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THEY GREETED PRESIDENT-Selected to meet President Eisenhower on his recent drouth inspection trip to San Angelo were four outstanding representatives of 4-H and FFA groups in this area. Shown with the President just after he returned from a tour into the country are (left to right) Wayne Estes, Blackwell Future Farmer; Joyce Lynell Dodd, Eldorado Future Homemaker; Mary Beth Schooler, outstanding Robert Lee 4-H club member; and Wayne Sharp, Knickerbocker Photo by U. S. Air Force, Goodfellow Air Force Base 4-H club youth.

## A. B. Sheppard **Opens His New** Service Station

week. It is located on the highway Y in the northeast part of town, and is accessible to traffic

The site was purchased from heirs of the late R. C. Roberts and the former Roberts home was moved off.

are two sets of pumps to serve the motoring public. Everything connected with the station is brand Pierce are now occupying their

Mr. Sheppard has signed a contract to handle Sinclair gasoline and lubricants, and will be supplied by the Ballinger distributor.

Joe Ross is a fulltime employee, and Leon Kincaid will work part time and help supervise the busi-

A grand formal opening day is planned for some time in Febru-

E. O. Higgins returned this week to his work at the Gulf Station following a few weeks of illness. He spent some time in Coke Memorial Hospital and is much improved from a back ailment.

Mrs. Travis McNair spent a

### HAVE NEW HOME

Mr. and Mrs. B. B. (Buster) new modern home in the north part of town, just south of Mrs. Ben Tubb's residence. The struc-Mrs. Pierce is on the nursing staff replaced. at Coke Memorial Hospital.

## **Boys and Girls Junior High Meet at Silver**

Boys and girls teams from seven schools will take part in the Junior High basket ball tournament at Silver next week.

The tourney opens at 7 Thursday night, Jan. 31, when Sterling City meets Silver in a double header.

Other first round contests are scheduled for Friday starting at 6 p.m. when Eola meets Millersview in a girls game, followed by a boys game with teams from the same schools.

Robert Lee girls play Westbrook at 8 p.m. and the boys game folcept by a few. But as time runs lows at 9 o'clock. Paint Rock drew a first round bye.

Second round games will be held Saturday morning, and consolation semi-finals Saturday afternoon. Four contests will take place Saturday night starting at 6 o'clock. They will include both boys and girls consolation and championship finals.

Supt. Paul Ashby and Prin. Coach Guy Wheeler will be in charge of the tournament.

Jerome Sheppard has accepted a position as a mechanic in the Baker & Taylor shop at Spearman, where his brother, Bert, is foreman. Jerome left this week written in detail; but that pleasure to begin his new position and his is not for me. I cannot think of family will move to Spearman as soon as living quarters are secured. Jerome was formerly emly, noble and kind mother without ployed by Baker & Taylor on a drilling rig.

## Coffee Day, Mother's March Set To Boost Funds to Finish Polio Fight

### BCD LUNCHEON

A group of 20 were present at the Board of Community Development weekly luncheon meeting Wednesday noon at Varnadore Cafe. The president, Rev. Travis McNair, presided. Reports on finishing the new county park and swimming pool were given by Mayor Cumbie Ivey, Jr. and Commisioner Fern Havins. An interesting address on proposed water conservation was given by O. F. Armstrong, field representative of the State Board of Soil Conservation. He spoke to Bronte high school students in the forenoon and to Robert Lee pupils Wednesday afternoon. Guests included Weldon Patterson of Sweetwater, newly appointed Nolan county auditor, who was here to get some pointers from County Auditor Weldon Fikes. Also Tom Wiginton, Raymond Schooler and C. E. Arrott, members of the County ASC.

### Chevrolet **House Makes** Fire Repairs

Vaughan Chevrolet Co. is doing business in a normal manner this week, having completed extensive repairs and re-decorating since its costly fire of three weeks ago.

Fact is the place is more attractive than it was previously. ture has dimensions of 24 x 38 Capps & Casey were in charge feet with two bedrooms, kitchen, of the extensive repairs which dining and living room and bath. were made. In the shop departing operations southeast of town, and all the burned material was

A new office finished in knotty pine, and an adjoining bookkeeppearance of the front end. Bins 9. for the huge line of parts are ye to be rebuilt, Mr. Vaughan said yesterday.

Bruce Allen, who has been working with his brother in a food store at Waxahachie, was home for a weekend visit with his family here.

The March of Dimes, designed this year to "finish the fight against polio," is gathering momentum in Coke County.

Lewis Heuvel, chairman of the Robert Lee and Precinct 3 area. says he has received more than \$200 from local business firms. Only \$20 was realized from the benefit basket ball game last week. The crowd was small and half the receipts were required to pay the officials.

### FREE COFFEE DAY

Mr. Heuvel states that Friday, Jan. 25, will be MOD Coffee Day at Varnadore Cafe. All receipts from the cale of coffee will be donated to the polio fund.

A similar day has been set for Friday of next week at Froggy's. MOTHERS MARCH JAN. 31

A far greater response than in previous years is expected to the Mothers March set for Thursday night, Jan. 31. Starting at 7 p.m. the entire community will be canvassed by women taking up March of Dimes contributions.

Family record cards will also be distributed at that time so that each family can keep a record of the dates when the parents and their children receive their first, second and third polio vaccine

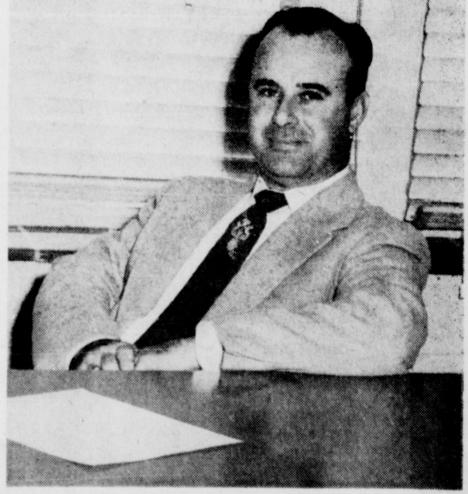
Mr. Heuvel is asking all those planning to help with the Mothers March to meet with him for donuts and coffee next Tuesday at 10 a.m. at the Varnadore Cafe.

