

# Robert Lee Observer

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## Murder Case Set For Trial On March 11

Judge Joe L. Mays of 51st District Court has summoned a special venire of 200 for 10 a.m. March 11 as possible jurors in the Vernon Glenn murder case.

Glenn, 33, former postal employee at Bronte, is charged in the shooting death July 25 of Hollis Stevens in an alley behind the Bronte Post Office.

Stevens, 31, a State Highway Department section foreman, died in Shannon Hospital. His wife was postmaster at Bronte at the time.

The case was transferred to Tom Green County from Robert Lee Aug. 30 on a change of venue. Trial has been continued once since the case has been moved.

Glenn is free on \$7,000 bond.

Justin Keever, 51st District attorney, is expected to prosecute the case. O'Neal Dendy, San Angelo attorney, was retained by members of the Stevens family as special prosecutor.

Attorneys for the defense are expected to be Carl Runge, Sr. and Earl W. Smith, both of San Angelo.

Stevens was shot one time about an inch over the left eye with a .25 caliber automatic, officials said. Also injured in the fracas was Bronte deputy sheriff Frank Keesee, who suffered a shattered finger when he retrieved the pistol.

Robert Vaughan and family returned Sunday from a few days' visit with his parents at Victoria. On Friday Mr. Vaughan went to Houston for a meeting of Chevrolet dealers.

## Delbert Lee, 16, Badly Injured In Auto Accident

The condition of Delbert Lee, 16, former Robert Lee youth, remains critical in Shannon hospital at San Angelo. He was badly injured about 9:15 Monday morning in a car accident on Highway 208, seven miles north of San Angelo.

Delbert suffered head, neck and chest injuries and had a broken leg. His brother, Robert Lee, 18, who was with him at the time of the accident, sustained a scalp wound and lesser leg injuries.

Robert and his older brother, Wilbert, were in Robert Lee for a short time Wednesday afternoon. They reported that Delbert was holding his own, but his condition was still considered critical.

The Lee brothers spent Sunday night with Robert Lee friends. Delbert was a guest of A. J. Summers and Robert visited Floyd Bird, Jr. They visited the school house Monday morning, and left for home after classes took up.

The accident occurred on a curve. Delbert was driving the car which probably skidded on the damp pavement.

The boys are sons of Mr. and Mrs. Steve Lee, who resided a number of years in Robert Lee when Mr. Lee was engaged in oil field work. The family moved to San Angelo last summer and live at 920 Pulliam Street.

Mrs. John Pierce of Dallas arrived last Friday for a week's visit in the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Pierce.



MRS. JERRY MULLICAN

## Silver Couple Married Feb. 19

The marriage of Miss Sharon Skrabanek and Jerry Mullican, well known Silver young couple, took place Saturday night, Feb. 9. Foy L. Moore, Silver Church of Christ minister, officiated at his home in Bronte.

The bride is a senior at ACC high school in Abilene and the bridegroom is employed by Thomas Well Service Co. in Abilene.

They will make their home in Abilene until June 1 when they plan to move to Canyon where Mr. Mullican will resume his studies as a junior student at West Texas State College.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Skrabanek and the bridegroom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mullican, all of Silver.

## RETURNING TO TEXAS

Mrs. D. D. McDonald recently sent in a two-year renewal of her Observer subscription, advising that she hoped to be back in Texas before long. Her husband is a medical doctor and has been connected with the U. S. Public Health Hospital at Memphis, Tenn. He expects to be transferred to some point in Texas. Mrs. McDonald is the former Addie Fish of Robert Lee.

## Free Chest X-Ray Survey In County Coming Up Soon

Final arrangements are being made for a mass chest X-ray to be made in Coke County in the near future.

Mobile equipment owned by the state will come to Bronte and Robert Lee and make chest X-ray examinations free of charge.

The survey will be conducted at the City Hall in Bronte on Friday, March 1, from 8:30 a. m. until 5:30 p. m.

In Robert Lee the survey will take place at Ivey Motor Co., on Monday, March 4, from 1 until 5:30 p. m. and on Tuesday from 8:30 until 1 p. m.

Committees are being set up to register persons and there will be little or no delay in handling people who come for examination.

While the main purpose of the X-ray examination is to detect tuberculosis, it is also possible that other chest ailments might be located, such as tumors.

Mrs. Ben Oglesby is chairman of the survey at Bronte and Rev. Travis McNair is the Robert Lee chairman.

## City Salaries

Monthly salaries paid Robert Lee city employees are as follows:

Sam Jay, Water Supt. . . . . \$350.00  
Mrs. Sam Jay, City Secy. . . . . 200.00  
Ollie Roe, Marshall . . . . . 50.00  
C. E. Davis, Fire Marshall 25.00

Mayor Cumbie Ivey, Jr. and Commissioners Wayman Robertson and Curtis Walker draw \$7.50 for each meeting. Regular council meetings are held the second Monday night every month at 7:30. Seldom is the city council called for a special session.

In addition to his duties as water superintendent, Mr. Jay also serves as overseer of city streets. Mrs. Jay keeps all the city records, is city tax assessor-collector, handles water bills, etc.

## SCHOOL SALARIES

The Observer wrote a letter last week to Supt. Frank D. Coalson requesting a list of teachers salaries and wages paid other school employees. Mr. Coalson took the matter up with the president of the school board, Wilson Bryan, and it was decided to place the matter before the entire board of trustees at their next regular meeting March 7.

The Silver school has also been asked to submit a list of teachers and employees salaries for publication.

## HAS BROKEN LEG

Billie Bert Duncan, well known Robert Lee young man, received a broken leg in a drilling rig accident after midnight Tuesday night. He was employed on a Dyke Drilling Co. rig in the Mertzon locality. Billie Bert is being treated in a San Angelo hospital and will be moved to Coke Memorial Hospital in Robert Lee within a few days.

