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# TWISTERS WIN **LOOP PLAYOFF AND \$180 POT**

Robert Lee Rabbit Twisters wound up the base ball season here Sunday with a 7 to 1 victory over the Goodfellow AFB Skyhawks. It gave the locals two out of three teams, each putting up \$50.

Tinkler took over the hurling job ducts and Firestone tires and batficient to put them in the Shaugh- ther southwest of town. nessy playoff.

Drawing Bryan Electric as their opponent in the playoff semi-finals, Marching Band the Twisters won two straight, giving the Bryan whiz kids pretty bad Adds Color To lickings on both occasions. In the finals the Skyhawks were easy vic- Football Games tims in the first contest, but the airmen came back to even the count with a 10 to 9 win in the second Band will make its first public ap-

Robert Lee had a classy ball club will be fielded next year.

He held the Skyhawk heavy hitters ing of all stunts will be had from to four scattered blows during the stands. eight innings. Mike Medicch opened the ninth with a triple. Jerry Doan and Bob Gosz popped out and it looked like the "Colonel" would have a shutout. But up comes Manager Succow and blasted his third hit to score Medich.

Pete Hickman opened for the home team with a hit to center. Lew Meuvel bunted him to second and Pete scored when the shortstop errored on John Conley's grounder. Hits by Conley, Malish and James Watts accounted for two tallies in the third inning. Hits by Conley, Malish and George Ray netted two more counters in the fifth. Conley and Watts scored the final two runs in the seventh.

Conley had a big day. At bat five times, he collected four hits. one of them a double. But that ismost of the year, and turned in ton. The latter is from Silver. some brilliant plays. John is tops as an outfielder and one of the best 'University at Austin where she will all around ball players in these be a senior. Harriett Porter will be

Capt. Lew Heuvel was great at short. He cut down a runner at the plate in the second inning with a rifle throw from deep short. On anthird base to pull in a high fly.

Pete Hickman helped out by taking his old position at third. He's College two years. been down at Sanderson coaching high school football, but was back for a visit Sunday. He was needed, too, as Pete Cook, who had taken

r the hot corner, has not entirely recovered from being hit in the head by a pitched ball at Goodfel-

low field the previous Sunday. Barnell Malish played a whale of a game at first and was effective with his big bat. He poled three singles. Hickman got two hits, as did George Ray. Franky Percifull, who did a fine job of catching, slammed a single. Tinkler also hit safely once, making a total of 14 hits for the Twisters. Ray Beheler was the Skyhawk hurler.

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O. E. S. BAKE SALE

Robert Lee Chapter 187 of the Order of Eastern Star will hold a Bake Sale in Robert Lee on Saturday, Sept. 26, starting at 9 a.m. Home made pies, cakes, cookies and candy will be sold and cake and coffee will be served to the public. Your patronage will be appreciat-

SERVICE STATION CHANGE

Paul Burns has sold his lease of games in the Concho League play- | the Texaco Service Station here to | for the year are expected to be off. The winners also drew down A. B. Morgan and A. L. Bradberry 60 per cent of the \$300 jackpot of Maverick. The new operators which was made up by the six took over the business Saturday. Mr. Morgan operates a station at The Twisters finished the year in Maverick and will be assisted by a blaze of glory after getting off Kenneth Bradberry. The new firm 1952 were \$157,245. to a bad start. However, Clarence will continue to feature Texaco proand some other outside help was teries. Mr. Burns has not announcsecured. Robert Lee finished fourth ed his future plans, but thinks he in the loop race, but that was suf- may resume ranching with his fa-

The Robert Lee High School pearance at the game Friday night.

This colorful marching organizalast Sunday and the fans departed tion starts the year with 49 memwith a good taste in their mouths, bers. It hopes to put on still betand hoping that another good club ter performances this coming season. Many of the half-time perfor-Tinkler was in excellent form. mances will be lighted. Best view-

Jack N. Gray is director of the band. Marching band officers are Drum Major, Jerry Hurley; Majorettes, Leslie Nell Wink, Donna Hallmark, Jackie Sparks, Cecil Coffey and alternate, Charlene Robertson; Mascot, Laura Jean Gray.

Come on out and give the band your support at half time.

## **Several Students Leave for College**

Robert Lee college students have departed for various parts of the state the past week.

San Angelo College will have a big representation from Robert Lee including Johnibeth Snead, Milburn Wink, Marvin Simpson, Jr., Carland Davis, Don Fields, Don n't all. He was back in the outfield, Austin, Charles McDaniel, Jimmy after filling in at second and short Gray, Bill Havins and Billy Pres-

Dixie Taylor returns to the State a junior at Abilene Christian College where James Petty will enroll as a freshman.

Eileen Vaughan will be a freshman at Texas Tech in Lubbock, and other occasion he went far behind Bobbie Davidson has enrolled as a junior at Hardin-Simmons in Ablene. She attended San Angelo

## **Coke County** Hospital News

Sept. 9-Mrs. Earl Roberts admitted.