### SILVER CHAIRMAN

C. E. Butcher has been named chairman of the March of Dimes Mr. Pierce will continue his farm- ment the ceiling was sealed off campaign at Silver, instead of Supt. Paul Ashby.

Earl Barnard is chairman of the annual MOD Dance at Silver, the date for this big event having ing department, add to the ap- been set for Saturday night, Feb.

> Mrs. W. E. Milam is now employed as bookeeper in the Hoyt-Tyndall men's clothing store in San Angelo. She recently completed a course in a San Angelo business college. Mrs. Milam, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Farris, has moved to San Angelo.



RE-ELECTED AT SILVER-Supt. Paul Ashby has been re-elected school superintendent at Silver with a salary increase, and his contract was extended to make it three years. He became head of the Silver school system two years ago.

## A. B. Sheppard's new service stationed opened for business this

from all directions.

The new station represents an

investment of nearly \$15,000 and is highly attractive and modern in design. It was constructed by Capps & Casey, Robert Lee con-

Space is provided for washing few days this week with her parand greasing services, and there ents at Marble Falls.

## A Tribute to a Grand Pioneer Lady

When we buried Mrs. C. D., Stewart on January 19, we closed a chapter in the history of the old west which may well be read by Texans for all time to come.

She lived through and was a part of the transition from frontier life to modern civilization - 1884 to 1957.

Those were rugged days that tried men's souls. People lived out lives of great renown that will command the respect and admira-

tion of generations to follow. Yet among this worthy group, Mrs. Stewart stands out - a great among the greats. She began the 20th century alone with eight children, a small farm, a rock house and a firm belief in

I first remember her then. I knew her through the years. I watched her and took courage from her way of life.

She set a table of good food. She kept her children neat and sent them to school. Hers was a model home; her family was honorable and respected. She never faltered. She never asked for nor received a handout.

We buried her at Edith. She was 91, deaf and blind. A host of children and descendants stood by. They were a fine lot of Americans. It was as she wanted it to

Her demise may escape notice, and not long be remembered exon there will be few with courage which adversity can not beat down. This she had.

There will be few who rise to the responsibilities of both mother and father. This she did.

There will be few who give their very all. She fully gave.

There will be none who do more with what she had. She did her

Surely the "Great Scorer" will write in the Book just after her name, "Mother, worthy of the love of God."

The story of her life with its countless manifestations of courage, love and grace should be her objectively.

To me she was faultless; a lovea peer. - Frank C. Dickey.

Sun. afternoon.

you girls have fun.

Easterner's

Dictionary

uring one's front yard.

pay for but never see.

cation.

sister) went mountain climbing

Joy Dell and Nettie Bob went

to San Angelo Sun. afternoon! Did

By FRANCES WYLIE

Acre - Western term for meas-

Altar - the end of many a va-

Atmosphere - Something you

Behind - School grammars

classify the word as both preposi-

tion and adverb. However it be-

comes a very conscious noun of

parts after your first horse-back

Brand — A horse's monagram.

Chaps — (pronounced 'shhops')

### WESTERN WEEK

All you cowboys and cowgirls get out your western clothes!! The seniors are sponsoring a Western Week in Junior High and High School. It will start January 29 and go through Feb. 2. Posters are up in the school hall now with all the regulations and rules. Each student must wear at To the West least three articles of western clothes or they will be fined. A jail will be held for those who break laws. A dance will be held at the end of Western Week.

### JUS' TALK

By DORIS SPARKS

WONDERING??

What Peggy Snyder is mad about?? Isn't Wayne being true? If Kenny was love-sick or just sick Sunday night??

If Carolyn and Eddie Roy enjoyed the show?? Was it a Western Show??

What was ailing Wayne 1st period Monday??

Where Jack spent the weekend? Don't you know better, Jack?

Where Tom was Sat. night? Was Gay lonesome??

Why Robbie Don wasn't with Carolyn Sat. nite?? You shouldn't have done it, Robbie.

If Marta and Dale, Kenny and Troy, Francis and Mike are going steady??

Why Marta and Dale didn't go to church Sun. nite? Was it to see Elwood Pretzel??

What the pole boys saw when Troy and Kenny were standing at the door of Froggy's??

What happened between Freddy and Martha?? Say boys, we hear that Martha is free for dates.

What Melvin Duncan wanted when he came up to Sandra Roe's house the other night?? Shame Duncan??

Friday night dates were: Dwight and Carolyn Lee; Sharon and Alex and Joyce and Skeeter.

Saturday night dates were: Dwight and Carolyn Lee; Sharon and Alex; Joyce and Skeeter; Carol and Fred; Carolyn and Delton; Nancy and Sammie.

Sarge called Cynthia Saturday night, but she was gone. Where were you, Cynthia??

Carolyn Lee and Dwight began going steady Saturday night. Seven of the senior girls are going steady or engaged now.

Wondering:

Why Ken Love was so disappointed Friday night?

Why Carolyn won't go steady

with Delton? Why Cynthia is so worried about

Sarge's phone call. W. H. and Jo Ann, Pot and Peggy, Patricia and Don, and Linda and Sam Ed watched T. V. until 4 o'clock Sun. morning. Did

you get sleepy?? It is heard that Mike likes strawberry soda pop. How about this, Mike??

Sherman came in this week-end to see Judy. What did Judy's dad do that made her so happy??

