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MR. AND MRS. JOHN LEE MASON
... married 25 years

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny L. Mason Observe Their Silver Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. John Mason observed their 25th wedding anniversary with open house Sunday afternoon at their home at Texas Natural Gasoline Corp. camp, northwest of Silver.

Many friends came by to extend good wishes and congratulate the couple. Refreshments of cake and punch were served and Mr. and Mrs. Mason were presented with a number of beautiful gifts. The occasion was made especially happy by the presence of their two children, Rex and Marian, and Mrs. Mason's mother and five sisters. Mrs. Pearl Otkins of San Angelo is the mother. Her daughters include Meses. Raymond Lindsey of Monahans, Tim Luth of Paso, Glenn Ray and Clarence Benbach of San Angelo and L. Muston of Abilene.

Mary Atkins of Christoval and Johnny Lee Mason of Royalty were married April 12, 1934, at the home of his parents in Crane. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mason, who now reside at

Royalty.

The newly married couple resided at Royalty for some time and his work in the oil fields caused them to live in other West Texas communities before they came to Silver four years ago, when Texas Natural was building its Perkins plant. He came plant engineer and was advanced to plant superintendent two years ago.

The family is moving this week to the Wimberley plant, north of Merkel, where he was transferred as superintendent.

Mr. and Mrs. Mason have another son, Dick, who is serving in the Air Force. He is being transferred from Arizona to Las Cruces, N. Mex., and expected to be home on leave. Rex is attending North Texas State College in Denton and Marian is a senior at Robert Lee high school.

The Masons have many warm friends in Coke County who join in extending congratulations for their silver wedding anniversary and wish them happiness and success in their new location.

ROAD HEARING SET

County Judge W. W. Thetford will head a Coke County delegation at a hearing before the Texas Highway Commissioners in Austin on April 30. Coke officials are seeking a farm to market road to extend west from the bank corner in Robert Lee to connect up with Highway 158 near the ranch home of Mrs. Roane. It involves 1.2 miles of new highway. The project is strictly a state matter and is not with the precinct bond vote set for April 25.

RABBIT TWISTERS TO PLAY

Robert Lee Rabbit Twisters open the base ball season with an exhibition game next Sunday afternoon with the Goodfellow club at the San Angelo air base. Both teams are members of the Concho Basin league which starts its regular schedule the latter part of May.

SCHOOL BAND BANQUET

Annual banquet for members of the Robert Lee High school band will be held Friday night, April 17, starting promptly at 7:30, at the band hall. The public is invited to join band parents for the covered dish supper and each family is requested to bring at least one dish of food. Following supper a varied program will be presented under direction of Robert Lewis Jay, band instructor.

Precincts Buy Motor Grader And 2 Trucks

Coke County Commissioners Court in session Monday purchased a new motor grader for Precinct 1 and new trucks for road work in Precincts 2 and 3.

Plains Machinery Co. of Abilene filed the low bid of \$17,850.00 for a Galion 118 tandem drive motor grader, which included the trade-in of an Adams 610 tandem grader.

The new grader will have an International diesel engine of 125 horse power, 10 ply tires front and rear, 13-foot slideshift moldboard, cab and heater.

Abilene Equipment's bid to furnish a similar machine made by Allis-Chalmers was \$18,500. Treator Equipment Co. offered a Caterpillar grader for \$18,700 in addition to the Adams trade-in.

Time warrants to be paid off over a 4-year period and drawing 4% interest will be issued to pay for the new grader. The warrants will be handled by Robert Lee State Bank.

A 1959 model F-600 2-ton Ford 6-cylinder truck was purchased from Ivey Motor Co. on a bid of \$2,597.59 and a 1952 model truck as a trade-in.

The truck is for use of Precinct 3 and payment will be made in cash from county road funds allotted to the precinct.

Vaughan Chevrolet Co. bid \$2,635 on a similar Chevrolet truck, and another bidder was Western Equipment Co. of San Angelo.

Caperton Chevrolet Co. sold a 2-ton six-cylinder Chevrolet truck on its bid of \$3,420, taking in a used 1954 dump truck.

Bronte Motor Co. bid \$3,472 to furnish a similar truck made by Ford and a bid was also submitted by Western Equipment Co. This truck is for use in Precinct 2. Time warrants will be issued and sold to First National Bank of Bronte.

RAYMONDVILLE MAN HIRED AS ATHLETIC COACH IN ROBERT LEE

Bill Calloway of Raymondville has been hired as Robert Lee high school's new athletic coach, and his wife was engaged as a teacher in the grades. He was selected from a group of 14 applications.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Calloway received degrees at Sul Ross College in Alpine. They have a 2-year-old son and plan to move to Robert Lee early in the summer.

Calloway has been assistant football coach at Raymondville, a Class AA high school, four years. He was head basketball and track coach and is qualified to coach base ball, too.

He will be assigned some class room teaching and is experienced in math and science. Calloway brought excellent recommendations from Raymondville school officials. Both Mr. and Mrs. Calloway are 26 years old.

Steers Win 3rd In District 20B Athletic Meet

Robert Lee high school athletes made a good showing in the District 20B track and field meet in San Angelo Monday. The event was postponed from the previous Saturday because of cold weather.

Eldorado won the event with 56 points, Bronte was second with 33 and Robert Lee scored 32 points. Mertzton made 16 points and Wall 9.

Point winners for Robert Lee were as follows:

100 yard dash, Ronnie Sims, 2nd; Mike Lomas, 4th.

120 yard high hurdles, Richard Sims, 2nd.

440 yard dash, James Blankenship, 3rd.

440 yard relay, Robert Lee, 2nd.

High jump, Richard Sims, 1st.

180 yard low hurdles, Richard Sims, 3rd.

