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## Funerals HELD ON SUNDAY FOR MRS. G. E. DAVIS

Mrs. G. E. Davis, 70, long time highly respected resident, died at 7 a. m. Saturday, Oct. 9 at the Bronte Hospital where she had been a patient more than two weeks.

She had been ill with cancer for two years and the past few weeks her condition was critical. Funeral services were held at 2 p. m. Sunday at the North Side Church of Christ, with a nephew, Jimmy Williams of Littlefield, preaching the sermon. He was assisted by Owen Cosgrove. Funeral arrangements and burial in the Robert Lee cemetery were in charge of Clift Funeral Home.

Urn bearers were Lem Cowley, Tom Havins, Lowell Roane, Curtis Jackson, C. S. Brown, Billie Bell, Genie Baker and Delbert Taylor.

Mattie Lewis was born in Vol. McCulloch County, June 2, 1864. She moved to Coke County with her parents in 1889, the year the county was organized. She married G. E. Davis on Sept. 1, 1904. The couple celebrated their golden wedding anniversary last month.

Mrs. Davis was a talented musician. She was a long time member of the Church of Christ and an active and devout member. She was loved and admired by everyone who knew her.

Survivors are her husband; two sons, Mitchell and Emory Davis of Robert Lee, Bob L. Davis of Amarillo, Orville Davis of Los Angeles and Granville Davis of Colorado City; four daughters, Mrs. Daisy Ruth Vowell, Mrs. Bernice Hall and Mrs. Geraldine Kinsey, all of Robert Lee and Mrs. Billie Taylor of Galveston; 25 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren; her mother, Mrs. S. M. Davis of Fort Worth; three sisters, Mrs. Mabel Williams of Robert Lee, Mrs. Mary Duke of Columbus, Ohio and Mrs. Pearl Hooley of Fort Worth; and two brothers, Rex Lewis of Brady and Henry Lewis of Borger.

The eldest daughter, Mrs. Velma Hurley, died more than 20 years ago.

All the surviving children, the

aged mother, and all the brothers and sisters were here for the funeral, except a sister, Mrs. Mary Duke, who now resides in Ohio.

Recent guests of Mrs. J. K. Griffith included her son, Byron, who came from Long Beach, Calif., her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Parrish, and son, Dan, Jr., of Abilene, and another daughter, Mrs. D. R. Wells and son, Don, of Vernon. Don Fields and Bill Casey, students at Texas Tech in Lubbock, came down for a weekend visit with home folks.

## Ballots Ready For Absentees

Absentee ballots are now available for both the Special Court House Bond Election on Oct. 30 and the General Election Nov. 2.

Persons who expect to be away from home on either of these days may go to the court house and vote, or write to County Clerk Weldon Fikes for an absentee ballot.

Law provides for bond issues to be submitted as special elections, making it impossible to vote on the court house bonds at the general election which follows three days later.

## BIRTHS

**BESSENT** — Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bessent of Lubbock are parents of their first child, a son, born at 5:26 p. m. Oct. 8 at Methodist Hospital in Lubbock. The baby weighed 7 pounds, 13½ ounces and has been named Marion Herman. The mother is the former Ilse Scheaffer, a native of Germany. She married Sgt. Bessent while he was on duty with occupation forces in Europe. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Bessent of Robert Lee.

**SPRINGER** — T/Sgt. and Mrs. H. L. Springer (Dora Richardson) are parents of a son born Oct. 9 at the base hospital, Goodfellow Field, San Angelo. Arriving at 9:27 p. m. the baby weighed 7 pounds, 5 ounces and has been named Fred Louis. The father is stationed in the Air Force at Goodfellow. Grandparents are J. M. Richardson of Robert Lee and F. H. Springer of San Diego, Calif.

## STEERS PLAY LORAIN THERE FRIDAY NIGHT

Robert Lee Steers go to Loraine Friday night when they meet the rugged Bulldogs in a 6-B Conference tussle. Loraine previously defeated Trent 19-0 in district play, and last week downed Snyder B team 38 to 20.

Atha Hall, first string end, received a back injury at Hobbs last week and will be out of the lineup for a time. The injury is not expected to be permanent. Bill Simpson, starting lineman, has been feeling badly and likely will not play in the Loraine game. Bill was ill last week and was sidelined after two plays against Hobbs.

Harold Robertson, absent from the Hobbs contest because of scholastic reasons, has been burning midnight oil this week and should be back in action at Loraine. He'll be needed.

Folks who weren't there, can hardly realize how the Steers were defeated by Hobbs after leading 20 to 0 at the end of three quarters. But Hobbs finally got its passing attack to work, and it don't take long to run up a score when a club can make good on a few long aerial plays. A costly fumble on the Hobbs 20 stopped a Steer drive which might have put them ahead. A short time later Hobbs scored the winning touchdown on an 80 yard pass play.

The Steers looked good, although defeated. Davidson again came through with sensational open field running, and Williams was better than ever at full-back. Line play continues to improve, with Bell, Godwin and McArthur standing out on defense.

Last week saw the Trent Gorrillas (such a terrible name) win at Bronte 20 to 18. Hermligh defeated Aspermont 32 to 13.

Hobbs will be at Bronte this Friday night. Trent journeys to Rochester and Hermligh has an open date. With two weeks of rest the Cardinals will be tougher than ever when they meet the Steers here Friday night, Oct. 22.

Loraine will be Robert Lee's final game away from home, while four more contests are scheduled for the local field.

## DEATH OF J. D. HALLMARK

Mrs. Melrose Russell and son, Morgan, were called to Riviera in South Texas early Sunday by the death of the former's father, J. D. Hallmark. He had observed his 100th birthday on Sept. 12 and his picture and a story of his life was published in The Observer the following week.

He was born in Bell County on Sept. 12, 1854, and lived in Coke County in the 90's. His wife died in 1951.

Besides Mrs. Russell he is survived by another daughter, Mrs. Leah Crocker, with whom he made his home, and a son, J. O. Hallmark, of Kremling, Colo.

## JAMESON GAS PLANT AGAIN AT CAPACITY

Sun's gas plant at Silver, known as the Jameson Natural Gasoline Plant, completed a two-year expansion program early this year. It now has a total of nine compressors with a combined horse power 9,900.

John Shimer, gas department superintendent, says the plant is processing about 27 million cubic feet of gas daily from which fluid is extracted. Another 20 million feet is compressed for injection back into the oil producing formation.

Lone Star has a contract to purchase 10 million feet of dry gas daily. It is piped from Silver to Colorado City.

Large storage tanks in the foreground of the accompanying picture have a capacity of 300,000 gallons of liquid petroleum gas (butane and propane) and 120,000 gallons of natural gasoline.

Butane from Silver is transported by tank trucks throughout a wide section of West Texas. The natural gasoline is sold to refineries to be used in blending processes.

## LAYMAN'S DAY SERVICE

Next Sunday is Layman's Day in the Robert Lee Methodist Church. The men will be in charge of the service and Mr. Jim Lovelace of San Angelo will be guest speaker. He operates a furniture and toy store in San Angelo.

## SUN DRILLING STOPS AFTER EIGHT YEARS

For the first time in eight years Sun Oil Company this week does not have a drilling rig operating in Coke County.

Since Sun's discovery on the Allen Jameson lease at Silver in December of 1946, the company has carried on an enormous development program and at one time had as many as 14 rigs drilling in the area.

Not all of Sun's holdings have been drilled up, but there is a general slowing down in drilling activity over West Texas at this time.

Baker & Taylor's rig, which recently completed a good producer for Sun on the Blanks Estate southwest of Silver, has been dismissed. More than likely the rig will be put back to work in the near future.

H. H. Chevalier has been pusher for Baker & Taylor the past six years. At one time he was in charge of three rigs here. Baker started in the drilling business in 1947 and got their start with Sun in the Jameson field. The company now owns eight rotary rigs, five of them at present are drilling in the Spearman area.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Murtishaw of Kingsville visited here last week with Mrs. J. I. Murtishaw. They also visited the Claude Murtishaws at Bronte and the Lee Augustines at Sterling City.

## HOSPITAL NEWS

Oct. 6 — Carl Brock, Mrs. Ilara Valenzuela, Mrs. J. W. Service, Jr., dismissed.

Oct. 7 — Frank Smith, Mrs. Oscar Collett admitted. Mrs. Lowell Roane dismissed.

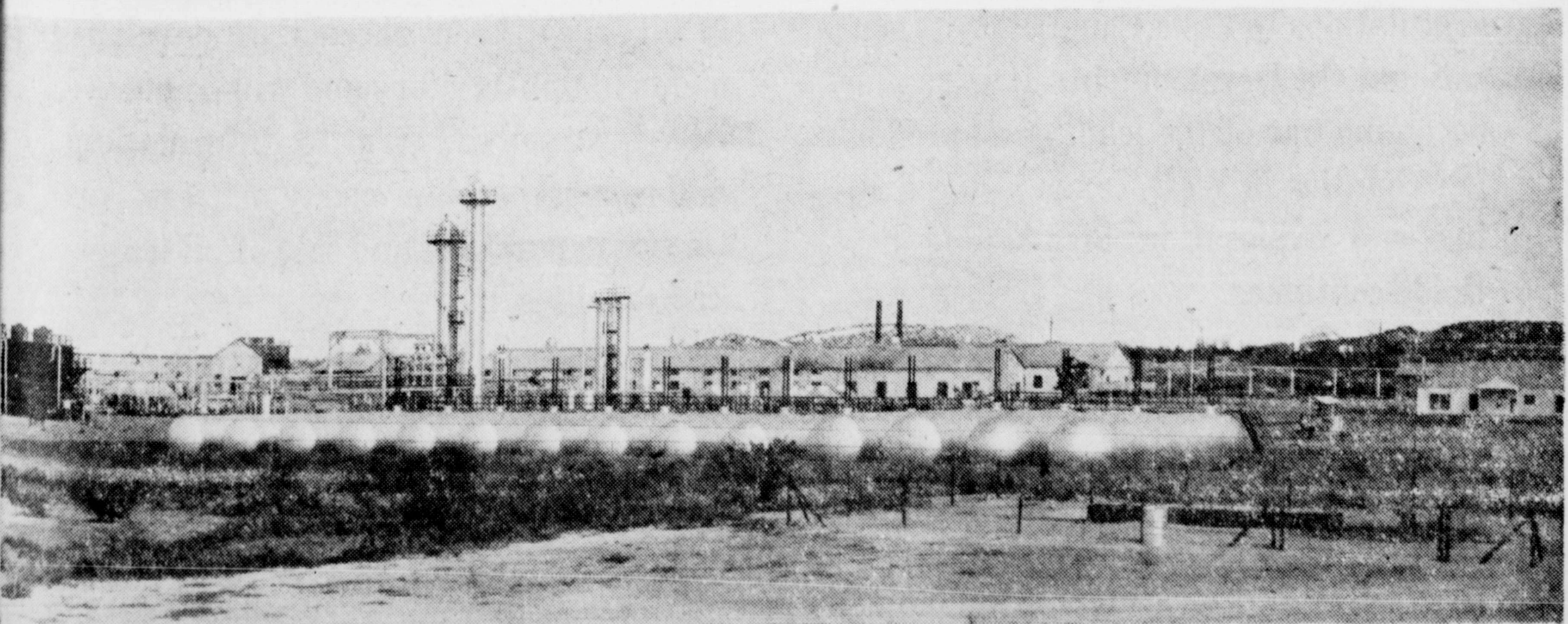
Oct. 8 — Fred McCabe, Jr. admitted. Howard Cain dismissed.

Oct. 9 — Fred McCabe, Jr. Arvel Childress dismissed.

Oct. 10 — Mrs. Oscar Collett dismissed.

Oct. 11 — Mr. Ilara Valenzuela, Norris Devoll admitted.

Oct. 12 — Mrs. Oscar Collett admitted. Norris Devoll, Mrs. Ilara Valenzuela, Wm. L. Coffey dismissed.



JAMESON NATURAL GASOLINE PLANT AT SILVER OWNED BY SUN OIL COMPANY



**HOMES FOR DEEPROCK PUMPERS**—F. Kirk Johnson, highly successful independent oil operator, built these homes for his pumpers, Marion Cox and Carl Moore, and their families. They are located on the Blanks Estate, across the river southwest of Silver. Johnson recently sold his 28 producing wells to the Deeprock Corporation. The price was reported at \$5,000,000 cash and \$2,500,000 in oil. Johnson has other lease holdings in the west end of the county. The pumpers houses were constructed this year by McDonald Lumber Co. of Robert Lee, with E. F. Henry as superintendent. Bob Edwards photo.

It's the fresh egg that gets slapped in the pan.

**THE STATE OF TEXAS**

TO: J. W. Hinson, Mrs. G. T. Rogan, Mrs. G. T. Ragan, D. W. Ritchie, Mrs. Marie E. Hunter, Archibald Jones, Thomas H. Bradley, John A. Woods, Charles H. Ora, S. J. Murray, H. L. Scales and L. H. Taylor, Mr. Rogan, husband of Mrs. G. T. Rogan; Mr Ragan, husband of Mrs. G. T. Ragan; Mr. Hunter, husband of Mrs. Marie E. Hunter; the unknown stockholders of Baird Development Company, a defunct corporation; the unknown heirs of J. W. Hinson, deceased; the unknown heirs of Mrs. G. T. Rogan, deceased; the unknown heirs of D. W. Ritchie, deceased; the unknown heirs of Mrs. Marie E. Hunter, deceased; the unknown heirs of Archibald Jones, deceased; the unknown heirs of Thomas H. Bradley, deceased; the unknown heirs of John A. Woods, deceased; the unknown heirs of Charles H. Ora, deceased; the unknown heirs of S. J. Murray, deceased; the unknown heirs of H. L. Scales, deceased; the unknown heirs of L. H. Taylor, deceased; the unknown heirs of Mr. Rogan, deceased, husband of Mrs. G. T.