Fredrick and Carol, Delton and Carolyn went to see "Davy Crockett" Sat. nite. There wasn't too large of a crowd.

Wade is another senior boy that isn't wearing his ring. Betty Ruth

Sandra and Dennie Ray attended a dance at Bronte. Sandra, what's this talk about you being jealous of girls that dance with Dennie??

Frankle had a flat at "Green Acres", Friday night! What were you doing there and who were you

with, Frankie?? Troy and Kenny, Mike and Francis, W. H. and Jo Ann, Charles Calder and Frankie (Jo Ann's

western resorts. A tenderfoot.

Flirtation - A summer pastime. Free - Nothing but advise and matches.

Horn - (Saddle horn) - Dash board on a saddle.

Horse - An animal that can easily spoil your vacation.

Kiss - A non-profit transaction between two people that started during the Stone Age and has been meeting with a swell success ever

Moonlight - Stuff that makes you lose your head.

Postscript - "Please send me another Hundred."

Rain - Very unusual!

Society - Divided into three classes: High, Low and Secret. Stationery - Hotel letter paper for children to draw pictures on.

Vacuum - Your rival's head. You-Alls - Southerners condensed for Rocky Mountaineers.

### SCHOOL CALENDAR

January 21 - Senior play practice starts.

January 22 — Basketball games with Wall, here.

January 24 - Girl's basketball tournament at Garden City.

January 28-Feb. 2 — Western -Leather or hair britches worn Week.

Dude - Name given visitors to If you don't get The Observer, you don't get the news

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# 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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LOOK again!

# IT'S THE NEW FORD



HAULS LIKE A TRUCK! No need to hold back on load. Pile it on-the Ranchero packs a greater payload than many standard pickups! Power aplenty, too-Short Stroke 144-hp Six or either of two Short Stroke V-8's, up to 212 hp. Fordomatic or Overdrive at extra cost.



HANDLES LIKE A CAR! Ball-joint front suspension—first time on any pickup—gives true passenger-car ride. Cab interior is exactly like that of the '57 Ford Ranch Wagon. Power steering, power brakes, power seat and power windows available at extra cost.

Looking at the boldly modern styling of the new Ford Ranchero, you may find it hard to believe that it's actually a man-sized truck. But, you'll find there's a lot of heft behind the glamour.

It carries more than half a ton. That's more capacity than many standard pickup trucks offer you. Loading height is less than any pickup, No matter how you look at it, the new Ford Ranchero is a real workhorse.

And it's a show pony, too! The Ranchero looks, rides and handles like a passenger car. Its low, crisp lines have a wonderful way of saying how progressive you and your company are.

The new Ford Ranchero is surprising in many ways. Never has so much style and luxury been packed into so rugged a vehicle at such a low price.

See'em Soon!

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IVEY MOTOR COMPANY

By JUDY ALLEN

There is a correction to be made that appeared in last weeks news. Marsha Dodson is in Mrs. Byrd's

Most of the students in the sixth grade were exempt from midterm tests. They had fun watching movies and making posters. The posters were designed for safety, English, Music, and modernistic drawing.

The fifth grade posters were valentines. They have seen several movies. Robert Holland moved last weekend to San Antonio. They are decorating the room for the coming semester.

The third graders are making a complete study of Eskimos. They are also having a display on the bulletin board.

Mrs. Eastland's second graders are proud of the great percentage that have learned the word that they have been studying.

Mrs. Byrd's second grade is studying Eskimos and have a bulletin displayed.

ed their bulletin board with win- Tuesday, Jan. 15, at the communitry scenes, which they have called ty center. Mrs. R. L. Page, presi-Winter Fun. They are making a dent, called the meeting to order. booklet to go along with their Mrs. Glenn Waldrop read a poem study of Eskimos. They have a table display of an Alaskan scene.

Presley. Bookkeeping seems to be her hardest subject. For entertainment, she enjoys bowling although she doesn't go very often. As a pastime, she writes letters. Her pet peeve are "people who know it all and stuck ups." "La-Te-Da" is her slang expression.

The boy this week is also an upper classman. He stands 5'11' in height and weighs 142 pounds. He has black hair and hazel eyes. Among colors, he chose "blue" as his favorite and basketball as his favorite sport. Fried chicken seems to be his favorite food and "Singing the Blues" is his choice song. He tells me that Algebra is his hardest subject. For entertainment, he enjoys "playing military gold" and his pastime consists of "listening to songs." His pet peeves are "girls" and "Oh, my gosh" is his slang expres-

The boy and girl last week were Jerry Dale Sparks and Don Weathers.

GREEN MT. HD CLUB

The first graders have decorat- met in its regular meeting on Plumlee for her loving care and "O' Mule" for the opening exercise. Council report was given ou don't get the news!

Arthur was elected as a delegate and Mrs. Waldrop an alternate delegate to the THDA meeting. Mrs. McArthur was appointed civil defense chairman and Mrs. Waldrop, reporter and finance chairman of the club. Mrs. Waldrop gave a report on the semi-tailoring meeting for the program. Roll call was answered with a Bible verse by three members and one

Mrs. Page was hostess. Meeting adjourned on time - Mrs. Glenn Waldrop, Reporter.

CARD OF THANKS

Since it is impossible for us to see each one in person, we take this means of expressing our appreciation and thanks to the many friends of Mother Stewart for the many acts of kindness bestowed upon her and for the sympathy extended to us. To the ladies who so generously contributed food and served the dinner, we thank you. To the hospital staff and Dr. McDaniel for their care and per-The Green Mountain WHD Club sonal consideration, and to Vela kindness, our heartfelt appreciation and thanks. - The Stewart Family.

