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LONG ILLNESS TAKES LIFE OF JOE DODSON, 74

Death came last Thursday to Joe Dodson, 74, well known citizen and a resident of Robert Lee the past 36 years. His passing occurred at 3 p. m. Jan. 12 in Coke County Memorial Hospital. Death was caused by leukemia.

Mr. Dodson's illness dated back one year, and it was in January 1955 that he was compelled to give up his work in the Walker hardware store. His decline was gradual and he had been hospitalized since early September.

Funeral services were held from the Robert Lee Baptist Church at 3 p. m. Friday in charge of the Rev. Bennie Smith, pastor, and the Rev. Travis McNair, Methodist minister. The church choir sang "The Old Rugged Cross," and a special selection, "Precious Memories," was sung by a quartet composed of Mrs. Sam Jay, J. C. Wallace, Melvin Bahlman and J. C. Wallace, Jr.

Burial was in Robert Lee cemetery under direction of Clift Funeral Home. Pallbearers were Frank Bryan, Sr., F. C. Clark, Roy P. Ross, Fred McDonald, Jr., Curtis Walker and Paul Good.

Joseph Victor Dodson was born July 31, 1881, in Howard County, Mo., the youngest of a family of nine children. When he was 13 his father died, and he came with his mother to Comanche, Texas, where he grew to manhood. He came to Bronte in 1904 to work in a cotton gin and married Miss Kate Buford of Bronte on May 28, 1908.

He followed the profession of gin-ner for many years. After spending a year at Moran he moved to Edith in the fall of 1919 to help Dick Collier process a record crop. The next January he and his family moved to Robert Lee.

Mr. Dodson worked in Collier's gin here and later bought the business in partnership with Jess and Frank Percifull. The depression came on so they sold out to Planters. Joe operated the Planters gin until they shut it down some years later.

He then held numerous positions including work at the Co-op feed store and in the lumber yard and hardware store. He served as a city councilman and was in charge of the city water department.

Mr. Dodson had a wide circle of acquaintances, and was loved and admired by everyone who knew him. He was a loyal friend and a good neighbor.

During his long illness he was given faithful care by his wife, as well as his children and other kin-folks.

Surviving are his wife, a daughter, Mrs. Wilson (Ruby) Bryan of Robert Lee; two sons, Eldon of Robert Lee and Joe, Jr. of San Angelo; nine grandchildren and three great grandchildren. He is also survived by a sister residing in Missouri and a brother in California.

A new automatic dishwasher recently purchased for use at Coke County Memorial Hospital has been installed and is being operated with success. It makes it possible for sterilizing all dishes used in the hospital, a practice that is highly desirable.

Oryal Denman of Tyler visited over the weekend with relatives in this locality.

TAX DEADLINE NEAR

Attention is called to the fact that county, school and city taxes for 1955 will become delinquent after Jan. 31. Tax collecting offices here report collections have been good, but there are some who have overlooked this important transaction. A penalty is added when taxes become delinquent.

Mrs. Fagan Parker suffered a broken left wrist in a fall at her home Wednesday forenoon. She had been outside and had snow on her shoes which caused her to slip and fall as she entered the kitchen. She was treated at Coke County Memorial Hospital and remained there overnight.

Full Production Resumed Over Silver Oil Field

The Texas Natural Gasoline Corp. plant in the northwest corner of Coke County resumed full operation Jan. 7.

It re-opened with completion of El Paso Natural Gas Company's new 50-mile pipeline which conveys gas formerly flared to Midkiff in Midland County. There it joins the firm's main line.

All wells in the Jameson (sand) field of the Silver area were cut to five producing days effective Dec. 1 because of the plant's ability to handle only a five-day gas volume.

Wells are now permitted to take full advantage of the Railroad Commissions 17 producing days for January.

Butane from the Texas Natural plant is again being trucked to Bronte where it is loaded into tank cars for shipment to various parts of the country. As many as 40 tank cars have been in the Santa Fe yards at Bronte at some periods the past two weeks.

Mrs. Claude Dean came out from Weatherford Friday for an extended visit in the homes of her children, Judge Jeff Dean and Mrs. Bobby Baker, and their families. She was accompanied by her daughter, Mrs. Cecil Lewis, and three children who returned to Weatherford on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Askins of Wellington, Colo., have been here the past week visiting their son, Foy Askins, and family.

COKE COUNTY STOCK SHOW NEXT MONDAY

By Jack B. Waide

Coke County Livestock Show has been set for Monday, January 23, at the Livestock Show Barn in Robert Lee. Judging starts at 10:00 and the program will be concluded by an auction sale at 2:30 p. m.

Herman Carter with the Midwest Feed Yard in San Angelo will judge over 100 entries. Only the five highest placing lambs and the five highest placing pigs will be offered for sale in the auction.

Boys and girls will exhibit nine steers in two classes. Lambs will be divided into 5 classes, 5 classes of breeding sheep, 3 classes of breeding hogs, 3 classes of fat hogs, and 1 registered heifer.

We hope to have a show that will interest everyone.

BASKET BALL GAMES TO BE MOD BENEFIT

March of Dimes activities are off to a good start, according to Mrs. Gertrude Gray, who is serving as chairman for the west half of the county. More than \$65 was realized from the Blue Crutch Sale conducted in Robert Lee Saturday by members of the senior class.

An exciting pair of basket ball games is in prospect for Monday night at the Robert Lee gym. First game to start at 7 o'clock will see the women in action, with Bronte independents against the Robert Lee Independents. The clubs are made up of former high school players and most of them are now married. However, Bonnie Robertson (she's smart and single) will be leading the county seat sextette, while those well known sharpshooters, Mary Ann Gray and Rita McCutchen, will be playing for Bronte.

The boys' game at 8:15 is between the crack National Guard club of San Angelo and the Silver-Robert Lee All Stars led by Lew Heuvel. The latter has not turned in his lineup but he promises it will be a rough and ready outfit.

Jimmy Gray and Norman Roberts are on the National Guard team which also includes Jerry Jones, Hubert Whitley, Floyd Gentry, Don Tammen, Jim O'Connell and Mgr. Marvin Vincent.

Every cent taken in at the games will go to the March of Dimes. Admission prices will be 20c and 35c, but additional donations will be appreciated. It's a worthy cause.

MOTHER'S MARCH, JAN. 26

The annual Mother's March has been set for Thursday night, Jan. 26. Mrs. Curtis Walker heads the committee which will canvass the entire city between 7 and 9 o'clock. Persons who wish to contribute to the March of Dimes are requested to leave their porch lights burning.

Other events will be coming up before the end of the month, Mrs. Gray states, and further announcements are to be made next week.

WHAT ABOUT SILVER

The Silver community, which in former years has set the pace in supporting the campaign for funds to fight polio, has not yet organized for action. They can be depended upon to get active very soon.

Pre-Nuptial Tea For Miss Vaughan

A Bridal Tea honoring Miss Eileen Vaughan was given Saturday afternoon in the W. T. Roach home, with Mrs. Fred McDonald, Jr. and Mrs. Marvin Simpson, Sr., as co-hostesses.

Coffee, punch and cake were served to forty guests from a tea table with blue and white decorations. The honoree was presented with many beautiful gifts.

Out of town guests included Mrs. James W. Watson of Eastland, Mrs. Theo Lamb and Mrs. Eugene Hickman of Snyder and Mrs. John D. Harvey and Mrs. Kenneth Cowan of Colorado City.

Members of the house party were the Misses Johnibeth Snead, Joyce King, Jo Alice McDonald, Carolyn Simpson and Mary Vaughan.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Vaughan of Robert Lee, Eileen will marry Norman George Watson of Eastland on Jan. 29.

POLL TAXES LAGGING

Only 585 poll tax receipts had been issued in Coke County up to Wednesday of this week. This is an important election year and at least 1,300 poll taxes should be paid, and the total might reach 1,400. Persons who want to vote in the 1956 elections should remember that Jan. 31 is the last day to pay your poll tax.

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Crum, in company with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Barton Waldrop, motored to Georgetown Jan. 8 where they attended a family gathering honoring Mr. Crum's mother on her 97th birthday. She has two sons and four daughters, all of whom were present for the happy occasion.

COUNTY GETS 3-INCH SNOW

Three inches of snow, the heaviest in ten years, blanketed Coke County and a wide surrounding territory Tuesday night. It followed a daytime drizzle, with sleet forming as darkness approached.

It was the first of January 1946 that so much snow fell in this area although ice and snow in 1949 probably accounted for as much moisture.