Sept. 10-Ollie Roe, Loyd Phelan, Mrs. W. M. McCutchen, C. L. Sparks, Jr., admitted. Mrs. Howard Eaton dismissed.

Sept. 12-Mrs. Clayton Caraway admitted. Mrs. W. M. McCutchen, C. L. Sparks, Jr., dismissed.

Sept. 14-John Allen, Mrs. T. C. Coffey admitted.

Sept. 15-Mrs. Ed Faubion, Dub Strawn admitted. C. L. Sparks, Sr., Mrs. Earl Roberts, Loyd Phelan, John Allen dismissed.

## **COUNTY ADOPTS** '54 BUDGET: TO SPEND \$161,211

Expenditures for the year 1954 amounting to \$161,211 were approved at a budget hearing before the Coke County Commissioners Court at its monthly meeting here Monday. Receipts from all sources \$231,900.

The budget report estimated the county will spend in the neighborhood of \$127,663 during the year 1953, while actual expenditures in

Judge Jeff Dean, who presided at the session, says the commissioners approved the purchase of a spraying machine for use in Bronte and Robert Lee. The equipment cost \$2,145 and freight charges from Houston. By agreement the county pays one-half the cost, while the two towns will each contribute oneurth.

The unit is complete in itself and is mounted on a trailer to be pulled by a car or truck. It is capable of spreading a fog spray the distance RATES 158 BBLS. of one block and is recommended by the State Department of Health. Both Bronte and Robert plan thorough sprays with DDT solution after the machine arrives.

Sixteen lots in Bronte were leased for oil for a bonus of \$40 per lot. The lots comprise a block of ground used for county road equipment. Taylor Emerson signed up the leases, and indicated there is a possibility that the test drilled in Bronte a few years ago may be deepened.

Joyce King was hired as secretary in the office of the county agent and home demonstration agent at a salary of \$150 per month. She succeeds Mrs. Gene Hinnard, the former Thelma Jo Bryan.

Since a number of bridges and culverts were washed out in Precincts 1 and 2 during last month's heavy rains, it was agreed that moey from the Farm to Market Road Fund would be used to help replace the structures.

# M-Sgt. Bill Casey Is Leaving Korea

M/Sgt. William E. Casey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Casey of Robert Lee, is returning to the States after 18 months of service in Ko-

His parents received the following air mail letter dated Sept. 8, at Pusan, Korea:

"Dear Folks: Hope you all are fine. I'm on my way home. Board ship tomorrow. Should be in Ft. Ord, Calif., by the first of October. I'll write or call as soon as I can .-Love, Bill."

Since Bill has been overseas his wife and little 3-year old son, Billy, have resided at Oxnard, Calif. The former Robert Lee soldier has had 11 years of military service, and will make it his career.

DEATH OF CHAMBERS INFANT Joe Mike, 19-days old son of Mr. and Mrs. V. N. Chambers, died at 1 p.m. Tuesday at Coke County Memorial Hospital here. The baby was born prematurely Aug. 27 and weighed 3 1/4 pounds. He had been in an incubator at the hospital nur-

sery but failed to gain strength. Funeral services for the infant were held at Lubbock Thursday

Mr. Chambers is a driller for Suthree years old.

#### FOOTBALL NOTICE

Supt. B. C. Goodwin annources that next week's football game with Ira here will be shifted to Thursday night. This is being done to avoid conflict with the big community party at Green Mountain school house on Friday night. Robert Lee has six home games on its schedule this season, and all of the first five games will be at home.

It is also announced that Homecoming has been set for Oct. 30 when the rugged Coahoma club meets the Steers. Ex-students and teachers of Robert Lee are now being contacted by letter. See Kenneth Lackey for further informa-

#### BILL HAWKINS AT SANCO

The Rev. W. E. Hawkins will be at Sanco next Sunday, Sept. 20, at 11 a.m. and 2:45 p.m. Mrs. Hawkins and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hayes will includes several boys who have not be there in the afternoon. A cordial invitation is extended to all Mancill, new Robert Lee coach, old friends of Camp Meeting days to bring a lunch and stay the day.

# SUN 7 V. McCABE

Sun Oil Company has finaled its No. 7 V. T. McCabe, in southeastern Mitchell county north of Silof 157.75 barrels of 40.2 gravity oil.

Gauge was through an 11/64 inch choke. Tubing pressure was 840 pounds and the gas-oil ratio was 1,405-1.

Sun 23 Homer Jameson flowed test. Of this amount 94.5 barrels was load oil.

Baker & Taylor was the contractor and moved their rotary to Sun 1 Clara E. Walker, 11/2 miles east of production in the Jameson Field at Silver. It spudded Tuesday afternoon and lost circulation at a depth of 153 feet.

Sun 35 Mathers was rigging up, with Empire Drilling Co. moving rotary from Sun B-3 Tubb.