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singers are Pat Boone and Elvis by Mrs. Waldrop. Mrs. E. C. Mc- | The Observer, Robert Lee, Texas

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PATRONIZE OUR ADVERTISERS

# City Tax Notice

Property owners are advised that City Taxes will be delinquent the end of January. The law provides that a penalty shall be added to taxes which are allowed to become delinquent.

# Mrs. Sam Jay

Tax Assessor and Collector City of Robert Lee, Texas

### Who Is It??

By Nettie Bob Bell

The girl this week is an upper classman. She stands 5'5" in height and tips the scales at 125 pounds. She has light brown hair and green eyes. Among colors, she chose "black" as her favorite. Her favorite food is different anyway - cottage cheese and pineapple. Basketball is her choice sport. "Moonlight Gambler" is her favorite song and her favorite

### NOTICE OF BIDS FOR COUNTY DEPOSITORY

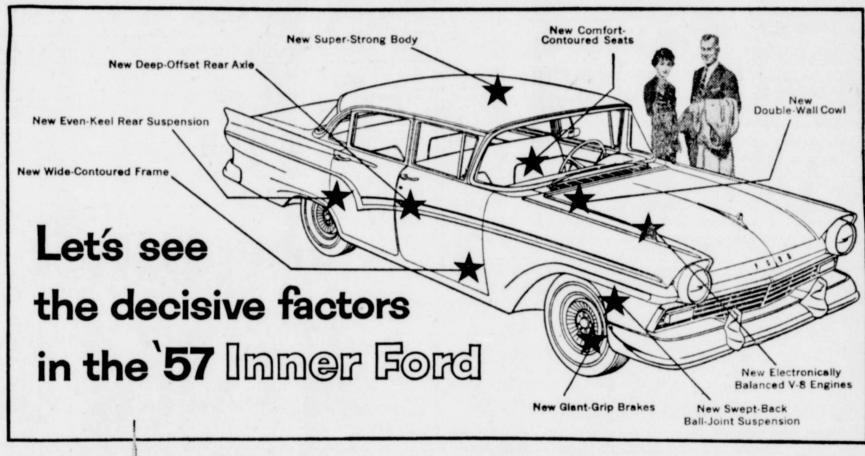
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the County Judge of Coke County, Texas, for Depository of said Coke County and Coke County Common School District Funds for the next two (2) years in accordance with Article 2544 (2440) Revised Civil Statutes, 1925, of Texas at the February Term, beginning on the 11th day of February, A. D. 1957. Said Court will receive proposals from any banking corporation, association or individual banker in said County that may desire to be selected as the Depository of said County.

Any Banking Corporation, Association or individual banker in said County, desiring to bid, shall deliver to the County Judge on or before the first day of the Commissioners' Court at which the selection of the Depository is to be made, a sealed proposal, stating the rate of interest that said banking corporation, association, or individual banker offer to pay on the funds of the County for the term between the dates of such bids and the next regular term for the selection of a depository.

Said bids shall be accompanied by a certified check for not less than one-half of one per cent of the County's revenues of the preceding year as a guarantee of good faith on the part of the bidder, and that if his bid should be accepted he will enter into bond as herein provided, and upon failure of said banking corporation, association or individual banker that may be selected as such Depository to give the bonds required by law, the amount of such certified check shall go to the County as liquidated damages and the County Judge shall re-advertise for bids, said Court reserving the right to reject any and all bids proposed.

GIVEN under my hand and seal of office this 23rd day of January, A. D. 1957.

Jeff Dean, County Judge Coke County, Texas (Seal)





This Custom 300 Fordor Sedan has the Mark of Tomorrow at the low Ford price

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Funeral services for Mrs. C. D. Stewart, 91, were held at the Robert Lee Methodist Church Saturday at 2:30 p. m., with the Rev. Travis McNair officiating.

Burial was in Paint Creek cemetery at Edith under direction of Clift Funeral Home. Grandsons serving as pallbearers included J. T. and J. B. Duncan and Anderson, Donald, Harvey and Eddie Tom Stewart.

Mrs. Stewart died at 5:30 a. m. in Coke Memorial Hospital here where she had been a patient seseral months. She was Coke County's oldest resident, having come here 73 years ago.

Mandy Calidonie Warren was born at Bolivar, Mo., Oct. 14. 1865. She came to Fort Worth with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Warren. She married N. L. Stewart in 1883 and came to Coke County the next year. They settled on a farm near old Edith.

Later she moved to Robert Lee and raised three grandchildren. John, Ila Ruth and Alma Jewell Duncan. Mrs. Stewart had been in lyn King, daughter of Mr. and good health until the past four Mrs. D. O. King of Edith. years. She resided for some time Good reports come from Mrs. don Fikes, and family. Before non hospital in San Angelo. entering the hospital in August she resided in the S. B. Plumlee home.

She lost the sight of one eye in an accident years ago and her vision failed completely the past few years. Her condition declined rapidly the past two weeks.

Mrs. Stewart raised a family of eight children, only five of whom are living. Survivors include four sons, Marven Stewart of Robert Lee, Ernest Stewart of Sacramento, Calif., Ray Stewart of Lamesa. and Curtis Stewart of Albuquer- der, who is chairman of the VLB, que. New Mex.; a daughter, Mrs/ V. B. (Daisy) Duncan of Big Lake: 23 grandchildren, 65 great Program - veterans are not regrandchildren, and 29 great-great- quired to obtain an application grandchildren.

All of the children were here tracts.

Among the grandchildren pre- tin for information. sent were Eddie Tom Stewart of Grants, New Mex., Blanche Russell of Reno, Nev., Anderson Stewart of Kansas, Edith Gartman of Grand Prairie, Lillian Davis of Amber, Okla., J. T. Duncan of Midland, Alma Jewell Elkins of Coleman, Harvey J. Stewart of Abilene, Donald Stewart of Lamesa, J. B. Duncan of Midland and Hazel Profitt and Daisy Lee Prestige of Big Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Kerley of Hermleigh were in Robert Lee Tuesday looking after business affairs and visiting friends.