The snow was accompanied by a cold norther which sent the mercury down to 22 degrees early Wednesday. It moderated during the day and most of the highways were cleared.

Colder temperatures resulted during the night and a low of 15 was recorded in Robert Lee Thursday morning.

The snow was fairly heavy and amounted to more than a quarter of inch of moisture. It is expected to revive small grain which has been dormant for several weeks, and should bring on some weeds for pasture.

This week was the first time some of the youngsters had ever seen a real fall of snow, and "snowball fights" were numerous. A good sized "snow man" was built Wednesday afternoon on the downtown intersection near the court house. He was quite a stranger, indeed.

HOSPITAL NEWS

Jan. 11—A. F. Bessent admitted. Sam Powell, W. M. Proctor, Mrs. Charlie Arnold dismissed.

Jan. 13—Mrs. Cumbie Ivey, Jr., Mrs. A. E. Latham admitted.

Jan. 14—Mrs. Don Bell admitted. Mrs. Cumbie Ivey, Jr., Mrs. A. E. Latham, Mrs. Collett dismissed.

Jan. 15 — Daughter born to Mrs. Don Bell. Garland Davis admitted.

Jan. 16 — Vicki Lynn McAdams admitted.

Jan. 17 — Mrs. V. B. Duncan, Mrs. Dick Skipworth admitted. Mrs. Don Bell and infant daughter dismissed.

George Martin left Tuesday for his home at Worland, Wyo., having been called here a month ago by the illness and death of his sister, Mrs. Cleve Casey.

COUNTY'S CASH AT END OF YEAR SHOWS \$568,670

Coke County closed out the year 1955 with a cash balance on hand of \$568,670, according to a report completed by County Auditor Weldon Fikes. Only two funds were overdrawn. Road & Bridge was behind \$895, while the Road & Bridge Special Fund was "in the red" \$10,716.

Other working funds, not including road bond and interest accounts showed the following balances:

Jury	\$55,422.93
Court Hse. & Jail	97,976.32
General	82,243.14
Officers Salaries	18,033.57
Farm to Mkt. Rd.	72,068.24

The auditor's report for the month of December listed receipts and expenditures in the various funds and copies were presented to members of the Commissioners Court at their meeting Jan. 9.

A statement of warrant indebtedness showed the following:

Precinct No. 1	\$34,490
Precinct No. 2	23,022
Precinct No. 3	21,125
Precinct No. 4	11,783
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Warrants	6,500
Total	96,920

The sum of \$20,000 has already been paid on the court house bond issue of \$300,000, while \$36,000 remains unpaid of the \$75,000 bonds voted a few years ago to build a new county hospital.

NO SALARY RAISES

At its January meeting the Commissioners Court agreed that salaries of all officials and county employees would remain the same as last year.

GREEN MT. HD CLUB

The Green Mt. W. H. D. Club met at the regular meeting Jan. 17, 1956. Mrs. Waldrop called the meeting to order. Mrs. Sam Duncan read a poem "Why Trouble The Master" for opening exercise. Our roll call was answered with "Sewing Hints." The minutes were read and approved. Mrs. R. L. Page gave the council report. Mrs. E. C. McArthur and Mrs. Billy Bynum was elected as "Food Leaders." Mrs. Page gave the report on "Sewing Centers." The next meeting will be in the home of Mrs. R. L. Page. Cake and coffee was served to 5 members and one child. The meeting adjourned. — Mrs. Fred Ashworth, Reporter.

BIRTHS

BELL—Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Don Bell (Diane Mitchell) of Robert Lee are parents of a daughter born at 4:35 a.m. Jan. 15 in Coke County Memorial Hospital. It is their first child. She weighed 8 pounds and has been named Theresa Sue. The father is stationed in the Air Force at Lowry Field, Denver, Colo. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. C. Elmo Bell and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Mitchell.

EVANS—Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Ray Evans (Peggy Sue Sparks) are recent parents of their first child, a son, born in San Angelo. He weighed 7 pounds, 7 ounces and has been named Edwin Dale. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Luther Sparks of Robert Lee and Mrs. Bertha Coldiron of Big Lake.



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CAROLYN'S QUIPS

After the basketball game dates Tuesday night were Carol Geer and Frederick Ashworth, Doris Sparks and Bill Simpson, Carroll Bagwell and Roland McArthur, Joyce Hester and Jack Gray.

Thursday and Friday Norman's car was put to good use when ten Junior girls tore up town between tests.

Friday night Frances Wylie had a dance. About thirty were there. Eight freshman girls had a slumber party afterwards.

Carol Geer and Jimmy Hansan, Wanda Walker and L. J. Brown went to San Angelo Sunday afternoon. Carol and Jimmy seem to have both lost their rings, to each other.

Dates for church Sunday night were Carolyn Childress and Eddie Braswell, Sandra Baker and Denise Braswell, Jo Alice McDonald and Dean Scott, Charlene Robertson and Richard Dumas, Doris Sparks and Fred Ashworth, Mary Vaughan and Ben Bessent, Dian Casey and David Dumas.

Martha Humphrey and Freddy McDonald went to Silver Sunday night.

Carol Geer and Byron Russell had their weekly Sunday night get together again.

Wondering...

About the "fishy guy" who came to see Sandra Baker Saturday night?

Who sent in a request for "Dot-tie-0" over the Bearcat Club?

Who Kenny Sawyer was trying to dodge Sunday night?

Who got stood up Saturday night for a Senior girl?

Who kept Jackie occupied during tests last week?

IT'S A DATE

January 23 — March of Dimes basketball game with Silver at 7. County Livestock Show at Robert Lee.

School will be dismissed.

January 24 — Miles boys and girls basket-ball game here at 7. CONFERENCE GAME.

January 26 — Sterling City Jr. High boys and girls basket-ball game here at 7.

January 27 — Boys and girls basket-ball game at Garden City at 7.

January 28 — Senior Class Hobo Day. (ALL DAY LONG).

If You Don't Get the Observer
You Don't Get the News

HOBO DAY

The Senior Class is sponsoring a Hobo Day. On this day they will do any work at a cheap price. If you need garbage hauled, cars washed; windows cleaned; houses cleaned; work done in your shops or stores, notify the Seniors. This work will be done on Saturday, January 28. The money will go to sponsor the Senior Trip.

The Goal Post

Robbie Godwin

Near cinch, ha! Looks like I really missed on last weeks games. The girls really gave everyone a scare when they came up in the last seconds with a 42-42 tie. Then in the three minute overtime, Miss Snead shot two points for Bronte while Jo hit only one for Robert Lee. The game ended 44-43. The scoring was fairly evenly divided among the girls. Jo shot for 16, Charlene for 13, and Doris 11. High point score for Bronte was Miss Snead with 23.

Bronte again took top honors in the boys' game 37-32. Ashworth and Harmon led the scoring for Robert Lee, while Scott and Smith took tops for Bronte.

Later in the week, the girls played three games with Winters. In the B game the home club took a close one 34-31. Sue Goodwin was top scorer with 19. To top the girls game off the A team took another one 50-42. Points per person were Clawson 18, Robertson 21 and Sparks 11.

The cagers took on Norton Tuesday and the girls will go to Lake View for a tournament on Friday where they will start the tournament with a game with Winters. They will play three games to contend for places 1 through 8. Eight teams will be entered and each will get a place according to their won-lost record.

FHA Notes

For this six weeks project, the Home Economics girls have drawn homes on a scale of 1/4 inch to each foot of floor space. They have drawn the furniture in the rooms and also planned the color scheme in the rooms. All the girls were exempt from their tests with the exception of Carroll Bagwell who had been absent because of sickness.

White is the most common color for flowers.

Our Starving Teen-agers

By Editors

A recent article in the December issue of the Reader's Digest points out that studies show that the average American child is properly nourished only up to the age of two; after this age his diet declines steadily until it hits an alarming low in the teens. These studies indicate that it is the teen-agers with plenty of money who are eating their lives away with the so-called "jitterbug diet" consisting of hot-dogs, candies, and cokes. As a rule, homes in which money is not so plentiful tend to have better nourished boys and girls. This empty caloric "jitterbug diet" does not furnish enough protein to build sound tissues, enough calcium for strong bones and good teeth, enough vitamins and minerals for steady nerves, or normal blood and efficient vision.

Our teen-agers today will be our men and mothers of tomorrow. Boys and girls who are sacrificing well-balanced meals for the "jitterbug diet" are plagues their possibilities of having a healthy future.