Sun 6 Bloodworth drilling Wednesday at 5,110 feet in shale. Sun Central Bank B-3, 5,966 feet

in shale and sand. Sun 8 McCabe, 2,849 feet, shale. Sun A-1 McCabe, 5,260 feet,

Mrs. Sam Jay was absent several days last week from her duties as City Secretary because of the illness of her mother, Mrs. Mabel Williams. The patient is some better this week.

## Tennyson Man Gins **Three Bales Cotton**

about a month late this year, and thus far only four bales have been processed at the Robert Lee Gin.

However, the crop is maturing rapidly now and a steady run is another week. O. E. Kresta had the first bale

and the next three were brought in by Clark Glenn, who resides two miles north of Tennyson. Glenn has 17 acres of irrigated cotton which is expected to yield 3/4th of bale per acre. Some other good cotton fields

mentioned before are owned by Jim Blair, Weldon Fikes and Marvin Stewart, Ben Alfred Boykin and others.

great deal since the rains, some of has a sister, Shirley Ruth, 4 years perior Oil Co. on the Price lease it will be too late to mature unless old. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Wonder if the moon affects the Sept. 16-Mrs. R. C. Roberts ad- west of Edith. They have a son frost holds off much longer than S. B. Plumlee of Robert Lee and usual.

## **BRONTE OPENS** GRID SEASON HERE FRIDAY

It's football time again, and how could the season have a more thrilling opener than a game between Bronte and Robert Lee?

That's just what is going to happen. The Bronte Longhorns are coming over to tangle with the Robert Lee Steers Friday night.

Bronte made its 1953 debut with and 18-0 win at Ira last week, and from all reports the Longhorns are a pretty tough outfit. Elbert Yoes, at Loraine last season, is the new Bronte coach, succeeding Houston Jolley, who went to Roscoe.

Robert Lee lost 11 lettermen last year and this year's starting lineup had previous experience. James says the squad has been coming along well and they are going after a victory over Bronte Friday

The probable starting lineup will include Tommy Hood and Ben Bessent, ends; James and Harold Robertson, tackles; Bill Casey and Victor Collett, guards; Sherman Williams, center; Lynn Davidson and Bobby Walker, halfbacks; Don Bell, ver, for a daily flowing potential fullback; and Hollis Lloyd, quartterback.

Elected co-captains last week were Bill Casey and Sherman Williams, both veterans from last sea-

Bronte's starters are: N. Scott and 151 barrels of oil during a 17 hour J. Smith, ends; B. James and C. Scott, tackles; H. Denton and S. Phillips, guards; McCutchen, center: Stephenson, quarterback; E. Braswell and A. Phillips, halfbacks; and K. Scott, fullback.

## FOOTBALL BOOSTERS

A full page advertising the opening game is published in this issue of The Observer by public spirited football boosters of the community. They were also responsible for a two-color schedule card whic! made its appearance this week, and the boosters will make it possible for scorecards to be distributed free at each of the home games.

## MUSICAL AT GREEN MT.

Plans are being made for a big turnout at the Green Mountain Musical and community party Friday night of next week. It will mark the third anniversary of the monthly gatherings which have become so popular in the Green Mountain neighborhood.

Raymond Schooler, one of the trustees, says repairs are going ahead on the school house damaged by a windstorm a few weeks ago. Over \$5,000 insurance money was collected. Alfred Lofton and Jimmy The cotton harvest is starting McMathis are in charge of the repair job.

## **BIRTHS**

TOMES-Mr. and Mrs. Ketth expected to get under way within Tomes (Lonnell Landers) of Amherst, Tex., are parents of a daughter born Sept. 2. The baby weighed 7 pounds, 2 ounces and has been named Elizabeth Kathleen. She has a brother, Kenneth, 2 years old. Grandparents are Mrs. J. B. Robertson of Robert Lee and Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Tomes of Amherst.

BRICE-A daughter was born Sept. 14 in the Bronte Hospital to Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Brice (Bessie Plumlee) of Robert Lee. Judy Mae While cotton has improved a weighed 9 pounds, 6 ounces. She Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Brice of Bronte.

## **Former Resident** Dies in San Angelo

Robert Lee folks mourn the death of Mrs. Boyd Smith, former Robert Lee resident, who had lived in San Angelo the last few years. Her death was caused by cancer. Her husband is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Eli Smith. The following is reprinted from last Thursday's Standard-Times:

Services for Mrs. Boyd Smith, 40, of 609 E. 13th St., will be held at 6 p.m. Thursday in Johnson's Funeral Chapel.

Harrison A. Mathews, minister of the Church of Christ at Harris and frving, will officiate, assisted by Marshall Davis, minister of the Fairgrounds Church of Christ.