MRS. C. D. STEWART ... Was Coke County Pioneer

Mrs. Harry Anderson is recovering at her home in Oklahoma City following an appendectomy which she underwent early last week. She is the former Gwendo-

with her son, Marven, and later T. W. Wiginton, who underwent with a granddaughter, Mrs. Wel- major surgery Monday at Shan-

### 56 Farms Up For Veterans To Purchase

ANSTIN, Jan. 18 - Texas veterans were reminded Friday that they have only until Feb. 5th to submit bids on 56 tracts of land which the Veterans' Land Board has for sale

Land Commissioner Earl Rudexplained that - unlike normal procedure in the Veterans' Land number to purchase any of these

for the funeral except the son, Commissioner Rudder urged Ernest, who is in poor health and veterans who are interested in this could not make the trip from Cal- sale to inquire immediately of the Veterans' Land Board in Aus-

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## ty. These exhibits are to be in

By JACK B. WAIDE County Agent

**NEXT MONDAY** 

The stock show this year will be held at Bronte. It will offer people an opportunity to see the livestock and the new park in Bronte. The livestock barn is located at the Bronte Park.

Number of livestock to be exhibited this year runs about the same as last year with some variation in classes. The following is an estimate of the number that will be on exhibition: 50 lambs, 30 fat hogs, 15 breeding hogs, 9 baby beeves, 8 breeding sheep, 3 breeding cattle.

Catalogues are at the printers and should be out by Friday. Sixteen animals will be sold at auction. Judging will begin promptly at 10:30 starting with breeding hogs, followed by fat hogs, fat lambs, breeding sheep, breeding cattle and steers.

The auction sale will start at 2:30 p.m. We will have from three to four hours of judging for your entertainment.

Girls will participate in the show for the first time this year with displays of their work in the girls 4-H club and homemaking departments in the schools in the counThe Observer, Robert Lee, Texas

the American Legion building which is just a short distance west of the park entrance.

Bob Griffin, poultry specialist with the Texas Extension Service, will be in the county Wednesday and again Thursday night. plan to visit as many poultry then hold a meeting at the Tennyson school house at 7:30 Thursday is invited to attend the meeting.

Hugh Lewis, Sr., school tax as sessor-collector, has been a medical patient in Coke Memorial Hosbe much improved.

ENTER HOUSTON SHOW

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Robert Lee FFA Chapter of Robert Lee, Texas has entered 8 barrows, 14 fat lambs and on steer in the junior division of the 1957 Houston Fat Stock Show, Feb-

ruary 20, through March 3.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Johnson and growers as we can Wednesday and Mrs. Leslie Mitchell of Melvin visited here a few days last week with their daughter and sister, night. Anyone who is interested Mrs. Willis Smith. Mr. and Mrs. Johnson recently moved to Melvin from their farm north of Bronte.

Manuel Reyes of Bronte returned home Tuesday after undergopital this week, and is reported to ing major surgery last week h Coke Memorial Hospital.

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## NONE HURT IN **EXPLOSION AT** SILVER PLANT

An explosion and fire in Sun Oil Company's Jameson Natural Gasoline plant at Silver last Friday evening did considerable damage, but no one was injured.

The explosion occurred about 6 o'clock in the west end of the compressor building when the huge No. 1 compressor blew out a gasket. The explosion tore off a portion of the roof and fire caused considerable damage to the \$150,000 engine.

O. L. Snyder, operator in charge of the shift, with aid of other employees, shut the plant down immediately and the blaze was extinguished by fire fighting equipment on hand.

The Robert Lee fire department responded to a call for help, and used water to cool off the heated machinery and pipes.

Gas is handled in the plant under a pressure of more than 800 pounds. It is fortunate that no one was in the building when the explosion occurred, although Elmo Hargis had passed through that area only minutes before.

J. C. Furr and Eddie Byrd were eating their evening lunch in an adjoining control room when the blast occurred. Neither was hurt. T. W. Lyle, another operator, was just entering the yard from a trip to check re-pressuring plants out in the field.

Supt. John Shimer and Plant Foreman J. D. Gilbert were called from their homes to take charge of the emergency. With the plant shut down, homes in the Sun employee camps were without gas until some time the following day.

John E. Walke and H. P. Pew. Sun executives from Dallas, drove out to Silver during the night.

All of the equipment except one compressor was back in operation Sunday and the entire plant was running normally.

Commissioner and Mrs. Ed Hickman motored to Killeen for a weekend visit in the home of their son, Ed F. Hickman, and family. They report pretty fair crop conditions in that area.

If you don't get The Observer, you don't get the news!



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

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### SMALL TALK

By A. J. K.

Last week turned out to be quite an important period for me. After getting to see the President at San Angelo on Monday, hearing Gov. Price Daniel later in the week.

Mrs. K. and I went to Austin Friday to attend the mid-winter convention of the Texas Press Association, and it proved to be a highly interesting event.

Friday night members of the legislature were invited for an informal gathering and buffet supper. We had the opportunity to visit a while with our representative, A. J. Bishop of Winters. Senator Dorsey Hardeman was not present. Bishop is one of the youngest members, but he's been down there a couple of sessions and knows his way around by now. He's pretty serious and will give the job his best efforts.

One of the Saturday morning Hungarian revolt. speakers was our new Attorney General, Will Wilson. He is a popular official and gives every indication that he will make good in this important office. You remember, he resigned last year as a Supreme Court Justice to run for Attorney General.

Highlighting the luncheon at noon was an address by Gov. Price Daniel, who had been inaugurated earlier in the week. Gov. Daniel has lots of friends among newspaper people, since he is in the business himself and is part owner of the Vindicator at his home town of Liberty.

