bankruptcy petition filed here since Aug. 10, 1952.

The commercial trucking firm was chartered June 15, 1948, with San Angelo as a main place of business. The firm also maintained yards and an office in Robert Lee

1952 INVENTORY

The last inventory was made Feb. 29, 1952, by R. F. Stephenson, the firm's secretary-treasurer. It showed assets valued at \$258,318.77, less reserves of \$102,438.06 for depreciation. An inventory Feb. 1, 1951, showed \$150,289.77 in assets less \$55,724.97 in depreciation reserves.

M. L. Stephenson, president of the firm, said in the bankruptcy petition that two employees had embezzled sums of \$2,500 and \$500 during the last year. Wrecking of a truck also cost the firm \$3,500

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New Styles Shown At HD Ladies Revue "The Tailor Shop"

The opening of "The Tailor Shop" was quite a success last Saturday when twelve women of the Home Demonstration clubs modeled the tailored garments they had made in club work.

Mrs. C. E. Arrott modeled a lovely tailored suit of "Pink Cloud" Miron 100 percent wool made by a McCall pattern. Mrs. Claude Gentry's tailored suit with raglan sleeves was designed by a Modes Royal design and made of 100 percent Miron wool of a "Smoke Ring" color. A "Sand" topper was modeled by the owner, Mrs. Bobby Vaughn. The fabric was styled was styled by Julliard in a 100 percent wool tweel. The topper was fashioned by a Butterick pattern with wide turn-back cuffs.

Mrs. Tom Rives, Jr. modeled a "Spanish Lime" topper of Schlang woolen. This topper was designed with a shawl collar by McCall's. A "Grey Mist" full length coat was worn by Mrs. Leon Nixon. The coat, made of 100 percent Schlang wool, was fashioned by a Simplicity pattern with pretty set in sleeves. Miss Gladys Rives, daughter of Mrs. Tom Rives, wore a Navy check topper as the second project of Mrs. Rives. Mrs. A. D. Fields was wearing a pretty "Navy Royalty" suit of pure linen. The design was created by Vogue. The "Mission Rose" topper of junior poodle cloth was worn by Mrs. Weldon Fikes. The topper with wide cuffs was designed by Simplicity. Mrs. John Petty modeled a "Sunset" topper designed with raglan sleeves by Simplicity. The fabric of 100 percent Forstman wool made a pretty topper. The "Penny Copper" suit was modeled by Mrs. T. M. Wylie, Jr. The Nottingham fabric was a mixture of wool and dacron.

Mrs. Fred Ashworth was wearing a "Coronation Purple" topper of 100 percent wool flannel by Milliken. The fashion was created by McCall's.

The "Persian Wine" suit was worn by Miss Gladys Waldrop. The 100 percent wool fabric was by Miron.

Mrs. J. W. Labenske was wearing the "Twilight" suit fashioned from Miron 100 percent wool. The shawl collar design was created by Vogue.

The Dress Revue was attended by approximately thirty people.

FRIENDSHIP HD CLUB

Six members and the adult leader of the Robert Lee Sr. 4-H Club met Monday, March 9, at the school.

The meeting was on, Press To Be The Best, given by the 4-H leader, Gladys Waldrop.

The Dress Revue was discussed and also the trip to Abilene. The trip to Abilene is in observance of National 4-H Week March 7 to 14.

The next meeting will be March 23.

ADVERTISE REGULARLY

Small merchants are urged to run average ads regularly. "Average advertising run regularly out-pulls brilliant advertising done spasmodically," says Budd Gore, retail advertising consultant. He advises small stores to spread out their advertising much as they pay rent, with allowances of course for seasonal trend peaks.

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FIREMEN - AUXILIARY

The Robert Lee Volunteer Fire Department and Auxiliary met in their regular semi-monthly meeting Monday night. The Fire Department held a study of the map of the City in regard to location of all the houses and the fire plugs that were nearest to them. After the map study a hose drill was conducted.