#### Burial will be in Lawnhaven Me-TO THE STOCKHOLDERS OF THE GULF, COLORADO AND

Board of Directors of Gulf, Colora- Training Camp in 1917. They have do and Santa Fe Railway Company have called a meeting of the Stock- | Hotel. holders of the Company to convene at the principal office of the Com- THE STATE OF TEXAS pany in the City of Galveston, TO: DAVID A. SCHLACHTER County of Galveston, in the State of Texas, the 23rd day of Novem- You are commanded to appear and ber, 1953, between the hours of answer the plaintiff's petition at or 10:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M., to con- before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first sider and act upon a proposition to Monday after the expiration of 42 authorize the execution by the days from the date of issuance of Company of a Mortgage or Deed of this Citation, the same being Mon-Trust to be called a General In- day the 5th day of October, A. D., come Mortgage or Deed of Trust, 1953, at or before 10 o'clock A. M., or by such other name as may be before the Honorable District Court determined, on certain of its rail- of Coke County, at the Court roads and properties now or here- House in Robert Lee, Texas. after owned, to secure bonds to be issued in series from time to time on the 27th day of May, 1953. to be used in paying, funding, or refunding the indebtedness of the ing No. 1949. ditions or betterments thereto, and Defendants. indebtedness constituting a prior lien on its railroads and properties stantially as follows, to wit: now or hereafter owned, and to proto, its properties, for the purchase following described lands: stated periods, to the extent that grantee, Abstract 635, Patent 280, the net income of the Company Volume 10, described as follows: may be adequate therefor (except that the installment of interest due line of said Survey 8, 1334 varas October 1, 1995 shall be payable North 35 East from the Southeast whether or not earned, and that corner of said survey, said point such bonds shall become fixed in- being the Northeast corner of 160 terest bonds on the first day of acres, described in deed from W. M. January following any default by Allison to J. C. Allison recorded in The Atchison, Topeka and Santa volume 52, page 472, of said records; Fe Railway Company under its THENCE South 35 West 667 varas; General Mortgage or Adjustment THENCE North 55 West 677 varas; Mortgage, both dated December 12, THENCE North 35 East 667 varas; 1895, and shall continue to be fixed to stake for corner in the East line interest bonds during the period of of Survey 6, the Northwest corner such default), and maturing on Oc- of the tract conveyed to J. C. Allitober 1, 1995, and to be subject or son above; not subject to redemption, tax free THENCE South 55 East 677 varas or not tax free, convertible or not to the place of beginning;" convertible into shares of capital stock of the Company, subject or recorded in Volume 77, page 7 of not subject to sinking fund provis- Deed Records of Coke County, Texions, and containing such other as, executed by Pallie Phelan et al terms and conditions as may be de- to Ray B. Johnston, insofar as said termined or prescribed by the lease covers 160 acres, more or less, Board of Directors; so limited in out of the Northeast corner of Suramount that bonds at any time out- vey 6, D. H. & J. W. Snyder and W. standing, together with all the then | Von Rosenberg original grantees, outstanding prior debt of this Company and the par value of its then outstanding shares of capital stock shall not exceed the sum of \$85,-300,000 plus the amount expended after December 31, 1952, for the acquisition, construction, or extension of railroads and railroad property, and for additions and betterments to such railroads and properties now or hereafter owned by the Company; such Mortgage or Deed of Trust to contain also such terms and conditions as may be prescribed or authorized by the jointly own an undivided 1/4 inter-Stockholders at said meeting; and est in the above described leases. to authorize the immediate issuance under said Mortgage of five bonds ust, 1953. Given under my hand for \$42,310,000, \$615,000, \$1,532,000, and seal of said Court, at office in \$779,000, and \$1,423,000, respectively, or such sum not exceeding said day of August A. D., 1953. amount as may be approved by the Interstate Commerce Commission; said bonds to be dated July 1, 1953.

J. A. Manning, Secretary

morial Gardens. Mrs. Smith died at J. B. Cole Exhibits 9:45 a.m. Wednesday in St. John's

four sons, Boyd Wayne, Willard Clayton, Richard Irwin and Jimmie Folks at Wimberley Don Smith, all of San Angelo; four sisters, Mrs. W. R. Nulph and Mrs. L. A. Young, both of San Angelo; Mrs. Pearl Wooten of Phoenix, Ariz.; and Mrs. C. M. Plomer of Vancouver, Wash.; four brothers, Charles and Irwin Pennington of San Angelo, Jerry Pennington of Eldorado, and Durwood Pennington of Slaton; and her mother, Mrs. V. L. Pennington of San Angelo.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis McDonald of Norfolk, Va., were guests here recently of the former's sister, Mrs. Jim Mauldin, and family. McDonald is in the naval service.

Mr. and Mrs. Palmer Leeper will go to Fort Worth Thursday to at-SANTA FE RAILWAY COMPANY ' tend the annual reunion of men You are hereby notified that the | who served in the First Officers

## LEGAL NOTICE GREETING:

Said plaintiff's petition was filed The file number of said suit be-

Company for bonds assumed by, or | The names of the parties in said for moneys advanced to, it, or for suit are: SOUTHWEST NATURAL expenditures made on its behalf, for PRODUCTION COMPANY as the acquisition or construction of Plaintiff, and T. F. VANDER LAAN its railroads and properties and ad- and DAVID A. SCHLACHTER, as