Rogan; the unknown heirs of Mr. Rogan, deceased, husband of Mrs. G. T. Ragan; the unknown heirs of Mr. Hunter, deceased, husband of Mrs. Marie E. Hunter

**GREETING:**  
You are commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the plaintiff's first amended original petition at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this Citation, the same being Monday the 15th day of November, A. D., 1954, at or before 10 o'clock A. M., before the Honorable District Court of Coke County, at the Court House in Robert Lee, Texas.

Said plaintiff's first amended original petition was filed on the 25 day of September, 1954.

The file number of said suit being 1974.

The names of the parties in said suit are: J. Willis Johnson, Mary B. Hall and Ruth J. Gordon, as Plaintiff and J. W. Hinson, Mrs. G. T. Rogan, Mrs. G. T. Ragan, D. W. Ritchie, Mrs. Marie E. Hunter, Archibald Jones, Thomas H. Bradley, John A. Woods, Charles H. Ora, S. J. Murray, H. L. Scales and L. H. Taylor, the residence of each of whom is unknown; Mr. Rogan, husband of Mrs. G. T. Rogan, whose further name and residence is unknown; Mr. Rogan, husband of Mrs. G. T. Rogan, whose further name and residence is unknown; Mr. Hunter, husband of Mrs. Marie E. Hunter, whose further name and residence is unknown; the unknown stockholders of Baird Development Company, a defunct corporation; the unknown heirs of J. W. Hinson, deceased; the unknown heirs of Mrs. G. T. Rogan, deceased; the unknown heirs of D. W. Ritchie, deceased; the unknown heirs of Mrs. Marie E. Hunter, deceased; the unknown heirs of Archibald Jones, deceased; the unknown heirs of Thomas H. Bradley, deceased; the unknown heirs of John A. Woods, deceased; the unknown heirs of Charles H. Ora, deceased; the unknown heirs of S. J. Murray, deceased; the unknown heirs of H. L. Scales, deceased; the unknown heirs of L. H. Taylor, deceased; the unknown heirs of Mr. Rogan, deceased, husband of Mrs. G. T.

unknown heirs of Mrs. Marie E. Hunter, deceased; the unknown heirs of Archibald Jones, deceased; the unknown heirs of Thomas H. Bradley, deceased; the unknown heirs of John A. Woods, deceased; the unknown heirs of Charles H. Ora, deceased; the unknown heirs of S. J. Murray, deceased; the unknown heirs of H. L. Scales, deceased; the unknown heirs of H. Taylor, deceased; the unknown heirs of Mr. Rogan, deceased, husband of Mrs. G. T. Rogan, any further name of said Mr. Rogan being unknown; the unknown heirs of Mr. Hunter, deceased, husband of Mrs. Marie E. Hunter, any further name of the said Mr. Hunter being unknown; as defendants.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows:

For the title and possession of the North Half (N/2) of the Northeast Quarter (NE 1/4) of the Southwest Quarter (SW 1/4) of the Northeast Quarter (NE 1/4) of the Northwest Quarter (NW 1/4) of the Southeast Quarter (SE 1/4) of the Northwest Quarter (NW 1/4) of Section 77, in Block 2, E. T. C. Ry. Co., in Coke County, Texas; plaintiffs claiming title under the 5 and 10 year statute of limitation.

If this citation is not served within 90 days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

Issued this the 27th day of September A. D., 1954.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Robert Lee, Texas, this the 27th day of September A. D., 1954.

Weldon Fikes, Clerk  
District Court, Coke County, Texas.

**Mrs. Allen Hostess To Baptist W. M. S.**

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Robert Lee Baptist Church met in the ranch home of Mrs. Gerald Allen, Monday, Oct. 11, at 9:30 a. m.

The opening prayer was led by Mrs. S. R. Young. The ladies were greeted by Mrs. Gerald Allen, dressed in a Brazilian costume, and seated at tables with place mats and flowers suggesting the customs of Brazil.

A playlet was presented by Mrs. Cumbie Ivey, Mrs. Lendy Devoll, Mrs. Brent Clark and Mrs. John Miller.

Mrs. Gerald Allen gave the introduction to the mission study book, "Pilgrimage to Brazil" while the twenty seven ladies enjoyed coffee and donuts.

Mrs. J. C. Shipman, Mrs. A. D. Fields and Mrs. Brent Clark

were elected as messengers to the Baptist General Convention of Tvas, meeting in Ft. Worth on Oct. 18-21.

The next W. M. S. meeting will be at the Robert Lee Baptist Church Monday, 3 p. m.

**YOUNG COUPLE WEDS**

Miss Johnnie Lou Rives of Odessa and Pfc. Elwood Snyder of Robert Lee were married Friday night, Oct. 8, by Rev. Ray Lee at Rankin. The couple was accompanied by Miss Billie Allen and Carlton Caston.

The bride is the younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Rives of Odessa, former Robert Lee residents. She is a senior at Odessa High School.

The bridegroom is the son of Mrs. R. M. Page. He is stationed with the armed forces at Fort Hood and will complete his two years of service next spring.



At this time it is fitting to extend Congratulations to Coke County for its sensational Oil Development. It is rapidly becoming one of the leading oil producing counties in West Texas, while drilling and exploration of possible new fields continues.

We are happy to serve those interested in Oil... we keep abreast of developments in this territory and will be pleased to have you call on us for information and counsel on oil property matters, for service in purchase and sale of oil leases and royalties.

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# HOBBS PASSES IN GAME WHIP STEERS

...lling 20-0 going into the fi-  
...period, Hobbs Panthers surg-  
...back for four touchdowns to  
...at Robert Lee Steers 27-20 in  
...conference game played  
...day night at Rotan.

...Davidson, Sherman Wil-  
...and Frederick Ashworth  
...scored touchdowns for Rob-  
...Lee and the Steers dominated  
...during the entire first half.  
...third period was even, but  
...Hobbs aerial attack, thwart-  
...repeated interceptions ear-  
...in the game, clicked to per-  
...in the final quarter.

...er the score had been tied  
...all late in the game, Rob-  
...Lee's downfield march was  
...ped on the Hobbs 20, when  
...Panthers intercepted a Steer  
...A few moments later Hobbs  
...pleted a long pass for their  
...and winning touchdown.

### FIRST QUARTER

...Davidson took the open-  
...kickoff on the goal line and  
...rned the ball to his 38. On  
...first scrimmage play he gain-  
...yards thru center. Davidson  
...ed end to reach midfield but  
...Steers were offside and the  
...was recalled. Davidson then  
...lose around right end and  
...shed the Hobbs 35. Sammy  
...can went thru center for 3  
...Davidson skirted left end  
...a 32-yard touchdown sprint.  
...can carried over to convert.  
...re: Robert Lee 7, Hobbs 0.

...Hobbs took the kickoff on its  
...The Panthers gained 4 yards  
...the line and Duncan inter-  
...ed a pass on the Hobbs 34.  
...ert Lee failed to gain and on  
...fourth down Davidson at-  
...ted a pass but was thrown  
...on the Hobbs 46. B. Hardin  
...3 yards around end for a  
...down on the Steer 20. Hobbs  
...led on the next play and  
...le Godwin recovered for Ro-  
...Lee on the Steer 23.

...avidson gained 7 yards off  
...le and Sherman Williams  
...ged thru the right side for  
...down on his 42. Williams  
...n hit right tackle and made  
...1st on the Hobbs 44. Hobbs  
...cepted Davidson's pass and  
...the next play Davidson inter-  
...ed a Panther pass on the  
...43. A 5-yard penalty and  
...le halted the Steer advance  
...it was 4th down and 6 yards  
...o. The Steers took the gamble  
...ams charging thru the right  
...for a 1st on the Hobbs 20.

### 2ND QUARTER

...avidson carried to the 8 on an  
...run and Williams hit left ac-  
...for a touchdown. Davidson  
...e kicked the extra point.  
...re: Robert Lee 14, Hobbs 0.  
...avidson's kickoff went into  
...end zone, and Don Bell  
...ned the ball carrier on the  
...ard line. Hobbs punted to  
...can who returned to the  
...her 30. Williams crashed  
...for 5 yards and Jerrel Har-  
...recovered a Steer fumble for  
...yard gain. Williams charged  
...and made it 1st down on  
...B. Frederick Ashworth got  
...he right side and went for  
...hdown. Davidson's con-  
...in kick failed. Score Ro-  
...Lee 20, Hobbs 0.

...bs downed the kickoff on  
...36. B. Meirs gained 9 yards  
...d end and R. Hardin made  
...st down on the Steer 49.  
...s stopped Meirs after a 1  
...gain. Hardin's pass was in-  
...ete. He tried again and  
...ropped by Don Bell for a  
...rd loss. Hardin passed to  
...for 8 yards. Hobbs punted  
...n the Steer 36. Robert Lee  
...to gain and Williams punt-  
...the Panther 23. Ben Bes-  
...intercepted a pass in mid-  
...as the half ended.

### 3RD QUARTER

Hobbs downed the kickoff on their 33. They were short of a 1st down in three plays and punted to Duncan on the Robert Lee 28. Robert Lee couldn't advance consistently. With 4th down and a yard to go Williams punted to the Panther 35. In two tries Hardin made it a 1st down on his 45. Davidson intercepted a pass and ran 20 yards to the Panther 35. On the next play Hobbs recovered a Steer fumble on the 32.

Meirs failed to gain but a 15 yard penalty gave Hobbs a 1st down on their 47. A recovered fumble cost the Panthers several yards and they punted to the Robert Lee 35. The Steers couldn't make necessary yardage and punted to the Hobbs 31. On the 4th down with 6 to go, Hardin ran from a punt formation and made it 1st down on his 45. Hardin and Hopper carried for a 1st on the Steer 30.

### 4TH QUARTER

Hardin broke thru the Steer line and ran for a touchdown. Godwin blocked the conversion kick. Score: Robert Lee 20,

### Hobbs 6.

The kickoff went into the end zone and Robert Lee put the ball in play on their 20. The Steers failed to advance and Davidson kicked to the Panther 41. Jack Gray threw Meirs for a 3 yard loss. Hardin tossed a long pass to Mac Etheredge who ran 40 yards for a touchdown. A place-kick converted. Score: Robert Lee 20, Hobbs 13.

Davidson took the kickoff in the end zone and ran to the Hobbs 25 before Hardin overtook him. The play was called back when officials ruled Davidson had stepped out of bounds on his 5 yard line. Hopper intercepted a pass on the Steer 15. On 4th down and 6 to go, Hardin went around end for a touchdown. Etheredge converted from placement and the score was tied at 20-all.

Duncan took the kickoff on his 17. Davidson picked up yardage thru center and a penalty gave the Steers a 1st down on their 33. Davidson got loose around end and made it first down on the Panther 49. Williams crashed thru the left side for a 1st on the

35. Hobbs recovered Bessent's pass on the Panther 20. On a second pass attempt Hardin connected with Hopper who raced 55 yards for a touchdown. The conversion was good, and Hobbs went ahead 27 to 20.

Robert Lee took the kickoff on their 36. Three passes failed and Davidson was stopped at end two yards short. Hobbs took the ball on the Steer 45 as the game ended.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Vaughan, Boone Richardson and Foy Askins were in Fort Worth the first of the week for a pre-view showing of 1955 Chevrolets which will be shown to the public later this month. They were highly impressed with the new models.

Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Millican are now residing at Mountain Home near Kerrville, where the former has a job on the Y-O Ranch. They came to Robert Lee over the weekend to attend the funeral of Mrs. G. E. Davis.

## Baptist Church News

The Robert Lee Baptist church will observe Layman's Day on Sunday, October 17. On this day the men of the church will be honored. Men will be filling the choir on both Sunday morning and Sunday night. They will also be serving in other places of responsibility in the services. Rev. Shipman will preach on the subject, "The Lay Preacher," Sunday morning. A layman will bring the message on Sunday night. A large crowd of men is expected to attend these services.

Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Shipman will drive to Fort Worth next week to attend the Baptist General Convention of Texas meeting in the Will Rogers Coliseum on October 18-21. This convention is one of the highlights of the year for Southern Baptists of Texas.



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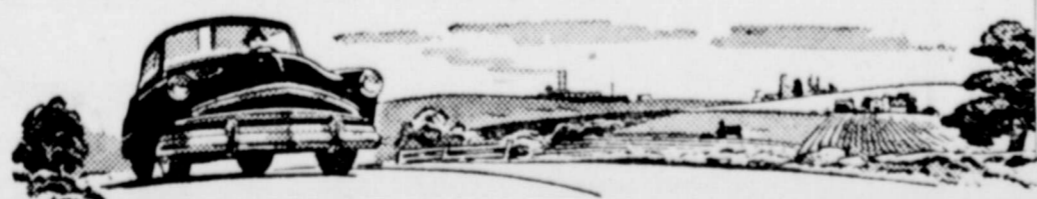
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## Modern Methods Enable Oil Men to See Underground

The modern oilman can "see underground."

Far reaching advances in petroleum technology have given him methods and tools which enable him to tell with uncanny accuracy the types of formations pierced by his bit.

The use of cuttings, cores, electric logs, caliper surveys and other seeing eye tools is reducing the chances of drilling through unrecognized oil-bearing zones or missing oil fields by close shaves.

And although none of these devices can scan a well bore and show everything that lies below, the oilman can take revealing glimmers from many sources and fit them into a complete picture of underground information.

One of the earliest sources of underground information was the driller's log. Pioneer drillers acquired the knack of recognizing certain formations by "the way the bit acts." The driller's log of today is a more reliable tool. With a rotary rig, the rate of penetration becomes a good measure of the relative hardness of the rocks being drilled. Such data in the driller's log is of great help in checking information obtained from other techniques.