## SINGING HERE SUNDAY

A Singing is announced for next Sunday afternoon at the Robert Lee Church of Christ. Visitors are expected from a number of nearby towns and the public is invited.

## GREEN MT. MUSICAL

The public is reminded that Friday night of this week, Feb. 22, is the date of the monthly Musical at the Green Mountain community center, two miles west of Edith. Another good show is in prospect. It starts at 7:30 and everyone is invited to come out and enjoy the music and refreshments.

## JOE DODSON RE-ENLISTS

Joe Dodson, Jr. has re-enlisted in the Air Force for four years. He was accepted Monday as a staff sergeant at Goodfellow AFB at San Angelo where he will be stationed for at least six months. For several months he had been a civilian employee at Goodfellow where he worked as a mechanic. He has a wife and four children, who at present are residing in Robert Lee in the home of Joe's mother, Mrs. Joe Dodson, Sr.

## Court House Grounds Get Trees, Shrubs

Planting of shrubs and trees around the new court house the past week has added much to the beauty of the building and grounds.

Scherz Nursery of San Angelo had the contract for furnishing and planting the various items which included 2 canaert junipers, 6 Pfister junipers, 16 jasmine evergreens, 8 red pyracanthas, 4 photinias, 4 nandinia, 15 purple leaf honeysuckles, 10 burfordi holly, 6 mimosa and 6 pecan trees.

Two large liveoak trees remain to be planted on either side of the front lawn.

The nursery guaranteed all its plantings and the work is being done at a cost of something over \$500 to Coke County.

Mrs. L. B. Mahon underwent minor surgery Saturday at Coke Memorial Hospital.

## DIAL SERVICE IN ROBERT LEE NOW IN EFFECT

Robert Lee entered into a new era for telephone service yesterday (Thursday, Feb. 21) when the exchange was converted from magneto to dial type operation.

Ted Maxwell, district manager for General Telephone Company of the Southwest, said the cutover was made in the matter of a few minutes and with a minimum of trouble.

As a result of the cutover, everyone living within about a three mile radius of Robert Lee now has dial telephone service. The former magneto switchboard has been left in place temporarily to serve subscribers located out from town where lines are to be sold to the rural cooperative which will be formed at such time as the REA approves a loan application which has been filed by the Coke County Rural Telephone Committee.

The new dial equipment is in a new building on a lot in back of the McCabe Service Station. It consists of 270 lines of dial switches.

All telephone numbers in Robert Lee were changed effective with yesterday's cutover. The new numbers are "metropolitan-type" numbers with two letters and five digits. Subscribers were urged by Maxwell to consult their new directories for the correct dial numbers. In calling a rural subscriber whose phone works off the magneto board which was left in Robert Lee, the dial subscriber should dial GLOBE 3-3511.

"Our company is pleased to be able to furnish this modern, up-to-date type of telephone system to Robert Lee subscribers," Maxwell stated. "This equipment is the finest available and should provide our subscribers here with telephone service which is unsurpassed anywhere."

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Jay motored to Alpine Friday evening for a visit with their son, Robert Lewis Jay and family. On Saturday, accompanied by Mrs. Jay and little son, Benzie, they went on to Valentine for an over night visit in the Jim Williams home. The Jays report they were in the rain during most of their trip.

## Recent Rainfall Great Benefit To Coke Grazing

Rains the past week were general over West Texas and brought more encouragement to Coke County farmers and ranchers.

Several days of cloudy weather caused intermittent drizzles and some good showers. Friday night's rain amounted to an inch and 1½ inches over a section south of Robert Lee, including the Valley View community and Harris ranches.

Robert Lee and the north half of the county received a quarter of an inch then, but heavier showers occurred Sunday afternoon.

Moisture here the past week has amounted to nearly an inch, with most of the county getting upwards of a half inch, and from 1½ to 2 inches south of town.

The moisture is highly beneficial to grain fields and pastures and grazing will improve rapidly.

## TEXAS PUBLIC SCHOOLS WEEK OFFICIAL MEMORANDUM BY PRICE DANIEL GOVERNOR OF TEXAS

AUSTIN, TEXAS

## GREETINGS:

Our system of public education requires the active interest of all our people, and it is the privilege and likewise the duty of every citizen in the State to cooperate with our respective School Boards, Superintendents, Principals and Teachers in an effort to make Texas public schools the finest in the Nation.

Every Texan has the opportunity and the right to attend our public schools and to acquire the necessary learning for making an honorable living, as well as an appreciation and understanding of the correspondent duties, obligations and rights of American Citizenship.

THEREFORE, I, as Governor of Texas, do hereby designate the week of March 4-9, 1957, as PUBLIC SCHOOLS WEEK in Texas, and urge each and every citizen to visit a public school during this period so that all may become personally acquainted with the accomplishments and the improvements of our educational system.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of Texas to be affixed this 15th day of January, 1957.

PRICE DANIEL  
Governor of Texas

(Seal)

# THE OBSERVETTE

Published by Students of Robert Lee High School  
CAROL GEER, Editor

## Sports Highlights

By BYRON RUSSELL

Basket ball games filled this past week with action. There were two games that had a one point difference at the end. Friday night the Steers beat the Mertzson team by a score of 65-64. Thursday the Senior boys were defeated by the men faculty 29-28. The Seniors played a good game against the teachers, but if the game had lasted the regular time limit the score might have been different! However, when the 3:30 bell rang, the game ended. The Seniors received all the door money which was approximately \$25.00. One teacher stated that they were not going to play the Seniors again. The faculty played the whole game while the Seniors had two teams which would alternate at the half of each quarter. The teachers won but the Seniors got the money, so everyone was satisfied.