Test yourself on this diet. Do you get about 1/2 pound of meat, fish or poultry each day; an additional 3 ounce serving of liver once a week; a quart of milk each day; one egg each day; an 8 ounce glass of orange, grapefruit, or tomato juice each day; two servings of leafy, green or yellow vegetables each day; plus at least 1 pound of other fruits and vegetables? This is a well-balanced diet for a growing teen-ager. By modifying the "jitterbug diet," it, too, can become wholesome. Substitute a slaw for the potato chips, milk for the soda, and fruit for the candy and you have a well-balanced meal.

Parents should inquire about the food habits of their sons and daughters. P. T. A. and Civic groups can do much to help solve this health problem by insisting that our teen-agers are given proper information concerning eating habits. There is also a wonderful opportunity for the schools to teach boys and girls better food habits.

Grade School News

The first grade lost a pupil last week when Ricky Forson moved to Lovington, New Mexico. The pupils are having a grocery store unit this week. Tweety Pie, the first grade pet canary died last Friday.

Billy Joyce Patterson, a second grader, had a birthday January 13. She had an evening party. Second graders have been acting out their stories in their reading. They are also learning to read the small print in insurance policies.

Betty Hughes got hit in the head with a swing while playing. She had three stitches taken in her forehead. Jan Pharis and Carolyn Etheridge, third graders, are moving this week. The fourth grade lost Douglas Strube, who moved to Levelland.

Texas cotton producers can plant more cotton in 1956 than was harvested in 1955 if they make full use of the State's allocated acreage. Producers who have received a cotton allotment and do not intend to plant the entire acreage are urged by the Texas ASC to return the acres not to be planted to the local county ASC office for reallocation to other producers in the county.

MRS. SHEPPARD HONORED

Mrs. A. V. Sheppard was honored with a Pink and Blue Show Friday from 2 to 4 in the home of Mrs. Lawrence Higgins. Assisting hostesses were Mrs. Ethel Green, Mrs. John Brown and Mrs. M. P. Petross. Coffee and cake was served to twenty-five guests. Mrs. Sheppard received many lovely gifts.



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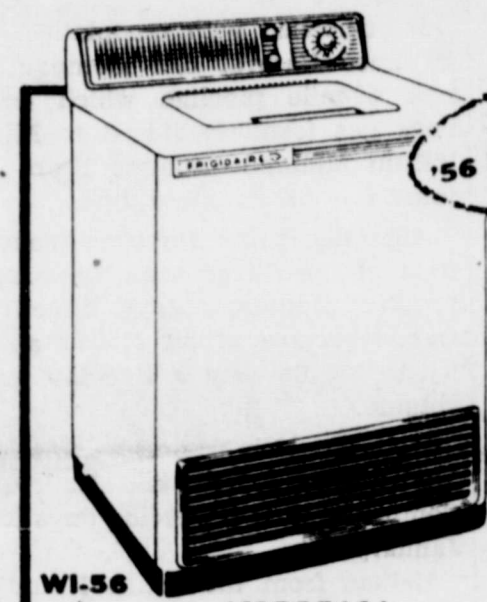
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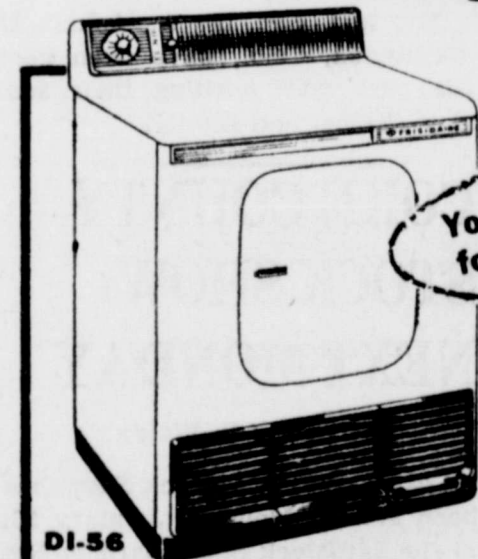
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Stake Wildcat Near Green Mt.

A 7,000-foot wildcat is now drilled in Coke County 10 miles west of Robert Lee.

It will be Coronet Oil Co., et al, of Odessa No. 1 Thompson, spotting 660 feet from the south and west lines of Section 232, Block 3, H&TC Survey. Location is one and a half mile southeast of the Millican Field.

Highland Oil Co. of Midland No. 1 Mendenhall, wildcat, 11 miles northeast of Sterling City, has been plugged and abandoned at total depth of 7,971 feet in barren Ellenburger.

This project logged no shows for commercial production in any zone drilled through. The location was in Section 247, Block 2, H&TC Survey.

Dual Drilling Company's rotary

rig was moved to Humble's new location on the Weaver Ranch, 7 miles south of Robert Lee.

Humble Drilling Step Out On Weaver Ranch

Humble Oil and Refining Co. is drilling No. 3 Helen Harris Weaver, et al, as a 6,900-foot rotary test one and a half miles west and slightly south of the discovery well and lone producer in the Weaver Ranch (Strawn) Field of Coke County.

No. 3 Weaver is seven miles south of Robert Lee, 660 feet from the north and west lines of Section 11, GWT&P Survey.

DRY HOLE

Union No. 1-2 Jim McCutchen, wildcat three miles east of Robert Lee, has been plugged and abandoned at 4,060 feet.

With Our SUBSCRIBERS

The Rabon L. Martindales will move the end of the week, their new address to be Box 123, Woodville, Texas.

From Mrs. A. C. Johnson, out toward Edith: "There just ain' no news to write you, but should you happen along on our Highway 158 and see a rabbit with nobody after him, stop and catch him; he'll be your meat, cause our men are all job working and rheumatism has us women down to a slow pace. No calories in Coke County rabbits. Here's a check. We all take time to read The Observer."

From Mrs. Bill Hardin: "We have recently purchased and moved into a new home at 3605 Terrace Drive, Amarillo. Please change our address."

Dear Kirk: Please accept my payment for your paper. It is al-

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ways news to us — some good and some bad — but always news. Thanks, McNeil Wylie, Lubbock.

SOILS ESSAY CONTEST

The Board of Supervisors of the Coke County Soil Conservation District is again sponsoring an essay contest this year with Robert Lee and Bronte High Schools cooperating.

High School students will write essays entitled "Why Soil Conservation is Important to Everyone." The essays will be judged by the Board of Supervisors of the North Concho River Soil Conservation District.

O. F. Armstrong will speak Jan. 26 at an assembly of both the Robert Lee and Bronte High schools on Soil, Water and Plant Conservation.

Rev. W. B. Hogg of El Paso, Texas, memorized the Bible.

Feed Program Is Re-Instated In Coke County

Coke County has been re-instated to participate in the government feed program, according to ASC Secretary J. E. Quisenberry.

It allows farmers and ranchers a \$1.00 per hundred price reduction on feed used for livestock.

Mr. Quisenberry states applications are now being accepted and will continue until March 2 for enough feed to last through March 15.

The program had been effective here the past two months prior to the extension.

Hybrid lambs promise ranchmen increased efficiency in the production of wool and meat.

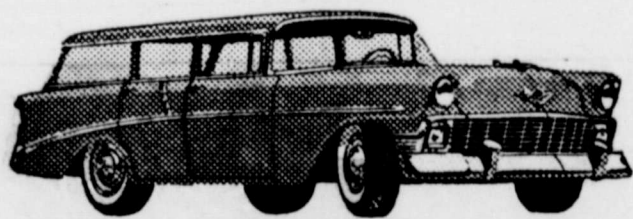
"I've got room for 9 of us"



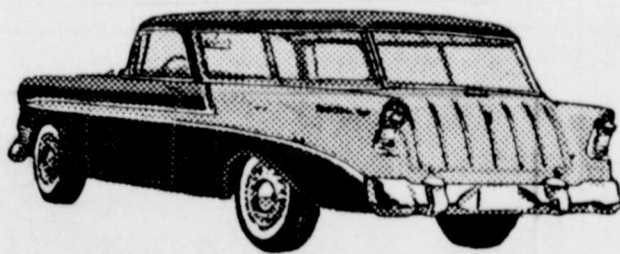
Bel Air Beauville—4 Doors, 9 Passengers

Chevrolet offers 6 sprightly new Station Wagons — all with Body by Fisher — including two new 9-passenger models!

These Chevrolet station wagons can knuckle down and work as hard and as long as you like—and they've got the cargo space to prove it. Nearly 9 feet of it with the end gate down. But let's face it, they'd much rather take off for a good time—and they've got the power and performance to prove that! A zippy, exciting kind of power that adds fun to safer going! Come in and drive one soon!