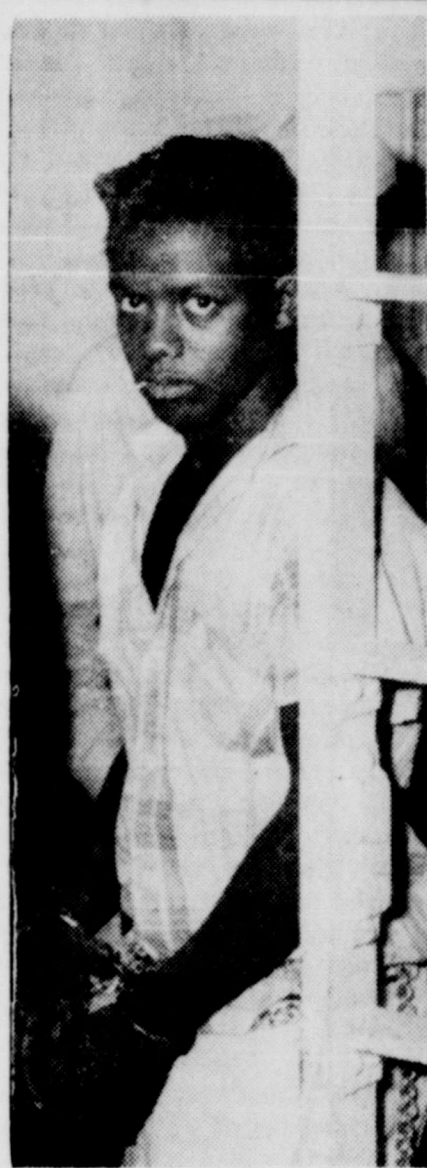
Broad jump, Freddy McDonald,

1st; Mike Lomas, 2nd; Ronnie Sims, 3rd. 19 ft., 9 inches.

Bennie Corley of Bronte tied with Bobby Helmers of Mertzton for individual honors, each having 13 points.

In grade school events Robert Lee was second with 21 points.

Silver was well up in the running in junior high competition, scoring 19½ points. The Silver boys won 7½ points in grade school competition.



WILLIE McDADE
... faces murder charge

YOUNG NEGRO GOES ON TRIAL FOR MURDER

Willie McDade, 17, went on trial here Wednesday for the murder of L. H. (Shorty) Canada, Gandy milk truck driver.

The case was postponed from Monday because of a district court hearing at Lubbock in which attorneys for Roosevelt Wiley, 26, were seeking a new trial from a death sentence which was pronounced five weeks ago.

Wiley and McDade were partners in the robbery and murder of Canada which occurred last Oct. 24 on Highway 87 in the southwestern corner of Coke County. Both are Negroes.

Following a two day hearing the district judge at Lubbock advised attorneys to submit written arguments before he ruled on the matter of a new trial.

A jury panel of forty, including six women, were excused Monday and ordered to report again Wednesday morning.

District Attorney Justin Kever will lead the prosecution for the state with the help of his assistant, Jack Sessoms.

Clyde Vinson and Forrest L. Harding are the court appointed attorneys for the defendant. Kever is expected to demand a life sentence. McDade was under 17 years old when the crime was committed and state law provides he cannot be assessed a death penalty.

GUESTS FROM SAN ANTONIO

Mr. and Mrs. John Palmer Leeper and daughter, Mary Ann, 5 years old, came from San Antonio the fore part of the week for a brief visit in the parental home of Mr. and Mrs. Palmer Leeper at their ranch north of Sanco. John Palmer is director of Marion Koogler Art Institute in San Antonio. He was recently honored by the American Federation of Arts to arrange an exhibition provided by the Ford Foundation to underwrite ten national exhibitions of individual artists. The artist is Everett Spruce of the University of Texas faculty. The Leepers returned to San Antonio Wednesday.



ENGAGED — Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Bagwell of Robert Lee announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Carroll Jean, to Mr. Perry Ross, son of Mrs. Dora Ross of Big Lake. May 15 has been set for the wedding.

Bachelors Win Lions Contest

The Bachelors Quartette of Robert Lee placed first in Zone 8 Lions Club talent competition last Friday night in Colorado City. The Bachelors were sponsored by the Lions club of Silver. Four other clubs had contestants.

The group is now eligible to take part in the district contest to be held May 8-9 at Colorado City.

The event last week was held in connection with a Lions zone meeting with ladies as guests. Commissioner Fern Havins, a member of the Silver Lions, and his wife and Mrs. Jeff Dean were among those who attended.

Composed of Robert Lee high school youths, the Bachelors quartet includes Ronnie and Richard Sims, Don Weathers and Jerry Dean.

Silver News

TEXAS NATURAL PLANT

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. James Deen on the birth of a daughter April 10 at Coke County Memorial Hospital in Robert Lee. Mr. Deen is a relief operator and they reside in a company house in our camp.

Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Deen of Gainesville were here for a brief weekend visit and made the acquaintance of their grandchild.

Jimmy, 6 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Weatherbee, has been in Clinic-Hospital at San Angelo since last Thursday. He has been treated for pneumonia.

Mr. Weatherbee, plant foreman here, returned Saturday night from Olean, N. Y., where he spent a week at a compressor factory.

T. W. McDaniel sustained a fractured thumb last week while at work in the water field. He is being treated at Robert Lee by Dr. J. D. McDaniel (no kin).

Mr. and Mrs. Don Clark of Colorado City were Sunday guests in the T. W. McDaniel home.

Cliff Ledbetter, plant electrician, has returned from a stay at Gainesville where he helped with repairs at the Texas Natural plant which was badly damaged by a tornado.

Rex Mason came for a weekend visit and to attend the silver wedding anniversary of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Mason. Rex is a student at North Texas State at Denton.

John D. Mumford, gas tester at Jameson plant, is on a two weeks vacation. He and his family are visiting at Sun Field, Kingsville and other South Texas points. His brother is an athletic coach at

Kingsville.

Leland A. Moore is a new repairman at Jameson plant, having been transferred from Sun Field. He has a wife and two daughters and they are living in Colorado City.

Jack Gossett, who came here recently from Delmita as a clerk in Jameson plant, has purchased a home in Colorado City. It is the former Dr. J. D. Chinn residence at 926 E. 13th. Mr. and Mrs. Gossett have a daughter, Cinda.

W. H. Vinson, Sun Pipeline Co. foreman here, has gone to Beaumont where he will attend a pipeline technological school during the next six weeks. During his absence Cecil Palmer, assistant foreman, will be in charge of the Silver station.

Silver school trustees will hold their regular monthly meeting next Monday night. The board will organize with the election of a president and secretary and teachers will be hired.

Hubert D. Payton, Sun production roustabout, underwent an appendectomy the last of the week in a San Angelo hospital. He and his family reside on a farm near Robert Lee.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Mayo and children were called to Corsicana Thursday of last week by the illness of Mrs. Mayo's mother, Mrs. R. L. Campbell. They returned to Silver Sunday night, leaving the patient much improved.