This week, baseball practice will get in full swing. The fields may be a little wet from the much-needed rains, but practice will be under way by the middle of the week. It may be delayed by more rain; however, that is not likely. Coach has received the schedule for the baseball season. The Steers have ten games on their list. They have four with San Angelo High,

then six district games. The season will have to end before May 16, so the District winners can be decided. The district is divided into two sections. The Steers are in the North half. The winners of the District will play some team for Bi-District.

Below is the Steer schedule:  
March 20, San Angelo, here.  
March 26, San Angelo, here.  
April 2, San Angelo, here.  
April 5, San Angelo, here.  
April 9, Miles, here.\*  
April 16, Norton, here.\*  
April 23, Bronte, there.\*  
April 26, Miles, there.\*  
April 30, Norton, there.\*  
May 3, Bronte, here.\*

\*—Stands for district game.

## Grade School News

By Judy Allen

The Sixth Grade has chosen a prince and princess; they are Jimmy Caraway and Kay Humphery. Through this year they are going to keep electing pupils and at the end of a school year they plan to have a kingdom. They have formed a Sixth Grade Volley Ball Team.

The Fifth Grade has two new pupils; they are Linda Mattingly from Hutchinson School in Colorado City and Mike Vann from Big Lake.

The Steerettes went on a hike

and climbed Nipple Peak.

Mrs. Eastland's second grade and Mrs. Byrd's second grade have made their own faces on paper sacks.

Mrs. Byrd's second grade has two new students; they are Buddy Vosburg and Phyllis Mattingly. They are making silhouettes and putting them on the windows.

The First Grade had a mail box for a Valentine Box; it was very attractive.

## "Movies Are Better Than Ever"

By Francis Wylie

"Little Women" — Patricia C. and Joann M.

"Never Say Goodbye" — Just fade away Seniors.

"The Girl He Left Behind" — Doris and Gary.

"Lady and the Tramp" — Freddie and Martha.

"The Proud Ones" — Those "sporting" football jackets.

"Rebel Without A Cause" — Charles.

"Love Me Tender" — Every girl's motto.

"Tribute To A Badman" — To Leslie.

"Tall Men" — Wade and Dennis.

"Love Is A Many-Splendored Thing" — So say the steadies.

"Unconquerable" — Troy.

"Rock, Pretty Baby" — Wayne and Peggy.

"Toward The Unknown" — Seniors.

"I Love Melvin" — What did you say?

"Little Men" — William and David.

"Three Brave Men" — Fred, Bam and Robbie.

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"The Searchers" — Those looking for football jackets.  
"The Monster" — Dale.  
"Pardners" — W. H. and Jerry H.  
"Teenage Rebel" — The name for every teenager.  
"Meet Me In Las Vegas" — Carolyn to Eddie.  
Now for the Comedies:  
"Little Audrey" — Kenny.  
"Sylvester" — Ronnie (a real

gone cat).

Who will be the Seniors "Accidental Hero?" Find out at the Senior Play, Tuesday, March 12.

MORE SCHOOL NEWS ON PAGES 6 AND 7

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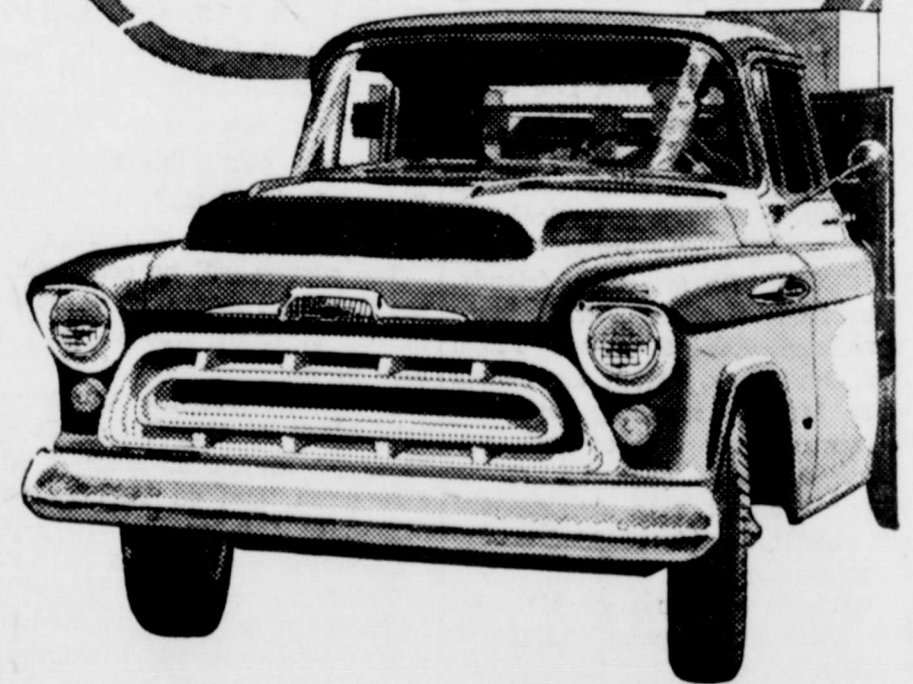
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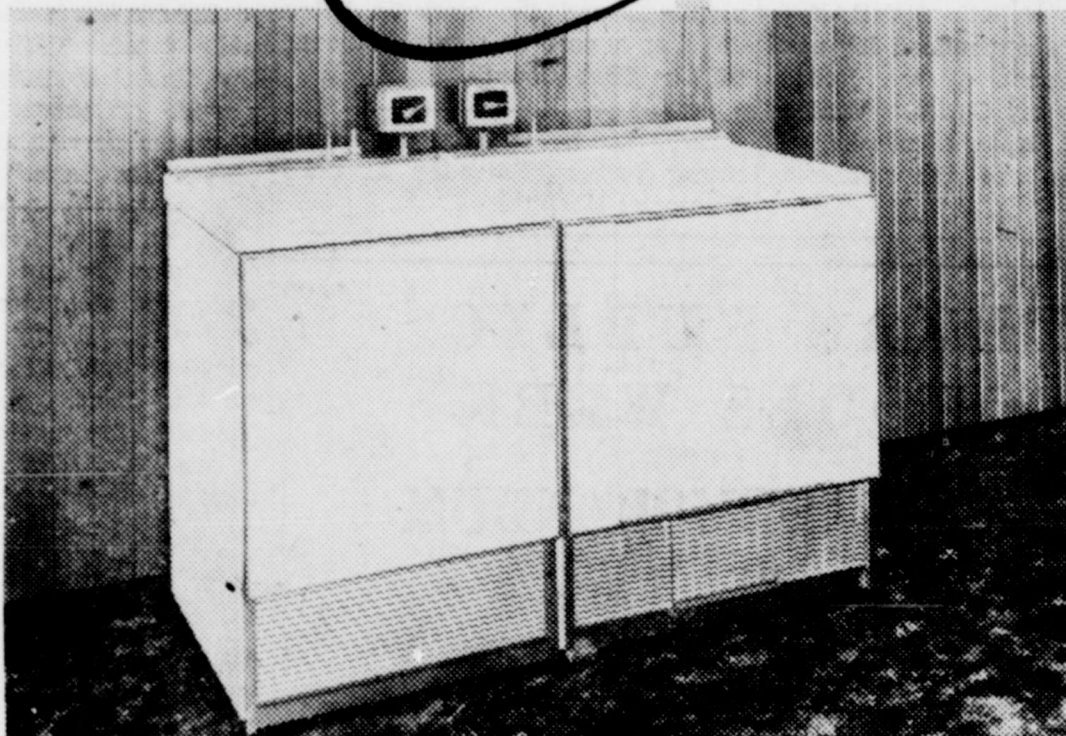
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# GRAND OPENING