"Two-Ten" Beauville—4 Doors, 9 Passengers
Section of middle seat folds for easy access to rear!



Bel Air Nomad—2 Doors, 6 Passengers
Rear seat back and cushion fold level with floor!



"Two-Ten" Townsman—4 Doors, 6 Passengers
Washable, all-vinyl interior lasts and lasts!



"Two-Ten" Handyman—2 Doors, 6 Passengers
New colors, new two-toning in all three series!



"One-Fifty" Handyman—2 Doors, 6 Passengers
Choice of V8 or 6 and 3 drives in all models!



THE HOT ONE'S EVEN HOTTER

VAUGHAN CHEVROLET COMPANY

UCRA OKAYS FARM MEETING TO DISCUSS YELLOW WOLF DAM

BRONTE, Jan. 17 —Directors of the Upper Colorado River Authority, meeting in annual session here, this afternoon waded through a heavy agenda during which they: Re-elected officers.

Heard a report that the construction of a dam on Yellow Wolf Creek for irrigation purposes would cost more than \$400,000;

Authorized a meeting with farmers in the proposed irrigation area covering 800 or more acres to give detailed engineering estimates to them and ascertain their willingness to pay for the water at a rate aggregating \$35 or thereabouts per annum per acre;

Decided to ascertain from Abilene business men about their continued interest in the proposed 500,000 acre-foot project on the Colorado River;

RESOLUTION PLANNED

And instructed Carl Runge, attorney to draw up a resolution preliminary of UCRA officers making a presentation to the State Board of Water Engineers renewing permits for the Colorado rights.

Officers renamed were L. T. Youngblood, Bronte banker, chairman; Porter Henderson, San Angelo implement dealer, vice-chairman; and Gerald Allen, Robert Lee banker and ranchman, secretary-treasurer.

The report of Forrest and Cotton, Dallas on the Yellow Wolf project, initiated last year, indicated a drainage area of about 50.7 square miles.

Top storage at 2,052 feet elevation would provide for 11,660 acre feet of water. Approximately 800 acres would be included in the irrigable area.

ECONOMIC BOOST SEEN

Henderson, who had conferred with a member of the engineering firm this week said he thought such a project would add greatly to the economy of Robert Lee, perhaps as much as \$120,000 to \$160,000 annually. The Board members voted for Allen, Cumbie Ivey and Youngblood to arrange for a meeting with the farmers at a time when one of the engineers could be present to present detailed information.

The report estimated the average annual irrigation demand would be 2.35 acre feet per acre in the project.

Directors discussed advisability of inviting county commissioners to spend their portion of the 30 cent advalorem tax return, which may be spent only on water conservation and lateral roads, to share with the authority in subsidizing such a project. They want to make sure there would be enough revenue to pay out the project.

This would require extending by vote the time for remission of the levy for water conservation projects. If this were done the Kickapoo project near Bronte would have a better chance of being developed.

REPAYMENT SEEN

Directors pointed out there would be some repayment from Bronte and Robert Lee on their water projects and that San Angelo on March 10 would owe \$40,000 by reason of beginning payments on water the city has withdrawn from North Concho Lake.

The Yellow Wolf project, on a tributary of the Colorado River, will be used in the presentation to the State Board of Water Engi-



GERALD C. ALLEN

EDITOR'S NOTE — The proposed Yellow Wolf Dam would be located a short distance above the bridge over Yellow Wolf Creek on Highway 208 on property owned by R. C. Russell. Among farmers who might receive irrigation water are Mr. Russell, Pat and Tom Rives, R. C. Patterson, Levi Robertson, Marvin Simpson, Eli Smith, Lowell Roane and the Harris Ranch.

Both Mr. Youngblood and Mr. Allen have served as principal officers of the UCRA more than 12 years. The UCRA has made possible new municipal water systems for Robert Lee and Bronte, besides helping with the new Concho River Dam at San Angelo.

neers, to show diligence and progress in the promotion of water conservation in Coke County.

At the same time, the board said again it had offered to do anything that San Angelo may properly require in developing a domestic supply adequate for its needs.

ABILENE INTERESTED

Directors indicated Abilene is still interested, but that it has taken temporary measures now to provide a quick supply of water on the theory the city can't wait indefinitely for completion of the proposed Colorado dam. Original estimates were that 1,050,000 acre feet would be impounded there. But part of the drainage area is now devoted to other projects, Lake J. B. Thomas in particular, and the proposal has been cut approximately in half.

There is a possibility the Silver School District and the town and oil companies operating in the area may be interested in Yellow Wolf Creek water, thereby adding to the chances an irrigation district could supplement its income by sales for domestic use, Allen reported.

In other action, the directors reported and approved expenses. Bonds of \$10,000 each were authorized to be continued for the officers handling the money.

Present for the session were Cumbie Ivey of Robert Lee, Henry Tepliecek of Rowena, Bob Bruce of Ballinger, Henry Ragsdale of San Angelo, Gerald Allen of Robert Lee, L. T. Youngblood of Bronte, and Porter Henderson of San Angelo, all directors, and W. I. Marshall, projects developer, and Carl Runge, attorney, both of San Angelo. Rufus Foster, a director, was ill at his Sterling City home. Grady Mitcham, San Angelo member, was absent in New York City.

MARCH OF DIMES BENEFIT

BASKETBALL

2 — BIG GAMES — 2

Monday Night, Jan. 23

GIRLS GAME, 7:00 P. M.

Bronte Independents vs.

Robert Lee Independents

BOYS GAME, 8:15 P. M.

National Guard Team of San Angelo

VS.

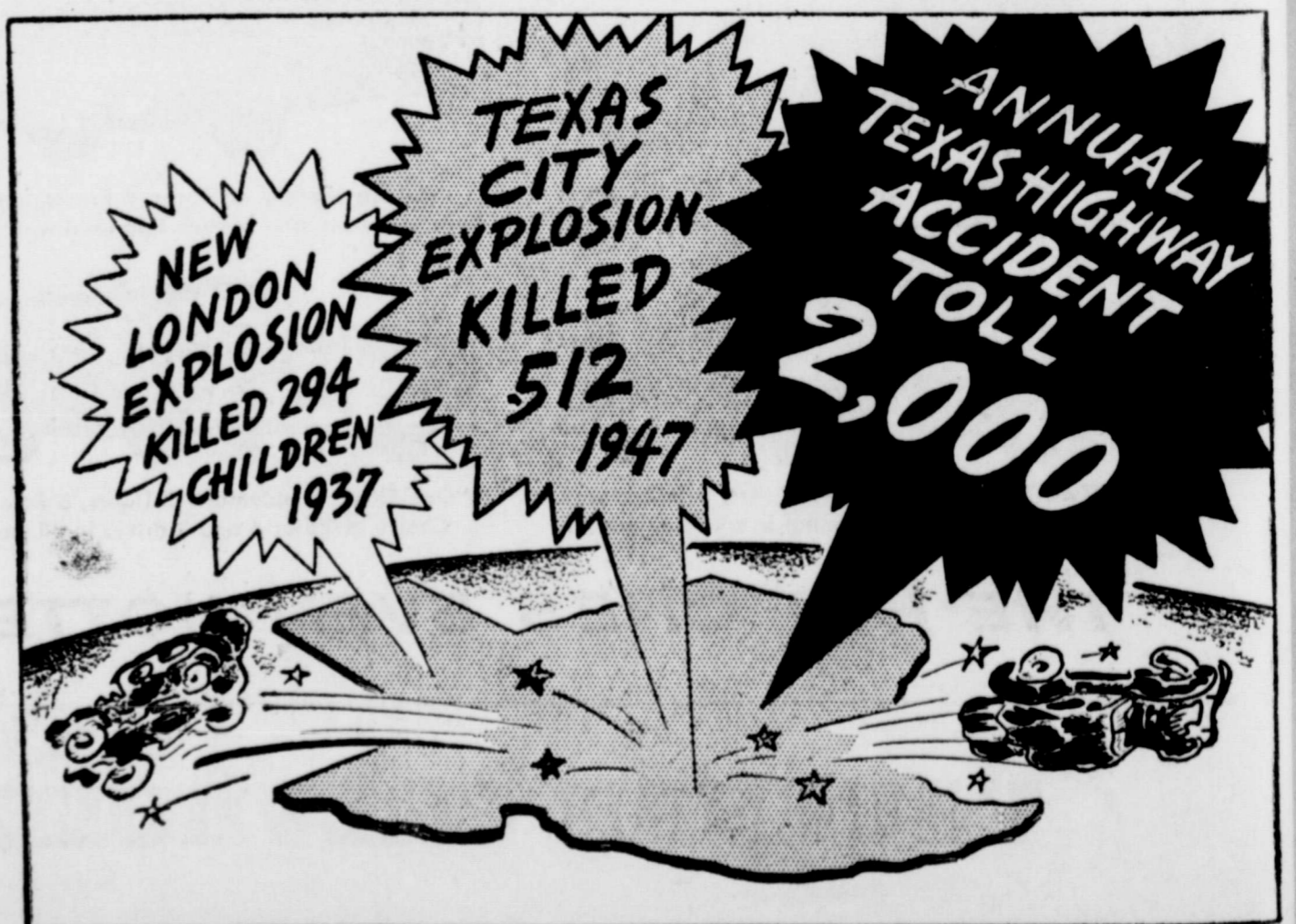
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From Our Subscribers

Mrs. Ocie Devoll writes to have their address changed from Tullia to 1411 Oakland St., Plainview.