The women of the Auxiliary served coffee and cake to the firemen after the drill.

Cellophane was first made in Germany and France.

County Ag Agents News Column

TRAVIS HICKS, Co. Agent

FEEDING CALVES BOUGHT

Last Wednesday, March 11, Norman Roberts and Butch Arnold and the County Agent attended the calf sale at Fredricksburg. The Coke County boys purchased three calves for feeding projects in 4-H work. Norman purchased one to be his scramble calf which he will show at Houston next year. He also purchased one calf for Victor Collett who will feed it to show. "Butch" Arnold has just finished feeding a "dry lot" calf to a

weight of over 1300 pounds. This calf was sold to S. E. Adams of San Angelo. Butch will feed out the new calf with a nurse cow.

The turkey boys and girls are getting started again. At this time thirteen boys and girls have started their turkey projects for the Dallas Fair. Others will start soon. Those receiving poult last week are: Dee Arrott, Tommy Latham, Benny Corley, Aubrey Don Denman, Royce Denman, Tommy Jett, Betty Ruth and Joan Hood, Jerry Hurley, Jerrell and James Harmon and Wm. Joe Harmon.

The Sear's pig boys are reporting good litters of pigs from their Sear's gilts. A full report on these will be given soon. There are eight boys who each received a registered gilt last May. Already, new boys are making application for a registered gilt this year. If any 4-H boy wishes to be considered for a Sear's gilt this year, he should write to the county agent, T. B. Hicks, Robert Lee, Texas and ask for details.

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SILVER NEWS

By Mrs. John T. Stewart

A Miracle Maid Cooking ware demonstration was held in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hale Kincaid by Mr. Renfro of Colorado City. Six couples attended including the Ben McDouglas, Bill Houtchins, Jake Higginbothams, Paul Gilberts, Ernest Clendennens and George Fugates.

Jessica, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Duplissey, and Linda, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Dean, were given a party honoring their tenth birthdays. Twenty-seven of their friends were present.

Mrs. Bill Walker was honored with a pink and blue shower at the home of Mrs. Doug Keith with Mrs. Gladys Mowbray and Mrs. Ben McDougle assisting. Three tables of bridge furnished the entertainment. Those playing were Helea Gilbert, Geneva Beggs, Jane Price, Roberta Kincaid, Donna Yarbrough, Francis Hornbeck, Boots Ford, Ruth Higginbotham and Mrs. Forest Bradham.

Mrs. Boots Ford is honored by having her parents Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Jenkins of Houston visiting in her home.

Mrs. Lee Weigel and son, Tommy, are visiting her parents in Uvalde and her sister at Blanco.

Elaine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jake Higginbotham, has been out of school with measles.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. (Moe) Hargis and son, Steve, are in San Angelo spending five days with her sister.

Mr. and Mrs. Theron Lyle and son are visiting his parents in Oklahoma.

Mrs. Russell Pace and sons are visiting her parents in Dallas.

Mrs. John Walker, mother of J. B. Walker, Jr. is in the St. John Hospital in San Angelo suffering with a kidney ailment.

Rev. Ray Sparks and Mrs. Sparks are anxiously awaiting the arrival of their son, Pfc. Carl Sparks, who landed last Wednesday and after going to San Antonio for further orders, he will be with his family

within a week.

New comers in the Jameson Camp and arriving from White Oak are Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Bradham and Rosalind. Mr. Bradham is a gang pusher for Sun Oil Co.

Mrs. C. A. Dukes, wife of C. A. Dukes at Millican, is in the hospital at Robert Lee suffering from a severe attack of bronchitis.

Mrs. Ray Sparks had a surprise birthday coffee given her in the home of Mrs. J. T. Stewart and assisted by Mrs. Merle Jameson and Mrs. J. B. Walker, Jr. Members of the T. E. L. class of the Baptist church attended bringing gifts to a deserving honoree. Refreshments of coffee, cold drinks, muffins and nuts were served.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Jacobs and sons visited his sister at Vernon over the weekend.

