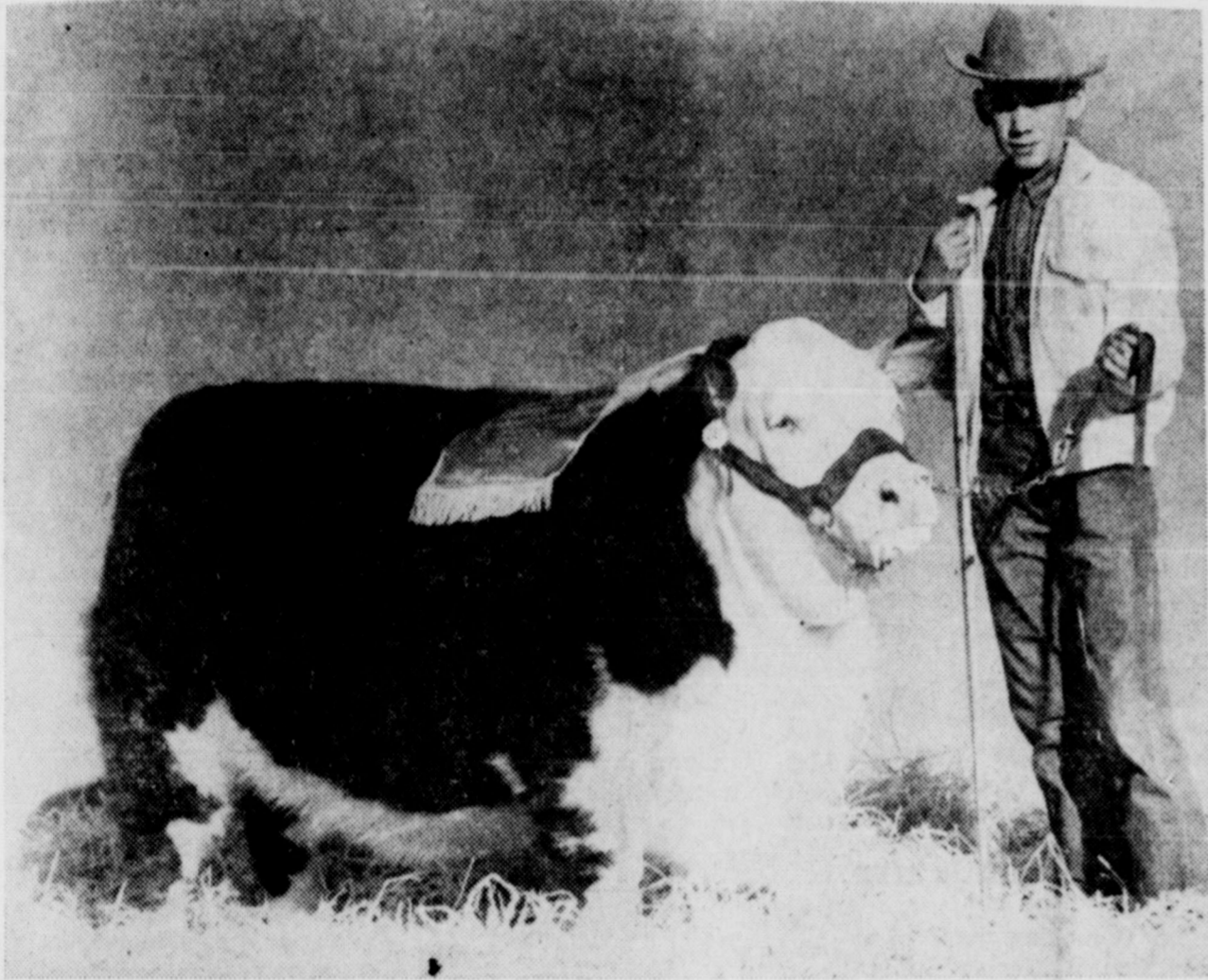


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COKE COUNTY BRED STEER shown above was grand champion of the recent Odessa Livestock Show. It was out of Douglas Gartman's herd and was sold as a calf to Leroy Shafer of Trent, who entered the animal in the show. It was sold for \$3,000 at an Odessa auction.

Gartman's Herefords In Spotlight

The beautiful Hereford steer in the accompanying picture brought signal honor to its breeder, Douglas Gartman. The 13-months-old animal, weighing 1,030 pounds, was grand champion of the big Odessa livestock show and sold for an even \$3,000.

Gartman raised the Hereford from his herd of breeding cows which he runs near Sanco on a section owned by W. H. Wyatt and another section owned by his father, Bryan Gartman.

Sire of the champion steer was Return Domino and its dam was of Publican Domino breeding. It was purchased early last year by the M. (Red) Shafer family who reside on a small acreage west of Trent. They have two sons, Leroy 14, and Jerry, 11.

The entire family is dedicated to establishing a better herd of Here-

fords, although Leroy, a Taylor County 4-H youth, was in charge of the animal in the show.

Mr. Shafer, who knows a lot about good Herefords and is known to his friends as "Red", bought the 7-year-old Domino bull from Gartman last summer. The bull came from the Winston Bros. herd at Snyder and was purchased by Gartman as a calf. He is now in Shafer's bull pen at Trent, but Gartman has reserved service from him to some of his best cows.

Douglas has a full time job as a pumper for Perkins-Prothro Oil Co. southwest of Silver and he and his family reside in the company's camp. He looks after his cattle during off hours. He and his father recently bought a Larry Domino bull which was champion at the Mason Show. They are also using a Largent bull in their herd.

Ex-mayor J. S. Ferrell was admitted to Coke County Memorial Hospital Sunday where he is being treated for a stomach ailment. He has been seriously ill.

Grand Jury To Investigate Criminal Cases

A grand jury for the new term of 51st District Court has been called to report at Robert Lee next Monday, Feb. 16, at 10 a. m.

Several criminal matters are to be investigated, according to Sheriff Paul Good. Two men are being held in Coke County jail, pending action of the grand jury. Three others are at liberty under bond.

List of grand jurors includes W. H. Braswell, Fred McCabe, J. O. Rudd, J. P. Jameson, Chester Harwell, Bob Edwards, N. C. Pentecost, Paul Coulter, Elton Mims, Eddie Paul Good, James Arrott, L. B. White, D. O. King, J. D. Harmon, James Counts and Jim Wells.

County Has New Scale of Salaries

Coke County Commissioners in regular session Monday passed a final order increasing the annual salary of each of the four commissioners by the sum of \$1,500 annually. It raises their pay from \$4,000 to \$5,500.

Also given a similar salary increase was Mrs. Gertrude Gray, county treasurer, who had been drawing \$4,000 per year. The pay of J. L. (Chilly) Tinkler, county and district clerk, was raised from \$5,800 to \$6,000 annually. Salaries of no other elective officials were raised.

Notice of the proposed salary boost had been advertised three weeks in the county newspapers. A petition protesting the action was filed which carried the names of 35 Bronte people, but no objectors appeared in person at the Monday session.