The nature of said suit being sub-

Suit to foreclose an operator's lien vide funds for the future extension in and to the following described of, and additions and betterments leasehold estates in and under the

of equipment therefor, for the re- 1. Lease dated September 3, 1946, imbursement of its Treasury for recorded in volume 68, page 188, expenditures so made, and for oth- Deed Records of Coke County, Texer lawful purposes; such bonds to as, executed by Russ Mathers et ux be issued at such time, in such to L. W. Davidson, Jr., insofar as amounts, of such series, and at a said lease covers 80 acres out of lawful rate of interest payable at survey 8, Winfield Scott, original

"Beginning at a point in the East

2. Lease dated March 13, 1948, Abstract 645, Patent 199, Volume 10, described as follows:

"Beginning at the Northeast corner of said Survey 6,

THENCE South 35 West 950 varas; THENCE North 55 West 950 varas; THENCE North 35 East 950 varas; THENCE South 55 East 950 varas, to place of beginning."

And to recover debt, interest and attorney's fees.

Plaintiff believes that the defendant David A. Schlachter and the defendant T. F. Vander Laan

Issued this the 21st day of Aug-Robert Lee, Texas, this the 21st

Weldon Fikes, Clerk District Court, Coke County, Texas. (SEAL)

# Survivors include her husband; Paintings for Home

Mrs. J. B. Cole writes The Observer to report that her husband is continuing to gain recognition because of his excellent landscape paintings. The Coles, former well kown residents of this locality, bought land near Wimberley and moved there two years ago.

Mrs. Cole enclosed the following article from the Aug. 28 issue of the San Marcos Record:

A pastime which was started as a time-killer in 1947 by a Coke County rancher now living in Wimberley has resulted in J. B. Cole's being rated among the best novice artists in Texas.

His artistry, developed late in life without any instruction, has arned him the title of "Grandpa Mosreservations at the Western Hills es" in art circles although this tall Texan's appearance belies his "past sixty" years.

> Cole has been invited to exhibit his canvases by The Wimberley Booster Club at The Town Hall on the Square from Friday, August 28th through September 7th.

> His subject matter is of cattle, horses, cowboys, rural landscapes, and West Texas scenes.

This artist of the primitive school has exhibited at the Elizabeth Ney Museum and Laguna Art Center in Austin and at the All-Texas General Show sponsored by the San Angelo Art Club.

"Red Gulch," a canvas exhibited at The Texas Fine Arts Association July and August Show was sold for \$75 and is now in Princeton, New Jersey.

Cole has just finished a scene of the Blanco which he painted on the three walls surrounding the new baptistry at the Wimberley Baptist Church.

The exhibit is open to the public.



Hayrick Lodge No. 696 A. F. & A. M. Meets second Tuesday night in each month Visitors welcome.

H. S. LEWIS, JR., W M.,

#### BUY SOFT BALL EQUIPMENT

Lighting equipment for a soft ball field in Robert Lee has been purchased at Wilmeth for \$250, according to Chilly Tinkler. Plans for the new field here are being held up for the present but the committee hopes to have it ready by next spring. Helping move the equipment from Wilmeth were Mr. Tinkler, Bobby and Ronnie Baker and Joe Dodson, Jr., while Isbell & Higgins furn- Mrs. J. C. Cobb.

ished a truck free to do the hauling.

#### CARD OF THANKS

To the many friends and relatives of Allen Sparks, who have been so kind and helpful following his recent serious accident, we want to say thank you. Especially those who donated blood. May God bless each and everyone of you .- Mr. and

# San Angelo Standardimes

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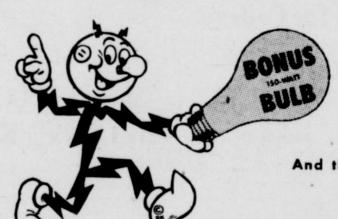
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SOIL CONSERVATION

# **Deferred Grazing** Is Part of Range **Management Plan**

Mrs. Helen Weaver is planning to defer her rangeland this fall and during the 1954 growing season. "I cannot afford to restock my range in its present condition," Mrs. Weaver said. "Due to the severe drouth the range vegetation has grown very little this year; however, it has all been removed leaving the ground subject to severe erosion and heavy runoff during rainfall," Mrs. Weaver added. The deferred grazing is a part of Mrs. Weaver's coordinated range conservation program as a district cooperator with the Coke County Soil Conservation District. Deferred grazing should be a part of every range management plan, because it allows the in plant vigor, mature a seed crop better grasses to grow and increase and build up a good grass litter on the surface of the soil. The litter maintained on the surface of the surface of the soil will break the force of raindrops, increase the rate of infiltration, retard rate of runoff, control erratic soil temperature and reduce evaporation.

D. K. Glenn, Edward M. Cumbie, R. H. Sims, Austin Sandusky, James W. Allen and L. T. Youngblood are a few of the district cooperators that have repaired part of the damage received during the flood of August 18, 1953. Landowners have repaired such damage as washed away fences, broken diversion, made fills in field terraces, and re-

paired pond spillways.