James Holt is visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Holt. James was a former resident of Silver and is enjoying seeing old friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Wallace motored to Fort Worth for a weekend visit in the home of their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Travis Allen.

BUILDING RANCH HOME

Mrs. E. S. Cummings is building a new 4-room modern residence on her ranch property west of Edith. She and her husband, who reside in Abilene, plan to spend some of their time on the ranch in the future. Mrs. Cummings is the daughter of the late John Reed, early day preacher of the Green Mountain community. The 3-section Cummings ranch has been leased the past 19 years by Joe Garvin. McDonald Lumber Co. of Robert Lee has the contract to build the new house and the work will be in charge of Martin Casey and his crew. The project was started this week.

SILVER SCHOOL ELECTION

Two trustees will be elected by the Silver school district April 4 to succeed Homer Jameson and O. W. Newell, whose terms expire. Mr. Newell has declined to be a candidate again and Mr. Jameson is undecided, although he has been nominated to succeed himself. Other nominations include Raymond Bloodworth and Jess Duplissey.

A baseball has a cork center about the size of a marble.

Notice To Water Customers

Henceforth all water subscribers having two (2) delinquent water accounts will be notified of such and unless the account is paid within a reasonable length of time, service will be discontinued. This action is according to Section 3, Ordinance Page 339, Minutes of the City of Robert Lee, Texas. The said section reads as follows: "In event any user or customer of such water works system does not pay matured rates and charges within thirty (30) days from the date the same becomes due and payable, it is hereby made the further duty of the City Secretary to disconnect the water service; and whenever the amount past due and delinquent is paid by such user or customer, such service may be resumed, but there shall be charged and collected a reconnection charge of one dollar (\$1.00)."

Robert Lee Water Department

One of the Representatives received a wire the other day from a friend back home stating that the friend's wife had just given birth

to a baby girl. Attached to the wire was a sticker which read, "When you want a boy, call Western Union."

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Patio CHILI No. 2 can 49c

FLOUR Red & White 25 lb sack 1.89

COFFEE Red & White lb 79c

Preserves SUN SPUN Peach or apricot 2 lbs 43c

CATSUP SUN SPUN 1ge bottle 15c

Diamond Mustard Greens, No. 2 2 cans 25c

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JACK ADKINS, COKE RESIDENT SINCE 1882, PASSES AWAY AT SANCO HOME

SANCO, March 18 — Andrew Jackson Adkins, who walked down this Yellow Wolf Creek country 71 years ago and decided to make it home, died at noon Sunday at his home here. He was 90.

Funeral services were held Monday at 3 p. m. at the Sanco Methodist church in charge of the Rev. McCorley of Blackwell and the Rev. Ulmer Bird. Burial was in Sanco cemetery under direction of Cliff funeral home. Pallbearers included Bryan Gartman, Melvin Childress, Arthur Akens, Bill Sparks, Fred Killiam, Weldon Fikes, Jim Montgomery and Sam McGallian.

He was born Aug. 20, 1862, in Kentucky. He came to Coke County in 1882, several years before the neighborhood of Sanco was established. He married Molly Bird at Sanco in 1887.

Uncle Jack Adkins was a sheepman. And there are a few men still living in this country who can remember that he was a champion shearer.

The country into which Mr. Adkins came in 1882 had tall grass in the valleys — up to saddle stirrups. Mesquite grass spread a heavy, thick carpet upward on the slopes, always remaining green about the roots to provide enough winter forage for sheep flocks.

A brother, Tom, an uncle, J. J. Austin and two neighbor boys from Kentucky were with him.

TO SWEETWATER

The five had started from Paintsville Ky., walking 30 miles from his home to the railway station and riding the train to Sweetwater.

Sweetwater was then a town of a few board houses and Mr. Adkins noticed one main store.

The young Kentuckian had heard through his uncle and others of opportunities for the young man in the new country. Austin had already been here for 15 years.