Miss Violet Brown's fourth grade pupils will take a field trip to San Angelo Thursday of this week. They plan to visit a number of business establishments.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Dukes left Tuesday for Sour Lake where Mrs. Dukes will spend some time with kinfolks and friends. She has been

in bad health for some time and it is hoped a change may be of benefit. Mrs. Ruth Geer will help care for the Dukes children.

Mrs. Mamie Beringer, who has been a guest of her daughter, Mrs. C. M. Haigood and husband, has bought a home in San Angelo and moved there this week. She had previously resided part time with a daughter in San Antonio.

Friends and neighbors of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Walker gave them a shower last Thursday night at Sun Rec Hall. They received many nice gifts of bedding, linen, kitchen and tableware, appliances, etc. The Walkers lost all their household belongings when their ranch home burned a few weeks ago.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Autrey of Eden and Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Furr of Junction were recent visitors in the James Furr home.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Jones and daughters, Debbie and Kathy, of San Angelo, were weekend guests in the Bob Odom home.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Barrett and son of Overton spent several days last week in the Frank Mullican home. The Barretts were on a vacation from his position with an oil company. The ladies are sisters.

Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Mullican and son, Franklin III, of Lubbock spent the weekend here in the parental Frank Mullican home.

Visiting the R. B. Allen recently were their son, R. D. Allen, and family of Van Court.

Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Bradham and Rosalind returned Sunday

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from a two days visit at Novice with Mrs. Bradham's sister, Mrs. T. J. Sullivan and family. They were present at the marriage Saturday night in the Novice Baptist Church of Mrs. Bradham's niece, Sandra Dale Sullivan, to Gordon Stewart. Rosalind Bradham and Sheila Sullivan were candle lighters.

Mr. and Mrs. Finis White of San Angelo were recent guests of the Bob Odoms.

Wayne, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne S. Reed, spent the weekend in Austin attending the Texas Replays and visiting his sister, Anne, a student at Seton School of Nursing. He stayed with friends at St. Edwards University.

SANCO SHOWER FOR WALKERS

The Sanco Community Association is sponsoring a shower Tuesday, April 16, at 7:30 p. m. at the old Sanco School House for the Robert Walkers, who lost their home and all their personal possessions in a recent fire. All of their friends who have not already had an opportunity to give the Walkers something at the shower which was given for them at Silver is invited to attend this event Thursday night.

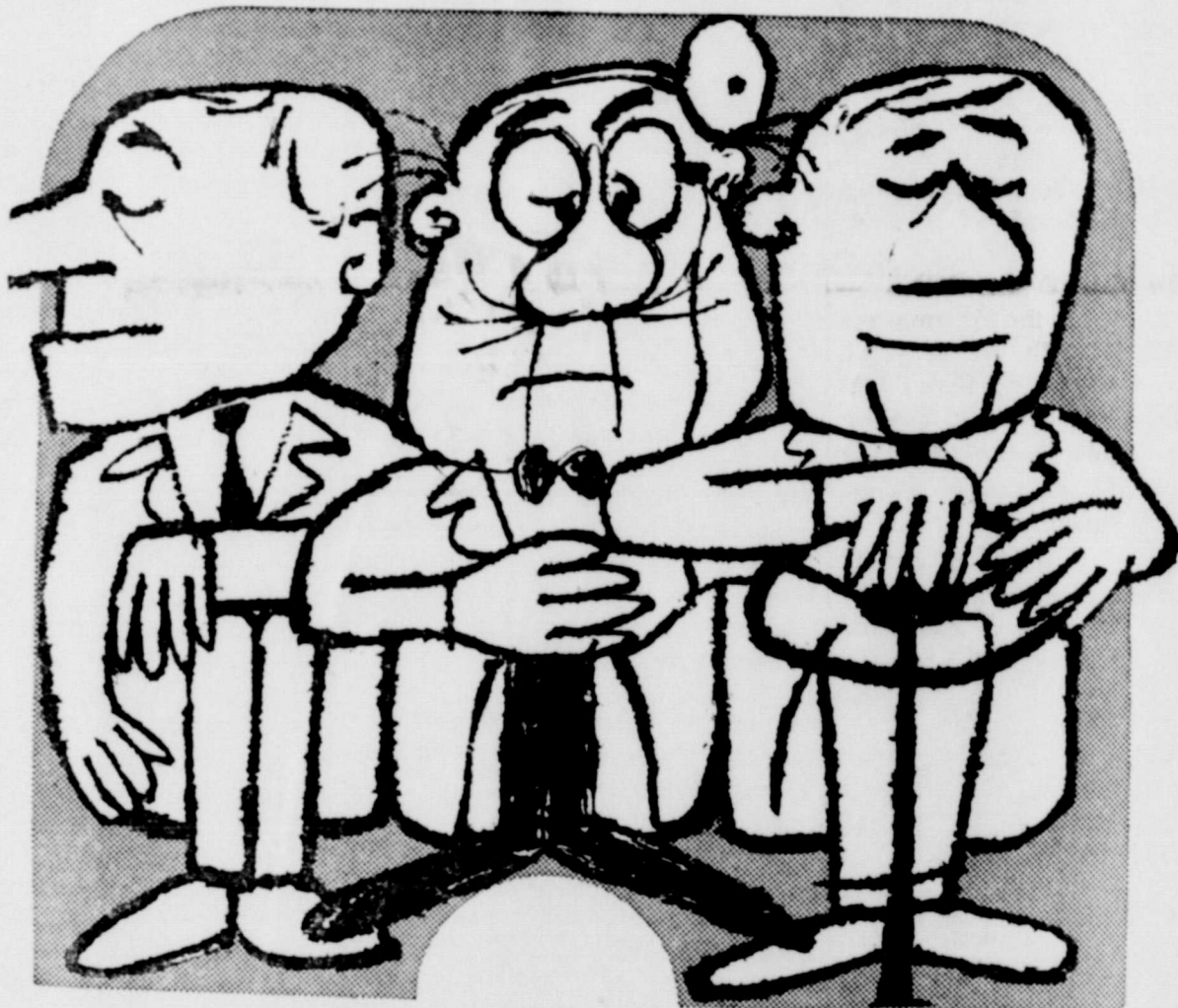
Robert Lee Church of Christ sponsored a party last Friday night for young adults and teenagers. Eighteen were present to enjoy games and refreshments.