Other salaries raised included: Mrs. Winnie Waldrop, chief deputy clerk, raised \$300 to \$3,000 per

year; Mrs. Joyce King, county agent's secretary, raised \$300 to \$2,700 a year; Arthur Sitas, part time veterans service officer, raised \$10 a month to \$600 annually; county agent and home demonstration agent given \$200 more per year in travel expenses.

Salaries of other elective principal officers remain at the following amounts: Paul Good, sheriff and tax assessor-collector, \$6,040 per year; W. W. Thetford, county judge, \$5,000; Frank C. Dickey Sr., county attorney, \$3,400.

Wages paid other employees: O. B. Jacobs, deputy sheriff, \$3,600 and \$35 per month travel expense; Frank Keesee, deputy sheriff, \$2,400 and \$35; Fagan Parker, court house custodian, \$3,300 per year, and Mrs. Parker, assistant, \$2,100.

Road hands will continue to be paid \$1.50 per hour with each precinct having a foreman who draws \$1.75. Road hands are allowed one week of paid vacation per year.

Jean Mathis and Garland Good, deputies in the sheriff-tax office, draw \$2,400 per year. Commissioners voted to pay 75% of their salaries out of the road and bridge funds, and the remaining 25% from the general fund.

BUY NEW PICKUP

Commissioners held one regular and one special meeting last week in addition to this week's regular session. Among other matters taken up were the following:

Purchased new Ford pickup from Ivey Motor Co. at a low bid of \$1,298, plus trade-in of 1955 pickup. The vehicle is for use of Commissioner Hickman in Precinct 3. Three other bids submitted were Bronte Motor Co., \$1,350, Vaughan Chevrolet Co., \$1,308.47, and Caperton Chevrolet Co., \$1,318.25.

Order was passed consolidating the Hayrick voting box with Bronte in future elections. Judges were named for any special elections which may be held during the year of 1959.

HOSPITAL TRUSTEES

Four new trustees of Coke County Memorial Hospital were appointed to succeed an equal number whose terms expired and declined reappointment. The changes resulted in Jack Denman succeeding H. L. Bloodworth in Precinct 1; Joe Rawlings for Bert Blaylock in Precinct 4, and Norman Kiker and Austin Sandusky for E. L. Caperton and R. C. Lasswell in Precinct 2.

PARK BOARD

Named as members of the County Park Board were:

Precinct 1—Cumbie Ivey Jr., H. S. Lewis Jr., Robert Vaughan, J. F. McCabe Jr., Raymond McCutchen.

Precinct 2—Earl F. Glenn, B. D. Snead, W. H. Maxwell, H. A. Springer, J. T. Henry.

Precinct 3—Lewis Heuvel, Bob Godwin.

Precinct 4—Louis Bridges, Joe Rawlings.

BANK DEPOSITORIES

Commissioners accepted bids of First National Bank of Bronte and the Robert Lee State Bank to act as depositories for county and common school funds during the next two years.

Real Estate Deals

Two important farm sales and several deals of city property have been closed in the Robert Lee area in recent weeks.

D. A. Dumas sold his 260-acre stock farm, 7 miles southeast of Robert Lee, to Guy Burton of San Angelo, at a reported price of \$30,000. The sale includes a 12,000 capacity broiler plant which Mr. Dumas operated soon after he moved to the place in the fall of 1955.

The new owner took over immediately and is continuing the broiler business.

Mr. Dumas purchased a 360-acre stock farm 10 miles southeast of Brownwood and immediately took possession of the property.

Bailey Russell has sold his improved farm, 4 miles west of Robert Lee, to Marvin B. Simpson. Involved are three tracts and a total of 442.85 acres of farm and pasture land. The property lies on both the north and south sides of Highway 158.

Mr. Russell and his family have indicated they will move to San Angelo.

Lem Cowley has purchased the modern home in the north part of Robert Lee owned the past year by Leonard A. Stevens. The residence was constructed a few years ago by Johnny Kohutek. Mr. Stevens resigned an oil company position and has moved to Andrews.

Mr. Cowley expects to close a sale of his 200-acre farm, southeast of Robert Lee, to Alton Roberts.

V. L. (Pete) Gilbert has sold the old Davis Hotel property in down town Robert Lee to Mr. and Mrs. James R. McClure, who own the rock house on the corner to the west. The new owners plan to dismantle the old building and build an addition to their home. Mr. Gilbert plans to move to Bronte.

J. C. Snead Jr. has purchased the building which houses his barber shop. Former owner was W. M. Simpson of El Paso, former Robert Lee resident. The property is described as Lot 11, block 23, Original Town of Robert Lee.

Officer Candidate



JACK EDWARD THETFORD of McCamey (right) was congratulated upon his acceptance for Aviation Officer Candidacy on Dec. 10, 1958, by Lt. Glen Swaim, Asst. Naval Aviation Cadet Procurement Officer at the Dallas Naval Air Station.

Thetford is now at Pensacola, Fla., undergoing training which will upon successful completion, earn an Ensign's commission and "Wings of Gold" designating him as a naval aviator.

Jack is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Thetford of McCamey, former well known residents of Edith and Robert Lee. He attended Robert Lee high school and has a BS degree from Sul Ross College. Jack is a nephew of County Judge W. W. Thetford and a grandson of Mrs. Nannie Thetford of Bronte.

Texas Natural Gets Humble Gas From IAB Field

Texas Natural Gasoline Corp. has closed a deal to purchase gas produced by Humble Oil & Refining Co. in the new I. A. B. field northwest of Robert Lee. With the recent purchase of 15 wells from Norsworthy, Humble now has upwards of 35 producing wells in the field on property owned by I. A. Bird, R. C. Russell, Harris Ranch, A. F. McKinley and J. J. S. Smith.

Texas Natural will construct a booster station in the field and pipe the raw gas to its processing plant southwest of Silver. A new pipeline was recently laid through the field, which also brings in gas from the Blackwell area. This line has been partially completed and was being tested this week according to John Mason, plant superintendent.

Sun Oil Co. is laying its own 8-

inch line from the Jameson plant at Silver to their Menielle lease where they have a dozen producers. Lefty Windham of Colorado City is the contractor.

SAN ANTONIO CALF SCRAMBLE

Three Coke County youths have been entered in the calf scramble to be held Monday night, Feb. 16, in connection with the San Antonio Stock Show and Rodeo. They are Kenneth Wink of Robert Lee, Dee Arrott of Tennyson and Malcom Johnson of Bronte. Twenty boys at each rodeo performance will race for 10 calves and the lucky ones will struggle to win their livestock the hard but hilarious way. Dale Robertson of the Wells Fargo TV Show will be starred in the San Antonio show.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Richards went to Stephenville Saturday when they were overnight guests of his mother, Mrs. E. C. Seay, and husband.

Methodist Church Items

The two W. S. C. S. Circles are having a combined study on "Understanding Other Cultures." This study is under the direction of Mrs. Bruce Cliff with the assistant helping.

The Young Married Couple's Sunday School Class is sponsoring a Bible Study. A large group has signed up for this course which is being conducted by their pastor. The group meets on Wednesday night at 7:30 in the Fellowship Hall. Others interested in this study are invited to attend.