Gov. Daniel urged the press group to get behind his program for the next two years. He asked particularly that they support his proposals for a law enforcement commission, a greatly expanded water conservation program, a revised traffic safety program and more money for teachers and schools.

Gov. Daniel and his charming lady were hosts to the press at a reception at 4 p.m. at the gover-

LOST-Part cocker red male dog, white nose and throat, spot on right hip. Please notify R. C. Patterson. 1p

FOR SALE — 6-room modern home, with one or three lots; one block west of post office in Robert Lee; priced to sell. See or call T. W. Casey, Bronte, Tex.

NOTICE-For those who want me to prepare their income tax, I will be in Robert Lee Jan. 19. Call 67-J or see Delmir Sheppard for appointment.-Jack Brock.

FOR RENT-Unfurnished house, six rooms and sleeping porch, \$55. Write or call Mrs. Nellie Simpson, 610 E. 19th St., San Angelo. Phone

FOR SALE-Baby bed and mattress; round dining table and 2 extension leaves; oblong dining table, 6 chairs and buffet. Mrs. Bruce Allen, phone 3703.

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nor's mansion. They had just | moved in a couple of days before, but the place is furnished throughout and they didn't have to bring

anything along except personal belongings. The mansion is quite a wonder-

ful place in spite of the fact that it we had the pleasure of seeing and is 100 years old. It is well furnished, too, with thick carpets, heavy mahogany furniture, paintings, etc. The Governor and his family reside on the second floor where they have their own dining room. There's a long flight of stairs going up there.

> The mansion is open to visitors on certain daily schedules.

Saturday night's closing banquet was featured by an address by William T. Rafael of New York City, a director of Crusade for Freedom and Radio Free Europe. His remarks were highly interesting. While the efforts of these organizations have been effective in getting countries behind the Iron Curtain from accepting Communistic propaganda, he said they had discouraged the recent

Violet and I enjoyed our trip to Austin. We saw a number of old friends and made some new ones.

The legislature is getting off to a rapid start. Price Daniel has the opportunity to prove himself a great governor. We believe he

Back in the hospital this week is John Allen, who has a recurrence of a heart ailment.

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### Yarborough **Enters Race** For Senator

A Texas vacancy in the United States Senate occurred on January 15, 1957. I hereby announce as a candidate for that vacancy.

By this action I am answering tens of thousands who have requested me by telegram, post card, letter, petition and public resolutions to be a candidate for that vacancy.

With gratitude for these generous messages, I pledge a campaign of honor and truth, based

upon a genuine desire to be of service to Texas, America and all mankind.

The task of the people of Texas is to arm themselves now to win this victory for honest government by buying poll taxes now.

Pay your poll tax before the deadline - January 31, 1957. Without a poll tax, you cannot vote.

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### NOTICE TAXPAYERS

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O. L. White, Sun Oil Co. employee, is being treated in the Colorado City hospital for serious burns received Sunday morning in a fire at the garage at his home in Tubb Camp.

The burner of a water heater is thought to have ignited gasoline fumes and caused an explosion. Although badly burned Mr. White ran outside and moved a pickup truck from the driveway, while his wife drove the family auto out of the garage before it was damaged.

J. D. Gilbert arrived quickly with a hand extinguisher and put out the blaze with the assistance of other residents of the camp. Interior of the garage was charred.

over one hand and wrist in addition to his face and neck. It is thought they may be second or third degree burns, but the seriousness of his wounds will not be known for a few days, the attending physician said.

White resides in one of the company owned houses in Tubb Camp at Silver. He is an operator at Sun's gas plant in the Millican Thursday evening. The program field west of Edith.

Linda Skrabanek and Patricia Conner, who have been attending high school in Colorado City, will transfer to Robert Lee High School starting next Monday. Both are sophomores.

Betty Gilbert, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Gilbert, was treated a couple of days last week in St. John's Hospital at San Angelo for a light attack of appendicitis.

Bob Edwards, Jameson gasoline plant chief clerk, will attend a regional meeting in Dallas the latter part of the week. His wife and daughters accompanied him to Dallas and will go on to Henderson to visit kinfolks.

Paul Gilbert, chief clerk in Sun's production office, will also attend the Dallas meeting and plans to go on to Shreveport to visit his father.

Perry Post has been off duty the past few days because of illness. He is a repairman at Jameson natural gasoline plant.

Members of the Silver Lions Club will entertain their ladies at dinner next Tuesday night. The program will be featured by a visit from the deputy district governor, Walter Rogers, of Colorado City.

GET POLL TAX RECEIPTS

Again this year Bob Edwards is issuing poll tax receipts from his office at Jameson gas plant. He reports 25 receipts had been sold up to Tuesday, but anticipated more interest from now until the Jan. 31 deadline. Poll taxes lag as a rule during off-election years, but interest this year is caused by the special U.S. Senator election called for April 2nd.

WILKES - Mr. and Mrs. Carroll T. Wilkes (Amanda Jane Scoggins) are parents of a son born Jan. 7 at St. John's hospital in San Angelo. He weighed 9 pounds, 111/2 ounces and has been named David Eugene. He has a brother, Rickey Carroll, 2 years old. The father is employed by Ernest Clendennen portable welding service here. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Wilkes, Sr. of Silver and Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Scoggins of Millersview

Mr. and Mrs. Randy Sausser are recent parents of a new daughter, according to word received by friends here. Former residents of Silver, Mr. Sausser was transferer to Dallas by Sun Oil Co. two

years ago. Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Crowson, Jr. were Saturday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Merryman at Midland.

Silver 8th grade team won the only victory when four Lakeview junior high teams played in Silver Monday night. Losing to the visitors were the 7th and 9th grade clubs and the girls team.