We acknowledge remittance from our good friend, Ed S. Roberts of Schulenburg, for a renewal of his subscription and also for his sons, Travis and Gene of San Angelo. If Coke County ever gets over the drouth we will be looking for Ed and his wife back among us.

Mrs. H. A. Williams of 406 S. China St., Brady, sends in \$5.00 for a two-year renewal. A former resident of good old Coke, she says she enjoys getting The Observer.

Mrs. Lula J. Burson, Box 123, Corona, Calif., writes: "I very much enjoy my home paper and look forward every week for it."

In renewing her scriptoin Mrs. J. E. Keenan reports they have moved from Canyon to 3610 W. 4th St., Amarillo.

Received word that Jack and Leta Looney and their family have moved from Park Hill, Okla., to Tulsa where their home address is 836 N. Joplin.

And then Upton Mathers (the Oklahoma Kid) enclosed a check and adds: "I have noticed that when my folks come up for a visit you give my address as Cherokee instead of Seminole. Don't mind it so much just so you don't get my paper sent to the wrong address. You know if we don't get The Observer, we don't get the news. We had colder weather than normal during December and no moisture. The family is well and we send best wishes to Coke County friends."

FRIENDSHIP HD CLUB

The Friendship W. H. D. Club met in regular meeting Thursday afternoon Jan. 12th, at 2:00 p. m. in the home of Mrs. Will Percifull.

Roll call was answered in naming favorite meat dish by 9 members, Mrs. Faye Roe and 10 children. The 1956 council recommendations were read and adopted.

A waffle supper to be sponsored by the club was planned for Feb. 3rd. A committee was named and will report the time and place etc. after they meet.

The club will help with the concession stand at the livestock show Jan. 23rd and each lady will contribute something to sell.

Mrs. Roe was in charge of the program "Meat in the Diet."

The next meeting will be Jan. 26 in the home of Mrs. Melba Mauldin.

—Mrs. Lowell Roane, Reporter

MERCURY-FORD SALES

Ivey Motor Co. of Robert Lee reports the following new Mercury and Ford units were sold and delivered during the months of November and December:

1956 MERCURY

James Phillips, Montclair Hardtop Coupe

T. A. Nicholson, Custom Fordor Bruce Fields, Montclair Hardtop Coupe

W. B. Reed, Montclair Sport Coupe

Doris Steadman, Custom Fordor L. A. Williamson, Montclair Fordor

R. P. Kuykendall, Montclair Hardtop Coupe

1956 FORDS

Curtis E. Bell, Fairlane Tudor Earl Roberts, Customline Country Sedan

B. A. Austin, Customline Fordor Boone Allison, Fairlane Town Sedan Fordor

W. M. Jones, Customline Fordor Franklin D. Mashburn, Customline Tudor

M. H. Jameson, Customline Fordor

T. B. Childress, Customline Fordor

A. J. Roe, Jr., Customline Fordor

Tucker Drilling Co., Fairlane Fordor

W. J. Mashburn, Fairlane Fordor H. S. Hanson, Fairlane Fordor J. L. Brunson, F-100 Pickup

Dean Flowers, Fairlane Fordor J. W. Kinsey, Mainline Fordor

Jessie R. Robertson, Fairlane Tudor

Charles Phillips, Customline Tudor

E. F. Henry, F-100 Pickup W. F. Pickett, Fairlane Victoria.

PERSONALS

(For last week)

Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Wallace of San Angelo visited Sunday evening in the Fred Ashworth home at Edith. The Wallace family lived in the Green Mountain and Wildcat communities several years ago. Mrs. Wallace's friends will be glad she is improving after being hospitalized recently for a period of three weeks.

Mrs. Loyd Phelan returned Friday from a week's stay at Lubbock. She was called to the home of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Spicer, whose small daughter was seriously ill for a few days with pneumonia. Mrs. Phelan reports the baby is much improved.

T. B. Hicks is here for two weeks helping old clients with their income tax reports. A former Coke county agent, Mr. Hicks is now engaged in handling livestock and

ag promotion for a large feed and implement concern at Hollywood, New Mex. Mrs. Hicks is teaching this year in the Ruidoso public schools.

10 YEARS AGO

(From Observer files Jan. 4, 1946)

Paul Good announced as a candidate for sheriff and Bob L. Davis came out for county judge.

Bobbie J. Taylor and L. B. Mahon married Christmas Eve.

M. L. Leddy bought Gillett 640 acres on Divide for \$20,000.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Strickland opened Club Cafe.

Statement of Robert Lee State Bank showed deposits of \$606,764 and capital and surplus of \$40,000.

Richard Day wrote he was enjoying army life at Ft. Sam Houston. He entered the service Dec. 18.

Wilbern Millican, old home boy now riding range on the USS Rockridge, left Monday for Seattle to resume his naval duties after a holiday visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Millican.

Two sons of Mr. and Mrs. Pat Rives, who were in the service, same home for the holidays. Roy Eugene was stationed at San Diego naval base and James E. Rives at Scott Field, Ill.

The name Alamo is derived from the Spanish name for cottonwood, a species of popular tree common in Texas.

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Robert Lee, Texas

NOTICE To Taxpayers

Please remember that your State and County Taxes become delinquent if not paid before February 1.

Property owners are advised that a penalty is attached on all taxes not paid before that date. If you can take care of your taxes this month it will save additional expense.

Poll Tax Deadline

Please also bear in mind that Poll Taxes must be paid before February 1—you can't buy a Poll tax Receipt after that date.

If you want to vote you must pay a Poll Tax if you are between the ages of 21 and 60.

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Home Demonstration Club Activities

By Faye C. Roe

County Home Demonstration Agent

Plans are still being made for the Coke County Livestock Show which will be held January 23. The H. D. ladies will be on hand with lots of good food to sell including coffee, soda pop, candy, pies, sandwiches, cupcakes and hot dogs. Hope everyone will come to support the 4-H and F. F. A. youth in our county.

Now is the time to start planning your garden whether it is a frame garden a small backyard or a family garden. Onions, cabbage, English peas, mustard greens and asparagus can be planted from now until late spring. Maybe you could get your soil ready and buy your seeds so you can plant soon. You who have water surely should raise some vegetables even if only a few for salad use. A new garden bulletin can be obtained by calling or writing your Extension Service Office. This bulletin gives varieties, cultivation and care of vegetables.

A Clothing Leaders Training was held Friday afternoon in the Home Making Cottage here in Robert Lee. Demonstrations were given on Sewing Centers, Zipper Application and Belt Making. Leaders attending were: Mrs. W. W. Smith, Mrs. R. L. Page, Mrs. Glenn Waldrop, Mrs. George Conner and Mrs. C. E. Arrott.

Mrs. Jim Hereford has decided to be 4-H leader for the Silver Club. I appreciate all the 4-H leaders and I do hope the parents of the 4-Hers do too. They give much time to the work for which their only reward is in service only and personal satisfaction they find.

The Silver H. D. Club is coming along nicely. Several new members enrolled last week, and more are needed. Mrs. Jahew Jameson is president, Mrs. Frank Mullican, secretary-treasurer, while Mrs. Hal Anderson is vice-president and program chairman.

More Texas families are making the most of their income by keeping better household and farm accounts. What about you? Income tax filing time is a good time to begin your set of records as you realize then how you need to keep books on expenditures. Records help families to see where income actually goes and where it comes from. Why don't you let 1956 be your best year by setting up a simple set of books?

(For last week)

Several visits have been made recently by Mr. Coffman, the asso-

ciate agent, and myself to the Farm and Home Development Families. The J. D. Huffakers of near Tennyson are busy remodeling their home and getting ready for baby chicks. Mr. Huffaker was injured last January when he fell from the roof of his house. He is now able to continue his work as carpenter so they hope to get their home finished soon.