The Methodist Men's Bible Class had a social recently. After a "Fellowship" refreshments were served and the group entered into several games. 52 members with their wives were present.

The Church is proud of its new rails which have been placed at the front of the pew. Mr. Jess Craddock of Colorado City made the pews and installed them. They are made of the same type wood as the new pews and match perfectly in color.

The Intermediate MYF had a party in the home of the T. M. Wylie's Jr., last Saturday night. After a "hot-dog" roast with refreshments, the group was entertained by the Wylies, Mrs. Ave Lou Hanna is Intermediate MYF sponsor.

The choir is making preparation for their Easter Cantata which they will present during the Easter season.

The San Angelo District Youth Rally will be held on February 22 in the First Methodist Church of San Angelo. A number of young people from our local MYF are making plans to attend. Mr. and Mrs. Monte Wallace are counselors for the senior MYF.

The Official Board met last Wednesday night and plans were made to emphasize the "Attendance Crusade" which several Churches of different denominations in Texas are supporting. The Methodist Church along with other Christians urge all people to attend their respective Churches during the Passion Season.

BIRTHS

GRUBB—Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Otis Grubb Jr. (Mary Ann Gray) are parents of their first child, a daughter, born Feb. 4 in a Lubbock hospital. She weighed 7 1/4 pounds and has been named Sharla Ann. The father is a student at Texas Tech. Grandparents are Mrs. Gertrude Gray of Robert Lee and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Otis Grubb Sr. of Alpine.

TAYLOR — T/Sgt. and Mrs. Charles W. Taylor (Ruth Austin) are parents of a daughter born Jan. 25. She weighed 6 pounds, 5 ounces and has been named Martha Susan. She has two brothers, Jim, 4, and Stevie, 2 years old. Sgt. Taylor is stationed in the Air Force at Edwards, Calif. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Austin of Robert Lee and Mr. and Mrs. John E. Taylor of New Brunswick, Canada.

AUSTIN—Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Austin (Elaine Seerden) of Ft. Worth are parents of their first child, a daughter born Jan. 22. Janet Leigh weighed 7 pounds, 8 ounces. The father is employed by the advertising department of Quaker Oats Co. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Austin and Mr. and Mrs. Murry Seerden.

SWINDLE—Mr. and Mrs. Lee Swindle (Peggy Sue Blankenship) of Tuscola are parents of their first child, a daughter born at 3:15 a.m. Feb. 9 in a Merkel hospital. She weighed 7 pounds, 6 ounces and has been named Carla Jo. Grandparents are Mrs. Ardie Swindle of Tuscola and Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Blankenship of Robert Lee.

GOOD, Today,
BETTER Tomorrow—
ROBERT LEE,

PTA BAKE SALE

The bake sale held Friday, Feb. 6, was a success. The citizens of Robert Lee purchased pies and cakes from the local PTA to help pay for the chain link fence which has been erected between the elementary school playground and the street.

The sale was held in the West Texas Utilities building through the courtesy of West Texas Utilities Co. and W. D. McAdams, local manager.

Another fund raising activity planned is a game night, for Saturday, Feb. 28.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. (Doc) Benningfield returned Wednesday of last week to their home in Robert Lee after a several weeks stay at Big Spring where Mr. Benningfield was treated at Veterans Hospital. His many friends will be happy to learn that he is much improved and is able to be up and around the house.

Arthur Runion recently resigned his position at Kerens where he was herdsman for a prominent cattle breeder. He is engaged in stock farming with his mother, Mrs. Arminda Runion. At present he is substituting for his uncle, Bob Read, as star route mail carrier here.

County Agents News Column

By STERLING LINDSEY

SHOWS COMING UP

James Bird Pentecost of Sanco has one Hereford steer in the El Paso Fat Stick Show being judged on Tuesday night of this week. James Bird's calf was previously judged champion of the County Fat Stock Show. Most observers believe he is good enough to place well in any of the larger shows.

The remaining lambs, pigs and calves being fed by 4-H and FFA members will be shown at the Houston and San Angelo Fat Stock Shows. A trailer truck load of stock will be taken to Houston the first week in March and several head will be shown in San Angelo the following week.

Important Cotton Meetings

There will be a meeting Tuesday, Feb. 17, in the court house in Robert Lee, and one Thursday, Feb. 19, at the Ag. Building in Bronte to discuss the Choice A and B plans on the 1959 Cotton Allotments. Both meetings will start at 7:30 p.m.

Cotton farmers may in 1959 stay within their regular allotment and the price will be not less than 30.4 cents per pound, or choose the B plan and over plant their allotment by 40 per cent and the price will be not less than 24.70 cents per pound. These prices are based on middling 7/8 grade.

The County Agent and the County Committee will be on hand to discuss any questions that you may have regarding the two plans. Everyone is invited to attend one or both meetings.

Mrs. Henry Childress accompanied Mrs. Addison Davis and children of San Angelo to Snyder Monday where they visited Mrs. Dub Wallace. The latter has been ill and her children, Debra and Dub Jr., spent several days here last week with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Childress. Mrs. Davis and Mrs. Wallace are sisters. They are the former Joan and Billie Hester.

Don Blair received a broken bone in his hand Monday night while working on the Guffey rotary rig on the Menielle lease. The injury was treated at Coke County Memorial Hospital. Don is a member of the crew of which his brother, Curtis Blair, is the driller. Don and his wife, the former Shirley Stewart, recently moved back to Robert Lee and are living in one of the Dickey apartments. They have two little daughters.

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NOTICE TAXPAYERS

Change in Schedule

Starting Jan. 26, I will be at my office in Robert Lee on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of each week until further notice, and will still be at Bronte on Saturdays to assist you with your Income Tax Returns. Fifteen years experience plus up to date information on latest rules.

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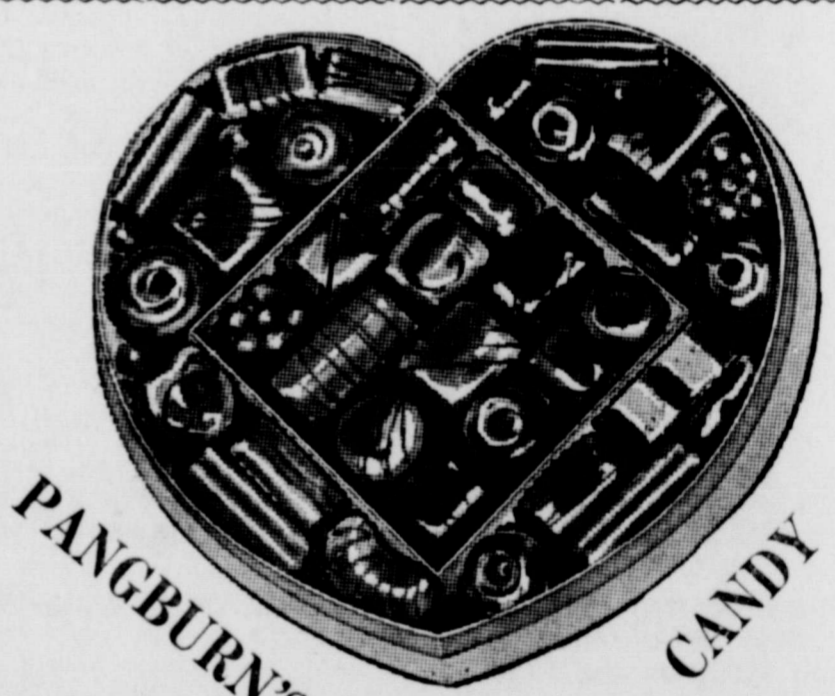
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REV. ALLEN CARTWRIGHT
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New Preacher And Wife Both Have Degrees

Both the Rev. Allen Cartwright, new Baptist minister at Silver, and his wife have had extensive theological training. They graduated from Wayland College in 1954 and then entered Southwestern Baptist Seminary at Ft. Worth.