Mr. Adkins once recalled that there were as many sheep then in this country as there are now, but not as many owners. Flocks in those days numbered in the thousands. They were always herded, usually by one man on a horse with a Shepherd dog. There were no fences.

SHEARER

A sheep shearer in the 1880s was rated skilled workman. He got five cents a head for all he could shear. When a man started to make the shearing season, he rolled his two pairs of shears with an extra pair of socks into his slicker, got on his horse and hit the trail.

The shearer got his bed as part of his hire and he ate at the ranchman's table.

Mr. Adkin's mastery of the job came by necessity. One day he rode off Gobbler Creek and over the ridge to the John R. Lewis ranch, not far from the present

town of Blackwell.

Mr. Lewis, a cattleman, also had three or four thousand sheep. He and one helper were laboriously whacking away at the job. The ranchman had just dismissed a crew because he thought they sheared too deeply. So he was facing a long shearing season when Adkins rode up:

"Want a job?"

"Yes."

"Can you shear sheep?"

"No, but I can try."

"Well, get down and catch you a sheep. I'll show you how I want it done."

The lessons started. For several years thereafter, Mr. Adkins never missed a season shearing the Lewis flock. He rounded up a crew consisting of himself, Ben Bilbo, L. Smith Bird, Bud Ulmer, Pete Soell and Sam Lewis.

SURVIVORS

He and Mrs. Adkins, who died Nov. 4, 1936, reared nine children, eight of whom survive.

Sons are T. B. (Burley), C. E. (Ernest) and Oral D., all of Sanco, L. J. (Jess) of Snyder and J. E. (John) of La Jolla, Calif.; and three daughters, Mrs. Irma Knox of Turlock, Calif., Mrs. Wyatt Tunnell and Miss Ila Adkins both of Robert Lee.

Mr. Adkins left this country only once, for a short time to go to New Mexico. He served as Coke County commissioner for two terms, beginning in 1901.

Mr. Adkins had been ill about two weeks at his place, one of the old homesteads in the Yellow Wolf Valley.

Rabbit Twisters Get Support At Kickoff Meeting

Base ball players and fans met at the Buchanan barber shop Tuesday night and started the ball rolling for the 1953 season. It was unanimous opinion that a good club can be fielded and that the Rabbit Twisters will again be a top contender in the Concho Basin League.

J. L. (Chilly) Tinkler will serve as manager while the position of field captain will be handled by Lewis Heuvel.

Committees to take care of finances, ground and seating arrangements will be announced in the near future.

First practice session has been set for the afternoon of March 29. The Twisters want to book a game for April 12 on a 50-50 basis or with a return game agreement. Any team managers wanting a game should contact Chilly Tinkler.

John and Chism Brown and their wives returned Monday from a few days' trip to South Texas. They visited Mr. and Mrs. Pritch Brown at Sun Field and with Captain and Mrs. Nathan Douthit and family at Harlingen.

Europe is the second smallest continent in the world.

HYRICK HD CLUB

The Hayrick Home Demonstration Club met in the home of Gladys Waldrop, March 5, for an all day meeting. The members and visitors worked on their tailored garments during the morning. The evening program was on Wardrobe Planning and Accessories and was given by Miss Black, Home Demonstration Agent.

Visiting from the Friendship Club were Mrs. A. D. Fields, Mrs. Leon Nixon, Mrs. T. M. Wylie, Jr., Mrs. Gilmore and Mrs. Tom Rives, Jr. The women are making tailored suits and coats.

The next meeting will be Thursday, March 19.

Date Postponed For Bloodmobile Robert Lee Stop

Plans for a Red Cross bloodmobile to visit Robert Lee next Thursday, March 26, have been abandoned for the present. However, this does not affect the Bronte date on the following Monday, March 30.

Travis Hicks, chairman of the blood campaign, called a meeting of local citizens and it was the unanimous opinion that it would be impossible to get ready for the March 26 date.

The Red Cross will be asked to set a later date for Robert Lee. The campaign requires much publicity and a big organization. During a one day stop, the bloodmobile is expected to take up 120 pints of blood, and it necessitates the signing up of 300 volunteer donors.