Sun Pipeline Co. reports transthis week. James T. (Jake) Hays, to Snyder, while Wm. B. Fawvor, r. goes to Sour Lake as a radio technician trainee. The Fawvors will be honored with a covered home. dish supper at Sun Recreation Hall at 6:30 Friday night, while Mr. Hays and his family will be guests of honor at coffee at the Rec Hall Saturday morning from 9 to 11 o'clock.

### MARCH OF DIMES

C. E. Butcher has taken over as chairman of the March of Dimes campaign, instead of Supt. Paul Ashby, who served in that capacity last year. A benefit basket ball game and other events have been planned to help the Polio Fund.

Earl Barnard, clerk in Sun's production office, is chairman of Mr. White's burns extended the annual March of Dimes Dance which has been set for Saturday night, Feb. 9.

### **Home Demonstration** Club Activities

MRS. A. J. ROE, JR., H. D. Agent

I enjoyed a meeting with the Diversity club of Bronte last I gave was "Food for Thought." I made and served a "one dish" meal along with the refreshments served by Mrs. O. R. McQueen. Mrs. Claude Word is president of the club.

If minerals accumulate in your steam iron try this: Put a mixture of vinegar and water (half and half) into the reservoir. Heat for about 30 minutes at 300 degrees F. (Rayon setting). After the iron cools, flush the reservoir several Roach. times with clear water.

The semi-tailoring class met for fers of two employees effective the second day Tuesday. We took measurements, did pattern alteraassistant gauger, was transferred tions. There were six leaders and two visitors present. The days are so short it seems we hardly get started until it's time to go

> Monday, Jan. 28, will be a busy day for Coke County people! All members of the families are taking part in the show, including Home Demonstration members, FHA and 4-H club groups. They don't expect too many exhibits this year, but we hope to have a lot next year and have judging. This year pretty pink ribbons will be given each person who has an exhibit. Be sure to stop at the American Legion Building which is just west of the park and view the work being done by the ladies and girls of the county.

> Be sure to drop by the concession stand while you are at the Livestock Show for your lunch and in between cups of coffee Monday. As usual, the HD ladies will have plenty of home made pies, candy, hot dogs, sandwiches, Cokes and coffee.

## Officers Named By Garden Club

Members of El Valle Garden Club met Wednesday afternoon of last week in the home of Mrs. J. S. Ferrell, with Mrs. Marvin Simpson as co-hostess. Program leader was Mrs. W. J. Cumbie.

Mrs. Cumbie Ivey, Sr. reported on Garden Hints for January. Displaying Valentine arrangements were Mrs. B. A. Austin,

Mrs. Paul Good and Mrs. W. T. Mrs. Travis McNair gave an

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interesting talk on "Evergreen Shrubs for Permanence."

The following officers were elected for next year:

President, Mrs. Frank McCabe. 1st Vice-Pres., Mrs. H. C. Allen. 2nd Vice-Pres., Mrs. Cumbie Ivey, Sr.

Secy-treas., Mrs. J. S. Ferrell. Corres. secy, Mrs. Paul Good. Delegate to District Convention, Mrs. J. S. Ferrell.

Sixteen members were

T. B. Hicks of Hollywood Mex., is here for a couple weeks helping old friends their income tax reports. mer Coke County Agent. Hicks moved to New Mexico years ago where he is conner with a feed and seed comp and continues to work with

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"And the start of the 1957 season is just a brief three months away," State Health Commissioner Henry A. Holle reminded.

SYSTEMS The polio season usually begins in mid-April in Texas.

Dr. Holle predicted the relative umber of cases among teen agers and young adults would steadly increase because many perthe possibility of falling victim to the disease and thereby fail to take the protective shots.

"The facts are that about 29 less of age. er cent of all polio cases last

oncern over lagging polio vacci- er 15 years old," the commission-

Dr. Holle said "fair" progress has been made in vaccinating infants and youngsters of grade school age, but that unless high school and college students quickly avail themselves of protection through vaccination, "the heaviest percentages of future cases will affect them."

He said the vaccine is now in plentiful supply, "but it doesn't do any good in the bottle." Nasons in these age groups discount tional vaccine supply sources have indicated that enough of the protective fluid is on hand to vaccinate anyone desiring it, regard-

As the year ended, a total of 732

had been registered in Texas for 1956. Of that number only 48 were reported as having received at least one shot. Only two had received all three shots.

Dr. Holle also appealed to parents of children who had received one or two shots to be sure the youngsters completed the third shot on schedule.

"The vaccine may give over 90 per cent protection when all three shots are administered as recommended."

The recommended sequence calls for the second shot to be given a month after the first, and the third shot seven months after the

begin the three-shot series at

cases of polio in its paralytic form The Observer, Robert Lee, Texas

of time, but we cannot rest on that admission is charged, the buildlaurel with less than 10 per cent ing will be heated. So everyone of the job done and with another come on out and let's have a good polio season coming up," the crowd.

GREEN MT. MUSICAL

commissioner said.

This Friday night, Jan. 25, is Green Mountain Musical time again. Another good show is lined up for the people who attend. You will see and hear Clifford and Richard Ramsey of Silver, Bobby Turner of Coleman, who appears regularly on the Slim Willet Show over KRBC-TV, T. D. Morris of San Angelo, the Tennyson Playboys, Uncle George Powers The commissioner called for a of Edith, Eddie Garvin and Richconcerted drive throughout the ard Beck of Blackwell, Donnie state to get "all Texans-from in- Duncan, Sammy Joe Duncan, Robfancy to maturity and beyond" to bie Don Godwin and Jack Denman of Robert Lee, and many others. Show time is 7:30 at the "It is a major medical miracle Green Mountain Community Centhat so many people have been ten, 10 miles west of Robert Lee vaccinated in such a short space on the Sterling City highway. No Please keep the date in mind.