At the latter school the Rev. Cartwright earned a Bachelor of Divinity Degree and Mrs. Cartwright received a Master Degree in Religious Education.

Mr. Cartwright is a native of the Sunray community. While in the army he met Miss Dena Poole of Fairbanks and they were married in 1946. They farmed near Sunray for years and then enrolled at Wayland College.

After finishing his course at Southwestern Baptist Seminary, the Rev. Cartwright accepted a call to the Baptist Church in Clairemont in April, 1957. They moved to Silver from Clairemont a couple of weeks ago.

The Cartwrights have two daughters, Allana Gayle, 11, and Belinda Rose, 8 years old.

Rev. Cartwright succeeds Rev. Ray Sparks, who recently retired from active preaching after being pastor at Silver eight years. Rev. Keand Mrs. Sparks now reside in San Angelo.

BIRTHS

ARCHER—Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Archer (Nita Allen) of San Angelo are parents of a daughter born Feb. 6 in Clinic-Hospital. She weighed 7 pounds and has been named Susan Rosemary. Other children in the family include Lancy, 12, Rebecca, 9, and Tim, 5 years old. The father is engaged in business in San Angelo and the family resides at 313 Glenmore. Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Allen of Silver are grandparents. The paternal grandparents reside at Koppel.

WINGET—Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Winget of Colorado City are parents of a son born at 9:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 9. He weighed 8 pounds, 3 ounces upon his delivery at Root Memorial Hospital. He has a brother, Mike, 3 years old. The father is a field clerk at Sun Oil Co. production office in Silver.

MONCRIEF—Mr. and Mrs. Bill Moncrief of Colorado City are parents of their first child, a daughter, born Feb. 6 in Root Memorial Hospital. She weighed 7 pounds, 5 ounces and has been given the name Sheri Carol. The father is employed at Jameson natural gasoline plant in Silver.

A. B. Sheppard
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ROBERT LEE, TEXAS

PERKINS-PROTHRO CAMP

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Muncerief, former residents of Perkins-Prothro, are the proud parents of a daughter born last Friday in Root Memorial Hospital in Colorado City. She has been named Sherri. Bill is now employed at the Sun Jameson Gasoline Plant.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Blair and children visited Sunday in the Paul Burns home.

Guests in the Douglas Gartman home Monday were his parents, the Bryan Gartmans, of Sanco.

Mr. and Mrs. V. W. Lehde, parents of Mrs. Billy M. Jones, visited this past week in the Jones home. The Lehdies have lived in Port Arthur for the past four years where Mr. Lehde worked at the Gulf Refinery; but having retired Feb. 1, they are returning to their home at Sweetwater.

Three wells are being drilled for Perkins-Prothro Oil Co. by the McCutchen Drilling Co. Two oil wells, one on the J. W. Johnson lease and one on the W. C. Blanks lease are to be drilled and a water well on the W. C. Blanks lease is being drilled for watering flooding purposes.

NEW CAFE OPERATORS

New operators of the Odom Cafe are Mr. and Mrs. Ross Gann of Monahans, who took over the management Monday of this week. They have had previous experience in the restaurant business. Their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Rogers, reside in Robert Lee where Mr. Rogers is employed by Humble Oil & Refining Co. Harry Buck of San Angelo, chef at the Odom Cafe for some time, has gone to Pecos where he accepted another position.

Silver News

TOURNAMENT AWARDS

Silver placed two on the girls all tournament team at the close of the recent junior high school basketball tournament here. They were Twila Edwards and Sandra Higginbotham. Faye Conaway of Westbrook was named the outstanding girl player.

Watson of Westbrook and Glass of Wall tied in the vote for the most outstanding boy player and each was given an award.

Miles girls and Sterling City boys received sportsmanship awards.

Westbrook girls and the Wall boys team were the meet champions. Silver girls won the consolation crown and Coahoma defeated Silver for the boys consolation.

Silver won a double header at Loraine last Thursday night. Silver boys score was 41-25 and the girls final score was 43-40.

Sterling City was scheduled for three games at Silver Tuesday of this week and Silver teams play in Colorado City Thursday starting at 4 p.m.

Members of the Silver School band are selling candy bars to raise money for the organization. A package of five bars sells at 50 cents. Public support of the project will be appreciated.

Dennis Blair of Robert Lee has been transferred from a Texas Natural gas line construction crew to the Perkins plant southwest of Silver. He succeeds Jim Ybarra, who will be unable to work for some time because of a fractured leg. Ybarra was treated at a San Angelo hospital for two weeks and has returned to his home in Robert Lee.

ert Lee.

Glenn Hodge, chief at Texas Natural Gasoline Corp. plant, has learned to be careful of snakes even if it is still winter. While he and his little son were visiting a small lake on the Spade Ranch Sunday afternoon they ran onto a huge rattler lying in the sun on a rock. They were within four feet of the snake before they noticed it. Glenn lost no time in killing the reptile.

Mrs. R. S. Anderson and Mrs. C. E. Mathers have returned home from Coke Memorial Hospital in Robert Lee where they were medical patients recently.

T. W. Lyle left Saturday for Olean, N. Y., where he is being

sent by Sun Oil Co. gas department for three weeks of training in the Clark Mfg. Co. factory. He boarded a plane early Saturday at San Angelo and was due to fly to Buffalo. Accompanying Mr. Lyle were two other Sun employees, one from Sunfield and the other from LaVerne, Okla.

Mrs. James Bradham returned a couple of weeks ago from a three weeks' visit with her parents at Huntington, Long Island, N. Y. She reports lots of snow and cold weather during her stay there.

Curtis Dukes, Sun Pipeline Co. assistant gauger, is off duty this week with influenza.