## Saturday, March 2nd

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# A. B. Sheppard Service Station

ROBERT LEE, TEXAS

**NO OBLIGATION!  
NO PURCHASES!**

**You Don't Have to Be Present  
To Win!**

**Drawing at 5:00 P.M.  
Saturday, March 2**

**Be Our Guest for This  
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**IVY PLANTS  
For Ladies  
CANDY and BALLOONS  
For Kiddies**



FREE — FREE

### GRAND OPENING PRIZES

- 1ST PRIZE  
Westinghouse Electric Roaster.
- 2ND PRIZE  
Automatic Rifle, .22 Gauge.
- 3RD PRIZE  
Two Nylon Custom DeLuxe White Sidewall Goodyear Tubeless Tires.
- 4TH PRIZE  
Ten Gallons Power-X Gasoline.
- 5TH PRIZE  
Ten Gallons Power-X Gasoline.
- 6TH PRIZE  
Five Quarts Triple-X Motor Oil.

PRIZE DRAWING AT 5:00 P. M.  
SATURDAY, MARCH 2

# SHEPPARD'S SERVICE STATION

MR. AND MRS. A. B. SHEPPARD, Owners-Operators

On Hiways 158 and 208

Robert Lee, Texas

## PERSONALS

Pete Davis has taken a position in the parts department and salesman for Vaughan Chevrolet Co. He had previously been working as a mechanic for his brother-in-law, C. F. Vowell, in the latter's auto repair shop.

A district convention of Texas Bankers held Friday in San Angelo was attended by officers and employees of the Robert Lee State Bank.

John N. Coalson writes to have his Observer changed to Route 1, Meadow, Texas. A well known Bronte resident, Mr. Coalson recently moved to the Meadow community where he will do irrigated farming.

### WANTS OIL NEWS

Harper, Texas  
2/18/1957

The Robert Lee Observer  
Robert Lee, Texas

Dear Sir: You will find enclosed a money order for \$2.50 for renewal of my paper.

The reason I have not renewed sooner is because of the fact that you go for weeks without any oil news.

I know there was not much news to report but you failed to give what there was to give, and that is the only reason I take your paper is to get the oil news. So, when you stop the oil news, you may stop my paper, also.

Respt. yours,  
Mrs. J. F. Cook

Mr. and Mrs. Lem Cowley and their daughter, Mrs. Otis Smith of Bronte, returned Tuesday night from a pleasant three days trip to Uvalde, San Antonio and other points in that area. They report rains of 1½ inches throughout that locality. Mr. Cowley has also received a similar amount at his place five miles southeast of Robert Lee.

## The Lost Chord

The members of the Robert Lee Steer and Steerette Bands were honored with a banquet given Feb. 7 by the Band Parents Club. A wonderful meal was served and a good time was enjoyed by everyone. Entertainment was furnished by Mrs. Carolyn Farris, vocalist; the Boys Quintet; and the Robert Lee Swing Band. A short speech was given by Supt. Coalson and a speech of appreciation was given by Butch Davis, our Drum Major. Mrs. Jeff Dean served as Mistress of Ceremonies.

Four members of the Robert Lee Steer Band are to receive new Band Jackets under the new system of lettering for awards. Those students are Butch Davis, June McKinley, Mary Beth Schooler and Larry Rabb. There are also a number of sweater awards to be received.

Last Friday, Feb. 15, the Robert Lee Band traveled to Sterling City where they gave a short concert to Sterling High School. The Band enjoyed the trip very much.

## HOSPITAL NEWS

Feb. 13—Mrs. Lizzie McCutchen, A. J. Bilbo admitted. Joe Field, Mrs. W. B. Bessent dismissed.

Feb. 14—E. C. Davis, Fred Wilcox admitted. J. D. Boykin, Mrs. Lizzie McCutchen dismissed.

Feb. 15—Ronnie Lyle, Pete Tijerina, Jr., George E. Lomas, Drexel Skipworth admitted. E. C. Davis dismissed.