JACK'S BAIT & TACKLE

Fisherman's Headquarters

Boats For Rent

East Side of Robert Lee on Hiway 158



HEAL HIP-A-TIGHTIS

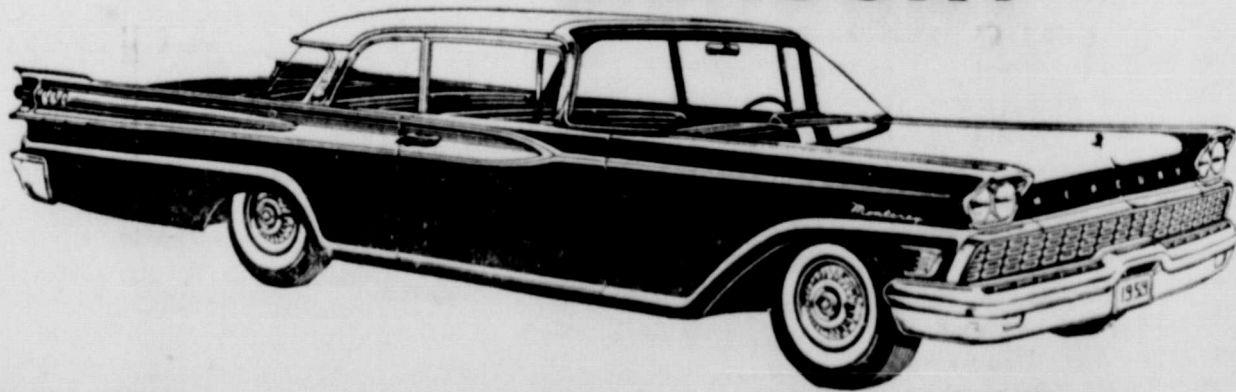
HIP-A-TIGHTIS strikes when 3 people sit in a car seat that is 2½ people wide. It happens in 8 medium price cars out of 9.

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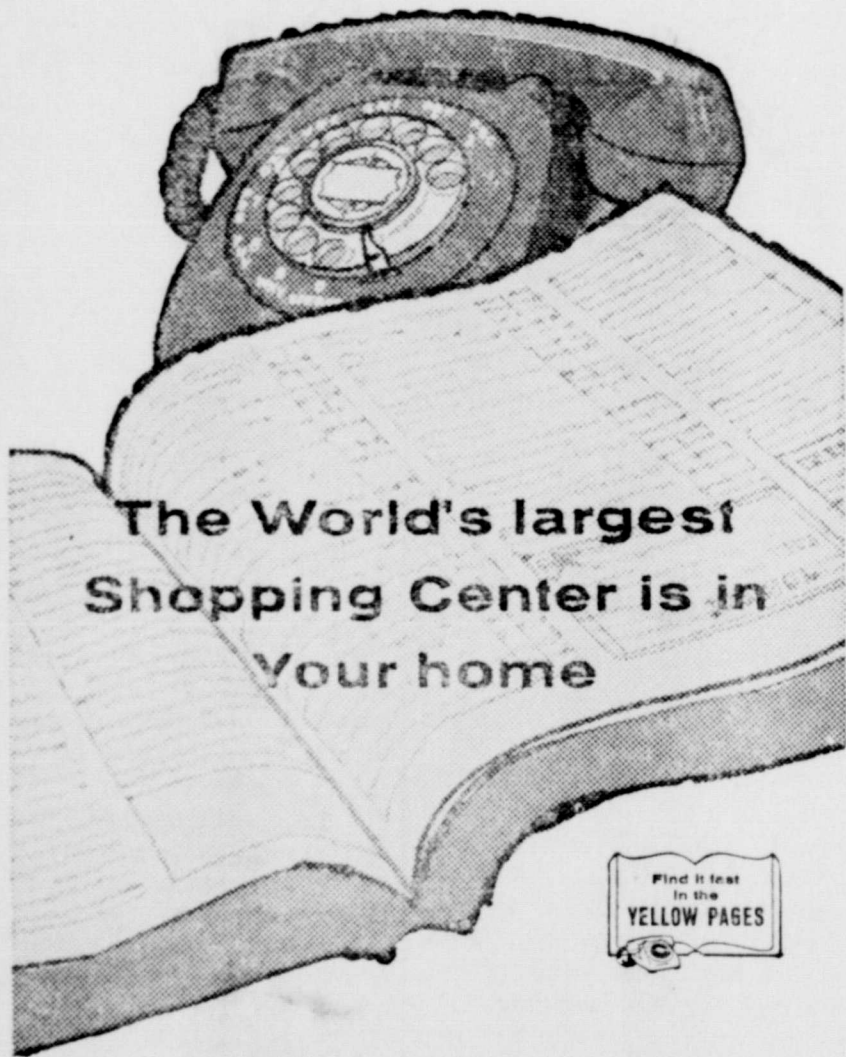
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HIGHLIGHTS AND SIDELIGHTS FROM YOUR STATE CAPITAL

AUSTIN, Tex. — Whichever way the ball bounces, Texans can look forward to a hefty increase in state taxes for 1960-61.

House of Representatives passed general appropriations bill calling for spending of \$332,000,000 from general revenue. Senators favor a more economical approach. They plan their work with a bill calling for \$30,000,000 less than the House measure.

Even so, the Senate proposal would put spending some \$21,000,000 above the present level and require an estimated \$117,000,000 new tax money.

House bill includes longevity pay raises for long-time state employees and increases in welfare checks to the aged, blind and dependent, all passed during floor debate. House also accepted committee recommendations for boosts in the appropriations for higher education, state hospitals and special schools and the prison system.

GASOLINE TAX VIEWED — Gov. Price Daniel says he's ready to support a 1-cent hike in the state gasoline tax if it will be used to improve public schools, raise teacher salaries.

Neither the House nor Senate appropriations bill included public school teacher raises. Lawmakers seemed to think this, if it were to be done, should be handled in a separate bill.

Texas still would have a lower gasoline tax than other states, said Daniel, even after the 1-cent raise. He said he felt sure service station operators would "go along" with it if it were for the purpose of better schools.

Opponents say that, with practically everyone having to use a car these days, the gasoline levy is about as "general as a sales tax can get."

HEALTH CHIEF RESIGNS — Recent target of the lawmakers is the State Health Department, where Commissioner Henry A. Holle stepped out of his \$16,000-a-year post under the glare of legislative disapproval.