Mud logging, among the modern methods of seeing underground, involves making continuous tests of the drilling mud as it returns to the surface from the bottom of the hole. If the bit has entered a formation containing oil or gas, that oil or gas will be entrained in the mud, and it can be detected in field laboratories usually stationed near a drilling well. The most common test for oil consists of putting the mud sample under an ultraviolet light and looking at it through a microscope. Any oil in the mud will show up as a fluorescent glow.

A much older method of obtaining underground information

### Hayrick Lodge



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For special jobs and special situations, the oilmen seems to have as many logging instruments as a surgeon has scalpels. Among these are the induction log, microlog, radioactivity logs, neutron logs, caliper log, dipmeter and temperature and pressure surveys.

### DRILLED DEEP TEST

J. C. Jackson, former Robert Lee resident, handled tools on a Baker & Taylor Co. rotary rig which recently drilled a hole 14,916 feet deep near Hobbs, New Mex. The test was made for Stanolind and required 10 months. It was plugged back to 10,600 and completed as a producer in Wolfcamp lime.

## LOCAL NEWS

Mrs. Harry Anderson and sons, Tommy and Jerry, arrived Wednesday from Pawhuska, Okla., for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. O. King.

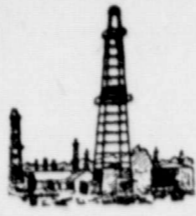
Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Bryan motored up to Crocker, Mo., last week to visit their daughter, Mrs. Gene Hinnard, and family. Gene is stationed in the army at Fort Leonard Wood.

H. H. Chevalier made a business trip to Mississippi the first of the week.

Mrs. John Brown came home Friday from Shannon Hospital where she underwent surgery the previous week. She is making a good recovery.

Mrs. Alfred Baze, Sr. of San Angelo was a weekend guest in the home of Mrs. Ollie Green. She made the trip to Robert Lee with Mrs. Monroe Parker and daughter, Josephine Lindley, who visited relatives in Robert Lee and Bronte.

Don Weathers injured his foot in football practice last Friday. He plays on the junior high football team and will be out of action for some time. Don, a 7th grade student, makes his home with his grandmother, Mrs. Daisy McCutchen.



## Notes From The Oil Field

F. W. Holbrook, Midland, No. 1 Will and Franky Percifull, was drilling yesterday below 2,500 feet.

The wildcat located on a 320-acre lease, is 6 miles southeast of Robert Lee and less than a half mile from the south bank of the Colorado River.

### HICKMAN PRODUCER

The Wendkirk (Cisco) field, southeast of Robert Lee, has gained a 1/2 miles west extension with completion of Plymouth Oil Co. No. 2 R. E. Hickman for a calculated daily flowing potential of 280 barrels of 39 gravity oil, no water, with gas-oil ratio of 113-1. Completion was natural. Total depth of hole 3,642 feet.

Plymouth has staked its No. 3 Hickman, a northwest offset.

### DRY HOLES

Harper & Huffman 1 A. S. Eubanks, wildcat, 447-1A-H&TC; plugged and abandoned at 6,151 feet on elevation of 1,872 feet. The following tops were reported: Cisco Sand, 3,700 feet; Palo Pinto, 4,770 feet; Strawn, 5,080 feet; Goen, 5,300 feet; and the Ellenburgeer, 6,050 feet.

A. G. Hill 1 Charles Copeland, wildcat, 286-1A-H&TC; plugged and abandoned at 6,910 feet on derrick floor elevation of 2,106 feet.

Jack Waide is in College Station this week attending the fall conference of county agricultural agents.

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## Robert Lee Methodists

Opening at 6:30 next Sunday evening at the Methodist Church will be the Methodist Sunday Evening Fellowship. There will be a class for every age group from the Nursery to the Adults. The pastor, Warren Ellis, will be in charge of the Adult Class: Mrs. Jack Waide of the Senior MYF; Mrs. W. W. Smith of the intermediate MYF; Mrs. Melvin Krall of the Primary; Mrs. Jack Brock of the Kindergarten, and Mrs. Warren Ellis of the Nursery. Any person desiring to attend one of these classes is cordially invited. The evening church service will be held at the regular 7:30 hour.

The Youth Choir, this past Sunday organized, will hold its regular rehearsal at 5:00 each Sunday evening. Sandwiches and drinks are being provided for those in the choir, to be served at 6:00.

The pastor, Rev. Warren Ellis, is in San Antonio this week attending the Conference Coaching School in preparation for a zone Leadership Training School to be held here in February.

### P-TA MEETING OCT. 21

The Robert Lee P-TA will hold its monthly meeting on Thursday, Oct. 21, at 4 o'clock in the school cafeteria. Mrs. R. H. Godwin will speak on "We the people, in order to form a more perfect union." A social hour will follow the business session program.

Sam Jay and Susie Skipton accompanied by Pansy Cash and Delmar Hiller of San Angelo, motored to Alpine for weekend visit with Robert Lee Jay, who is a student at Sul Ross College. They attended the Houston-Sul Ross football game Saturday night.

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Texans have been accused of using the word "biggest" too frequently or promiscuously. West Texans, however, use it proverbially, and they can back it up with facts about this land of spacious skies and distant horizons.

For instance, West Texas is the largest oil producing area in the United States and biggest describes the oil industry activity in this area.

The major geologic feature of this large producing area is the Permian Basin. Its easternmost major field is at Big Lake in Reagan County and its westernmost field at Mason, in Loving County. In between lie such fields as Upton, Church and Fields, McElroy, Hendricks and Yates. The basin covers an area equal or greater than several individual states in the nation, and oilmen have found no end to the oil production possibilities of the area.

In 1953, the area in Texas alone produced about 389,000,000 barrels of crude! as of the first of 1954, its reserve amounted to more than 20 percent of that of the United States.

Other highlights of the oil industry's activities during 1953 include the opening of two big pipe line systems out of West Texas. One of these is the Gulf Pipe Line Company's 466-mile crude trunk line from Colorado City, West Texas, to Sour Lake in the Gulf Coast. The unit is considered the largest crude oil pipe line in North America. The Rancho Pipe Line System dedicated its 457-mile crude oil line running from McCamey, West Texas, to the Houston refining area in April, 1953.

Operators began in March, 1953, a secondary-recovery project in the Kelly-Snyder-and Diamond M. Fields of Scurry County. This unit operation is the world's largest of its kind — covering 47,000 producing acres. The Scurry Area Canyon Reef Operators Committee estimate an additional recovery of 720,000,000 barrels of oil will result from this joint undertaking.

At the first of January, 1954,

the Sprayberry Trend fields reopened fully after being closed by the Railroad Commission until operators found outlets for gas production.

New oil fields and extensions were discovered with a steady regularity in West Texas during 1953, and drilling in the first half of 1954 with more than 2000 wells completed exceeded that of the same period in 1953 for the area.

Daily average production of crude oil for 1953 by counties is given below.

Coke ranks 13th among 44 West Texas counties in the daily production of crude oil.

WEST TEXAS (Railroad Commission District 7c and 8)	
County	Barrels Daily
Andrews	113,383
Borden	20,945
Cochran	23,749
Coke	26,530
Concho	49
Crane	50,922
Crockett	23,440
Culberson	5
Dawson	6,561
Dickens	109
Ector	152,625
Floyd	22
Gaines	52,059
Garza	10,436
Glasscock	12,988
Hale	7,242
Hockley	48,113
Howard	30,042
Irion	250
Kent	17,295
Kimble	6
King	3,728
Loving	3,968
Lubbock	671
Lynn	393
Martin	1,473
McCulloch	4
Midland	24,020
Mitchell	2,385
Pecos	54,182
Reagan	17,950
Reeves	1,859
Runnels	24,511
Schleicher	8,933
Scurry	125,014
Sterling	1,328
Sutton	23
Terry	15,665
Tom Green	3,157
Upton	56,143
Dard	27,690
Winkler	43,114
Yoakum	52,483
Gas condensate production for Districts 7C and 8 was 4,978 barrels daily for 1953.	

# Latest Sun Oil Completion Has 208 Barrel Flow

Sun Central National Bank A-6, on the Blanks Estate lease southwest of Silver, has been finished for a daily flow of 208 barrels of oil, no water, through an 11-64 inch tubing choke. Pressure was 1,150 pounds on the

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tubing, with a packer on the casing. Gas-oil ratio 1,485-1. Corrected gravity is 44.4.

Baker & Taylor was the drilling contractor and their rotary rig was released and dismissed. It leaves Sun Oil Company with no drilling activity in the Coke County area at this time.

An all-electric drilling rig is in use in California.

### CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our deep and heartfelt thanks to friends and neighbors for their many acts of kindness and for the sympathy extended to us in our recent bereavements. — Bailey Russell and the Russell and Stubblefield Families.

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RESOURCES	LIABILITIES
Loans and Discounts . . . . . \$ 384,752.24	Capital Stock . . . . . \$ 35,000.00
Overdrafts . . . . . 435.16	Surplus . . . . . 35,000.00
Banking House, Furniture Fixtures . . . . . 1,769.08	Undivided Profits . . . . . 23,722.14
Federal Reserve Bank Stock . . . . . 2,100.00	Reserves . . . . . 2,500.00
U S Gov. Securities . . . . . 593,983.50	DEPOSITS . . . . . 1,367,959.10
State & County Securities . . . . . 142,847.72	
Cash and Exchange . . . . . 338,293.54	
<b>TOTAL . . . . . 1,464,181.24</b>	<b>TOTAL . . . . . 1,464,181.24</b>

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# History of Coke County

By Jessie Newton Yarbrough

## INSTALLMENT 32

Mrs. Hawley Allen recalled the early Caraway home:

We lived at the Sheppard dug-outs on Mountain Creek a year, and then we moved to the Glass dug-outs on Boozier, where we lived a year. Mother never had an easy minute. She was miserable because of rattlesnakes, spiders, tarantulas, and varmints.

Some families built large dug-outs with a shelf or off-set in the wall. The shelf served as a "catch all" in some dug-outs, but some women kept them arranged very neatly and they were convenient. We did not live in a dug-out," said Mrs. Hallmark.

We had a two-room house, but it was small and we were a big family. We had to keep many articles stacked in the corners. It seemed that every time we wanted anything, it was on the bottom of the stack.

Of course these pioneer homes had few conveniences, as many modern-day conveniences had never been heard of. There were no radios to give the weather forecasts, but the coyotes gave fairly accurate forecasts, for "when there was going to be a change in the weather, the coyotes howled more than usual." There were no vacuum cleaners, but they would have ruined the dirt floors in the dug-outs. There were no washing machines, no bake shops where pastry could be bought, no ready made clothing. The pioneer mother's tasks were indeed arduous. But since she had no club or other activities to take her out of the home, she got along surprisingly well.

Mrs. W. L. Haley recalled that her mother "put in" much of her day teaching her children to read and write.

Maude Cartledge recalled that her father, Eugene Cartledge, once sent her eight year old brother, Leasel, from the ranch near Robert Lee to San Angelo thirty-two miles away, leading her grandfather's carriage team. What anxiety the mother must have felt for the safety of the small son.

The pioneers sometimes faced the exigencies of illness, birth, and even death, without the benefit of medical attendants.

Tragedy sometimes struck in Coke County. An epidemic of typhoid fever at Hayrick in 1890 and at Robert Lee in 1891 took a heavy toll. Miss Eula McCutchen recalled her mother's account of that time. It had seemed to Mrs. McCutchen that her husband spent much of that summer and fall of 1891, in town digging graves for the fever victims.

Mr. Cartledge had donated the site for a cemetery and his son, the eight-year-old Leasel, was the first to be buried there. Other victims of the epidemic included Mamie Childress, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Childress and a granddaughter of L. B. Harris, Mrs. Carleton, wife of Doctor Ben Carleton, and Will Carter.

On the old A. C. Gardner ranch west of Edith are the unmarked graves of two little girls who were killed when their dug-out home caved in.

But the pioneer mothers did not allow hardships to keep them depressed, and many have said

that the old days were their happiest days.

Today, Coke County has many modern, well-constructed homes with practically every modern-day convenience known.

## SUL ROSS STUDENTS

Alpine, Texas, October 7—Robert Lewis Jay and Foy D. Smith of Robert Lee have registered for the fall semester of Sul Ross State College in Alpine, Texas.

Robert, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Jay, is a freshman majoring in chemistry. Foy is also a freshman but majoring in English. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Smith.

## CARD OF THANKS

We wish to take this method to express our sincerest thanks and deep appreciation for the many acts of kindness extended to us during the illness and death of our beloved wife and mother—G. E. Davis and childrn.

Better be late down here than early up there — so drive carefully.

## Names Leaders For Committees Silver HD Club

The Silver Home Demonstration Club held the first of its bi-monthly meetings at the home of Mrs. Bruce McFerrin on Oct. 1, 1954. Mrs. Charlie Arnold served as hostess. Main topics for discussion were finances of the

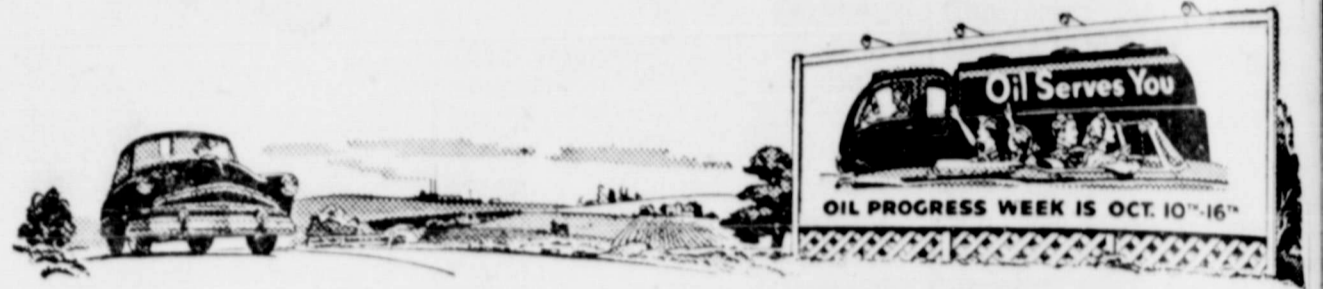
club and possibility of starting handicraft and advanced sewing lessons. Also during the meeting the following committee leaders were appointed:

Mrs. Jerry Gallier, 4-H Chairman  
Mrs. C. E. Palmer, Consumer Education  
Mrs. O. F. Bradham, Expansion  
Mrs. Earl Lindsey, Finance  
Mrs. M. H. Jameson, Exhibit  
Mrs. Ole S. Johnson, reporter.