Feb. 16—Mrs. L. B. Mahon admitted. John Allen, Fred Wilcox dismissed.

Feb. 17—John Lara, Annice Gartman admitted. Ronnie Lyle, A. J. Bilbo, Mrs. L. B. Mahon, Drexel Skipworth, Pete Tijerina, Jr. dismissed.

Feb. 18—Mrs. A. J. Childress admitted.

Feb. 19—Timothy Joe Boykin, Carl Brock admitted. John Lara dismissed.

County Treasurer Gertrude Gray and her youngest daughter, Barbara, are in Houston this week where Barbara will have a checkup at the hospital where she underwent heart surgery six months ago. They made the trip with Mrs. Gray's brother, Charlie Phillips, of San Angelo, who is scheduled to undergo surgery on his mouth at M. D. Anderson Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Coy Jones of Brownfield spent the weekend in the parental home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Taylor.

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### CLAUDE BROWN MOVES

Mrs. Claude Brown was a Robert Lee visitor last Friday and advised The Observer that they are now residing on the March Ranch in the southwest part of Coke County, having moved there recently from Iraan. Their daughter, Eunice, will remain in Iraan to finish the high school term. Mrs. Brown said their son, A/IC J. A. Brown, is now stationed in Turkey with the Air Force Intelligence. Their younger son, T. C., enlisted in the Air Force last summer and at present is stationed at Kirkland AFB near Albuquerque.

### NAMES MAKE NEWS

301 S. Monroe  
San Angelo, Texas  
Feb. 18, 1957

Dear Mr. K.

Enclosed find check for \$2.50.

my dues for the Observer. I've been away so long the paper is about my only contact with what is happening.

A small town paper is almost like a member of your family, so put all the names of all the people in often.

Best to you and yours.—Naomi C. Brown.

## INSURANCE

Life, Sickness and  
Accident, Polio, Cancer,  
Travel

G. C. Allen

## NOTICE TO CUSTOMERS

Starting Tues., Feb. 19, I will be at the Farm Bureau Office in Robert Lee on Tues. and Wed. and at the City Hall in Bronte on Fri. and Sat. Hours 10:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.

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THE CONVERSION TO DIAL of your telephone system is a tremendous stride forward. The finest dial equipment available has been put into your telephone building. Mounted in rows of ceiling-high racks, this delicately engineered machinery clicks off local telephone calls with startling speed, practically no chance of error.

DAY OR NIGHT, the dial system offers instantaneous response. The familiar "number please" has become a humming dial tone which signals the caller to begin dialing. As he spins the dial, automatic line-finders seek out the number being called, and within a matter of seconds the called telephone rings—next door, downtown, or many miles away.

THE EMPLOYMENT OF DIAL EQUIPMENT makes it possible for hundreds more local calls to be completed during an average day. You will soon notice that the new dial service is much faster—especially if you make heavy use of your telephone in business, club work or planning entertainment. Each day your telephone will become more useful to you—will help you accomplish more with less effort.

TODAY'S DIAL TELEPHONE is a pleasure to use. On telephone stand, kitchen wall or bedside table, it is a symbol of security; a ready contact with friends and loved ones whether a mile or a thousand miles distant. On an office desk, it is an instrument of action, adding valuable speed to business.

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**GREEN MT. HD CLUB**

The Green Mountain WHD Club met in its regular meeting on Feb. 5 at the Community Center. Meeting was called to order by Mrs. Betty Page, president. Opening exercise was a poem and was given by Mrs. Glenn Waldrop. Roll call was answered by five members, one visitor and one child.

A club supper was planned for the night of March 1 to raise funds to buy more equipment for the children's playground started by the club last summer. Everyone is invited to attend.

Program was on semi-tailoring and was given by Mrs. Rhonda Smith who discussed buying of material and selection of patterns. The first all day meeting will be on Feb. 13 in Mrs. Smith's home.

Mrs. E. C. McArthur was hostess. Meeting adjourned on time.

The home of Mrs. Fennell Smith was the setting for altering patterns and cutting out garments to be made in the semi-tailoring class in an all day meeting on Feb. 13. A snack lunch was served at noon.

There were four club members, three non-club members and two children present. Three dresses and a suit were cut out. Others will be cut out and made. Next meeting will be on Wednesday, Feb. 20, in Mrs. Annie May Heuvel's home.

Those attending were Mmes. Annie May Heuvel, Sara Lou Davis, Juanita Godwin, Ella Duncan, Pat McArthur and Marie Waldrop, Phyllis Davis and Riley Waldrop and the hostess.—Marie Waldrop, Sec.-Treasurer.

**A MASON 50 YEARS**

B. B. Edmiaston was given a 50-year pin by Hayrick Masonic Lodge here Tuesday night of last week. The presentation was made by Travis McNair. A Methodist preacher in Robert Lee in the early 30's, Mr. Edmiaston is now retired and resides at Bronte. He has been a Mason more than fifty years, having joined the order in 1903 when he lived in Oklahoma.

Dave King was returned to his home near Edith Tuesday morning in the Clift ambulance from Shannon hospital in San Angelo. He is making a good recovery from an operation on his back, but will be confined to his home for a couple of weeks or more.

**A. B. Sheppard**  
APARTMENTS  
Modern Trailer Court  
PHONE 786-J  
ROBERT LEE, TEXAS

**BIRTHS**

**MASHBURN** — Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Mashburn (Dorene Harmon) of Pampa are parents of a son, Rickey Floyd, born Feb. 13. He weighed 8 pounds, 6 ounces. He has a sister, Rena Gaye, 19 months old. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Harmon of Robert Lee and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Mashburn of Manitou, Okla.