Dr. Holle said he felt the department would be better off with another commissioner who could get more support in the way of legislative appropriations.

Meanwhile, both House and Senate launched inquiries into Health Department spending practices.

FLEXIBLE RATING OFF — State regulation of Texas auto insurance rates apparently will continue for another two years at least.

Senate Insurance Committee refused to approve a flexible rating plan, sent it to the sub-committee "graveyard."

Backers of the bill, mostly large out-of-state companies, claimed it would save Texas auto owners millions. Careful drivers would be rewarded with lower insurance, they said.

Opponents, including most Texas companies, fought the bill, said it would "take the lid off" rates. They said a merit rating plan, being considered by the State Board of Insurance, would take care of rewarding safe drivers.

PARTY IN-FIGHTING BEGINS — Fifteen months ahead of convention time is not too soon for Texas Democrats to start haggling over

who'll receive their presidential nominating votes.

U. S. Sen. Lyndon B. Johnson is the focal point of controversy. Recent developments:

Young Democrats of Texas, currently controlled by leftwingers, declared the senator should pay more attention to the party platform. J. E. Connally, chairman of the state executive committee, quickly announced the Young Demos did not speak for the party. He called them "immature extremists."

Democrats of Texas, unofficial liberal organization, announced it would have a convention in Austin in May. DOT, also, has "fallen out" with Sen. Johnson.

NO AGGIE WOMEN — U. S. Supreme Court has upheld state court rulings that women are not entitled by law to enter Texas A&M College.

A&M officials were pleased, but Bryan-Brazos County citizens, for the most part, took a dim view of the enrollment restriction.

Their feelings were reflected in Bryan Sen. William T. Moore's prediction that "if the A&M Board continues its present policies, the

time will come when A&M will have a classroom for each student enrolled there."

There is fear that when Arlington, an A&M branch which admits women, advances to senior college status, it may eclipse the parent institution.

District PTA Officers to Be Elected April 17

Election of officers for the 16th district, Texas Congress of Parents and Teachers, will be a feature of the annual conference in Sweetwater April 17-18.

Mrs. Chesley McDonald, Sterling City, has been nominated for the presidency. Other nominees are: Mrs. J. H. Homan, Big Springs, Mrs. Eldon Mahon, Colorado City, and Mr. G. L. Trice, Lamesa, for vice-presidents corresponding secretary, Mrs. Alvie Cole, Sterling City; recording secretary, Mrs. Elmer Payne, Sweetwater.

Headquarters for the conference will be the First Methodist Church and the Blue Bonnet Hotel. Theme of the two-day meet is "Education Opens Windows on a Wider World."

Pre-conference board of managers meeting will be April 17, 9:30

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a. m. in the High School cafeteria. Board members will be luncheon guests of the Sweetwater Board of Education following the meeting.

Registration will begin at 12:30 April 17. Mrs. Payne, 16th district president, will preside at all general sessions. She will be assisted by Mrs. McDonald.

Highlight of the afternoon's program will be an address by Mrs. John Segulia, state vice-president El Paso. Her topic is "Broader Concepts." Following Mrs. Segulia's talk will be a humorous skit, "Parliamentary of Errors."

A mass workshop will begin at 3:05 with Mrs. J. M. Harper, 14th district, Lubbock, as moderator.

A banquet honoring superintendents, principals, teachers, local unit members and life members will be at 7:30 p. m. April 17, at the Blue Bonnet Hotel. Mr. R. L. McMillan, district manager of the Business Mens Assurance, Abilene, a speaker renowned in all parts of the United States and Canada, is to give the principal address. Mrs. McDonald is to make life membership presentations and Mrs. Clarence Cain, Lorraine, will give the district's history. Mr. Olaf South, superintendent of Sweetwater schools, is to be master of ceremony.

A president's "Swap Shop" at 8:15 a. m. will begin the day's activities Saturday, with registration of delegates continuing till 9:30. Election of officers will take place from 8:30 to 1:00, new officers being installed at 4 p. m.

At 9:55 Mrs. Segulia is to make another address on "A Face in the Crowd." Mrs. Odell Bailey, state council chairman, Fort Worth, will speak on "Councils,—Why?"

"Working Together", a skit, will be presented by officers of the Sweetwater Southeast Elementary P. T. A. prior to adjournments to work groups.

A luncheon for local unit and council presidents, past presidents, and presidents-elect will be at the Blue Bonnet Hotel Saturday noon.

At 1:30 workshops continue. Dr. F. B. Porter, superintendent of Nolan schools, is to evaluate the conference.

Dr. Bettye J. Shipman, general chairman, requests that all banquet and luncheon tickets be ordered before the deadline of April 14. Mrs. Pat McElyea, registration chairman, has announced that a one dollar fee will be required for registration. Free baby sitting will be available April 18, according to Mrs. Roy Spencer.

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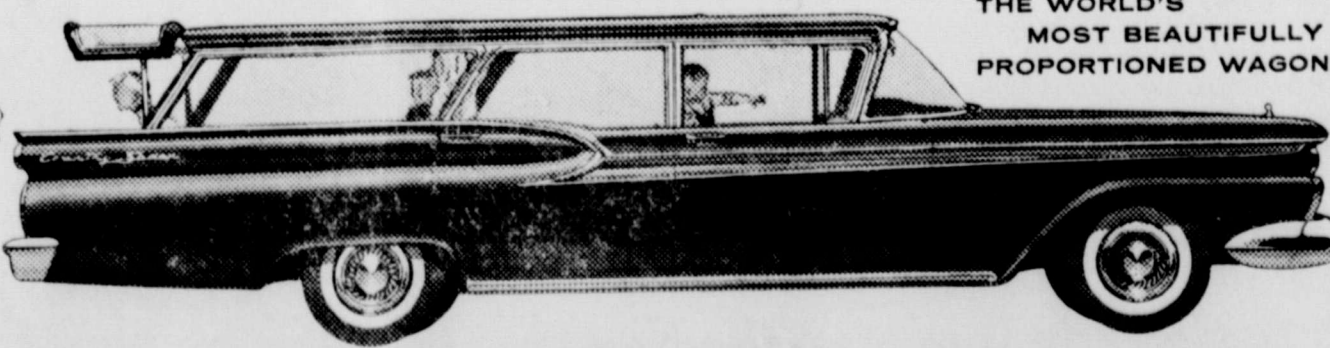
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PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Hamilton and Marilyn and Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Kretzschmar and Nancy of Midland were weekend guests in the Carl Hurley home. Joining the group were Mrs. Rena Hurley and Mrs. J. F. Hamilton.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Menielle of Texon were here on a combined business and pleasure trip Friday. They retain their official residence in the Sanco voting box, and L. B. stated they were interested in seeing the road bond issue carry in Precinct 1.