Refreshments were served and it was decided that the next meeting be held at 9:30 a. m. Friday, October 15, at the Community Hall, Mrs. Bill Dean serving as hostess.

Mesdames W. E. Stevens and Milton Mills were welcomed as visitors.

One can be a big shot without being a big noise.

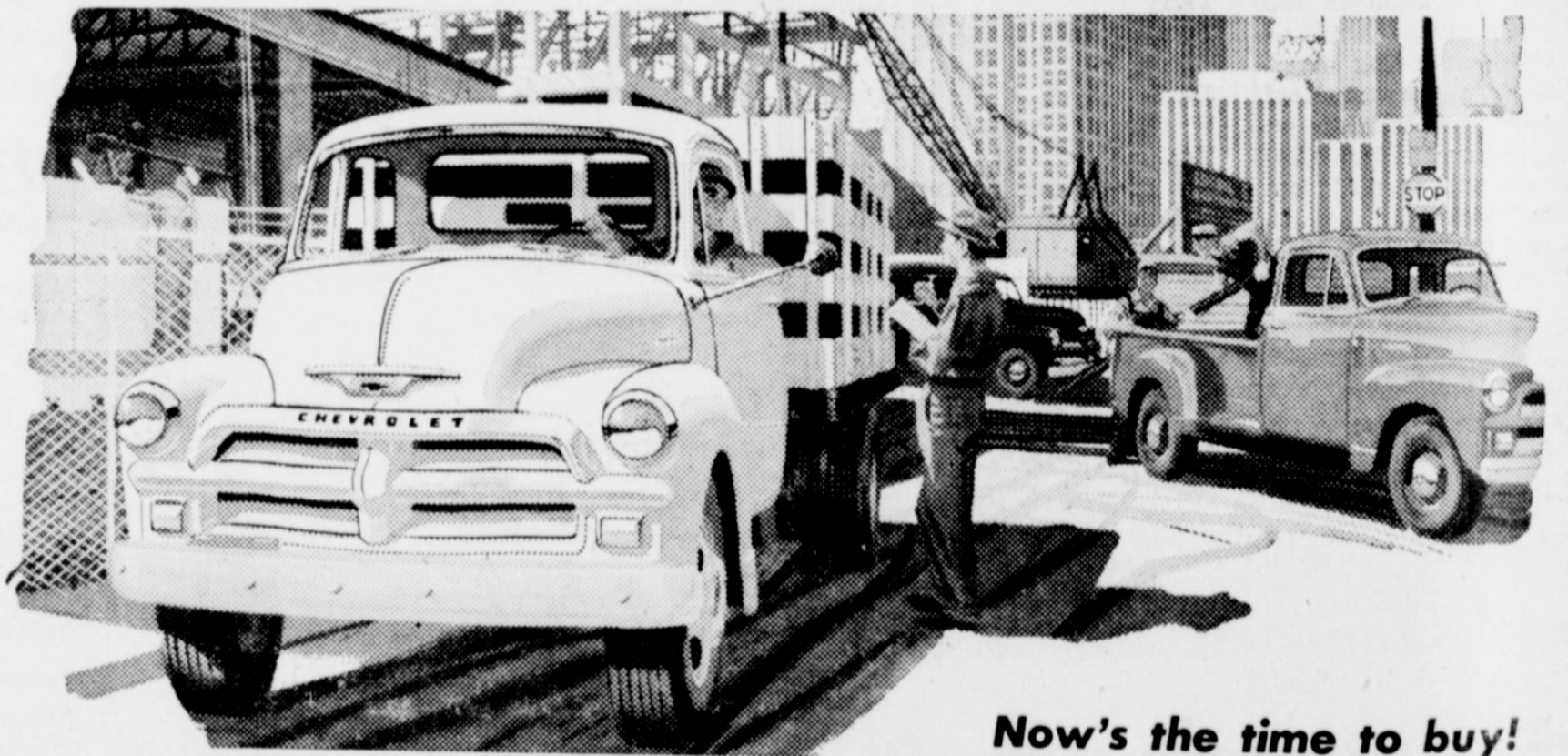


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## Silver Youth at Lamar Tech

H. Elton McClusky of Silver is one of 3,825 students enrolled at Lamar State College of Technology, Beaumont, in its fourth year as Texas' fifth largest state college.

Son of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. McClusky of Silver, Elton is a business administration major. Before coming to Lamar, he attended Ingleside high school. He was member of the band and traveled to district and regional with the group.

Elton resides in Combs Hall, a new \$500,000 dormitory, and is part of Lamar Tech's enrollment increase of day students from 199 to 2,135 or 42 per cent.

Elton's father was transferred to Silver recently as foreman of a Pipeline Company's station.

### LEGAL NOTICE

#### THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: Merton North, Clara North, Dave Mongonirk, the unknown heirs of Merton North, deceased, the unknown heirs of Clara North, deceased, and the unknown heirs of Dave Mongonirk, deceased.

#### GREETING:

You are commanded to appear and file a written answer to the plaintiff's petition at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this Citation, the same being Monday the 15th day of November, A. D., 1954, at or before 10 o'clock A. M., before the Honorable District Court of Coke County, at the Court House in Robert Lee, Texas.

Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 25 day of September, 1954.

The file number of said suit being No. 1996.

The names of the parties in said suit are: J. Willis Johnson, Mary B. Hall and Ruth J. Gordon as Plaintiffs, and Merton North, Clara North, Dave Mongonirk, the unknown heirs of Merton North, deceased, the unknown heirs of Clara North, deceased, and the unknown heirs of Dave Mongonirk, deceased, as Defendants.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit: For the title and possession of the Southeast Quarter (SE/4) of the Northwest Quarter (NW/4); and the Southwest Quarter (SW/4) of Section 77, in Block 2, H. & T. C. Ry. Co., Coke County, Texas. Plaintiffs claim title through regular chain of title from the sovereignty of the soil, as well as under the 5 and 10 year statutes of limitations.

If this Citation is not served within 90 days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

Issued this the 27th day of September A. D., 1954.

Given under my hand and seal of said court at office in Robert Lee, Texas this the 27th day of September, A. D., 1954.

Weldon Fikes, Clerk  
District Court Coke County,  
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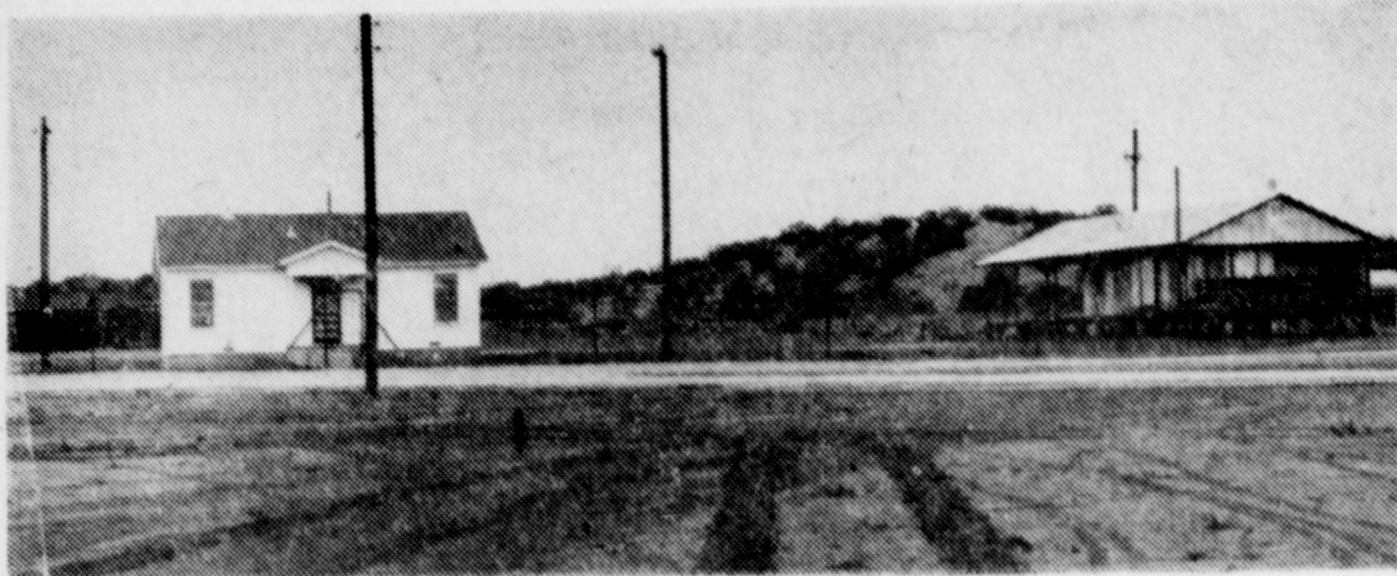
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**PERKINS-PROTHRO OFFICE AND MATERIAL YARD** — Shown above is the new office building and material yard and warehouse constructed by Perkins-Prothro Oil Co. on it W. C. Blanks estate lease, across the river southwest of Silver. Six houses for company employees have been erected nearby. Building contracts were handled by McMillan Lumber Co. of Robert Lee. E. F. Henry and his associates were in charge of building operations. Photo by Bob Edwards.

### Employees Of Sun's Gasoline Plant at Silver

Following is a list of permanent employees at Sun Oil Company's Jameson Natural Gasoline plant at Silver, compiled by Bob Edwards, chief clerk:

- John M. Shimer, Jr., Supt.
- H. W. Howlett, Meterman,
- J. D. Gilbert, Plant Foreman.
- E. R. Pace, Plant Engineer.
- B. G. Edwards, Chief Clerk
- Gene C. Garner, Senior Field Clerk
- R. J. Overturf, Senior Field Clerk
- R. D. Parrish, Jr., Field Clerk
- J. B. O. Burgess, Construction Foreman.
- R. D. Hull, Construction Engineer.
- J. A. Warren, Plant Chemist.
- J. W. Bradham, Jr. Gas Engineer.
- H. R. Crawford, Jr. Gas Engineer.
- E. P. Good, Asst. Meterman.
- W. E. Welter, Recovery Plant Operator.
- P. A. Post, Compressor Station operator.
- N. K. Cheatham, Compressor Station Operator.
- M. L. Mills, Compressor Station Operator.
- T. A. Davis, Engine Operator.
- O. L. White, Engine Operator.
- C. E. Butcher, Engine Operator.
- G. E. Conner, Jr., Engine Operator.
- T. W. Lyle, Engine Operator.
- Henry Baker, Engine Operator.
- A. T. Holt, Distillation Operator.
- C. B. Jacobs, Distillation Op-

- erator.
- O. W. Newell, Distillation Operator.
- O. L. Snyder, Distillation Operator.
- Jack Denman, Operator.
- W. L. Gray, Operator.
- E. R. Hargis, Operator.
- J. E. Hollis, Operator.
- J. T. Post, Operator.
- R. M. Tunnell, Operator.
- L. A. Weigle, Operator.
- H. G. White, Jr., Operator.
- D. H. Caldwell, Repairman 1/c
- W. S. Reed, Repairman 1(c).
- C. N. Aldridge, Repairman 2/c.
- C. W. Bradberry, Repairman 2/c.
- Jerome Sirus, Repairman 2/c.
- E. A. Byrd, Roustabout.
- R. N. Corbell, Roustabout.
- Maurice Duncan, Roustabout.
- L. R. Feaster, Roustabout.
- V. H. Hendley, Roustabout.
- A. D. Leonard, Roustabout.
- M. C. Marie, Roustabout.

### Navy Citation For Monte Wilkes

Monte Wilkes, radarman seaman, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carroll T. Wilkes of Silver, Tex., recently received a letter of commendation from the commanding USS Jenkins( an anti-submarine officer of the escort destroyer warfare vessel.

He was cited by the ship's captain for performance of duty which exemplifies the high traditions of the naval service. The USS Jenkins for the period covered by the commendation was a unit of the Seventh Fleet in the Far East and visited ports in Japan, Korea, Okinawa, Formosa, Honk Kong, and the Philippine Islands.

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## SILVER NEWS

### BAPTIST SERVICES

D. D. Tidwell, professor of and Greek at Howard College, Brownwood, will at Silver Baptist Church day, Oct. 17, at both morning and evening services. Rev. Sparks, pastor of the Silver church, and Dr. Tidwell were classmates. Rev. Sparks is anxious for his friends Dr. Tidwell.

and Mrs. Paul Gilbert the weekend in Dallas and the Oklahoma-Texas game in the Cotton. They were joined there all's parents, who came throughport, La.

Kirkpatrick left Monday visit with his mother at Oklahoma. He is engaged oil field hauling business.

an Green, Sun Oil Co. out with the production ment, is being transferred Colorado City office as a clerk. He will move his former Robert Lee as soon as quarters are available.

production people attend big football game in Dallas weekend were Hale Kin family, Bill Brooks and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Horn and Mr. and Mrs. Jack

Followill and family have from a vacation trip took them to Washington, and other points of interest the south and east. They in Dallas over the week and witnessed the Cotton football game between Texas Oklahoma. The Big Red Oklahoma won the contest

R. M. Tunnell was honored a pink and blue shower day afternoon at Sun Room Hall. Her husband is at the Jameson gasant.

Overturf and Richard Par and their wives went to Dallas the Saturday football and attended the state

and Mrs. Tine Davis of were Sunday guests in Edwards home. Mr. Dector county commission- an uncle of Mrs. Edwards. E. E. McClusky was a do City hospital patient checkup the first of the

C. Raspberry and family of were Sunday guests of W. Galliers.

ald Martindale, 8 year old lad, was hospitalized in

Colorado City a few days last week.