FROM MRS. COLE

Dear Mr. Kirkpatrick:

I am sending \$2 to pay for a year's subscription to The Observer, as we still like to hear of "Good Old Coke" people. We have missed the home paper.

I hear you had a good rain there and hope you can get enough to do some good this year. We have had green grass here all winter and it has been a nice winter so far.

We like it here fine. Wishing you all good luck possible, I remain, yours sincerely, — Mrs. J. B. Cole, Rt. 1, Wimberley, Texas.

Want Ads

HELP WANTED at Mac's Cafe, next to the post office in Robert Lee.

In Stock—New patterns of Pab-Co Rugs.—Leeper Supply Co.

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.

FOR SALE — 34 ft. Detroit trailer house, priced worth the money. L. L. Stewart at A. B. Shepard Apts. 37w4p

PAINT — Pittsburgh Rubberized Satin Finish Wallhide for all inside work. Use it on paper, wallboard, wood, cement, anything. Dries in 15 minutes.—LEEPER SUPPLY CO.

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We finally have gotten the agency for Lone Star aluminum boats. LEEPER SUPPLY CO.

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Senior Class Play Next Tuesday Night

Robert Lee High School Seniors will present their Class Play next Tuesday night, March 24. A cast of 12 will appear in the three-act comedy farce, "If Mother Only Knew."

Miss LaVerne Darter is directing the production. Curtain time is 8 o'clock and admission prices will be 25c for students and 50c for adults.

Proceeds from the play will be used to help finance the annual Senior Trip. The group plans to visit Galveston, Houston, San Antonio and other points in South Texas during the Easter vacation.

The Seniors wish to thank all those who are represented on the page advertisement appearing in this issue of The Observer.

Knute Rockne was born in Norway.

NEW HOME FOR EUBANKS

Ellis Eubanks recently purchased 40 acres from Millard Meek, on the south side of the highway east of Robert Lee. He paid \$100 an acre cash. Mr. Eubanks has moved in a new modern residence which he and his family will occupy in the near future.

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Mrs. H. J. Gartman, Sanco Resident, Buried In Llano

Funeral services for Mrs. H. J. Gartman, 74, well known Sanco woman, were held at Miles-Buttery funeral home in Llano at 10 a.m. Wednesday with the Rev. James Vermillion, pastor of the First Baptist Church, officiating. Burial was in the Llano cemetery.

Mrs. Gartman died in a Dallas hospital Sunday after an illness of several months. She and her husband had been living in Grand Prairie with a son, Clyde, since last November.

She was the former Annie Bardin, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Bardin, and came to Llano county as a small girl. She married Mr. Gartman in 1899. They lived at Sanco the past thirty years where Mr. Gartman formerly operated a general store and was postmaster.

Survivors include her husband; four sons, Louis of San Bernardino, Calif., Truman of Sterling City, Hiram D. and Clyde of Grand Pra-

rie; three sisters, Mrs. Belle Glover, Mrs. Ellen Linden and Mrs. Garland Ormand, all of Austin; 19 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Silver Girl Scouts Make Fine Record

Girl Scouts from Silver made a fine record this year in their sale of Girl Scout cookies. Mrs. Wayne Reeder, leader of the group, advises The Observer that they disposed of 22 cartons of 12 boxes each for a total of \$134.00. Sixty boxes were sold in Robert Lee Saturday.

The girls were permitted to keep 3 cents from each box sold for their local fund, while remaining proceeds will be used to erect a building at the new Girl Scout Camp near Sweetwater.

There are 10 girls in the Brownie group and 13 girls in Scouts at Silver. They appreciate the fine support given them during the cookie sale.

Garland Austin arrived home last week after receiving his army discharge at Fort Sam Houston. He spent two years in the service, 17 months of that period being in Korea. A former Robert Lee resident, Garland is the 22-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Coke Austin, who now reside in San Angelo. He plans to enroll in a welders school in the near future.