**CARWILE** — Mr. and Mrs. Billie Glenn Carwile (Patsy Hennington) of San Angelo are parents of their first child, a daughter, born at 1:55 a. m. Feb. 19 in a San Angelo hospital. She weighed 6 pounds, 3 ounces and has been named Janet Sue. Both parents are former Robert Lee residents. The father is employed in a San Angelo sporting goods store. Grandparents for the first time are Mr. and Mrs. Homer Carwile of Robert Lee. The baby's mother formerly made her home here with a sister, Mrs. Viola Bynum.

**NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

The Commissioners Court of Coke County will receive bids until 10:00 A. M., March 11th, 1957 at the County Court house on the following equipment.

One used Crawler Tractor complete with Hydraulic, inside mount dozer, not less than sixty drawbar horsepower, to weigh not less than 17,000 lbs. with dozer mounted.

For details contact Commissioner of Prec. No. 1 of Coke County.

The Court reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any technicalities.

Jeff Dean  
County Judge  
Publish Feb. 22-March 1

Henry Elliott came from Stephenville for a weekend visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Elliott. An ag freshman at John Tarleton State College, Henry was included in the list of distinguished students for the first semester.

**Want Ads**

**DRESSED CAGE HENS**—Ready for your home freezer, \$1.25 each. J. E. Quisenberry, phone 66-w, Robert Lee. 35w4p

**CANE SEED**—New supply now on hand. Come and talk to us about it.—Key Feed Store. 45w3

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**Notes From The Oil Field**

**GASTON WILDCAT**

Liedtke, Ltd. of Midland will drill a 6,200 foot rotary wildcat in Coke County, 10 miles south of Bronte. It will be the No. 1 Gaston.

Location, on an 88-acre lease, is 660 feet from the south and east lines of John Bland survey No. 229-230, (in John Bland survey No. 9 1/2 on some maps).

The prospector is 3/4-mile northwest of Honolulu Oil Co. No. 1 Webb, a 6,500-foot failure, plugged and abandoned June 16, 1953.

Sun Oil Co. 1-A Cynthia Malone, wildcat near Panther Gap, nine miles northwest of Robert Lee, set 640-foot surface string. It was drilling this week below 2,500 feet.

Bolin Drilling Co. moved rotary in this week on Plymouth No. 1 Tidwell, five miles southeast of Robert Lee. It is offset to Plymouth's No. 1 Sims completed a few months ago for a daily pumping potential of 135 barrels.

Johnson & Galories is the contractor on the Ambassador (Kirk Johnson) test being drilled on south across the Colorado River.

TRY A WANT AD!

**FOR HOSPITAL STAFF**

Members of the staff of Coke County Memorial Hospital were entertained Friday night with a buffet supper in the home of Editor and Mrs. A. J. Kirkpatrick. The linen covered serving table was centered with an attractive arrangement of red carnations, and a valentine scheme was carried out in other decorations. Mrs. Kirkpatrick was assisted by Mrs. Lola Mae Smith. Domino games furnished entertainment. Twenty-four were present.

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Visitors welcome.

**EDDIE GOOD, W. M.**  
**J. DALE BROWN, SEC'Y**

**NOTICE**

The Board of Equalization for the City of Robert Lee will meet at the City Hall on March 1, 1957, from 8 A. M. to 5 P. M. They will reconvene on March 11. Any person having business with this board is hereby notified to take notice of these dates.

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City of Robert Lee, Texas

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**CRISCO - - - - - 3 Lb. Can 89c**

FRESH COUNTRY  
**Eggs dozen 29c**

**GINGER SNAPS - - - - - 1 1/2 Lb. Bag 39c**

**PICKLES, Sour or Dill - - - Full Qt. 25c**

**TIDE or CHEER - - - - - Large Box 29c**

**VANILLA EXTRACT, Worth Brand - 8 Oz. Bot. 19c**

**BISCUITS, Betty Crocker or Puffin - 2 Cans 23c**

**APPLE JELLY - - - - - 4 Lb. Jar 69c**

**CATSUP, Stokely's, 14 Oz Bottle - - 2 for 45c**

GOOCH'S  
**Thick Sliced Bacon**  
2 Lbs. - 99c

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**SAUSAGE**  
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**PICNIC HAMS**  
Lb. - - 43c



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SERVICE INSTALLATIONS

## Silver News

### ELMO HARGIS TRANSFERRED

Elmo Hargis has been transferred by Sun Oil Co. to Sun Field in South Texas, where he will have outside work as an assistant meterman. He went to work for Sun in the operating department at Silver in September, 1948, and transferred to the gas department the following year. He held the classification of engineer operator 2nd class.

Mr. and Mrs. Hargis and their sons, Stevie and Davie, were given a coffee at Sun Recreation Hall last Thursday morning. As a going away gift they received a large mirror. They will reside in McAllen.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Hull are parents of a daughter, Sue Ann, born Tuesday morning, Feb. 19, in Root Memorial Hospital at Colorado City. She has a sister, Janie, 3 years old. The father is plant engineer at Jameson Natural Gasoline plant here.

Jim Sterling from the Dallas office was visiting Jameson plant a few days this week.

On vacation this week is James C. Furr, Jameson plant loading rack employee. Frank Kaiser, field clerk, is in Miami, Fla., for two weeks of active duty with the Naval Reserve.

H. G. White and his family have moved from Colorado City to the Sun residence in Tubb Camp which was vacated by Elmo Hargis.

Mrs. John Hollis returned Sunday from a few days at Odessa where she was at the bedside of a sister who underwent surgery.

Ray Preston of Lorraine, Lions club zone chairman, addressed the Silver Lions Club at its Tuesday night meeting.

Kay Stewart, sophomore at Texas Tech, came home for a weekend visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John T. Stewart. She was accompanied by a college girl friend.

Sixth grade pupils enjoyed a Valentine Party Friday night at Sun Rec Hall. They learned some square dances as taught by Curtis Dukes of Millican Camp. Ice cream with fresh strawberries and cake were served. Hostesses were Mrs. W. L. Ashmore, Mrs. Earl Lindsey and Mrs. O. S. Johnson.