Attending the Colorado City-Cisco football game Friday night were Albert H. Jones, J. D. Jett, and J. W. Gallier and their wives.

Sunday guests in the Arch Mathers home were Mr. and Mrs. Thad Walls of Winters and Mr. and Mrs. Randall McCtuchen of Grand Prairie.

A successful revival meeting at the Church of Christ was brought to a close Saturday night. Bill Pugh of Bronte did the preaching.

Prof. Kay, head of the Bible Department at West Texas State College in Canyon, spoke here Sunday morning at the Church of Christ. He made the trip to Silver with Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Mullican, Jerry Mullican and Cecil Coalson.

### Walker Renamed SC Supervisor From 1st Zone

R. W. Walker, Soil Conservation Rancher of the Silver community, was re-elected to a five year term as Coke Soil Conservation District Supervisor. The election was held Tuesday night, Oct. 5, in the Silver school gymnasium. Mr. Walker was re-elected by a majority vote of the landowners present. G. W. Denman of the Sanco Community, and a former supervisor, was also nominated for the position.

R. B. Allen of Silver presided as chairman at the meeting. H. L. Bloodworth was acting secretary for the group.

Senator Dorsey Hardeman of San Angelo and O. F. Armstrong, State Soil Conservation Board representative, were principal speakers at the meeting. Snator speakers at the meeting. Hardeman stated that Texas has access to an adequate supply of water, rainfall and underground water, to supply its needs, but the people are not using it properly. It is not the amount of rainfall we receive but it is the amount we hold on the land that counts.

Several landowners in the Coke Soil Conservation District have been very busy getting farm ponds constructed. Among them are Marshall Stephenson of Bronte, C. M. Byrd of Robert Lee and W. C. Blanks Estate near Silver.

Bert Blaylock of the Lometa

community is constructing three and one-half miles of terraces. Will Percifull, Valley View; B. F. Aldridge and Joe George Wilkins, Bronte, are also planning to construct terraces.

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Every time one of our drilling crews brings in a new oil well, it means gasoline for your car, more power for farm and ranch... more of all the hundreds of oil products which add to your comfort and convenience today and in the future.

We are proud to be part of the competitive, progressive oil industry that brings better living to our community.

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### Drilling Company

Amarillo, Texas



are proud of the wonderful oil development this community and congratulate the oil companies and their employees.

Mr. & Mrs. R. S. Anderson

SILVER, TEXAS



## Coke County's Progress and Oil Progress GO HAND IN HAND

Every resident of Coke County is benefiting directly or indirectly from oil. This year oil properties will pay 80 per cent of the County Taxes, and oil has been responsible for Coke County's assessed valuation of 4½ million dollars in 1946 jumping to more than 25 million in 1954.

Oil developing is continuing at a rapid pace in Coke County—the end is not in sight by any means.

Taxes from oil properties are making it possible for Coke County to have bet-

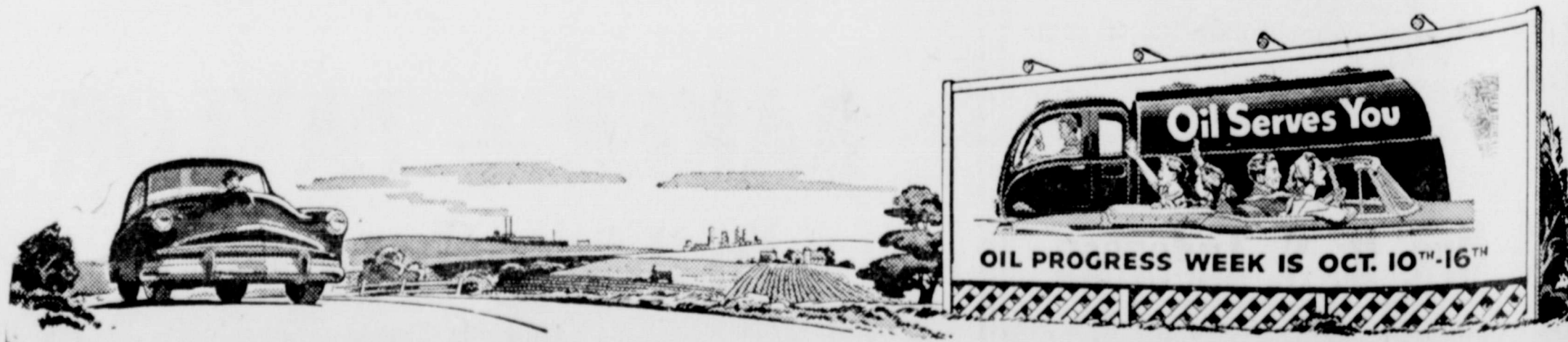
ter schools, better roads and numerous worth while improvements will result for the good of all.

Of great importance has been the employment which the oil industry has furnished to hundreds of our citizens at good wages.

We congratulate the oil operators and royalty owners and everyone connected with this highly important business in observance of OIL PROGRESS WEEK, October 10-16.

# Coke County Commissioners Court

Coke County Texas



## ling Eyes Oil Play

City News-Record)  
of the Santa Fe Rail-  
interested citizens and  
company officials are talking  
expansion of the two oil  
north of Sterling. The  
and Johnson oil fields  
County now have a to-  
239 producing wells, 25  
the new Jameson field and  
in the established Jame-  
A lot more wells are  
to go down in the  
field, just of the line  
Sterling County, it has been

drilling mud concern has  
leased a site from the  
here and will build a  
use soon. A car of the  
already been unloaded  
that company.

think perhaps with a  
spur here and loading  
much carloadings of oil,  
propane and related prod-  
uld be handled at the rail-  
ation here. A pipe line  
se fields to here is being

Davis, local rancher, ban-  
railway director, attend-  
meeting and said the rail-  
officials were comparing the  
ets here with the spur that  
are of the Benedum-Trees  
elopment west of here in  
County. About 40 car-  
of products going out by  
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ing an argument is the  
y to lose a friend.

### NOTICE OF ELECTION

#### STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF COKE

THE RESIDENT, QUALI-  
ELECTORS OF COKE  
TY, TEXAS, WHO OWN  
BLE PROPERTY IN SAID  
TY AND WHO HAVE DU-  
ENDERED THE SAME  
AXATION:

BE NOTICE that an elec-  
ll be held in Coke County,  
on the 30th day of Octo-  
84, on the proposition and  
places more particularly  
th in the election order  
by the Commissioners'  
of said County on the 1st  
October, 1954 which order  
ollows:

"AN ORDER  
NG AN ELECTION ON

### THE QUESTION OF THE ISSU- ANCE OF \$300,000.00 COUNTY COURTHOUSE BONDS.

WHEREAS the Commissioners'  
Court of Coke County, Texas,  
deems it advisable to call an  
election on the proposition here-  
inafter stated; BE IT ORDERED,  
ADJUDGED AND DECREED  
BY THE COMMISSIONERS'  
COURT OF COKE COUNTY,  
TEXAS:

1. That an election be held in  
said county on the 30th day of  
October, 1954, at which the fol-  
lowing proposition shall be sub-  
mitted:

'Shall the Commissioners'  
Court of Coke County, Texas, be  
authorized to issue bonds of said  
County in an amount of Three  
Hundred Thousand (\$300,000.00)  
Dollars, bearing interest at a rate  
not to exceed Two and one-half  
(2-1/2%) per cent per annum, and  
maturing serially in not to ex-  
ceed Fifteen (15) years from the  
date thereof, for the purpose of  
providing funds to erect a Court-  
house for the County, and whether  
or not taxes shall be levied  
annually on all taxable property  
in said County sufficient to pay  
the annual interest on said bonds  
and provide a sinking fund suffi-  
cient to pay the bonds at their  
maturity.'

2. The said election shall be  
held at the several polling places  
in Coke County, Texas, to-wit:

In Voting Precinct No. 1 at the  
Courthouse, Robert Lee, Texas  
with the following election offi-  
cers:

Roy Taylor, Presiding Judge,  
Ollie Green, Judge,

In voting Precinct No. 3 at the  
City Hall, Bronte, Texas, with  
the following election officers:

D. K. Glenn, Presiding Judge,  
Noah Pruitt, Judge,

In voting Precinct No. 3 at the  
Church House in Fort Chad-  
bourne, Texas, with the following  
election officers:

R. C. Lasswell, presiding judge,  
Preston Davis, Judge,

In Voting Precinct No. 4 at the  
Schoolhouse, in Tennyson, Texas,  
with the following election offi-  
cers:

C. N. Webb, Presiding Judge,  
E. D. Little, Judge.

In Voting Precinct No. 5 at the  
Church House, in Divide, Texas,  
with the following election offi-  
cers:

Fred McCabe, Presiding Judge,  
A. N. Counts, Judge,

In Voting Precinct No. 7 at the

Schoolhouse, Sanco, Texas, with  
the following election officers:

Ira M. Bird, Presiding Judge,  
J. L. Carwile, Jr., Judge,

In Voting Precinct No. 8 at the  
Schoolhouse, Silver, Texas, with  
the following election officers:

Robert Walker, Presiding  
Judge,

H. H. Jameson, Judge,  
In Voting Precinct No. 9 at the

Green Mountain Schoolhouse,  
Edith, Texas, with the following  
election officers:

Elbert Davidson, Presiding  
Judge,

P. W. Millican, Judge,  
In Voting Precinct No. 10 at

the Schoolhouse, Wildcat, Texas,  
with the following election offi-  
cers:

M. D. Chumley, Presiding  
Judge,

H. G. Smith, Judge,  
In Voting Precinct No. 11 at

the Schoolhouse, Olga, Texas  
with the following election offi-  
cers:

R. V. Copeland, Presiding  
Judge,

Fletch Pinkard, Judge,  
In Voting Precinct No. 12 at

the Ainsley Turner Ranch home,  
Walnut, Texas, with the follow-  
ing election officers:

C. G. Munn, Presiding Judge,  
Elton Mims, Judge,

In Voting Precinct No. 13 at  
the Schoolhouse, Lometa, Texas,  
with the following election offi-  
cers:

Chester Harwell, Presiding  
Judge,

W. J. Martin, Judge,  
In Voting Precinct No. 14 at

the Schoolhouse, Hayrick, Texas,  
with the following election offi-  
cers:

J. W. Labenske, Presiding  
Judge,

W. G. Cresap, Judge  
In Voting Precinct No. 15 at

the Schoolhouse, Juniper, Texas,  
with the following election of-  
ficers:

Homer Cornelius, Presiding  
Judge,

Clint Duncan, Judge,  
3. The following are hereby

appointed Special Canvassing  
Board to canvass the Absentee  
votes to be cast to said election:

Bailey Russell,  
Calvin McCutchen,

T. R. Harmon,  
4. The said election shall be

held under the provisions of  
Chapter 1, Title 22, Revised Ci-  
vil Statutes of Texas, 1925,  
as amended, and only legally

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qualified electors who own tax-  
able property in the County and  
who have duly rendered the same  
for taxation shall be qualified to  
vote and all such electors shall  
vote in the election precinct of  
their residence.

5. The ballots of said election  
shall have written or printed  
thereon the following:

"FOR THE ISSUANCE OF  
BONDS"

"AGAINST THE ISSUANCE  
OF BONDS"

Each voter shall mark out with  
black ink or black pencil one of  
the expressions, thus leaving the  
other as indicating his vote on  
the proposition.

6. A substantial copy of this  
order signed by the County  
Judge and attested by the Coun-  
ty Clerk shall serve as proper  
notice of said election. Notice  
shall be given in accordance  
with the provisions of Article 704,  
Revised Civil Statutes of Texas,  
1925, as amended. The County  
Judge is authorized and directed  
to have a copy of said notice

posted at the Courthouse door  
and in each of the election pre-  
cincts in Coke County, Texas, not  
less than fifteen (15) days prior  
to the date fixed for holding said  
election. He shall also cause said  
notice to be published on the  
same day in each of two succes-  
sive weeks in a newspaper of  
general circulation published  
within Coke County, Texas, the  
date of the first publication to  
be not less than fourteen (14)  
days prior to the date set for said  
election.

Except as otherwise provided  
in said Chapter 1, as amended,  
the manner of holding said elec-  
tion shall be governed by the  
laws governing general elections.

PASSED AND APPROVED  
this the 1st day of October, 1954.

Jeff Dean  
County Judge, Coke County,  
Texas.

ATTEST:

Weldon Fikes  
County Clerk & Ex-Officio Clerk  
of the Commissioners' Court,  
Coke County, Texas.

## APPLIANCES

## SYSTEMS

San Angelo Phone 4743

# FRALEY & WARD, Inc.

## Butane Distributors

Robert Lee Phone 154

## SERVICE

## INSTALLATIONS

"... and I'm one of the 'old hands!'—

—Served the West Texas Oil Industry

from the Red River to the Rio Grande

for more than 30 years!"

REDDY KILOWATT

An "old hand" in the oil fields, electric power is a real  
working partner of the West Texas Oil Industry—an  
industry which years of drouth have spotlighted as a  
basic factor for West Texas' continued prosperity.

As a working partner, we are building more and  
more facilities to provide more and more dependable  
electric power to serve West Texas and the Oil Industry.

Oil Progress Week

OCTOBER 10-17

West Texas Utilities  
Company





Gathered under a brush arbor on Sunday afternoon, Sept. 12, were some 85 people seen in this picture. 47 members joined the new church to become charter members. By vote of the congregation the name given the church is the First Methodist Church of Silver, Texas. Reverend Warren Ellis, center, seated, delivered

the Charter Day sermon and received the persons into the church. Dr. L. Eugene Harris, seated right, District Superintendent of the San Angelo District officially organized the church and conducted the Quarterly Conference. Reverend Jack Elzey, seated left, pastor of the First Methodist Church, Colorado City, offered the prayer.