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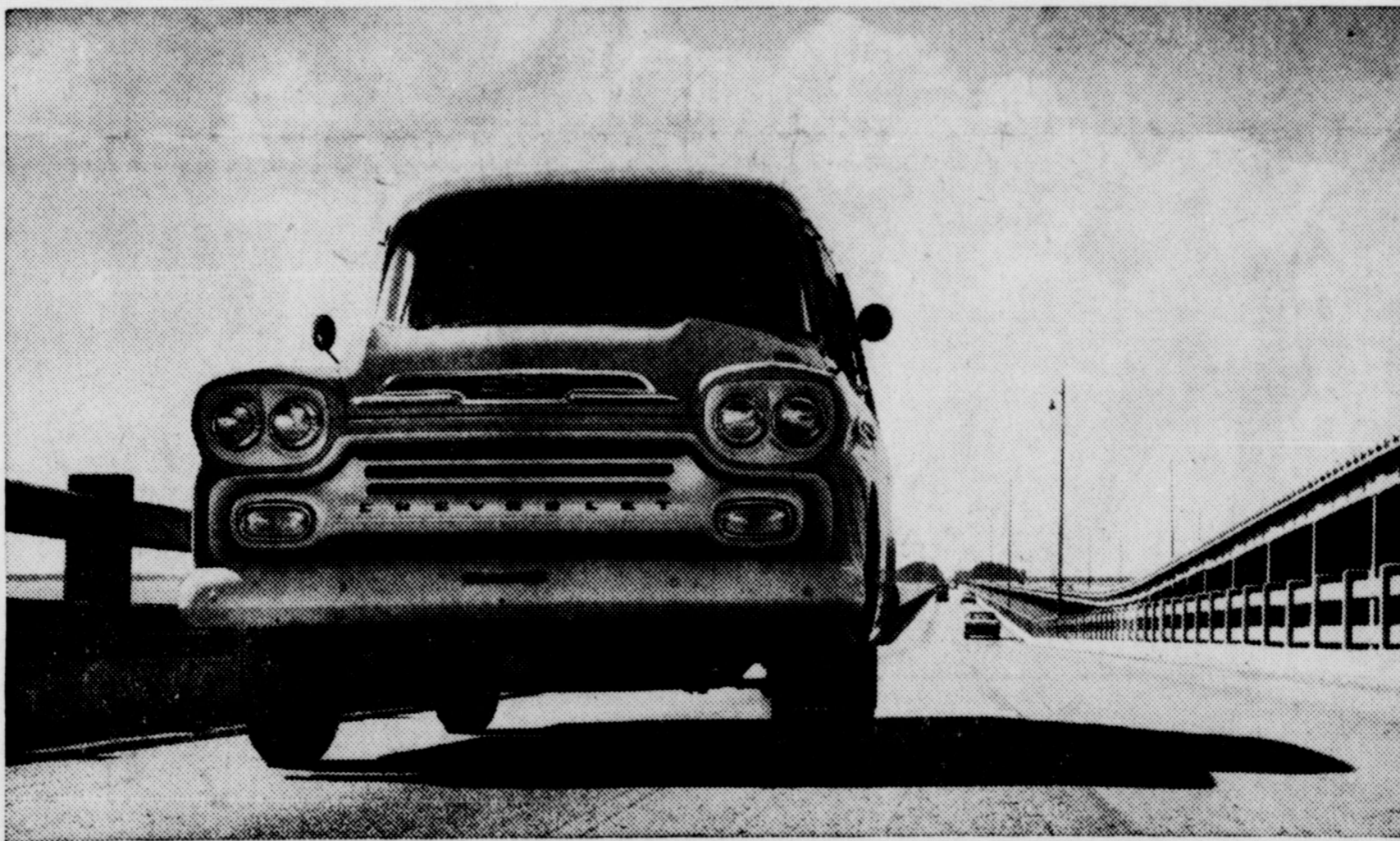
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This year, the light-, medium- and heavy-duty trucks of the 1959 Chevrolet Task-Force fleet are out to whip anything that comes their way—and they've got what it takes to do it!

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SILVER NEWS

A bridal shower honoring Mrs. Paul Tinkler, the former Bonnie Butcher, will be given Friday night at 7:30 in the Sun Recreation Hall.

The annual Father-Daughter Banquet for the Brownies and Girl Scouts and their Dads is to be held Friday evening at 6 in the school cafeteria. Mothers of the girls are to be hostesses.

Rev. and Mrs. Charles Camp and daughter, Robin, were guests in the Charles Simpson home last Friday night. Rev. Camp participated in the community basketball game for adults and students. He is the former pastor of the First Methodist Church of Silver and now is pastor of the Methodist Church at Midkiff, Texas.

Mrs. R. L. Coffman is making a fine recovery at her home here, following recent major surgery in a San Angelo hospital. Her husband is a Sun Pipeline Co. assistant gauger.

Bobby Koonce is now attending John Tareyton College at Stephenville. The son of Mr. and Mrs.

W. W. Koonce, Bobby came home between semesters at Texas A & M where he was a freshman. His mother accompanied him back to College Station and assisted in his move from College Station to Stephenville.

Ldeen Hill, Sun Oil Co. production roustabout here, has been transferred to the company's Colorado City office as a field clerk.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Allen were in San Angelo Monday where they made the acquaintance of their new granddaughter in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Archer.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Brandon and son, Mike, and Mrs. A. J. O'Brien of Amarillo were recent guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Marion Cox. Mrs. O'Brien is a sister of Mrs. Cox and Mrs. Brandon is their niece. Mr. Brandon is in the Air Force and he and his family will leave soon for a three-year tour of duty in England.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Keener spent a couple of days last week in Brownwood with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Duff.

Mrs. Ed Gray of San Antonio,

former well known Coke County resident, visited Silver friends and relatives recently. Mrs. Gray is an aunt of Arch Mathers.

C. G. Walker recently took off a week as a Sun Oil Co. pumper and spent the period with relatives in Leon County.

SET PANCAKE SUPPER

Silver Lions Club will hold its annual Pancake Supper at the school lunch room on Friday, Feb. 27. An advance sale of tickets began this week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Wilkes and Jerry visited recently with their friends, Mr. and Mrs. O. S. Everett, at Post.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Jameson and little granddaughter, Marsha Duncan, visited last week with the G. A. Jamesons at Big Lake.

Mrs. T. W. Lyle was a delegate at the district meeting of the Texas Division of the American Cancer Society at Town and Country Club in San Angelo last Thursday. Mrs. Lyle will again serve as Silver chairman of the Cancer campaign in April. She plans to have

a public meeting here later and show movies in behalf of the Cancer Crusade.

DEATH OF MR. BRYAN

Mrs. Ernest Clendennen and sons returned Tuesday of last week from Amarillo where they had been called by the death of the former's father, Arch V. Bryan. A retired railroad man Mr. Bryan was 79 years of age, and had been in failing health. His death Jan. 28 was unexpected however. He had visited his daughter and her family in Silver on several occasions. Mr. Clendennen returned home Saturday. His wife and boys started home Sunday, but were forced to stop a couple of days in Lubbock because of ice covered highways.

Mrs. Gertrude Gray and daughters, Patty and Barbara, went to Lubbock Sunday with Claude Beaver of Bronte to visit the Bill Grubb family and see the new baby. Mrs. Beaver has been in Lubbock and will remain with her niece and family for another week.