GOES BANKRUPT

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during the past year.

Priority creditors include the federal government, owed \$7,854.10 for withholding taxes, \$2,501.22 for Social Security payments, \$569.87 for transportation taxes, and \$33.31 for unemployment taxes.

The firm owes the state \$104.31 in fines and unemployment taxes; Tom Green county, \$250.94; San Angelo, \$150; Robert Lee School District, \$149.25. Priority debts of \$50 to Bruce Clift of Robert Lee and \$75 to Ed Watts of Coleman are owed for yard rentals.

Total priority debts of the firm amount to \$11,487.74.

SECURED CLAIMS

Total secured claims against the firm amount to \$68,053.50. Secured creditors are Pacific Finance of San Angelo, holding three notes owed \$2,433.64; Trailer Finance of Ft. Worth, owed \$2,044.53; First National Bank of Dallas owed \$22,187.78; Robert Lee State Bank owed \$2,120; and the San Angelo National Bank, owed \$39,357.65.

All secured claimants hold securities valued at more than the amounts owed them by the bankrupt firm. The San Angelo National Bank holds securities valued at \$54,598.71.

The firm also owed 138 creditors \$36,979.21 in claims which have no securities.

Mrs. M. W. (Buster) Farris underwent surgery Monday at a Brownwood hospital. She is reported to be doing nicely.

Frank Clawson continues to improve at the McKinney Veterans Hospital where he underwent major surgery two weeks ago.

Marvin Simpson, prominent Robert Lee cattleman, recently sold three purebred Angus bulls to E. D. Byrd of Coleman.

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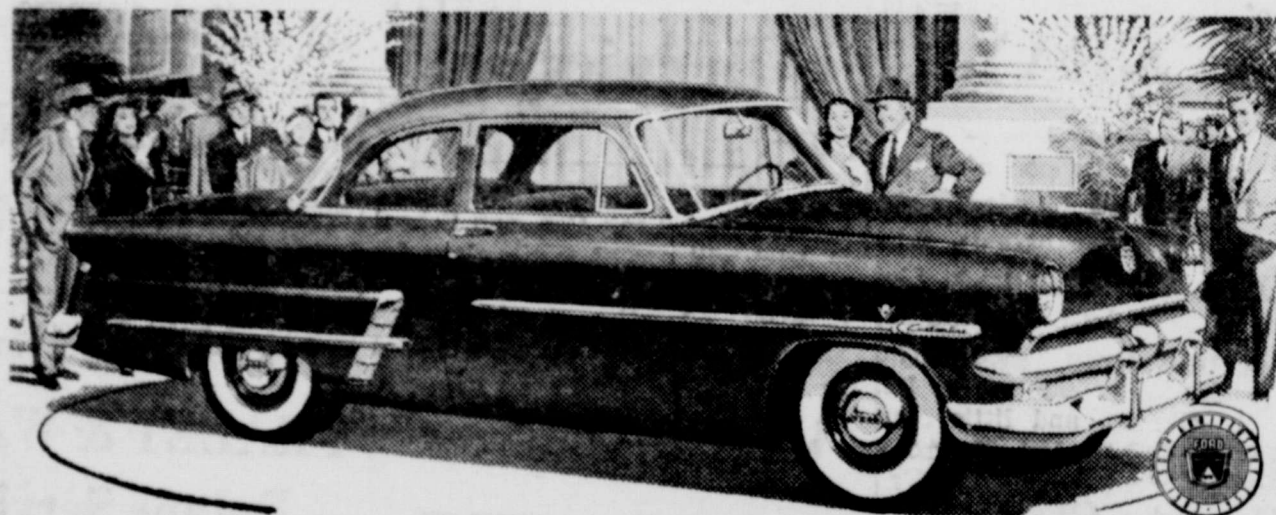
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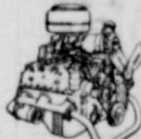
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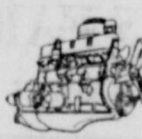
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