## SUN'S PRODUCTION DEPARTMENT HAS 49 PERMANENT EMPLOYEES

Sun Oil Co. lists a total of 49 permanent employees in its production department at Silver. Here is the complete roster prepared for The Observer by Paul Gilbert, area chief clerk:

J. B. Higginbotham, Asst. Area Supt.

John D. Followill, Foreman  
Robert L. Hughes, Foreman.  
Hale Kincaid, Foreman.  
B. B. McDougle, Foreman.  
E. B. Martin, Area Engineer.  
William H. Branch, Jr. Petroleum Engineer

William R. Brooks, Jr. Petroleum Engineer

Clyde V. Hornback, Jr. Petroleum Engineer.

A. Paul Gilbert, Jr., Area Chief Clerk.

Jack H. Byrd, Jr. Field Clerk.

Robert M. Key, Jr. Field Clerk.

David B. McKinnon, Jr. Field Clerk.

Odis H. Ramsey, Field Clerk.

W. E. Stone, Field Clerk.

Donald D. Yarbro, Field Clerk.

John A. Clifton, Oil Tester.

O. F. Bradham, Gang Pusher.

W. S. Shingleton, Gang Pusher.

Gerald R. Brasuel, Roustabout Dkm.

Walter D. Shoemaker, Roustabout Dkm.

J. B. Asher, Roustabout.

Thomas H. Dixon, Roustabout.

Garlan H. Green, Roustabout.

Hubert D. Payton, Roustabout.

Emerson R. Sausser, Jr., Roustabout.

J. W. Service, Jr., Roustabout.

Curtis L. Sockwell, Roustabout.

Earl Boggus, Pumper.

George C. Fugate, Pumper.

L. B. Carden, Pumper.

O. W. Gatlin, Pumper.

R. H. Godwin, Pumper.

C. M. Haigood, Pumper.

Lewis E. Heuvel, Pumper.

O. W. Higginbotham, Pumper.

W. P. Holleyman, Pumper.

Charles A. Kennedy, Pumper.

Frank E. Lacik, Pumper.

Earl E. Lindsey, Pumper.

George E. Lomas, Pumper.

E. C. McArthur, Pumper.

E. W. Olsen, Pumper.

W. W. Paul, Pumper.

W. A. Preston, Pumper.

C. A. Ramsey, Pumper.

C. A. Ramsey, Pumper.

J. D. Smith, Jr., Pumper.

John A. Voekel, Pumper.

C. G. Walker, Pumper.

**DAVIS-BLACK WEDDING**

Mr. and Mrs. G. F. (Pete) Davis of Colorado City announce the marriage of their daughter, Daisy Nell, to Mr. Tommy Black of Snyder. The couple were married in Robert Lee August 7 by the bride's uncle, Justice of the Peace Emory Davis. They are now residing at Monahans where Mr. Black is employed on a drilling rig.

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## SERVICE INSTALLATIONS

Capt. and Mrs. Frank D. Bryan and son, Pat, left early Sunday for eastern Pennsylvania after an enjoyable month visit with home folks in Robert Lee. Having just returned from a tour of duty in Korea and Japan, Cap-

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tain Bryan will be stationed at Valley Forge Army Hospital near Philadelphia.

Mrs. S. M. Lewis returned Sunday night to Ft. Worth with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and

Mrs. C. S. Schooley, after weeks' stay in the home of granddaughter, Mrs. Turney, and family. She came to Robert Lee to be near her daughter the late Mrs. G. E. Davis.



# They Look to Us

The oil operators and drilling contractors look to us to provide them with materials that help produce more oil for you and the nation.

This week we join these oil men in observing Oil Progress Week. By their continuous, faithful service to you and the nation, America's thousands of competing oil companies have helped make every week of the year Oil Progress Week.

# McMILLAN Lumber Company, Inc.

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ROBERT LEE, TEXAS

# OIL PROGRESS Serves You

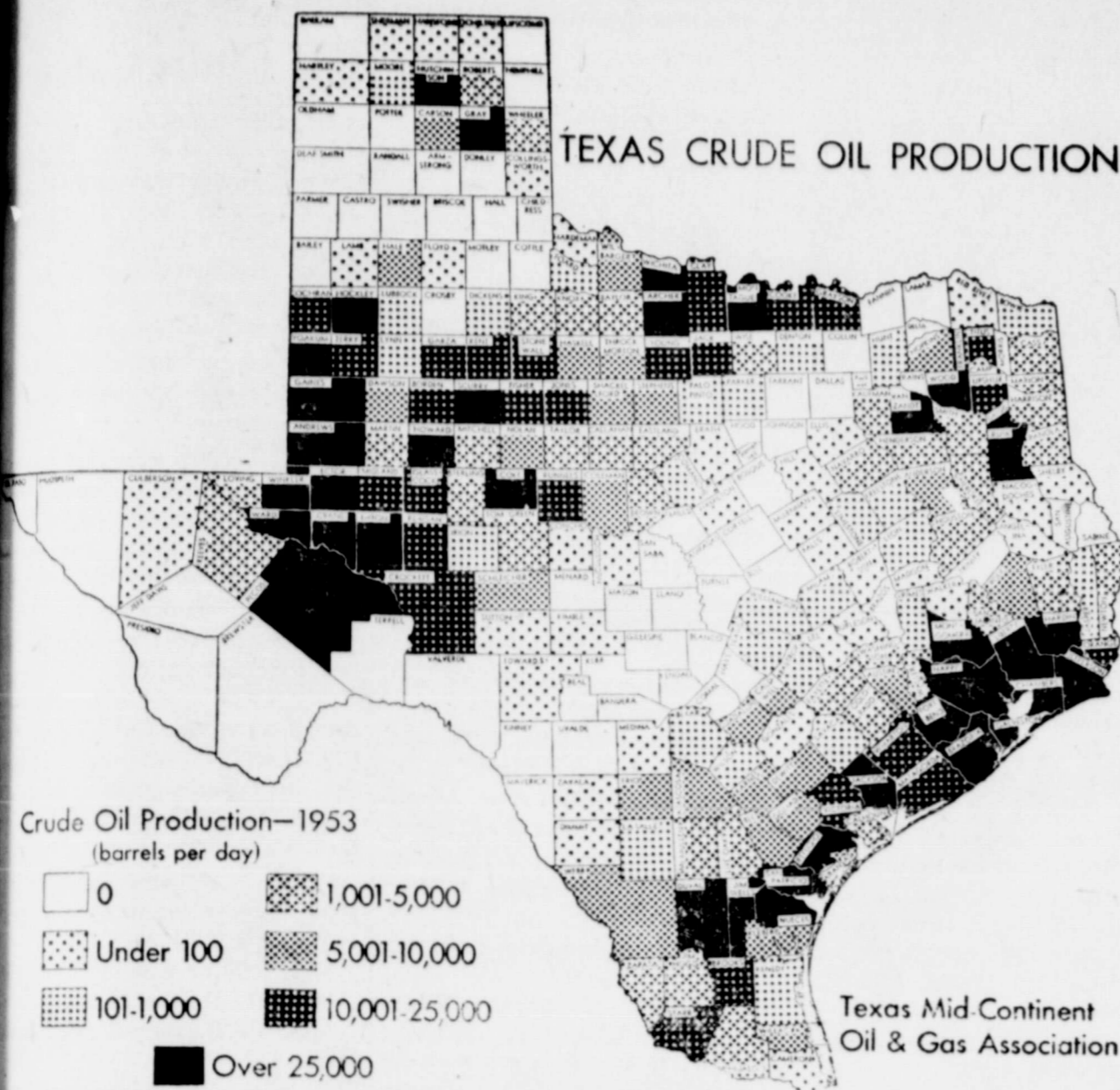
We salute Oil Men of this area and West Texas on a job well done. In Peace and War—the Oil Industry is always first.

# YOUNGER Construction Company

A. B. PROWSE, Foreman

SILVER, TEXAS

## TEXAS CRUDE OIL PRODUCTION



Crude Oil Production—1953  
(barrels per day)

0  
Under 100  
101-1,000  
Over 25,000

1,001-5,000  
5,001-10,000  
10,001-25,000

Texas Mid-Continent  
Oil & Gas Association

TEXAS' 191 CRUDE OIL PRODUCING COUNTIES are shown in this map, prepared by the Texas Mid-Continent Oil & Gas Association. Three counties—Culberson, Dickens and Ellis—began producing for the first time in 1953. Texas has 37 counties which produce over 25,000 barrels of crude oil a day. Coke is among that group, with a daily production of 26,530 barrels. Last year Coke County produced 9,693,609 barrels, bringing the total crude production at the beginning of this year to 25,931,403 barrels. Coke stands 32nd among all the counties in the State of Texas in daily oil production.

### Sun Pipeline Co. Handles Crude Deliveries

Crude oil produced throughout west and northwest Coke county, including the McCutchen Wendland fields east of Rob-Lee, is gathered and delivered Sun Pipeline Co., a subsidiary Sun Oil Co.

Following is a list of Sun Pipeline Co. permanent employees of Silver area, reported to The Server by W. L. (Pete) Ashmore, district clerk:

- E. McClusky, Dist. Foreman.
- E. Palmer, Asst. Dist. Foreman.
- L. Ashmore, Dist. Clerk.
- W. Gallier, Connection Fm.
- F. Theis, Field Gauger.
- D. Jett, Dist. Mechanic.
- A. Dukes, Asst. Gauger.
- S. Johnson, Asst Gauger.
- E. Stevens, Ass't. Gauger.
- T. Stewart, Ass't Gauger.

- E. Taylor, Ass't. Gauger.
- W. W. Dean, Sta. Engr.
- A. H. Jones, Sta. Engr.
- R. L. Martindale, Sta. Engr.
- L. K. McKinnon, Sta. Engr.
- E. L. Patrick, Mechanics Helper "A".
- L. L. Farr, Pipe Liner.
- W. B. Fawvor, Jr., PipeLiner
- J. H. Herford, Pipe Liner.
- J. H. Spivey, Pipe Liner.
- Johnnie Walker, Pipe Liner.

#### IRA KOSKIE RESIGNS JOB

Ira Koskie has resigned as a tool pusher for Ray-Harris Drilling Co. and he and his wife have moved to Abilene where they have property holdings. Ira was a driller under Walt Tucker when Ray-Harris bought their first rotary rig in the spring of 1947 and began drilling for Sun at Silver. When Tucker went into business for himself, Koskie was stepped up to pusher. The Koskies have many friends in Coke County. E. B. Creech took Ira's place with Ray-Harris.

### Oil Operators Pay Big Taxes In Coke County

Sun Oil Company continues to be Coke County's biggest taxpayer, with an assessed valuation of \$8,800,000. According to records in the office of Tax Collector Paul Good, Sun's tax bill in 1954 is \$194,286. Of this amount about \$54,635 goes to the Silver school, with the remainder being divided among state and county funds.

Humble Oil & Refining Co. is growing steadily and this year has an assessed valuation of 4½ million. They will pay \$66,838 in state and county taxes, in addition to a big sum to the Bronte school district.

Other tax payments in excess of \$2,000 to be paid by oil operators are as follows:

S. E. Adams	\$3,115.
American Republics	2,726
Fuller & Fuller	2,107
Hickok & Reynolds	4,634
A. G. Hill	3,947
Chester Hunter	10,145
Laan-Tex	2,822
Lion Oil Co.	3,199
Magnolia	6,901
New Seven Falls	2,424
J. J. Perkins	9,336
SW Natural Production	3,940
Stanolind	5,908
Union	2,298

### PERSONALS

A. J. Bilbo has retruned home from an enjoyable reunion with his four brothers. At Hobbs, New Mex., he joined Raymond of Laredo, Vernon of Las Cruces and Otho of Hobbs, and the group then motored to Long Beach, Calif., where they visited Alley's twin brother, Alvin. It was the first time the Bilbo brothers had been together since the death of their father 10 years ago.

Fred McCabe, Jr. was struck in the eye by a piece of metal last Friday while working on a car in the Vaughan Chevrolet Co. shop. He was treated at Coke County Memorial Hospital overnight. The injury did not prove serious.

## Is It Essential?

There is much discussion in the present religious world concerning the essentiality of baptism in salvation.

If baptism is not essential in salvation, no one should teach that it is. If, however, baptism IS essential in salvation, we all should teach that it is. (Gal. 1:8-9)

The Bible says baptism washes away our sins. (Acts 22:16, Acts 2:38) If our sins must be forgiven before we can be saved, then baptism is essential to salvation.

When one is baptized, he is added to the church. (1 Cor. 12:13 & Col. 1:18, 24, John 3:5) If we must be added to the church in order to be saved, then we must be baptized in order to be saved. (Please note Acts 2:41, 47, Eph. 5:23, 26-27, etc.)

In baptism, we "put on Christ." (Gal. 3:27) If one must "put on Christ" in order to be saved, then he must be baptized. (Rom. 6:5-8)

In the burial of baptism, we are raised to "walk in newness of life." (Rom. 6:4) If we must walk in newness of life before we have hope of eternal redemption, then we must be baptized.

Scriptural baptism (preceded by faith—Mk. 16:16, repentance—Acts 2:38, confession—Acts 8:37, Rom. 10:9-10) saves us. SCRIPTURAL BAPTISM SAVES US! (1 Peter 3:21, Mk. 16:16) IF BEING SAVED IS ESSENTIAL TO SALVATION, THEN BAPTISM IS ESSENTIAL TO SALVATION!