The farmers and ranchers in the Green Mountain area have received high amounts of rainfall during the past few weeks; however, the effective rainfall in that area has been very low. On an open soil with a very sparse cover, the moisture was only six inches deep from er and the intensity of the rain. my property without permission. Good ground cover is essential for good penetration because (1) It intercepts the raindrops and keeps them from sealing over the surface, (2) every grass blade is one of a billion tiny dams to slow down or hold water, and (3) the roots allow better water penetration.

S. E. Adams, Coke County Soil Conservation District cooperator, has pitted about seventy acres of with eccentric discs was used for the pitting operation. Pitting is an important practice because it holds water in the pits and allows more penetration into the soil. Pitting is also important on relatively open rangeland where it can be profitable, yet inexpensive operation. The better range grasses come back quicker on bare soil that has been pitted than on soil that is not pitted.

When you ask for a rough estimate of the cost of building a home today, it's really rough. But still | A. F. McKinley, Phone 1921. not as rough as the final cost.

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## CHURCH OF CHRIST

In Robert Lee

SUNDAY SERVICES—Bible Study 10:15 to 10:55 a. m. Worship at 11:00 A. M. Young Peoples Class at 7:00 P. M. Evening Worship at

Mid-Week Bible Study Wednesdays at 8:00 OWEN COSGROVE, Minister

## For General INSURANCE

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At Robert Lee State Bank

## Personals

Mrs. Boneita Robertson returned Sunday from a stay of ten days at Amherst where she made the acquaintance of a new granddaughter in the home of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Keith

I. B. Millican motored to San Antonio last week and brought his wife home after three weeks' stay in the home of their son, Alton Millican and family. Alton's wife is recovering from an operation she underwent several months ago.

Mrs. Hadley Richards (Lee Hickman) is the new checker at Earl Roberts' Grocery and Market. She had several years of experience in this line of work when she resided in Amarillo a few years ago. Mrs. Roberts is out of the store because of illness and Garland Davis has resigned to attend college in San

Billy Dove Allen has gone to Odessa where she accepted a position in a variety store. She will live there with an aunt, Mrs. Frank Al-

J. W. McMinn telephoned Sunday afternoon from Seattle and talked to his wife and his mother, Mrs. H. C. McMinn. He advised them that he was sailing for army duty in Japan.

W. B. (Beal) Ditmore, who writes that he was a Coke county resident for many years prior to 1926, is a new subscriber to The Observer. He resides in Odessa where he is manager of the Sonotone hearing aid agency.

FOR SALE-A-C tractor; also a new 22 H. P. air cooled engine. Gim Geer, Robert Lee, Texas.

#### NOTICE

My place south of Robert Lee has approximately twenty inches of been posted and \$50 Reward will be rainfall. The ineffectiveness of this paid for the arrest and conviction of rainfall was due to insufficient cov- any person or persons trespassing upon -Fred McDonald, Jr.

BUCKS FOR SALE-I now have my bucks ready to show you. Raymond Schooler.

NOTICE-The lady who picked up her clothes Monday is requested to stop by, as she paid \$4.50 and it should have been only \$2.35. -Pauline Lara.

PAINT - Pittsburgh Rubberized abandoned cropland on his farm Satin Finish Wallhide for all inside near Robert Lee. A one way plow | work. Use it on paper, wallboard, | wood, cement, anything. Dries in 15 minutes.—LEEPER SUPPLY CO.

FOR SALE-Good 220 acre farm, good water and grass, mature crop and moisture to start 1954; also livestock. Come see it now. D. A. Neel, Friendship Community. 15w2c

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## **Certain Diseases More Frequent To** Persons Over 50

Austin-As the life span of man increases more attention must be given to the diseases that occur more frequently among those over fifty, declares Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer. Most retirement plans set age 65 as the time to quit work. This has given rise to the misconception that when a person reaches that age he is unfit for gainful employment.

Such an indictment fails to recognize experience, ability, training and capacity which may be far superior to younger groups and will only add to the relief rolls throughout the country. The later years of life can be product've and the employment of such persons can do much toward solving the economic and social problems of this age

Special attention must be given by physicians and public health personnel in preventing chronic illness such as arthritis, cancer, heart disease and senility, says Dr. Cox. Non-medical problems are acute because of inattention. The value of older workers must be recognized or the problem will become greater each year.

Methods of prevention by immunization, sanitation, personal hygiene and treatment all combined have proved that communicable diseases can more or less be controlled. It is this work that has made possible the expectancy of life at birth to be 70 years and far beyond. Now similar work and research is necessary in order that those reaching old age can be gainfully employed and enjoy their latter years free of many of the chronic illnesses.

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## Winter Leaguers Wham Mereta, 5-4

Robert Lee's entry in the Winter League defeated Mereta 5 to 4 in a 12-inning contest played on the school diamond here last Sunday.

Hollis Lloyd, hurling for Robert Lee, went all the way. He held Mereta to eight hits and struck out 11. Bobby Baker and Gerald Ivey each hit a home run. Jimmy Gray, Robert Lee catcher, tripled.

West Texas Utilities plays in Robert Lee next Sunday.