Dorothy Jean McClusky was home for the weekend from San Angelo College and visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. McClusky. She was accompanied by a college girl friend who resides at Crane.

### SCHOOL ACCREDITED

Supt. Paul Ashby has received a letter from the Texas Education Agency advising him that on the basis of a progress report recently submitted, the Silver school is being recommended for full accredited status.

George Lomas, Sun pumper, has been a medical patient in Coke Memorial Hospital at Robert Lee since last Friday.

Mrs. O. W. Newell remains at Duluth, Minn., where she was called two weeks ago by illness. She writes that the patient has shown some improvement.

Silver school teams wound up their basket ball schedule this week and hereafter the boys will devote their training to track events.

Ike Snead has been transferred to Pampa as a Sun Oil Co. production foreman. He came to Silver early last summer from Snyder.

Ronnie Lyle was treated a couple of days the last of the week at Coke Memorial Hospital in Robert Lee for an ear infection. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Lyle.

Sun production department bowling team stands second in one of the Snyder leagues. Gerald Brasuell is high man of the year with a 253 game. Other members of the team are Harold Ramsey, Don Albright, Marvin Winget, F.

L. Haley, Ldeen Hill and Bobby Rhea.

Jack Morgan, Sun area engineer, was in Dallas Tuesday on company business.

Capt. Frances McKinney of Ft. Sill, Okla., spent the weekend here with her mother and sister, Mrs. Mamie Beringer and Mrs. C. M. Haigood, and husband. Capt. McKinney is an army nurse.

Mr. and Mrs. John Howze of Monahans and Mrs. Herman Betcher and Patsy of Baird visited here Sunday with the ladies' sister, Mrs. Henry Skrabanek, and family.

PUCKETT—Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Puckett of Hamlin are parents of their first child, a daughter, born Feb. 8. She weighed 6

pounds, 9 ounces and has been named Jacqueline Dawn. The father is employed in the Safeway Store at Hamlin. The mother is the former Juanita Sparks, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. Ray Sparks of Silver.

J. Weldon Phillips arrived home Saturday with his honorable discharge after completing a four-year enlistment in the Air Force. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. T. Z. Phillips of Silver.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mullican were happy to have their children home over the weekend. They included Franklin, Jr. and family and Edward Lee of Lubbock and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hood and little son, Craig, of Dallas.

Bill Hood preached at the Sil-

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ver Church of Christ Sunday morning at the invitation of Bobby Hugh Odom and Buster Jones reported fine success when they went fishing a short time Monday in Mountain Creek Lake at Robert Lee. They caught 31 nice crappies in two hours.

### What If?

By Frances Wylie

Sandra was Butcher instead of Baker.

Peggy was Sweetwater instead of Snyder.

Donald was Runner instead of Walker.

Marilyn was Write instead of Reid.

Nettie Bob was Drum instead of Bell.

Carol was Carburetor instead of Geer.

Carolyn was Sack instead of Box.

Jack was Green instead of Gray.

Troy was Ceiling instead of Walls.

Betty was Cape instead of Hat.

Doris was Flashes instead of Sparks.

Sam was Runworth instead of Skipworth.

Monty was Shiver instead of Trimble.

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- Does the engine have a compression ratio of 9 to 1, or higher?
- Does your car have more than one carburetor or a "Power-Pack"?
- Is the engine rated at 200 horsepower or higher?

(These points become even more important as you add miles to a new car; anti-knock requirements increase when you pass the break-in point.)



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# McCabe's Service Station

## Robert Lee, Texas

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## JUS' TALK

By DORIS SPARKS

### Monday:

The Seniors had play practice.

### Tuesday:

Two ball games were played at the home gym with Miles.

### Wednesday:

The Juniors and Seniors had play practice. There was a dance at Francis Wylie's house.

### Thursday:

The annual Sweetheart Banquet was held at the Baptist Church. Charlene and Dumas were voted "Teen-age love" while Carolyn and Eddie were "The Real Thing." A large crowd attended and everyone had a swell time.

The Seniors had play practice.

### Friday:

The last home games of the season were played in the home gym with Mertzon.

The Freshman girls had a slumber party at Jo Ann Hood's. There were some upper classmen boys that visited them.

The Seniors girls had a slumber party at Joyce Hester's. All but three of the Senior girls attended.

### Saturday:

There was a dance at Silver. Several attended it. "The Searchers" was showing at the local theater and there were several kids there.

### Sunday:

"Picnic" was showing and several kids were present. Nettie Bob had a card game at her house. There were Net, Joydell, Don and James D. at the card game.

Gary Joe Jackson visited friends in Robert Lee this weekend.

Bam, Freddy and Bill went to Junction this weekend. Did you boys visit friends, also????

Sherman was in Robert Lee this weekend.

Roland MacArthur was visiting in Robert Lee and Silver this weekend.

Wondering:

Where Fred and Delton went

Friday night after the ball game?

Who likes the song, "Day-O," so well that they sing it all night long??

Who called Carolyn E. so late Sun. nite for a date?

Why Peggy was so happy Sun? Did a long lost friend visit her??

## Who Is It??

By Nettie Bob Bell

The girl this week is a lower classman. She stands five feet and two inches tall. This girl weighs 116 pounds. She has light brown eyes. Her favorite color is red and chicken fried steak is at the top of her menu. Among sports, she chose basketball as her favorite. "Young Love" is her favorite song. Her hardest subject seems to be English. For entertainment, she enjoys dancing and "two-faced people" are her pet peeve. Her slang expression is "good grief." The boy this week is a lower

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classman. He stands 5' 7" and weighs 130 pounds. He has brown hair and hazel eyes. His favorite color is rather unusual. It is white. Steak is at the top of his menu and football is his choice among sports. He likes most all "Bop" songs and "Party Doll" is his favorite. He tells me that algebra is his hardest subject. For entertainment, he enjoys learning to dance. Tinkering with motors is his pastime. Smart-alecs are his pet peeve, and he has no special slang expression.