Miss Mettie Russell and Miss Eunice McLure spent the weekend with San Angelo friends.

Wesley Kinsey returned to work last week on a Rhea-Reynolds rig in Sterling County, after being on an enforced vacation since last Dec. 18 when he broke a foot in a rig accident near Andrews.

Ell Higgins returned to work this week at the Gulf service station after being off duty ten days because of illness.

County Agent and Mrs. Sterling Lindsey and children spent the weekend with relatives at Hobbs, N. Mex.

Mrs. May Boone has moved to San Angelo where she has leased a home with a companion at 615 23rd Street.

Good Today
Better Tomorrow
ROBERT LEE!

ACCEPTS COACHING POSITION

Norman Roberts has accepted a position as head coach for next year at Wilson, Class B high school near Lubbock. He will receive his degree this spring at East Texas State at Commerce. The son of Mr. and Mrs. Lenn Roberts, Norman starred in football at Robert Lee high school and went on to gain wide fame in gridiron circles at San Angelo College and East Texas.

J. T. Oakes of Santa Anna visited recently with his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Wojtek. He then went on to Hobbs, N. Mex., to spend a few days with a son.

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BIRTHS

DEEN—Mrs. and Mrs. James Deen (Joydell Kinsey) are parents of their first child, a daughter, born at 9:37 a.m. April 10 in Coke County Memorial Hospital. She weighed 8 pounds, 1½ ounces and has been named Sonia Kathryn. The father is employed at Texas Natural Gasoline Corp. and the family resides in the company camp southwest of Silver. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Deen of Gainesville and Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Kinsey of Robert Lee.

SCOTT—Mr. and Mrs. Wilton Scott (Nita Varnadore), former Robert Lee residents, are parents of their fourth son born March 24 in a Lampasas hospital. He weighed 6 pounds, 6 ounces and was named Clayton Lamar. His brothers are Jerry, 9, Larry, 8, and Dale, 5 years old. The father is employed as a civilian post exchange supervisor at Fort Hood. The couple reside in their rural home near Kempner. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Scott of Lampasas and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Varnadore of Mena, Ark.

WALLACE—Mr. and Mrs. Royce Wallace (Alice Ross) of Robert Lee are parents of their first child, an 8½-pound son, James Morris, born March 22 in Clinic-Hospital at San Angelo. The father recently completed a 2-year army service and this week resumed his former position with Perkins-Prothro Oil Co. at Silver. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Roy P. Ross and Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Wallace.

ROSS—Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ross (Nellie Jones) of Robert Lee are parents of a daughter born Feb. 3 in the Bronte hospital. She has a sister, Jo Nell, two years old. The father is engaged in the service station business here with his father. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Jones and Mr. and Mrs. Roy P. Ross.

Labor Meeting In San Angelo

A meeting sponsored by various agricultural and other organizations will be held in San Angelo Friday, April 17, at 10 a.m. in the Town House Hotel to study proposed regulations for employment of domestic farm labor which are pending issuance by the Secretary of Labor.

Matt Trigg, expert labor relations man from the American Farm Bureau office in Washington, D.C. will speak to the group on the dangers of these proposed regulations to farmers and ranchers and also to smaller business men.

These regulations, if issued, will indirectly affect the labor supply of the smaller business men. These regulations are a foot on the door toward passing a minimum wage and hour law for businesses not already controlled by such a law, as well as for agricultural work.

Such a law has already been proposed and is being considered.

It will be to the interest of every Farm Bureau Member to attend this meeting, and all other interested business men are invited and urged to attend. In one way or another these regulations will affect every business man in the area.

SOUTH TEXAS TRIP

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Roberts and his sister, Mrs. J. M. Jackson, San Angelo, motored to Ganado, South Texas last week to attend the funeral of a cousin, E. Pryor. A 63-year-old rice farmer. Mr. Pryor had been ill several months. They also visited an aunt, Mrs. Steve Clark, at Hallettsville. Mr. Roberts reports South Texas has received good rains.

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Meeting in Angelo

4-H Agent's News Dept.

By CAROLE L. HOOPER

The 1959 District 4-H Slimin-
ations Contests are schedule for
Thursday, April 18, in San Angelo.
The contests begin at 9 with ap-
proximately 150 boys and girls
from 22 counties in District 7 ex-
pected to participate.

The contests are centered around
San Angelo College with Lee Jun-
ior High and Central High School
Home Economics departments be-
ing used also.

Girls representing Coke County
are DaNeil Dixon, Bronte, and
Cody Rives, Robert Lee, Dairy
Foods Senior Team; Linda Tay-
lor and Jeanna Kay Denman, of
Bronte, Dairy Foods Junior Team;
Linda Wilkins, Bronte, Dairy Foods
Junior Individual; Linda Huevel
and Linda Thetford, Robert Lee,
Vegetable Preparation Junior
Team.

District Meeting

The Agriculture Agents and I
were in San Angelo Thursday and
Friday of last week for a District
Meeting. Plans were completed
for the 4-H Contests to be held
Saturday.

Dates to Remember:

- THDA Dist. Meeting April 16
- Dist. 4-H Eliminations April 18
- Silver 4-H club April 20
- Bronte 4-H club April 21
- Robert Lee senior 4-H Club April 22

District THDA Meeting

The Annual THDA Meeting of
District will be in Ballinger, Thurs-
day, April 15, at the Methodist
Church.

Official delegates from Coke
County will be Mrs. Tom Rives,
Friendship Club; Mrs. C. E. Ar-
rington, Bronte Club; and Mrs. Glen
Waldrop of the Green Mountain
Club. Mrs. Waldrop is County T-
HDA Chairman.

A number of other club women
are expected to attend from Coke
County.



COKE SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT NEWS

Present Supervisors —

C. N. Webb, Chairman; W. E.
Burns, Vice Chairman; D. K.
Glenn, Secretary and Treasurer;
Bryan Yarbrough and Robert Wal-
ker.