Truly the Lord did not say, "He that believeth and is saved shall be baptized." Jesus said, "He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved." (Mk. 16:16)

Dearly beloved, these articles are not for the mere purpose of showing that we are right and others are wrong. They are designed to show that God is right and cannot be wrong. Let us do His will. Church of Christ services: Sunday: 10:15 a.m. Bible study, 11:00 worship, 6:30 p.m. Young People's, 8:00 p.m. worship. Wednesday: 7:00 p.m. Bible study.

SUN SPUN

**OLEO** 19c

HONEY BOY

NO. 1 TALL CAN

**Salmon** 35c

AJAX CLEANSER - 2 Cans 25c

**TIDE Lge** 27c

VAN CAMP

NO. 303

PORK & BEANS - 2 Cans 27c

SCOTT'S TOWELS - Lge. Roll 35c

ZESTEE

20 OZ. GLASS

PINEAPPLE PRESERVES - 43c

ZESTEE

20 OZ. GLASS

PEACH PRESERVES - - 39c

ZESTEE

20 OZ. GLASS

PLUM PRESERVES - - 39c

KOUNTY KIST GOLDEN WHOLE KERNEL

**Corn 12 oz can** 15c

BLUE PLATE

SHOR-PAK SHRIMP - - 39c

OUR VALUE GREEN CUT

NO. 300

**Beans 2 for** 35c

MIDWEST

**Bacon lb.** 49c

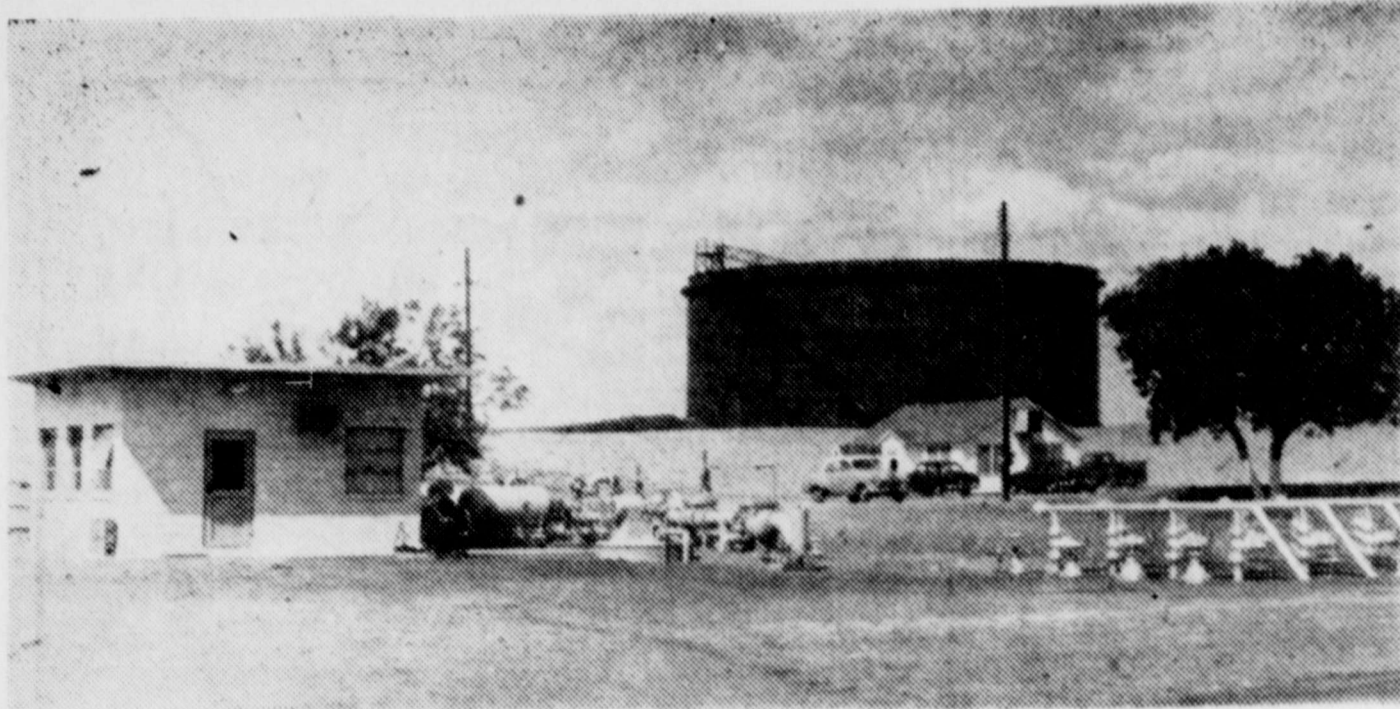
DAIRY BRAND

**Bacon lb.** 59c

HORMEL

**Weiners lb.** 39c

**ROBERTS**  
GROCERY & MARKET



**SUN PIPELINE PUMPING STATION AT SILVER—**  
The control room at left is air conditioned and all operations are handled from panel switches. Electric pumps are shown in the center foreground, and valves at the right. The Pipeline Company's office is seen in front of the huge new storage tank. Photo taken by Bob Edwards of Silver.

## SUN PIPELINE HANDLES BIG CRUDE VOLUME

Sun Pipeline Company's new pumping station at Silver, shown in the accompanying picture, gathered a total of 663,190 barrels of crude oil during the month of September. The figures were released by Fred Theis, district gauger.

Sun buys all the oil produced in the west half of Coke County and adjoining small fields in Mitchell and Nolan Counties. Also it takes the crude from the McCutchen and Wendland fields to the east and southeast of Robert Lee.

Designation of fields from which the Silver Pipeline station gathers oil are McCutchen Cisco, Wendland, Wendkirk, Millican, Jameson reef and sand, Arledge, Bloodworth 5700, Fuller-Coke Strawn, Jameson Caddo, Lygay, South Lygay Caddo, South Lygay Strawn, Dixon Strawn, McCabe Pennsylvanian and North Jameson Strawn.

The Silver station was recently electrified, with two 450 h. p. electric motors replacing gas engines. Pumps will now handle more than 1,000 barrels per hour. From Silver the crude is pumped to the West Texas Gulf pipeline at China Grove in Scurry County.

Most of Sun's crude oil is shipped by tankers from Beaumont to the refinery at Markus Hook near Philadelphia. Some is sent by pipeline to another refinery at Toledo, Ohio.

With recent completion of the new tank shown in the picture, storage capacity at the Silver station is 156,000 barrels.

## Married People Organize Class

Following a covered dish supper on the Methodist Church lawn Monday night, a Young Married People's Sunday School Class was organized. A religious moving picture was also shown.

Officers of the group are:

Ava Lou Hanna, Pres.

Mary Krall, Secretary.

Peggy Havins, Reporter.

Doris Taylor, Treasurer.

The membership includes Messrs. and Mmes. B. W. Lawson, Jack Brock, Warren Ellis, Merrill Taylor, Melvin Krall, Curtis Blair, Bobbie Hatley, Ed Garvin, Vincent Hanna, Dessie Dennison, Bill Havins and Mrs. Wanda Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Millican have been advised that their son, Gerald, has been transferred by Stanolind Oil Co. from Farmington, New Mex., to Jal.

## AT HAIR STYLIST SCHOOL

Mrs. Charles Sims, owner of Olene's Beauty Shop in Robert Lee, attended a Hair Styling Clinic in Abilene on Sunday. The event, sponsored by the Texas Beauty Association, was held at Hotel Windsor.

Main speaker was Garland Bowles, who recently received the 1954 award for arranging the most attractive hair style. Young lady models were featured with their hair colored in pastel shades of pink and orchid.

Mrs. Sims reports that short hair and waves will continue to be in style this year.

Accompanying Mrs. Sims to Abilene were her sons, Ronald and Richard and her mother, Mrs. Jim Mauldin.

## Many Attend Davis Funeral

Among the friends and relatives from out of town who attended funeral rites for Mrs. G. E. Davis here Sunday were the following:

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Blaylock, Eldorado; Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Jay, San Angelo; Mr. and Mrs. Billy Gene Bell, Amarillo; Mr. and Mrs. Willie Wallace, Amarillo; Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Wallace, Pecos; Mr. and Mrs. Carley Hurey, Pecos; Mrs. Elbert Hurley and family, Junction; Mrs. Henry Payne, Texaco, New Mex.; Mrs. Homer M. A. ner, Brownwood; Pleas Lewis and Mrs. Phil Brewington, Austin; Mr. and Mrs. Clint Davis, Miles; Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Lowrance, Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Ecord Cowley, Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Schooley, Fort Worth; Mrs. Jodie Williams, Colorado City.

Mrs. Eva Vowell and Mr. and Mrs. Dee McCleskey, Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Jess Craddock, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Henderson, Mr. and Mrs. Gaston Gregory, Mr. and Mrs. Nick Farrar, Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Taylor, Mr. & Mrs. Jay Craddock, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Witten, Colorado City; Mr. and Mrs. Van Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Ray Smith, Abilene; Mrs. Artis Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Lewis, Austin, Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Lewis, Hobbs, N. M.; Mr. and Mrs. Steve Moore, San Angelo; Mrs. Trecie Wrinkle, Bronte; Mrs. Wanda Eastman and Mrs. Lewis Matthew, San Angelo.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Taylor, Ft. Worth; Mrs. Threst Castleberry Lovington, N. M.; Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Black, Monahans; Mrs. Jack Brownfield, Mrs. Cleo Havins, Mrs. Joyce Theiman, San Angelo; Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Williams, Littlefield; Misses Ada and Pearl Hurley, San Angelo; Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Bell, Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Brock and children of Bronte.

## Junior High To Play Saturday At Colorado City

With Junior High youngsters showing up so well on the gridiron this year, local fans are optimistic over prospects for good high school football material in the future.

The Junior High squad, composed of both 7th and 8th graders is coached by James Mancill, high school mentor, who finds time in the forenoons to devote to the younger boys.

Robert Lee won two games handily from Bronte and will journey to Colorado City for a

contest next Saturday at 10 a. m. A return game will be played in Robert Lee.

Junior High athletes also have some wonderful backing from the girls. Twirlers include Jerrydell Sparks, Fatima Stroud, Lavinia McDaniel and Kenneth June Sawyer. The cheer leaders are Ann Chevalier, Annabelle Ellis, Patty Gray and Joanne Hood.

Starting lineup for the Junior High team is as follows:

Ends — Jerry and Paul Tinkler.

Tackles — Bobby Cowley and Jimmy Bell.

Guards — Franky Casey and Jerry Blair.

Center — Melvin Duncan.

Quarterback — Sam Ed Skipworth.

Halfbacks — Don Stewart and Douglas Ashworth.

Fullback — Freddie McDonald.

Other players includes:

8th Grade — Lanenon Stephens, center; Ammon McElhaney, fullback; Ysamel Valenzuelo, guard; Jerry Dean, line backer.

7th Grade — William Seymour, tackle; David Waldrop, end; A. J. Summers, guard; Billy Muddell, guard; Kenneth Wink, guard; Don Weathers, halfback; Freddie Ross, tackle; Richard (Butch) Service, end; Ronnie Sims, halfback; Terry Frank Bryan, guard.

## Mrs. Rives Heads HD Clubs Council

Monthly meeting of Colorado County Home Demonstration Clubs Council was held here Tuesday, with Mrs. C. E. Arrott presiding. Mrs. O. B. Jacobs opened the meeting with a prayer, "What's the Use to Worry?" and read the Club Prayer.

Four clubs answered roll call with Silver being represented by a new club.

Mrs. Jacobs reported on the yearbook. Annual reports were given by all clubs, council officers and standing committees. Annual THDA report was given by Gladys Waldrop.

Achievement Day will be held in Robert Lee Nov. 6, with Bake Show and Sale. Achievement Day Committee includes the Three E's, Mrs. J. W. Labadie, Mrs. James Allen, Mrs. J. Estes, Mrs. Weldon Fikes and Mrs. Cortez Harmon.

Council officers for the year 1955 were elected as follows:

Mrs. Tom Rives, Chm.

Mrs. Taylor Emerson, V. Chm.

Mrs. A. D. Fields, Secy-Treas.

Mrs. C. E. Arrott, Parliamentarian.

Be sure your idea is sound before you sound off.