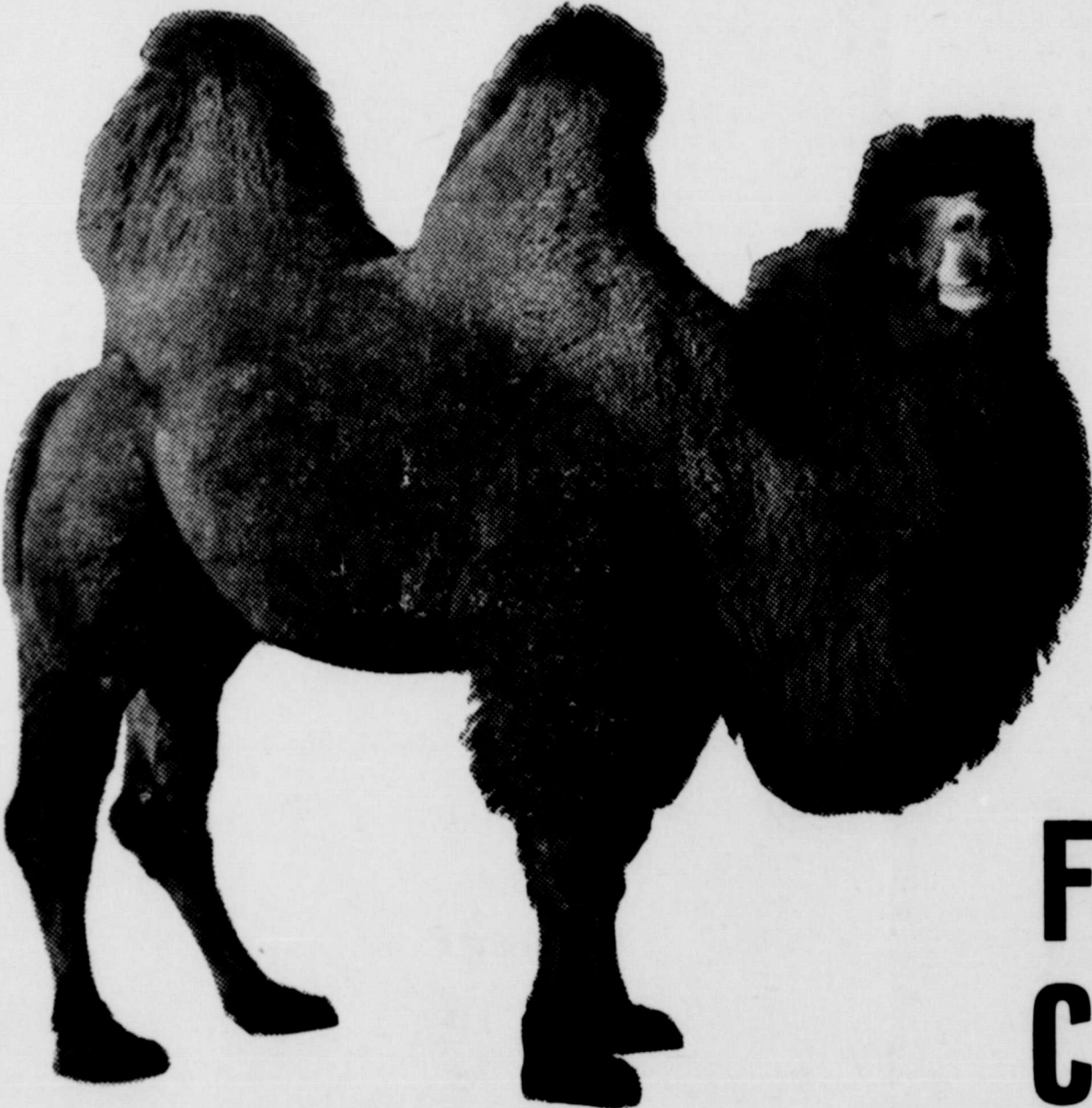
BOB READ CRITICAL
R. L. (Bob) Read, well known mail carrier, has been seriously ill the past week in Coke County Memorial Hospital. He is suffering from chronic asthma and complications. Relatives are constantly at his bedside, including his son, Maynard, of San Angelo, his sister, Mrs. Arminda Runnion and son, Arthur, as well as other kind-folks. Mr. Read's condition yesterday continued critical.

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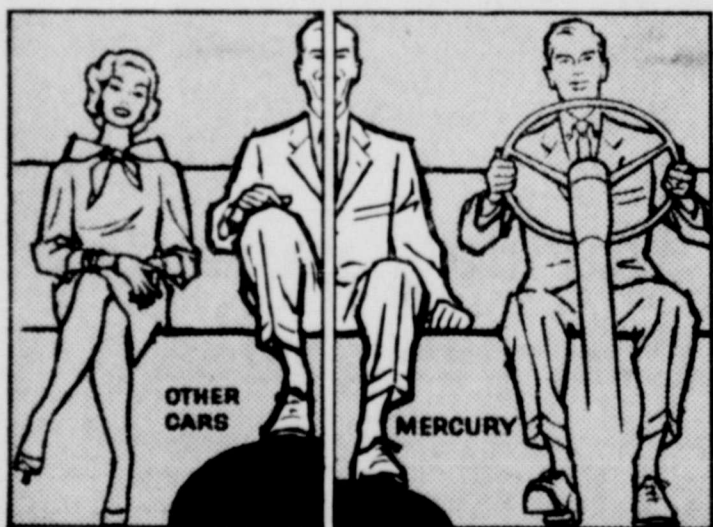
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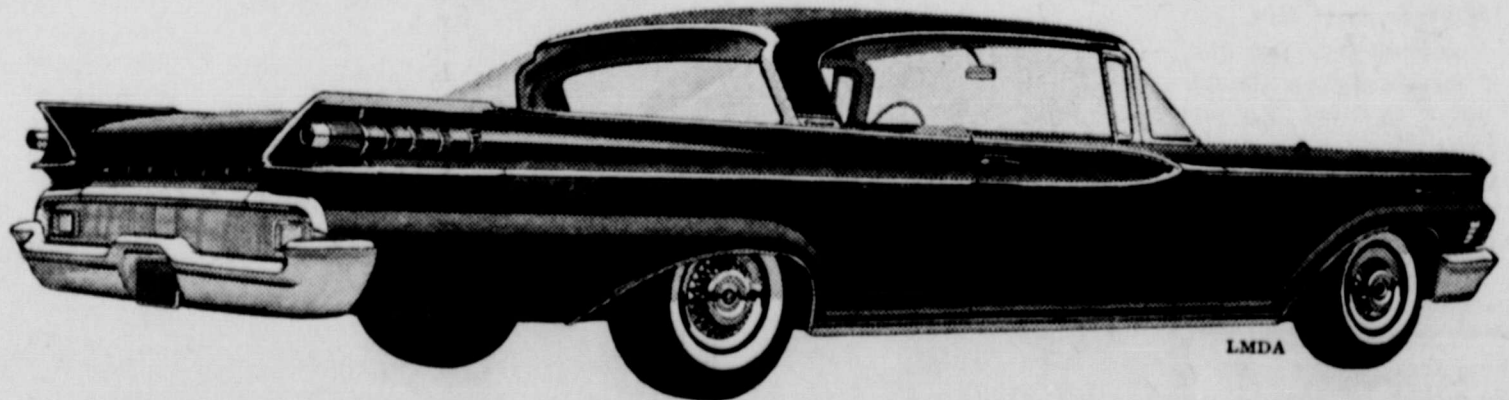
'59 MERCURY CUTS THE HUMP IN THE FLOOR WAY DOWN. FIRST CAR WITH REAL COMFORT... EVEN FOR CENTER-SEAT PASSENGERS

For 1959, Mercury's got what the other new cars forgot. For example, Mercury is the only new car that remembers "the man in the middle."