The boy and girl last week were Don Stewart and Pat Connor.

## Our Visitors

By Carol Geer

Mr. Arthur Sitas, Advisor in the Veterans Administration from San Angelo, was a visitor in the Robert Lee School on Wednesday and gave an interesting and in-

formative discussion on the benefits of veterans.

Mr. Sitas is a veteran of World War I who has introduced bills in the Legislature which have made possible many of the benefits received by soldiers of the last war.

At the present he is working on a bill which, if passed, will allow young men now entering the service to receive help from Educational Benefits and Home Purchase Benefits.

Mr. Sitas was a luncheon guest of Coach C. D. Manire in the school cafeteria. He then visited Mrs. Paul Coalson's Government Class, where he gave a lengthy discussion on procedures in making a bill become law.

Mr. Sitas pointed out the fact that Mr. Eisenhower was a real statesman, stating that a politician thinks about the next election, but a statesman thinks about the next generation.

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SMALL TALK

By A. J. K.

NEW CHEVROLET OWNERS
Vaughan Chevrolet Co. of Robert Lee reports the following sales since the new 1957 models came out in late October:

October-November

Bud Hanson, Pickup truck
Bueford Rowe, 4-dr. Bel Air
Ronnie Baker, 2-dr. Bel Air
Alton Roberts, Pickup truck
E. V. Woolever, 4-dr. Bel Air
Terry Joe Boucher, 4-dr. Sedan
R. H. Godwin, 4-dr. Bel Air
Jessie P. Reid, Station Wagon
T. Z. Phillips, Pickup truck
Maynard Read, Pickup truck
Canyon Truck Co., Pickup truck
A. J. Kirkpatrick, 2-dr. sedan
Aldwell & Rudd, Pickup truck
Wilfred Bruce, Station Wagon

December

Bennie Bullock, Pickup truck
J. C. Ingle, 4-dr. Sedan
Hugh S. Lewis, Jr., Sta. Wagon
Tom Romine, 4-dr. Sedan
Canyon Truck Co., 2-dr. Sedan
Lewis Heuvel, 4-dr. Bel Air
Bud Hanson, 4-dr. Bel Air
K C & A Drilling Co., 4-dr. Sedan
R. W. Smith, Pickup truck
Sun Pipe Line Co., 2-dr. Utility Sedan.

January

Troy Montgomery, 4-dr. Bel Air
Ed Posey, 4-dr. Sedan
Vic Collett, Pickup truck
Wooten Plumbing Co., Pickup
L. A. Haynes, 4-dr. Sedan
Don Robertson, 2-dr. Sedan
J. W. Bynum, 4-dr. Sedan
C. L. Henson, 4-dr. Sedan
K. K. Adams, 4-dr. Bel Air

FRIENDSHIP HD CLUB

The Friendship Home Demonstration Club met in regular meeting Feb. 14 in the home of Mrs. A. D. Fields, with six members and two visitors present.

Mrs. Weldon Fikes had charge of the meeting. Seven were measured and are ready to start altering their patterns.

A short business meeting was conducted in the afternoon and the next meeting will be a called meeting, Feb. 21, with Mrs. Lowell Roane.

Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Sparks of Corsicana visited here a few days last week with their cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Lewis, Sr. They were enroute to California for a visit with other relatives.

Dial telephone service went into effect in Robert Lee at 10 o'clock Wednesday night. The cutover was made without a hitch, as new lines were installed for the dial system, and all old telephones and lines will be removed immediately.

Mayor Cumbie Ivey, Jr. had the honor of placing the first long distance call soon after 10 p. m. He called his uncle, Paul Ivey, at San Miguel, Calif., and the call went through in just 45 seconds. It's automatic service all the way, telephone officials say and similar fast service can be expected to points all over the country.

On hand for the dial inauguration Wednesday night were John B. Robbins, Ted Maxwell and other General Telephone Co. officials from San Angelo as well as local civic leaders and visitors from nearby towns.

Bronte is expected to get dial service sometime in March.

Local officials are planning to crack down on night prowlers whose actions seem to be getting out of hand. Parents are advised they should have their young sons home within reasonable hours, or at least know where they are.

Virginia Jay found her lost parakeet in a hurry. Soon after The Observer came out Thursday evening Mrs. Charlie Bessent read the ad and got in touch with Mrs. Jay. The parakeet got over to the Bessent home, several blocks away, and allowed Mrs. Bessent to take it in the house after it perched on her head and shoulder. Virginia still maintains the bird can talk and we have been promised a demonstration.

Palmer Leeper found a balloon in his pasture Saturday. Examination showed it was one of 2,000 balloons released on Lincoln's Birthday from St. Paul, Minn., as a Crusade for Freedom promotion sponsored by the Fraternal Order of Eagles. The balloon was made of plastic material and was about 5 feet high and 3 feet across. It carried post cards which Mr. Leeper filled out and returned to St. Paul and also to the Eagles Lodge at Midland, Tex.

Ronnie Baker had orders to report Saturday morning for induction into the armed forces. He went to draft board headquarters in San Angelo on schedule, but found there had been a mistake and he wasn't to report until the 19th. Royce Wallace also had orders for induction on Feb. 19, and the two were told to meet the bus in Bronte at 8 a.m. The bus didn't arrive and a phone call advised the young men to go on to Ballinger. They got the draft board bus there and went to Abilene for induction. Ronnie phoned home Tuesday noon that he and Royce were leaving together for Ft. Bliss at El Paso where they would take basic training.

Menard school district is going to try and collect \$15,000 in delinquent taxes, and the first move has been to publish the entire list of names and the amount they owe.

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