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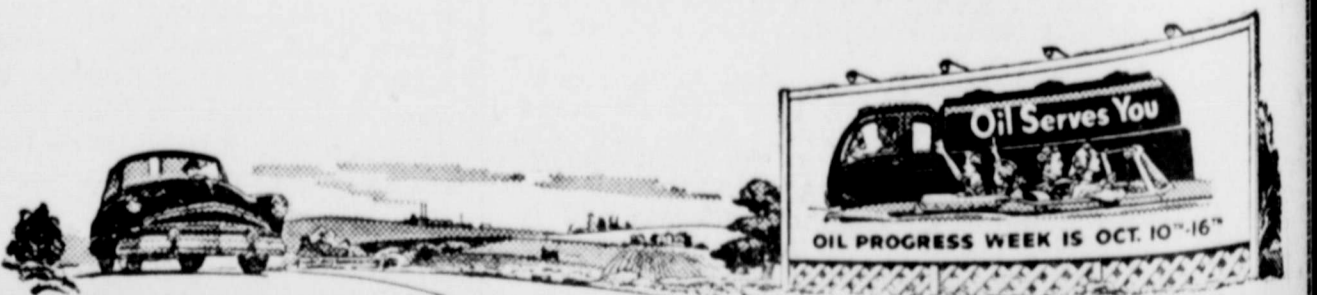
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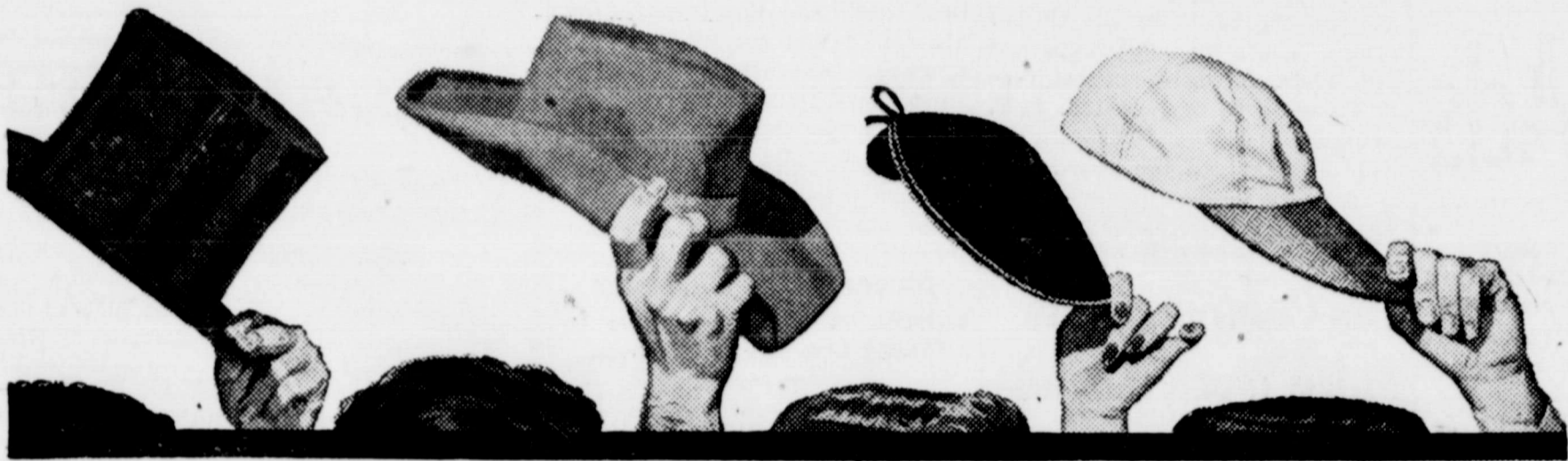
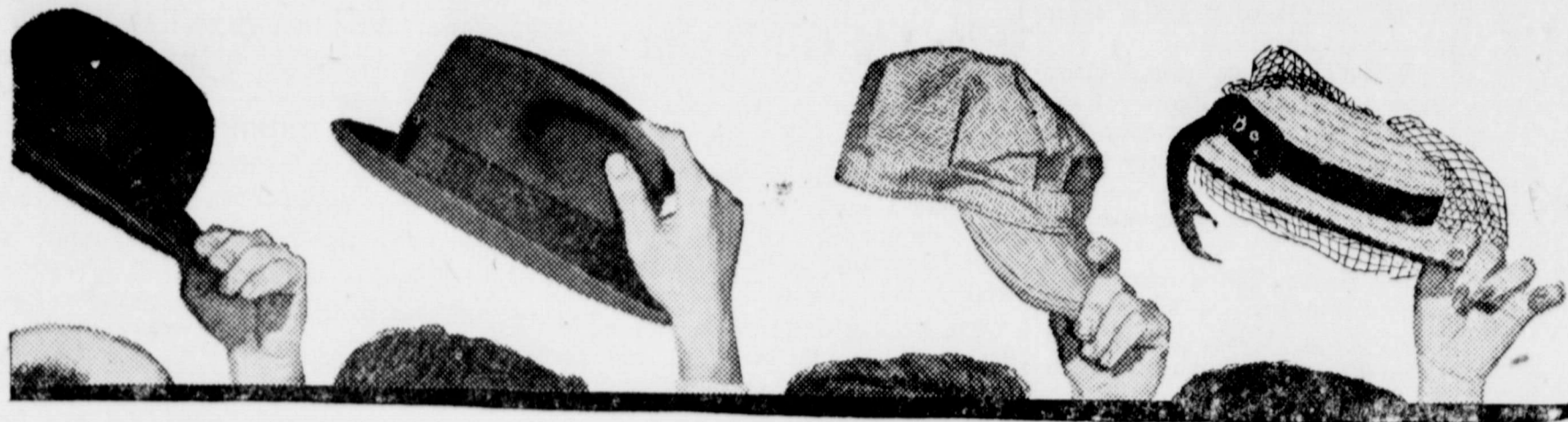
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Phone 199

Robert Lee, Texas





# HATS OFF TO COKE COUNTY OILMEN

This week we are glad to join oilmen everywhere in observing Oil Progress Week. We think it's a good time to take our hats off to America's oilmen for their continuous, faithful service to all of us.

As part of a service-conscious, competitive industry, they are proving daily that your progress and Oil Progress go hand in hand. Today you can actually

measure that progress by improved gasolines that power your car, more efficient fuels for home heating and hundreds of other oil products that make living more comfortable every day.

We'd like to point out that by serving you and the nation so well, America's oilmen have actually made every week of the year Oil Progress Week.

## Our Congratulations to Coke County Oil Men and Their Families

Ivey Motor Co.

Farris Rexall Drug

McCabe Humble Station

Alamo Theatre

Roberts Groc. & Mkt.

Olene's Beauty Shop

Walker's Hardware

Robert Lee State Bank

Bahlman Cleaners

Fraley & Ward Butane Service

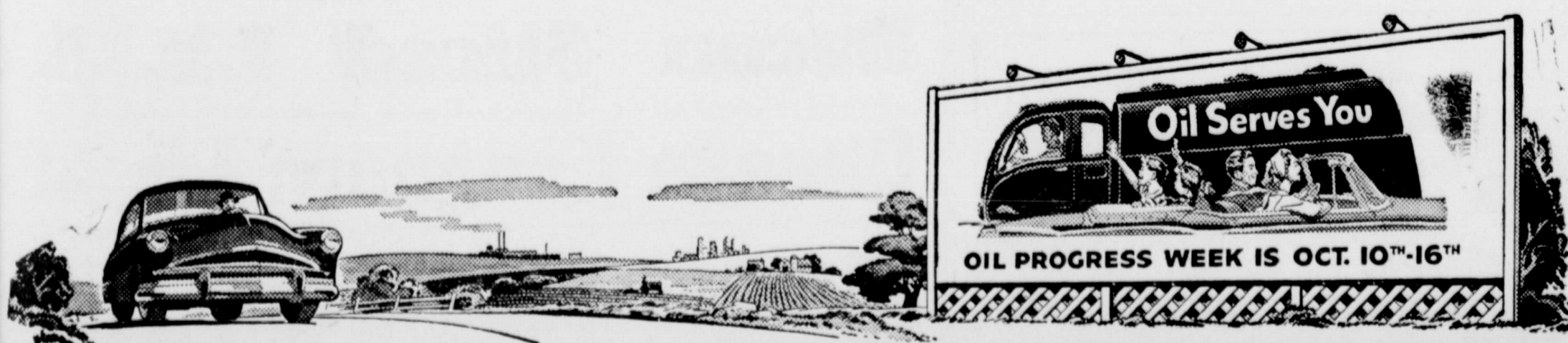
Vaughan Chevrolet Co.

Roach's Dept. Store

W. B. Clift, Insurance

Adams Abstract Co.

Baker's Groc. & Mkt.



## WIN TOP PRIZES WITH TURKEYS AT STATE FAIR

Coke County 4-H turkeys have again taken top honors in the Junior Market Turkey Show held in connection with the State Fair in Dallas.

Dee Arrott of Tennyson showed the grand champion pen of broad breasted toms, which also were judged reserve grand champions of the show.

Reserve champion for a pen of three broad breasted hens went

## Want Ads

### 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.

LANDSCAPING and yard work. Can furnish No. 1 good yard dirt. JIM GREER, Phone 7003. 19tf

I have all equipment for cleaning your septic tanks and cesspools. Call me at No. 8, Bronte for this service. L. M. Jones.

FOR SALE — Our house in the north part of Robert Lee. Has 5 rooms and bath, screened in 27-ft. porch. Will sell furnished or unfurnished. — Burl Childress. 20tf

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

FOR SALE — Mustang Seed Oats. \$1.00 per bushel. Allen Compton, Maryneal. 19w4c

NOTICE — When in need of Stanley Products contact Mrs. Calvin Sparks. 15tf

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

FOR SALE — Extra good quality Registered Rambouillet Rams. — G. C. Allen, Phone 6205, Robert Lee, Texas. 10tf

20% OFF for cash on all fishing and Camping Supplies for a limited time. Leeper Supply Co.

SALESMAN WANTED—Wanted at Once, Rawleigh Dealer in Coke County. For particulars, see Otis Johns, Winters, Tex., or write Rawleigh's, Dept. TXJ—123—R, Memphis, Tenn.

UPHOLSTERING & FURNITURE REPAIRS — We are prepared to do all kinds of Upholstering and Furniture Repair Work. Will pickup and deliver anywhere in town. — MRS. ROY TAYLOR, Phone 189-J.

See Mrs. Melvin Childress or your REAL SILK needs. 19w2p

FOR SALE — Registered Rambouillet yearling bucks. See Barton Waldrop at Hayrick or Glenn Waldrop, Edith. 20w2p

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28-A West Beauregard San Angelo, Texas

to Benny Corley of Tennyson. The Coke youth's entry was topped only by a pen of three hens shown by Kathryn Wall of Star, Texas, which took grand championship in the show.

Arrott's reserve grand champion pen of three toms was sold at auction Tuesday for \$300. Purchaser was Ablon Poultry & Egg Co. of Dallas. Corley received \$100 for his three reserve champion hens.

Other Coke County exhibitors were Jerry Hurley, Tommy Latham, Jack Corley, Lanny Denman, Aubrey Denman and Jeanina Denman.

The State Fair Show is considered the biggest Junior Market Turkey Show in the United States. There were 495 coops and 900 birds. Twenty six counties in Texas were represented. J. F. Humphrey of the University of Kentucky judged the show.

## Brent Clark Says His Company Has More Work Ahead

D. S. & R. Construction Company continues to have a lot of oil field dirt work in this locality, according to district superintendent, Brent Clark.

The company has maintained an office and big crew of workmen in Robert Lee for the past year or more.

Although the bulk of work is done in the development across the river south and west of Silver, the Robert Lee office also sends crews and machines in all directions.

Headquarters of D. S. & R. are at Kermit, while other offices are located in McCamey, Stanton, Snyder, Winters, Sweetwater and Robert Lee. Owners of the business are Arnett Dorbaudt of Sweetwater, Hunter Pendleton of Odessa and Bert Ross of Wink. The company was formed eight years ago.

Mr. Clark has been with the concern five years, and at first held the position of office manager. He and his family and all D. S. & R. employees are fine people and have been a distinct asset to the community.

### BANK STATEMENT

Elsewhere in this issue appears a condensed statement of the Robert Lee State Bank in response to a call dated Oct. 7, 1954. Deposits remain about the same as was reported at the June 30 controller's call, while loans in the local bank have increased nearly \$100,000.

### LEASES

### ROYALTIES

Mineral & Royalty Co.

S. T. CONSTANTINE

518 Mims Building

Abilene, Texas

## Perkins-Prothro Have Prospects For 140 Oil Wells

Perkins-Prothro Oil Co. of Wichita Falls has proven up a large area in the northwest part of Coke County, most of it located on the W. C. Blanks Ranch south and west of the Colorado River.

The firm recently finished their 54th producer in the field and the total is expected to run to at least 140 producing wells. A two year program of drilling has been outlined. Four rotary rigs are drilling for the Wichita Falls operators, 4 of them owned by Dural, one by Meredith and one by Norwood Drilling Co.

Tom Covington is the Perkins-Prothro superintendent for the Coke County area and Jack Mc-

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Callie is production foreman. Four pumpers are Zeddy Beal, Pat Stafford, John Conley and Douglas Gartman.

### BIG SALE ON DRUGS

Farris Drug Store in Robert Lee has its big Rexall 1 Cent Sale under way the remainder of this week, and in addition Mr. Farris has listed many sale items throughout the store. The sale started off with a big rush Wednesday and will continue through Saturday.

COMMISSIONERS COURT  
Coke County Commission Court held its regular session Monday. In the absence of Judge Jeff Dean, Commissioner J. W. Service was chairman. Routine matters were disposed and bills approved. The quarterly report of Treasurer Gertrude Gray approved and filed. Commissioners report that surveys on new Precinct 1 road at Silver nearing completion and its location has finally been defined.

## ALAMO THEATRE

ROBERT LEE, TEXAS

MOTION PICTURES ARE YOUR FINEST ENTERTAINMENT  
SHOW STARTS 6:30 P.M.—SUNDAY MATINEE 1:30 P.M.

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15 & 16

Mark Stevens in

"JACK SLADE"

Also Cartoon & News

SUN., MON., TUES., OCT. 17, 18, 19, Sun. Matinee 1:30 & 3:30

Van Heflin, Ruth Roman, Howard Duff in

"TANGANYIKA"

(Color by Technicolor) Also Hottest 500 and Cartoon

WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20 & 21

Jeannie Crain, Jean Peters in

"VICKI"

Also Cartoon

## BAKER'S Groc. & Mkt.

Shop our Market for the Best in Meats

Celery Cello Bag 29c

Yellow Squash lb. 15c

DEL MONTE  
WHOLE GREEN BEANS - - - No. 303 Can 25c

PEACHES, Del Monte - - - No. 2 1/2 Can 33c

CLOROX - - - - - Quart 19c

GRAPEFRUIT JUICE - - - - - 46 Oz. Can 23c

### SHILLING

Coffee Lb. 99c

### IRELAND'S

Chili No.2 can 49c

PEACH, APRICOT, OR PLUM  
ZESTEE PRESERVES - - - 20 Oz. Glass 37c

CARNATION or PET MILK - - - Tall Can 10c

KOOL AID - - - - - 6 Pkgs. 25c

SUPER MKT. CHOPPED SPINACH - 12 Oz. Pkg. 17c

### MIDWEST

Bacon Sliced Lb. 53c

Cheese Longhorn Lb 45c

Sirloin Steak Lb. 55c