Other new cars still have that big tunnel-hump in the center of the floor. The so-called "6-passenger" models are only comfortable for 4 passengers. Center-seat passengers ride with their legs doubled up. But Mercury has cut the hump in half—shrunk it into a footrest. Seat cushioning is deep and soft. There's solid, stretch-out comfort wherever you sit.

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Notes From The Oil Field

Wildcat Staked West of Edith

C. L. Norsworthy Jr. and Sam Drilling Co., both of Dallas, will drill the No. 1 Stella M. Wardlaw, a 7,600-foot Ellenburger wildcat in Coke County, eight miles west of Robert Lee.

Location on a 320-acre lease is 50 feet from the south line and 980 feet from the west line of section 184-2-H&TC. It is a quarter mile northeast of Green Mountain school house.

The prospector is 1 1/2 miles northeast of the one-well Edita (Canyon sand) field on property owned by the late Charlie Thompson. The hole had been plugged, but was re-entered the past year by Norsworthy and made a producer.

The Wardlaw test is also a half mile south of a 6,715-foot failure drilled six years ago on Mrs. Ruth Featherston.

ARLEDGE WILDCAT

Mr. Norsworthy will also drill a 7,400-foot wildcat on the Joe Arledge Estate in southwestern Nolan County. Location has been spotted 1,980 feet from the north and 560 feet from the west lines of Section 218, 1-A, H&TC.

It is a farmout from Humble Oil & Refining Co.

The wildcat is eight miles north of Sanco and 10 miles southwest of Maryneal.

Farm Bureau Has Meeting

Twenty-one members of the Coke County Farm Bureau enjoyed a Dutch supper at Varnadore Cafe in Robert Lee Thursday night, Feb. 5.

After the supper, a business session was held and members discussed Senate Bill 38 and House Bill 31, which provide help in controlling the cattle disease, brucellosis. The Farm Bureau is solidly backing these bills.

Guy Denman, chairman of the membership committee, and his wife will attend the annual rally for membership committees of Texas, Feb. 12 at the Adolphus Hotel in Dallas. "The Bachelors," popular Robert Lee boys quartet, will appear on the program at the Dallas meeting. Members of the quartet and Mr. and Mrs. Denman will accompany Mr. and Mrs. Ledrew Arrott of Bronte to Dallas.

After the business session, members present went to the court house where they were shown a film on "Wildlife in Alaska."

Mrs. E. M. Forman of Kerrville arrived last week to be with her brother, R. L. Read, who is critically ill.

Jim L. Reid, who has been in Grand Prairie the past few years, has moved back to San Angelo and set up a radio and TV repair business at 39 N. Chadbourne. He says business conditions are not too good in the Dallas-Ft. Worth area since so many men have been laid off at the airplane plants.

Want Ads

LOST in Bronte Sunday, Jan. 25, brindle and white screwtail bulldog. Answers to Boots. Kid's pet. James W. Jones, owner. Finder please advise Observer office.

MAYTAG LAUND-O-RAMA is now operating in Bronte for your convenience from 5 a. m. until 10 p. m.

RETURN TO MEXICO

Rene and Henrique Lerch, 13-year-old twins, returned recently to the home of their parents in Mexico City after spending two months here. They were guests of the Frank Dickeys, who have been friends of the family over a period of years. One of the boys attended school in Robert Lee and the other one lived with the Frank Dickey Jr. family in San Angelo and went to school there. Accompanying them home was Gwen Dickey, 13-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Dickey of San Angelo. She expects to remain there several months and attend school.

Mrs. Georgia Turner of El Paso came for a weekend visit with her parents, Commissioner and Mrs. Ed Hickman, and other relatives.

Being treated this week at Coke Memorial Hospital is Aunt Mary J. Cain, who has a bronchial ailment. She is past 90 years of age.

Mrs. H. C. Allen is making a good recovery from bronchitis at Coke County Memorial Hospital where she has been a patient since Thursday. H. C. Allen, Jr. came from Dallas over the weekend to visit his mother and other members of the family.

Clyde Gibbins Is Dead From Long Illness

Clyde — Clyde Homer Gibbins, 71, died at his home here about 4:30 a.m. Saturday. He had been ill since suffering a heart attack last October.

Born June 4, 1887 in Montague County, he lived there until he was 21, after which he lived for awhile in Indian Territory, Okla., and then in New Mexico before returning to Texas.

Mr. Gibbins moved to Clyde in August, 1948 from Lubbock. He had married Mrs. Ordie Wilbanks on May 9, 1944, at Robert Lee.

In Clyde, Mr. Gibbins operated a service station west of town until ill health forced his retirement.

He was a member of the Methodist Church.

Funeral was held Sunday at 3 p.m. in the Clyde Methodist Church with the Rev. Lee Crouch, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Clyde Cemetery under the direction of Bailey Funeral Home.

Survivors include his wife; four children by a previous marriage, M. C. Gibbins of Bowie, Mrs. J. M. Anders of Sherman, Mrs. Clint

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Kelsay of Oklahoma City, Okla., and Mrs. L. M. Watts of Glendale, Calif.; one stepdaughter, Mrs. James Munson of Abilene; 12 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren; and two brothers, J. P. Gibbins of Midland and Brian Gibbins of Hobbs, N. M.

Mr. Gibbins resided a number of years ago on his brother's farm southeast of Robert Lee. After his marriage to Mrs. Ordie Wilbanks they moved to Ft. Sumner, N. Mex. Later they resided at Midland and Lubbock before returning permanently to Clyde.

Mrs. Gibbins is the daughter of Mrs. Arthur Haley and a sister of Mrs. Ell Hatley and A. V. Hughes of Robert Lee.

Attending the funeral were Mr. and Mrs. Haley, Mr. and Mrs. Hatley, A. V. Hughes and family; also Mr. and Mrs. Delmir Sheppard, Miss Mettie Russell and Miss Eunice McLure.

Harold Akin arrived this week from Sacramento, Calif., to join his wife and baby, who have been here several weeks. Mrs. Akin is the former Doris Blair, daughter of Jim Blair. They have a daughter, Paula, 4 months old.

Mrs. G. M. Winkler and children, Danny and Debbie of Abilene, visited last week in the home of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Gartman. On Saturday Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Gartman and family and Mr. and Mrs. Teddy Pitcock and family joined the group for a barbecue dinner. Mr. Winkler, who is working at Lueders, was unable to be present.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Wojtek were honored at a dinner Tuesday noon in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Young. It marked the Wojtek's 19th wedding anniversary.