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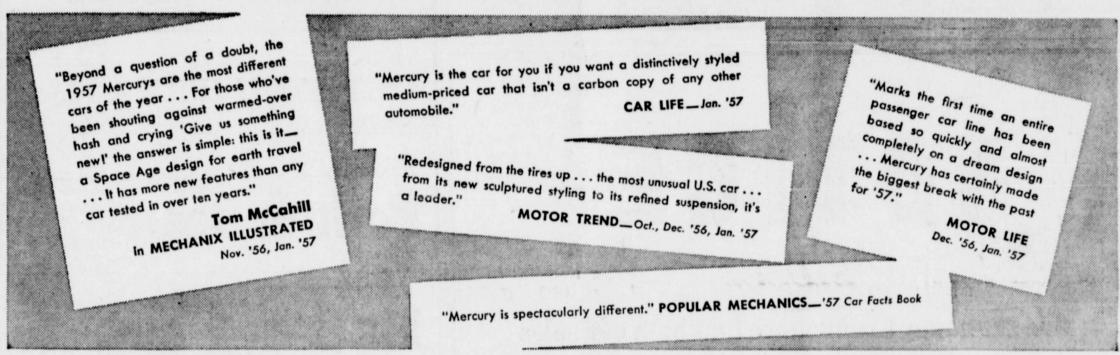
### ATTEND CONCERT

Keith Farris, Robert Lee high school band instructor, and Ronnie Sims, high school freshman, were members of the 60-piece Abilene Symphony Orchestra which gave a grand concert Monday night in the Abilene High School Auditorium. Mr. Farris plays the bass trombone, while Ronnie occupies third chair in the trumpet section. Attending the concert were Mrs. Chas. Sims and son, Richard, Mrs. Jim Mauldin and Mrs. Farris.

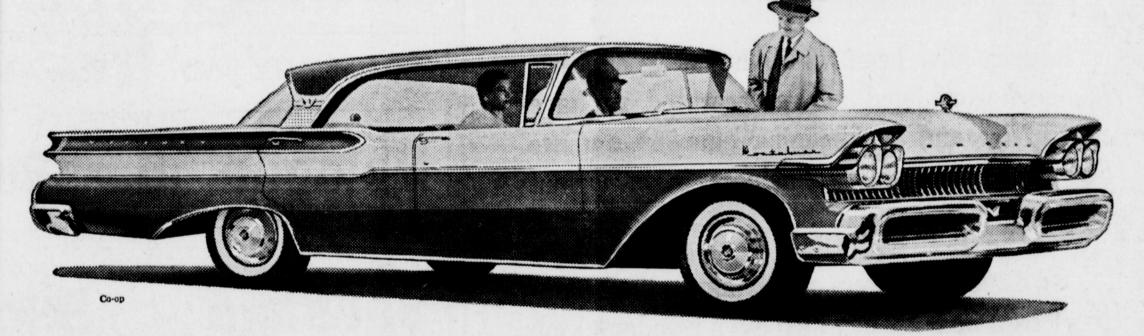
### BAKE SALE FEB. 2

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## **HOSPITAL NEWS**

Mrs. J. D. Boykin.

mitted. Mrs. T. W. Wiginton transferred to Shannon hospital. Mrs. G. Ray Lester dismissed.

Jan. 18-Mrs. B. B. Duncan, Manuel Reyes, Mrs. H. S. Lewis, Jr. admitted. Fred Roe, Sr., Patsy Woods, Mrs. Lowell Roane, Mrs. J. D. Boykin and infant son dismissed.

Jan. 19-John Paul, little son of Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Thompson, admitted. Mrs. H. S. Lewis, Jr. dismissed.

Jan. 20-Mrs. Cumbie Ivey Jr., Mrs. Dick Skipworth admitted. Mrs. W. M. Brown, Mrs. Mary McKool dismissed.

Jan. 21-H. S. Lewis, Sr., Mrs. T. M. Wylie, Jr. admitted. Mrs. Cumbie Ivey, Jr. dismissed.

Jan. 22-John Allen, Lenn Roberts, Kathy Service admitted. Mrs. Henry Childress, Manuel Reyes dismissed.

Mr. and Mrs. Noel Dean Scott are moving to Robert Lee this weekend and will occupy a remodeled home in the south part of town owned by Fred McDonald, Jr. Mrs. Scott is the former Jo Alice McDonald. She and her husband have been living in San Angelo where Mr. Scott is attending San Angelo College. He plans to continue his college work.

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## Jan. 16—Son born to Mr. and Coke Poll Tax Jan. 17—. J. A. Childress ad- Payments Slow

The Jan. 31 deadline for paying Poll Taxes is drawing near and unless people show more interest during the next few days, Coke County's list of eligible voters is going to be smaller than usual.

Up to Wednesday noon only 459 Poll Tax receipts had been issued tient the past ten days. in the office of Paul Good, tax assessor-collector. The figure of number will be less this year.

Voters should keep in mind that an important special election has been called for April 2 when a new United Senator is to be elected. Robert Lee has no city election this year, but the annual school trustees elections are always important.

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Mrs. Curtis Walker is much improved at Coke Memorial Hospital where she has been a medical pa-

Dickey & Dickey this week moved their law offices across 800 is normal for off-election the street to the old bank buildyears, but indications are the ing. They recently purchased the property.

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# NOTICE

We are happy to announce that both our sales and service departments are now open for business, after a temporary shut down due to a serious fire three weeks ago.

Repairs have been made, the entire building has been remodeled and re-decorated, we have new office and bookkeeping quarters and we are again transacting business in a normal manner.

We desire to express our thanks to the Volunteer Fire Department which did a wonderful job in saving our building and its contents from complete destruction. And we appreciate the many courtesies which have been shown by our friends and customers.

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