Robert Lee has 2 wins and 4 losses in the loop. Corner Drug and Mereta are tied for first, each with 5 victories and one defeat.

#### P. T. A. MEETING

The Robert Lee Parent-Teachers Association will hold its first meeting of the year Thursday night of this week at the school auditorium. The school band will play several USS Alstede, a refrigerator supply selections. Talks will be given by Mrs. Bob Godwin, Supt. B. C. Goodwin and Mrs. L. B. Mahon on the Structure of American Society -Homes, Schools, Churches. Mrs. which came to his wife. His condi-Curtis Walker will preside as P. T. A. president.

#### PROMISING BALL PLAYER

The base ball season came to a close recently with C. C. Gartman. 12 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. C. pus Christi for some time doing C. Gartman of Grand Prairie, help- construction work with his son-in- treated at Coke County Memorial ing his club win the city championship of Boys Base Ball, Inc. There were 16 clubs in the league. C. C. is a pitcher and won 7 games, while losing 1. His batting average was .241. The Gartmans are former Robert Lee residents. C. C. is a nephew of Mrs. Otis Campbell.

## Personals

Loyd Phelan was treated several days the past week for a sprained knee. He was released from the hospital Tuesday.

Relatives here have been advised that Mrs. Frank D. Bryan and son, Pat, arrived safely in Japan on August 31. They made the trip by boat and their auto was shipped with them. Captain Bryan is a transportation officer with the U.S. forces in Japan. in Japan.

Mrs. R. Gaines returned Sunday from Petersburg where she spent more than three weeks in the home of her brother, Tom King and family. She reports that Mrs. King is recovering nicely from a recent operation. Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Gaines and Mrs. Jessie Eads drove to Petersburg and brought Mrs. Gaines back to Robert Lee.

FOR SALE-Two 7.60-15 mud and snow tires, U. S. Royals, very little wear. See J. D. Boykin.

B. W. Shropshire has returned from Austin where he spent several months with his daughter, Mrs. Cecil Hunter. Mrs. Carol Reed has come back from Sterling City and will look after her father again. Mr. Shropshire is past 91 years of age.

J. J. S. Smith of Sweetwater spent a few days last week helping round up and shear goats at the ranch of his brother, L. E. Smith, southeast of Robert Lee. J. R. Smith, who now resides with his son in Sweetwater, was also on hand but he stuck pretty close to

Mrs. R. S. Anderson of Silver and Mrs. O. O. Burleson of Slaton visited recently at Lampasas with their sister, Mrs. F. L. Spurlin.

Mrs. T. W. Farris and Mrs. Zelma Milam and son, Joe, spent Saturday in Lubbock.

Calvin Sparks was dismissed Tuesday from Coke County Memorial Hospital where he has been treated for a broken leg received in a drilling rig accident Aug. 29.

Mrs. Lee Price of Bakersfield, Calif., and Calvin Cobb of Kermit were recent guests in the home of their sister, Mrs. E. T. Sparks.

Miss Maxine Reed of Tyler arrived Saturday for a week's vacation visit with her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Billy G. Hughes.

## Personals

Mrs. Joseph Dausch and little daughters, Gail and Frances, left Wednesday by plane from San Angelo for their home in Pittsburgh, Pa., after a two weeks' visit with the former's parents, Editor and Star are Nancy Stephenson, worthy called here by the illness of Mrs. Kirkpatrick, who is seriously ill at Coke County Memorial Hospital.

John and Chism Brown and their wives returned Monday night from a few days' trip to Starr county where they visited in the Pritch Brown home at Sun Field. They were also joined by Capt. Nathan Douthit and family of Harlingen. They reported that Mrs. Pritchard Brown has almost completely recovered from a recent illness.

Donald Hamilton arrived last Thursday evening for a visit with his wife and his parents M,r. and Mrs. J. F. Hamilton. He has been on duty in the far Pacific on the ship. Donald has a 30-days leave.

H. C. McMinn suffered a severe heart attack Tuesday afternoon in tion remained critical Wednesday and Mrs. McMinn left for her husband's bedside, being accompanied by her daughter-in-law, Mrs. J. W. McMinn, and her mother, Mrs. G. A. Harmon. "Mac" has been in Cor-

## **Announce Roster** Of O.F.S. Officers

Serving as officers of Robert Lee Chapter No. 187, Order of Eastern Mrs. A. J. Kirkpatrick. They were matron; W. T. Roach, worthy patron; Mary Isbell, associate matron; Jeff Blair, associate patron; Ione Allen, secretary; Naomi Lee Powell, treasurer; Juanita Godwin, conductress; Lela Rae McAdams, associate conductress.

Also Amelia Allen, chaplain; Thelma Blair, marshal; Vivian Jacobs, organist; Charlene Blair, Ada; Zola Hatley, Ruth; Betty Green, Esther; Bobbie Allen, Martha; Margaret Roane, Electa; W. D. McAdams, warder; R. F. Stephenson, sen-

#### B. C. D. MEETING

The Robert Lee Board of Community Development will hold its monthly meeting Thursday night of this week at 7:30 o'clock at the school cafeteria. Refreshments will be served and a good turnout is Corpus Christi, according to word requested by the president, Bob Vaughan.