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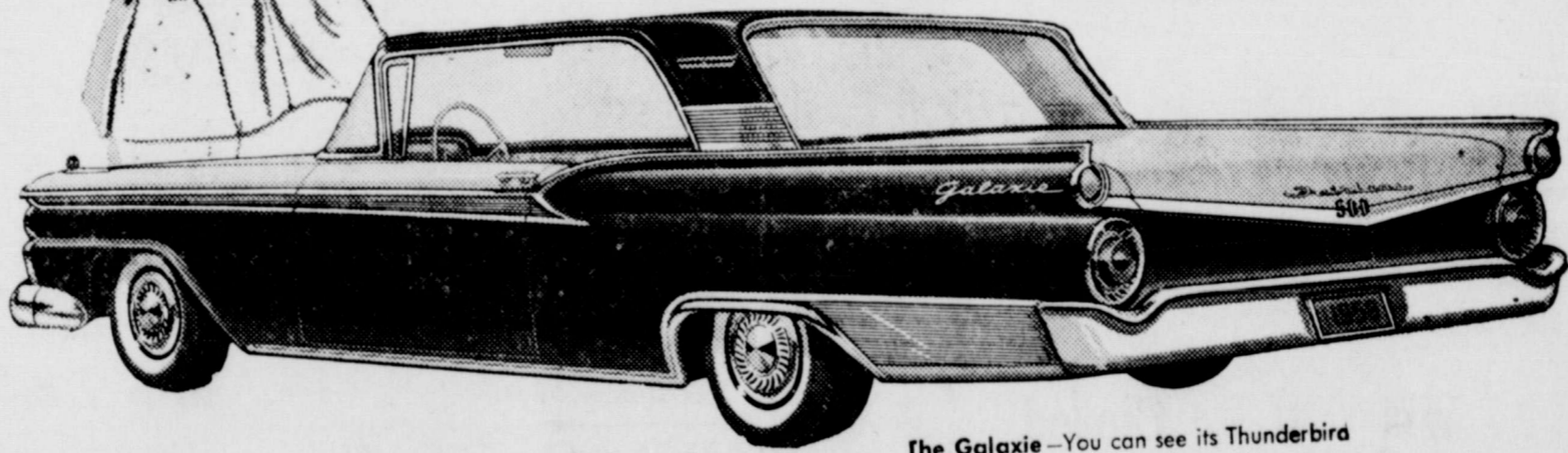
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SMALL TALK

By A. J. K.

Well, the legislators worked three days during the first week of the session and four days each week during the next three weeks. They're sure liable not to make the May 12 adjournment unless they pick up speed.

Our Senator Dorsey Hardeman, who fought the big pay increase for legislators last year, now suggests the lawmakers be permitted to set their own salaries. Wouldn't the public like that?

Maybe it was double talk or possibly Chinese. At any rate something went wrong between the stock show grounds, the county agent's office and the newspaper office when names of buyers at the livestock auction were published. Here's the way one of the buyers was printed: "Simo Bestone." Somebody evidently couldn't read somebody else's writing, because it should have been "Sim's Butane."

We are glad to make a correction and to include Butane Service Co. as one of the buyers. The business is owned and operated by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hugh Sims of Bronte.

Most of us are beginning to learn that the cost of experience has gone up like everything else?

Wish we could have some school news these days. Surely many important things are happening up on the hill, even though the basket ball teams don't seem to be able to win any more.

A one per cent tax on all manufactured products made or sold in Texas is Rep. Jerry Sadler's idea. The Percilla legislator says it will raise \$400 million a year, or 60 percent from non-Texans. The first \$25,000 of a company's gross receipts would be exempt.

"If we're gonna do all the things we need to in the State of Texas," Sadler told an interviewer "we'll

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need \$400 million. I am tired of political taxes — get a little bit here and a little bit there and don't offend anybody if you can help it."

As for deterring industry from operating in Texas, Sadler said the companies can stay home "if they want everything free," and that if they can't pay a penny on the dollar, "they're bankrupt anyway."

HERE FROM CALIFORNIA

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Scarborough of Norco, Calif., arrived a few weeks ago for an extended stay and are making their headquarters in the home of their daughter, Mrs. D. V. Payne, 212 W First St., San Angelo. Mr. Scarborough, veteran of World War I, is expecting to have eye surgery at Veterans Hospital in Big Spring. The Scarboroughs are former Coke County residents.

HOSPITAL NEWS

Feb. 3—R. L. Read admitted. Mrs. Dick Skipworth, Tommy Allen, Mrs. Edna Wolfe dismissed.

Feb. 4—Mrs. R. S. Anderson, Mrs. E. D. Ackerman dismissed.

Feb. 5—Mrs. H. C. Allen, Mrs. Mark Henderson, Howard Varnadore, Mrs. D. O. King, Sheila Roe admitted.

Feb. 6—Drucilla Cantrell admitted.

Feb. 7—Mrs. Tom Wiginton admitted. Mrs. Mark Henderson dismissed.

Feb. 8—J. S. Ferrell admitted. Mrs. C. E. Mathers, Shirley Roe dismissed.

Feb. 9—Buford Elkins, Howard Preslar, Mrs. Mary J. Cain admitted. Mrs. Tom Wiginton dismissed.



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ROBY SCARBOROUGH DIES

Relatives here have been advised of the death of Roby Scarborough, 51, of Locust, Okla., a former Sanco resident. His passing occurred at 8 p.m. Monday. He had been in a critical condition the past month after suffering a stroke the first of January. Funeral services are set for Thursday at 2 p.m. at Locust Grove.

He is survived by his mother, Mrs. Fronney Scarborough, of Locust Grove; two sisters, Mrs. Ruth Davis, Moriarty, N. Mex., and Mrs. Opal McGuffey of Oregon; and a brother, Preston Scarborough, of San Diego, Calif.

He is a nephew of Bryan Gartman, Mrs. Alice Preslar, Mrs. Lura Bird and Mrs. Velman Denman, all of Sanco. The Coke County relatives visited him a few weeks ago.

SILVER RAISED \$207

Silver residents contributed a total of \$207 to the March of Dimes campaign just completed. This

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report was made by John T. Stewart, chairman of the drive at Silver, who wishes to thank everyone who helped with this worthy project. Breakdown of Silver con-

tributions showed \$76 raised from a pie and coffee sale, \$62 turned in by school children and \$63 from the benefit basket ball game last week.

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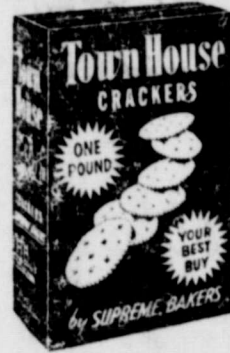
ALL BRANDS

Coffee lb. 79c

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Tomato Juice 25c 46 OZ. CAN

CRACKERS, Wortz Brand - 2 Lb. Box 39c



TOWN HOUSE CRACKERS

Lge. Box 33c

CATSUP, Del Monte - - - Lge. Bottle 20c

ZEE

Toilet Tissue 39c 4 ROLL PKG.

KIMBELL

Oleo 2 lbs. for 35c

BISCUITS, All Brands - - - Can 10c

WEST-TEX

Waffle Syrup qt. 43c

RED PLUM JAM, Bama - - 20 Oz. Glass 39c

MAYFLOWER

CUT GREEN BEANS, No. 303 Can - 2 for 29c

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