Ray Stewart on the C. D. Stew-
art Estate near Edith has com-
pleted 76 acres of root plowing, and
grass seeding under the Great
Plains Conservation Program.
Grass mixture planted included
Buffalo grass, KR bluetem, Side-
oats grama, and Blue panic. Stew-
art plans to give the area com-
plete deferment until grass is well
established.

J. E. Quisenberry of Robert Lee
has completed root plowing and
seeding on his place east of Bronte.
About 95 acres was root plowed
and seeded under a GPCP con-
tract. Grasses planted included
KR bluestem, Green sprangletop,
Sideoats grama and Blue panic.

C. N. Webb is constructing a
stock pond and diversion terrace
on his home place west of Tenny-
son. Financial assistance is being
obtained under Coke County ACP.
Les Wilkins of local SCS office
assisted in design and layout of
the two conservation practices.

Simpson Bros. on their farm
northwest of Robert Lee are con-
structing approximately one mile
of field terraces and about 1700
feet of diversion terrace. Assis-
tance is being given under the local
ACP and SCD programs.

Cumbe Ivey who ranches just
west of Robert Lee is constructing
about 1600 feet of wire diversion.
Work is being done under GPCP,

and will be used to control excess
runoff.

Olin Blanks has completed 2553
feet of diversion terraces under
his GPCP contract. These are built
to divert runoff water to stock
tanks.

Courthouse Rainfall Records

Month of April	.67
This year	1.23
This time last year	7.95

Installation Of YWA Officers

The YWA's had their installation
of new officers Monday afternoon,
April 13. This service was held
at the old Baptist parsonage. Each
of these officers received a flower
that signified their work in their
offices.

The new officers are:
Director, Mrs. Bennie Simth
Prisident, Vicki Wojtek
Vice-president, Jo Ann Hood
Secretary-Treasurer and Stew-
ardship Chairman — Mary Sue Roe
Program Chairman, Ann Smith
Prayer Chairman, Brenda Cow-
ley.

Mission Study Chairman, Sharon
Knapp

Community Mission Chairman,
Jerry Dale Sparks

Publications-Publicity Chairman,
Patty Gray

Social Chairman, Sandra Baker
These people will be in office
for the next six months.

**GOOD Today,
BETTER Tomorrow;
ROBERT LEE!**



KENNETH WINK, 17, of Robert Lee sold his 780-pound Hereford steer to Humble Oil & Refining Company at the recent Houston Fat Stock Show. His steer, "Little Doug," placed fifth in the Hereford show. Kenneth, a junior at Robert Lee High School, is pictured here with Harold Freeman, left, Humble's farm representative and Jeff Royder, center, of Humble's Marketing Department. The steer brought a price of 40c a pound.

TOP TV—The Dinah Shore Chevy Show—Sunday—NBC-TV and the Pat Boone Chevy Showroom—weekly on ABC-TV.



In this Kingswood, every window is Safety Plate Glass.

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from a trip to the beach to a journey

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too—you just roll the rear window
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got bigger tires—they come as
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COKE COUNTY AUDIT

Recapitulation of Various Funds

	Balance Jan. 1, 1958	Receipts 1958	Total	Disbursements 1958	Receipts Dec. 31, 1958
OPERATING FUNDS					
Jury	57,555.23	117.22	57,672.45	35,865.67	21,806.78
Courthouse and Jail	8,774.35	9,552.39	18,326.74	8,019.50	10,307.24
General	89,903.36	101,525.97	191,429.33	110,694.67	80,734.66
Road and Bridge	20,091.49	156,241.79	176,333.28	120,731.69	55,601.59
Lateral Road	1,025.78	9,143.75	10,169.53	10,105.24	64.29
Farm to Market	67,114.90	55,345.64	122,460.54	52,629.38	69,831.16
Officer's Salary	19,195.30	56,025.27	75,220.57	48,415.14	26,805.43
Social Security	349.63	7,068.84	7,418.47	6,975.55	442.92
Total Operating Funds	264,010.04	395,020.87	659,030.91	393,436.84	265,594.07
BOND SALE FUNDS					
Courthouse Bond Account	12,117.06	0	12,117.06	8,159.18	3,957.88
Total Bond Sale Funds	12,117.06	0	12,117.06	8,159.18	3,957.88
SINKING FUNDS					
Road Bond No. 1, Ser. 1939	4,979.84	416.00	5,395.84	1,260.00	4,135.84
Road Bond No. 1, Ser. 1954	20,625.16	23,409.23	44,034.39	19,993.66	24,040.73
Road Bond No. 2, Ser. 1955	16,803.03	22,152.68	38,955.71	19,000.00	19,955.71
Road Bond No. 3, Ser. 1937	3,472.95	10,113.20	13,586.15	11,497.00	2,089.15
Road Bond No. 3, Ser. 1955	1,765.68	5,121.37	6,887.05	3,315.00	3,572.05
Hospital Bonds	9,955.59	9,209.96	19,165.55	8,525.00	10,640.55
Courthouse Bonds	5,378.73	27,626.14	33,004.87	25,639.00	7,365.87
County Park Bonds	13,802.08	11,513.33	25,315.41	9,512.73	15,802.68
Total Sinking Funds	76,783.06	109,561.91	186,344.97	98,742.39	87,602.58
Operating Funds	264,010.04	395,020.87	659,030.91	393,436.84	265,594.07
Bond Sale Funds	12,117.06	0	12,117.06	8,159.18	3,957.88
Sinking Funds	76,783.06	109,561.91	186,344.97	98,742.39	87,602.58
Total All County Funds	352,910.16	504,582.78	857,492.94	500,338.41	357,154.53
Plus Checks Outstanding December 31, 1958					3,407.74
Balance on Hand as Per Bank Statements, December 31, 1958					360,562.27