Plans are being made to assist Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ashworth and Mr. and Mrs. Bob White make land scape plans for their new homes.

Coke County HD Council met in Robert Lee Monday with 15 members present. Opening exercise was given by Mrs. J. J. Jameson, giving the club creed and club prayer was repeated in unison.

Mrs. Fay C. Roe explained the responsibility of council to new and old members. New members were introduced.

After a short business session, recommendations of committees were read and accepted by the council. These will be taken to the individual clubs for a vote of their members and returned to Council in February, when the council will take action on them. Standing rules were read, revised and adopted.

Council voted to have the concession stand at the Livestock show in Robert Lee Jan. 23. Several committees were appointed to take charge. Arrangements committee includes Mmes. Lowell Roane, A. D. Fields, Pat Rives. Food committee is Mmes. C. E. Arrott, E. C. McArthur and Brent Clark.

Serving committee is Mmes. J. Jameson, Bob White, Luther McCutchen.

The THDA will have a district 7 training meeting in Brady Feb. 6, to make plans for the District 7 spring meeting which will be April 1 in Sweetwater. Mrs. Carl Herfurth, state treasurer, will be the executive board representative at this meeting. Texas will be host to the National HD Council next Sept. 23-27 in San Antonio. The state convention will be held following the national council.

SOCIAL SECURITY HELP

A representative from the San Angelo Social Security office will be in Robert Lee and Bronte on Wednesday, Jan. 25, Feb. 29 and March 28. Local persons should write to the San Angelo district office for an appointment. They will then be notified as to the time and place the representative will meet with them on the above dates.

Bobbie Davidson Marries S. V. Box, Tuscola Coach

The marriage of Miss Bobbie Davidson and Mr. S. V. Box of Tuscola took place at 6 p. m. Dec. 22 in the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Davidson, west of Edith.

The Rev. Travis McNair officiated with the double ring ceremony in front of an imposed altar of white stock and carnations with greenery. Thirty-one guests were present.

The bride wore a light blue silk and cotton dress with fitted torso and full skirt, high neckline with collar outlined in white lace and three-quarter length sleeves. Her corsage was of white orchids.

Serving as matron of honor was her sister, Mrs. Carlton Hurley, who was attired in a beige two-piece fitted suit and brown accessories. Her corsage was of white carnations.

Following the wedding a reception was held in the Davidson home. The dining table was covered with white lace over blue, with white carnations used as a centerpiece. Blue candles were used in the table decorations, and the wedding cake was attractive with double bell ornaments.

Miss Betty Bishop of Paint Rock presided at the punch bowl. Mrs. Lynn Davidson, sister-in-law of the bride, served the wedding cake.

The young couple spent their honeymoon in South Texas and are now at home in Tuscola.

The bride graduated from Robert Lee high school and San Angelo College and received her degree from Hardin-Simmons Uni-

versity in Abilene. She is teaching commercial subjects in South Taylor high school at Tuscola.

The bridegroom, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Box of Tuscola, is a graduate of South Taylor high school and obtained his degree at Howard Payne in Brownwood. He is now athletic coach at South Taylor.

Self-employed farmers and ranchers can become eligible for insurance benefits under the social security law by mid 1956 if they

have earned as much as \$400 from farming in both calendar years 1955 and 1956 and have paid social security tax.

CARD OF THANKS

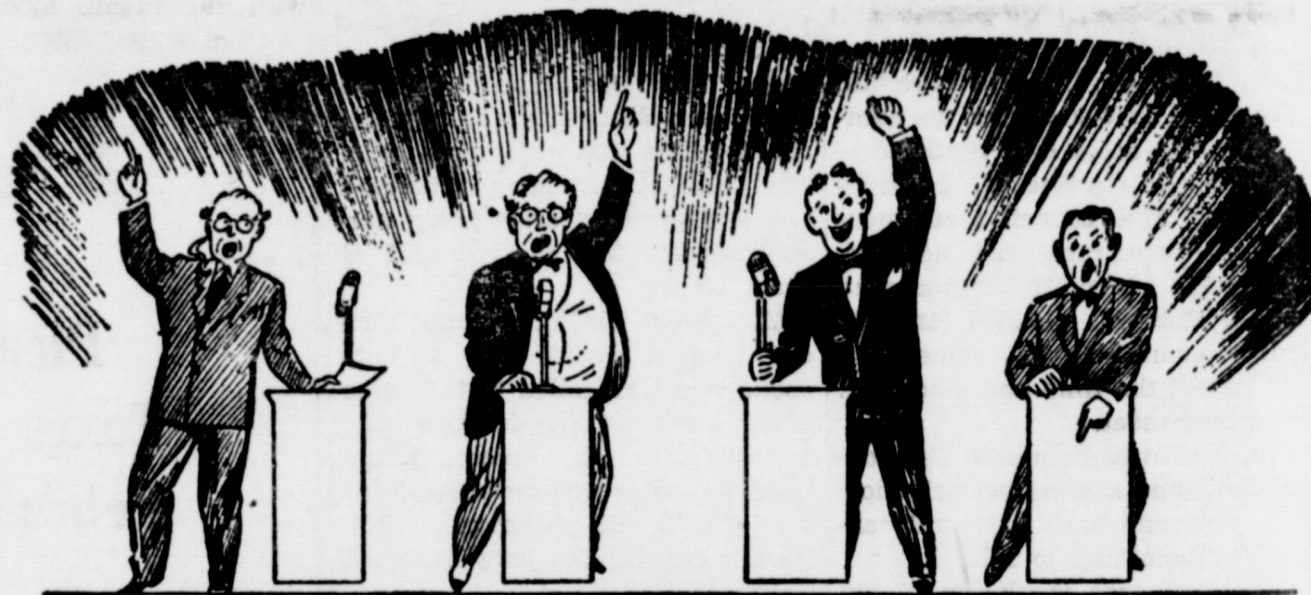
Our heartfelt thanks to all who extended comforting sympathy and help in our recent sorrow. For the beautiful service, floral tributes and other kindnesses we are deeply grateful. We especially wish to thank the doctor and staff at Coke County Memorial Hospital. — Mrs. Joe Dodson and Family.

School Tax Notice

School Taxes will be delinquent after Jan. 31. You can avoid paying a penalty by taking care of your School Taxes by that date.

H. S. Lewis

Tax Assessor and Collector
Robert Lee Ind. School District



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SERVICE INSTALLATIONS

BCD To Hear Soils Expert

O. F. Armstrong, fieldman for the Texas Soil Conservatoion Board, Abilene, will be guest speaker at the night meeting of the Board of Community Development, Thursday night, January 26. He has had wide experience with problems facing farmers and ranchers. Having been raised on a farm, educated in an agricultural college taught school three years, and agricultural representative for the 2nd National Bank.

Armstrong is a very forceful speaker, having lots of information and is capable of presenting it in such a very interesting and motivating manner.

Several will remember the talk he gave at the range tour at E. W. Burns place last year.

When Texas Rangers rounded up all he bad men in Junction City in 1877, there were not enough men left in Kimble County to make a jury to try them.

The mess hall at Texas A & M College is the largest permanent mess hall in the world.

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Observer is authorized to announce the following candidacies, subject to the Democratic Primary Election July 28, 1956:

For County and District Clerk
J. L. (CHILLY) TINKLER

For Sheriff and Tax Assessor
PAUL GOOD

For Commissioner, Precinct 1
J. W. SERVICE

For Commissioner, Precinct 3
ED HICKMAN

PERSONALS

Mrs. C. D. Stewart is showing much improvement at Coke Memorial Hospital where she has been a patient the past ten days. She is past 90 years of age.

Don Bell, who is stationed at Lowry AFB at Denver, Colo., enjoyed a 10 days' leave with his wife and other kinfolks here recently. He had to return to his station before the birth of his daughter early Sunday.

F. J. Byrd remains in a critical condition at Coke County Memorial Hospital. His wife is a primary teacher in the Robert Lee schools.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gifford and their nephew, Kenneth Winchell, of Pawnee City, Nebr., and Miss Florence Kirkpatrick of Kansas City, Mo., arrived Friday for a few days' visit in the home of Editor and Mrs. A. J. Kirkpatrick. The ladies are sisters of Mr. Kirkpatrick. Mr. Winchell is a former Major in the Marines. The visitors left Monday for San Antonio and the Mexican border and will visit on the Gulf before returning home the end of the week. Tommy Kirkpatrick came from North Texas State at Denton to join the family gathering over the weekend.