> Ollie Roe, well known Robert Lee resident, received a back injury when he fell last Thursday morning while at work on the Ard Drilling Co. rig on the Phelan lease, southwest of Silver. He is being Hospital.

#### MAKES GOOD MAIZE CROP

Loren Neel reports a good crop of maize has been harvested on the farm owned by his father, D. A. Neel, in Friendship community. A yield of 6,800 pounds was combined from a 13-acre tract. The seed was Double Dwarf Yellow Sooner and the rows were 36 inches apart. The Neels will also harvest a fair cotton crop and they report good pastures. The farm is being adver-

tised for sale.

#### 1953 STEER SCHEDULE

Sept. 18-Bronte, here. Sept. 25-Ira, here. Oct. 1-Abilene Sophomores, here Oct. 9-Hobbs, here.

Oct. 16-Loraine, here. Oct. 23-Hermleigh, there. Oct. 30-Coahoma, here.

Nov. 6-Trent, there. Nov. 13-Open.

Nov. 20-Bronte, there.

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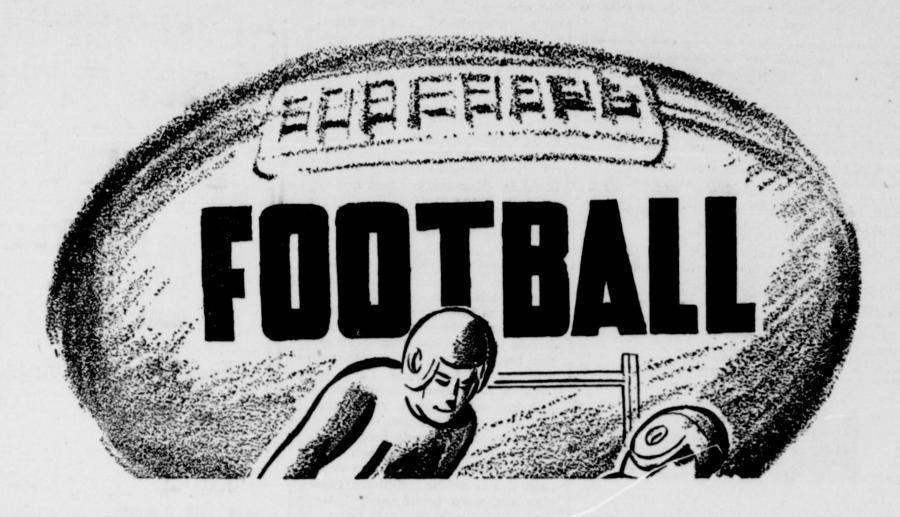
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## **Flood Waters Ruin Precinct 1 Bridges**

Commenting on the bridge damage in his district, Commissioner J. W. Service reports three bridges were washed out in Precinct 1 during last month's flood.

The 66-foot steel bridge over Mess down stream and is a total loss.

bridge 3 miles from town between rick.

the Jno. C. Snead place and Frank Smith. It was a 26-foot wooden structure.

A new concrete crossing has already replaced the bridge on the Graham Valley road, 7 miles north of town.

#### CARD OF THANKS

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If it is necessary that you gin in the forenoon Phone 60 (McDonald Lumber Co.) and we will try to make such arrangements.

We want to give the cotton farmers every possible service, and at the same time will appreciate your cooperation.

# Robert Lee Gin

## **RLHS Announces** Class Officers

Officers of the various classes of Robert Lee High School are reported as follows:

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SENIORS Bill Casey President Peggy Bilbo Vice Pres. Dorene Harmon ...... Secretary Hollis Lloyd Treasurer

## **Young Folks Party Held at Wink Home**

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Wink honored three ex-students of Robert Lee High School, who will enter San Angelo College soon, with a volley ball party and an ice cream feed Saturday, September 12. A fine group of 80 enjoyed a night of fun. Volley ball captains were Mrs. Teddy Pitcock, Mrs. Douglas Gartman, Mrs. Lindy Devoll, Leslie Nell Wink, Melva Dean Gartman, and Dorene Harmon. The champion team was Leslie Nell Wink's. Team members were Leslie Nell; Clarence and Roy Tinkler, Bill Havins,

Sue Goodwin and Ben Bessent. Runners-up were Mrs. Pitcock, Carolyn McDaniel, Bill Casey, Bobby Wojtek, Jeffie Harmon, Garland Davis and Milburn Wink.

The boys honored were Milburn Wink, Marvin Simpson, Jr. and Garland Davis. Another ex who plans to enter college at mid-term was Bill Havins.

Co-hostesses were Mrs. Carl Hurley, Mrs. Douglas Gartman and Mrs. Teddy Pitcock.

Mrs. Earl Roberts has been a medical patient recently a Coke County Memorial Hospital. Her ailment has not been definitely diag-

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