James Robertson has gone to Odessa to work with the seismograph division of Cities Service Oil Co. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. B. Robertson and had been employed at Bagwell's service station.

A. B. Sheppard recently spent a few days in the Sterling County Hospital where he was successfully treated for a bronchial condition.

MOONBEAM 4-H CLUB

Mrs. Roe met with the Moonbeams Monday afternoon at 3:00 p. m. She spoke about the county 4-H food demonstration that will be in April. There were 10 members present. All girls who wish to be a member are urged to meet with them Wednesday, January 25 — Gayle Lewis, Reporter.

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Visitors welcome.

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HOUSE FOR RENT — Two bedroom modern home near school, new butane water heater. Phone the owner 95574 San Angelo or see Genie Baker.

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SEWING MACHINES — All makes, repaired, bought and sold. Lowest prices on new machines. Bring us your repair work. H. T. DOWD, 1215 N. Chadbourne, San Angelo. 17tf

FOR RENT — One 2-room apartment, one 3-room apartment and a 4-room house. Mrs. J. K. Griffith.

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.

HOME FOR SALE — Nice, 5-room modern home, well located in Robert Lee, 4 blocks from post office, 100 ft. front x 150 ft. depth, includes butane tank, water heater, venetian blinds, floor coverings, garage. Goes at a bargain price if taken soon. If interested, see Cumbie Ivey. 33tf

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FOR RENT — Modern home, furnished. Inquire of Mrs. Jack Cowley, phone 107. 35w2c

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GUM 10c

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Water Ass'n Held Meeting In Robert Lee

Fort Concho Sanitary Association, district water and sewerage works group, held its regular monthly meeting at Henry's Cafe January 12, at 7:30 p. m. Thirty-two were present.

The program was presided over by President L. B. Burk of Eldorado, and among other things consisted of a round table discussion of the men in the water or sewerage works field.

It was announced that a short school would be held in San Angelo beginning February 13th. These schools are sponsored by A and M College and give 20 hours credit toward obtaining a water-works license.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Sam Jay plan to attend the school which will be held at night. However, both hold a 'B' Operators Certificate.

Wojtek, King Named For Hospital Board

Two new members of the County Board of Hospital Trustees are Victor Wojtek and Dave King. The former was named to succeed H. C. Allen, while Mr. King replaces Raymond Schooler.

Neither Allen nor Schooler would accept re-appointment. Bryan Gartman has consented to serve another term, but John Coalson has requested that he be relieved. His successor has not been named.

Hospital trustees are appointed by the Commissioners Court. By agreement Precincts 3 and 4 have one man on the board, while two are appointed from Precinct 2 and three from Precinct 1. Other hospital trustees are H. L. Bloodworth of Silver, Emmett Caperton of

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Mrs. Sam Jay
Tax Assessor and Collector
City of Robert Lee, Texas

Bronte and Bert Blaylock of Robert Lee. The latter represents Precinct 4.

The hospital board holds its regular meeting on the first Tuesday of each month.

Incomplete vaccination programs have reportedly resulted in severe drops in some laying flocks in the stae. L-214, "A Suggested Vaccination Program for Chicks" is available at your local county agent's office.

Farmers Social Security Due Apr.

COLLEGE STATION, Jan. — Self-employed farmers and ranchers can become eligible for insurance benefits under the social security law by mid 1956 if they have earned as much as \$400 from farming in both calendar years 19-55 and 1956. A. B. Wooten, extension economist, reminds Texas farm operators.

Along with this goes the responsibility to report earnings from farm and pay the 3 percent social security tax not later than April 15, 1956. The Social Security Administration has suggested that payments be made as early as possible after January 1.

The form for making a report and remitting the required tax for social security insurance (Schedule S) comes with the Federal Income Tax Return, Form 1040. If your net earnings from farming were as much as \$400 in 1955, you are obliged to fill out and file this return and pay the social security tax, according to Wooten, even if you do not owe any Federal income tax for 1955.

Older farmers — those 65 and over — can retire after mid 1956 and start getting monthly old-age insurance payments if they have met the earnings requirements and paid their tax. Other farmers, regardless of age, will acquire family protection in the form of monthly payments to surviving dependents in the event of their death, provided they meet the same requirements.

In either case, the payment of the social security tax must accompany your income tax declaration or return. This responsibility is required by law.

Further information on social security taxes may be obtained at your nearest Internal Revenue Service office or from the local county agent. Information about benefits can be obtained from your social security district office. If you do not know where these offices are, your postmaster will tell you, says Wooten.

MARION SPARKS MARRIED

Marion L. Sparks of Robert Lee and Miss Martha Trantham of Sweetwater were married Oct. 29, at the Baptist Church in Sweetwater. They are making their home at 406 E. 19th St., San Angelo. The son of Mr. and Mrs. Luther Sparks, Marion served a four-year Navy enlistment and has been employed with a seismograph crew.

Extension Range Specialists estimate that Texas ranchmen added almost \$3 million to their income last year from changes made in management plans as a result of range improvement demonstrations

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SILVER NEWS

John A. Voelkel's father has returned to his home in New Orleans after a visit of two weeks here. The Voelkel family visited at New Orleans during the holidays and John's father returned home with them.

Silver Women's Home Demonstration Club meets next Wednesday, Jan. 25, in Sun recreation hall.

Mrs. Melvin Haigood and Debbie continued Monday to their home in Freer after a brief visit in the C. M. Haigood home. They were returning from Amarillo where they visited relatives.

Melvin Haigood of Alice was a visitor over the weekend in the parental home of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Haigood. Both the younger Haigood men and their father are Sun Oil Co. employees.

Lee Weigel and family recently spent a few days in San Antonio with his mother, Mrs. C. A. Joyce, and with his grandparents at Luling.

James Bradham, chemist at Jameson gasoline plant, has been a medical patient the past week in the Colorado City hospital.

H. G. White, gas plant operator 2nd class, underwent surgery last week.

O. L. White and family visited over the weekend with his parents at Grandfalls.

Joe Ezell is being transferred to Sun production office here Jan. 23 as a field clerk. He will replace Don Yarbrow, who resigned.

Silver junior high basketball teams play in Bronte Thursday night of this week. At Christoval last Friday Silver girls won their game, but our boys were defeated.

At a school board meeting Thursday night, it was decided to draw plans for the new lighted football field and ask for bids in the near future. Paul Ashby was given a new 2-year contract as school superintendent at an increased salary, effective July 1.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Jameson are retiring from their farm, between Silver and Colorado City, and will make their home in Colorado City.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Arnold are back home and much improved. Mrs. Arnold was a medical patient at Robert Lee, while Charlie was treated at Shannon.

DEATH OF J. L. LEGG

J. L. Legg died Saturday in a Kermit hospital where he had been a patient for some time. He underwent an operation for a chest cancer last year, but it was impossible to halt the disease. Funeral services were held Sunday and the body was taken to Navasota for burial.

Jimmy was one of Sun's first production foreman in this area and was active in developing the Jameson field. He was transferred to Kermit three years ago. He and his family have many Silver friends who extend sympathy to Mrs. Legg and their children, Jimmie Lou and Larry.

SILVER HD CLUB

The Silver Home Demonstration club held its regular meeting at Sun Recreation Hall on Jan. 11, with the president, Mrs. J. Jameson, in charge. Mrs. Jim Herford gave the opening exercise and a business session was held.

Mrs. Roe, county HD agent, gave a very interesting demonstration on "Meat Cookery."

Twelve members, two visitors and two children were present. Refreshments were served by the president.

Farmers last year used 16 billion gallons of crude oil, more than any other industry. They spent \$300 million for pesticides and a billion dollars for fertilizer and lime. In recent years they have bought 4 million tractors and almost 700,000 corn pickers.

Coke Men Attend Soil Convention

Coke County Soil Conservation District is well represented at the 15th annual convention of the Association of Texas Soil Conservation District Supervisors meeting in Lubbock this week. The local delegation is headed by C. N. Webb, director from Area II which comprises the 51 counties of Southwest Texas. Others attending include Rober Walker of Sanco, D. K. Glenn of Bronte and Bryan Yarbrough and A. V. Sheppard of Robert Lee.

Conservation strategy for 1956, speedup of upstream flood prevention work and water legislation for Texas will be the big topics of discussion at the convention.

Dr. C. H. Wadleigh, Chief of USDA's Soil-Water Conservation Research Branch, the main speaker, is expected to discuss research for better control of wind erosion and better use of water in crop production.

L. L. Malis, Cheyenne, Oklahoma, will tell about the first completed upstream flood prevention

project in the United States — the system of small dams and land treatment measures on Sandstone Creek Watershed in western Oklahoma.

Bill Durham, Fort Worth Star-Telegram Farm editor and a recent appointee to USDA's new Soil and Water Conservation Advisory Committee, will report on the Committee's activities.

This year's Soil and Water Show, a feature of the convention, will present one of the largest displays of irrigation, land-leveling, earthmoving, brush-control, and other conservation equipment for farms and ranches ever assembled in Texas.

Rev. Campbell Died Recently At Kerrville

Rev. John C. Campbell, 67, former Robert Lee Methodist minister, died Christmas Day at Sid Peterson Memorial Hospital in Kerrville after a short illness.

Graveside Masonic Lodge rites were held the following day at Center Point cemetery.

He was a native of Salem, Mo., and a West Texas Methodist

preacher for many years. He left Robert Lee in 1947 and went to Medina.

Because of failing health he retired from active ministry a few years ago and lived near Mountain Home and had preached at the Mountain Home church the past three years. The only immediate survivor is the wife, Mrs. Nora

Lee Campbell of Mountain home. Mrs. Bryan Yarbrough and others here have kept in touch with the Campbells, who had many Robert Lee friends. They extend sympathy to Mrs. Campbell, who has been experiencing failing eyesight.

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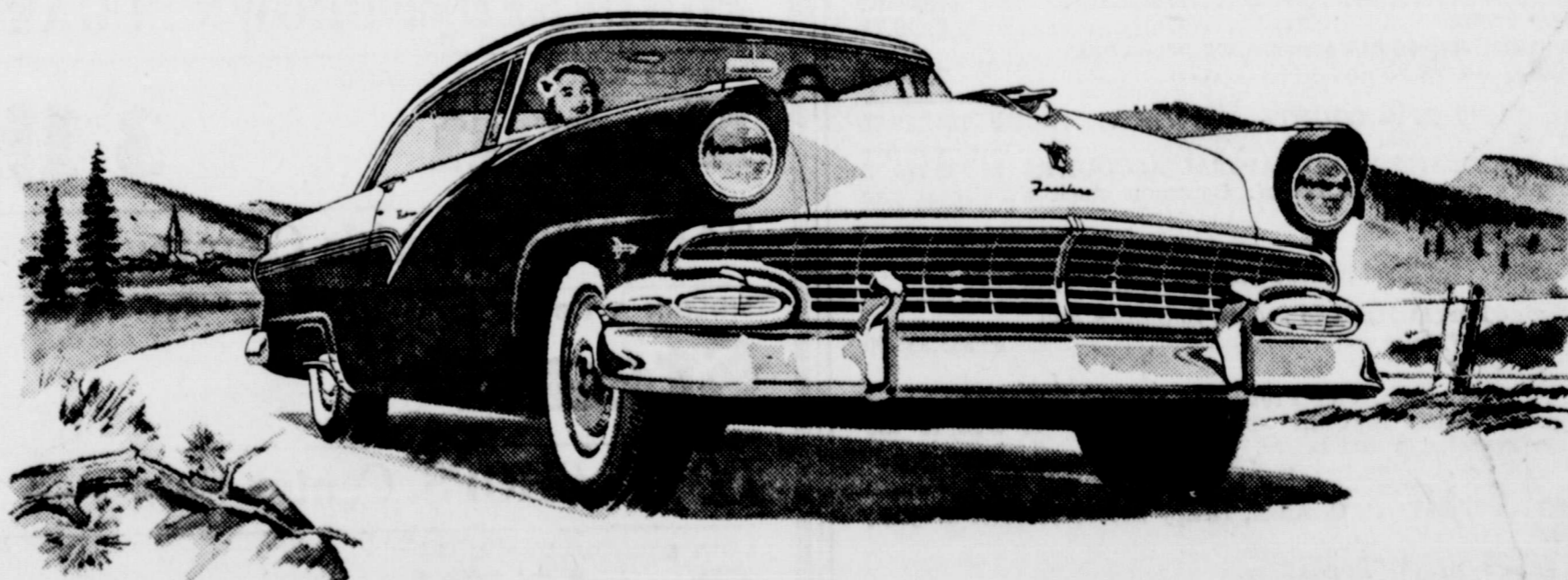
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Notes From The Oil Field

HAVINS WELL FLOWING OIL

This locality has been assured of a new flowing lime discovery.

The discovery, Miami Operating Co. of Abilene No. 1-A Pat Havins, six miles south of Robert Lee, flowed 237 barrels of oil in 23 hours.

Flow was through a 23-64-inch choke and perforations between 6,148-58 feet which had been acidized with 3,000 gallons. Tubing pressure was 1,320 pounds; casing pressure, 1,200 pounds.

Earlier the project flowed oil at the hourly rate of two to three barrels through a 16-64-inch choke and perforations between 6,208-12 feet.

The discovery was drilled on a farmout secured from Tennessee Gas Transmission Co. by Jones & Lyons of San Angelo, which turned it to Miami to drill. Jones & Lyons have retained an undisclosed interest.

Storage tanks have been erected and an official 24-hour test is expected to be run this week.

Coronet 1 Thompson, southwest of Edith, drilling Wednesday at 2,615 feet in shale and sand.

Humble No. 3 Weaver, 16,660 feet in lime.

Norsworthy No. 1 L. E. Simth,

west and south of Edith, drilling ahead after getting salt water in a drillstem test of the Strawn over the weekend. It will explore the Ellenburger.

PERSONALS

The many Robert Lee friends of E. W. Smith will be interested to learn that he is making an extended stay in the home of his son, Bert, in Santa Ana, Calif. He went home with the son after Mrs. Smith's death a few weeks ago.

Cleve Casey has been improving some the past week and was able to return to his home for two days early this week. He returned to the hospital Tuesday night.



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REPORT OF CONDITION OF

ROBERT LEE STATE BANK

of Robert Lee, Texas, at the close of business December 31, 1955, a State banking institution organized and operating under the banking laws of this State and a member of the Federal Reserve System. Published in accordance with a call made by the State Banking Authorities and by the Federal Reserve Bank of this District.

ASSETS

Cash, balances with other banks, including reserve balance, and cash items in process of collection .. \$ 720,097.48
United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed 492,807.00
Obligations of State and political subdivisions 131,957.38
Corporate stocks (including \$2,550.00 stock of Federal Reserve Bank) 2,550.00
Loans and discounts (including \$1,392.99 overdrafts) .. 443,299.63
Bank premises owned \$1.00, furniture and fixtures \$1,642.56 1,643.56
Other assets 419.50
TOTAL ASSETS \$1,792,774.55

LIABILITIES

Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships and corporations \$1,169,708.89
Deposits of United States Government (including postal savings) 20,114.23
Deposits of States and political subdivisions 471,330.47
Deposits of banks 24,727.43
Other deposits (certified and officers' checks, etc.) 2,773.82
TOTAL DEPOSITS \$1,688,654.84
TOTAL LIABILITIES \$1,688,654.84

CAPITAL ACCOUNTS

Capital* \$ 35,000.00
Surplus 60,000.00
Undivided profits 6,619.71
Reserves (and retirement account for preferred capital) 2,500.00
TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTS \$ 104,119.71
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS \$1,792,774.55

* This bank's capital consists of: Common stock with total par value of \$35,000.00.

MEMORANDA

Assets pledged or assigned to secure liabilities and for other purposes \$ 333,325.00

I, T. A. Richardson, Vice Pres. & Cashier of the above-named bank, hereby certify that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

T. A. Richardson

CORRECT-ATTEST: G. C. Allen, Henry Briscoe, Victor Wojtek, Directors.

State of Texas, County of Coke ss:
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 10th day of January, 1956.
Wm. H. Allen, Notary Public

4-H Club Boys Exhibit Steers At Odessa Show

By Jack B. Waide

Dee Arrott, Kenneth Wink and Jimmy Arnold exhibited steers at the Sand Hills Hereford and Quarterhorse Show early in January. Arrott placed 34th in the heavy-weight class, Wink 19th in the middle weight and Arnold placed 21st in the same class. Wink also exhibited the 22nd place steer in the lightweight class.

The three highest placing steers were sold. We hated to sell the steers before the Coke County show but it seemed the best interests of the boys demanded that we sell their animals. They were a nice group in some of the toughest competition in the world.

The Champion Hereford Steer at Chicago placed 3rd at Odessa and the 15th place steer at Chicago placed 17th at Odessa. This gives some indication of the type of work our boys have done.



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