Bonded and Warranted Indebtedness

ISSUE	Date of Issue	Date of Maturity	Rate of Issue	Amount of Issue	Amount Retired	Amount Outstanding	Principal 1959	Interest 1959
Coke Co. R&B Warrants (Series 1941)	2-16-41	2-16-66	2%	119,500.00	90,500.00	29,000.00	4,000.00	540.00
Rd. Bond No. 1, Ser. 1939	2-15-39	2-15-64	4%	25,000.00	19,000.00	6,000.00	1,000.00	220.00
Rd. Bond No. 1, Ser. 1954	10-15-54	10-15-69	2-2½%	245,500.00	45,500.00	200,000.00	15,000.00	4,662.50
Rd. Bond No. 2, Ser. 1955	1-15-55	1-15-66	2½%	120,000.00	34,000.00	86,000.00	12,000.00	1,950.00
Rd. Bond No. 3, Ser. 1937	7- 1-37	7- 1-62	4%	25,000.00	21,000.00	4,000.00	1,000.00	160.00
Rd. Bond No. 3, Ser. 1955	11- 1-55	11- 1-75	2¾-3%	62,000.00	6,000.00	56,000.00	2,000.00	1,250.00
Coke Co. Hospital Bonds	8-15-49	8-15-60	2¼-2½%	75,000.00	62,000.00	13,000.00	8,000.00	325.00
Coke Co. Courthouse Bonds	11-15-54	11-15-69	2-2½%	300,000.00	80,000.00	220,000.00	20,000.00	5,150.00
Coke Co. Park Bonds	5- 1-56	5- 1-71	2½-3%	130,000.00	13,000.00	117,000.00	8,000.00	2,310.00
Rd. Bond No. 2, Refunding	9-15-55	9-15-65	2¾%	40,000.00	12,000.00	28,000.00	4,000.00	630.00
				1,142,000.00	383,000.00	759,000.00	75,000.00	17,197.50

Warranted Indebtedness (Machinery Warrants) by Precincts

Precinct No. 1	22,100.00
Precinct No. 2	24,240.00
Precinct No. 3	12,420.00
Precinct No. 4	15,253.00
TOTAL	74,013.00

Securities Owned — Bonds Purchased

FUND	KIND	DUE	AMOUNT
Road Bond No. 1, I & S, Series 1939	U. S. Government Bonds, Series K	4- 1-60	\$10,000.00
Road Bond No. 1, I & S, Series 1939	U. S. Treasury Notes	5-15-60	4,000.00
Road Bond No. 3, I & S, Series 1937	U. S. Government Bonds, Series K	4- 1-69	7,000.00
Road Bond No. 3, I & S, Series 1937	Precinct No. 3 Road Bonds, Series 1955	11-1-73-74-75	12,000.00
Courthouse & Jail	Coke County Park Bonds	5- 1-69	10,000.00
Courthouse & Jail	Coke County Park Bonds	5- 1-70	10,000.00
Courthouse & Jail	Coke County Park Bonds	5- 1-71	10,000.00
TOTAL			\$63,000.00

Boys Ranch at Tankersly Invites Public To Attend Annual Field Day April 18th

Boys' Ranch of West Texas, through the cooperation of the San Angelo District Implement Dealers, and other implement and machinery dealers in the forty-four county area that the Ranch serves, is sponsoring their Second Annual Field Day at the Ranch, which is located seventeen miles west of San Angelo on Highway 67, near Tankersly, on Saturday, April 18. This is an annual affair and the largest activity that the Ranch has undertaken.

Persons attending the project will have a first-hand opportunity to see all the latest farm and ranch machinery in operation. At different stations over the Ranch, there will be demonstrations of the latest practices in root plowing, seeding, planting, post hole digging, and tank construction. The activities, which begin at 8:00 A. M., can be observed until 6:00 P. M. A free Bar-B-Que dinner for an expected crowd of 1200 persons will be served at 11:30.

A special invitation is issued to everyone in the West Texas area to attend the annual affair. This occasion gives the public an opportunity to meet the boys and observe the progress of the Ranch. Boys' Ranch now has forty-six West Texas boys and plans are being made to take more boys. The ultimate goal of the Ranch is to take care of 100 boys.

PERSONALS

Barbara Lynn, Byron J. and Rhonda Kay, children of Mr. and Mrs. J. Q. Varnadore of Sweetwater, are guests in the home of their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Royce Smith. They will remain here while their mother undergoes a back operation at a Lubbock hospital. Mrs. Varnadore is the former Rena Singleton of Bronte.

Sunday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Brown included Mr. and Mrs. M. K. Young of Ralls and Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Dickinson of Brownwood. Mr. Young is a brother of Mrs. Brown and Mrs. Dickinson.

G. A. Brown, well known resident of McKenzieville northwest of Silver, is making a good recovery at Coke Memorial Hospital here where he has been a patient the past ten days because of a stomach ailment.

Commissioner Claude Ditmore of Precinct 4 is reported to be recovering from a lengthy illness and was able to leave Bronte Hospital early this week.

County Agents News Column

By STERLING LINDSEY

The best news lately in Coke County was the rain that fell during last week. The amount that fell was not excessive, but it was a starter. I am sure it will cause some tractors to buzz and will get the spring weeds and grasses started. Maybe we will get another one before this one is completely gone.

Several Coke County 4-H club members have been putting forth extra effort lately preparing for their District Contests coming up Saturday. Seven different groups of boys are preparing for the big 4-H event.

Pat and Douglas Wilkes, Geral Sorrells and David Lindsey, of Silver are working on grass identification. Another group of younger boys from Robert Lee, Jerry Burson, D. E. Moore, and Mike Krall, also are studying grasses. They will make up the junior division grass identification team.

Two groups of boys, junior and senior, from Bronte and Tennyson, are practicing for the range judging contests. Dee Arrott and Gussie Thomas, of Tennyson, and Malcom Johnson and Tony Landers of Bronte, will compose the Senior team, while Ronnie Sims, Lynn Phillips, Bob Strickland, and John Shaver will judge in the Junior division.

Two soil judging teams plan to enter the district contests also. C. L. Sparks, William Ray Hood, Robert Wink and Doyle Robertson of Robert Lee will make up the junior soils evaluation team, while Kenneth Wink, Robert Lee, and Eddie Glenn, Donald Spiller and Bobby Allen of Bronte will judge in the senior division.

Gary Knapp and James Calder, of Robert Lee, have prepared an electric demonstration for the junior electric demonstration contest. The groups will be competing against some 105 other judging and demonstration teams for top honors.

Several new or revised bulletins have been sent us lately that may be of interest to you. "Fertilizers and Their Use" is a new bulletin showing recommended fertilizers for the various crops and plants

on the common type soils. "Pecan Diseases and Insects and Their Control" is a new publication recently released. "Know the Seed You Buy" gives pertinent information regarding planting seed that are offered for sale.

Cotton planting time is just around the corner. Some of you may be interested in bulletins discussing varieties, seed treating, insect control, disease control, irrigation or some other phase of cotton production. Call on us if you have need of any of the above bulletins or still others you may wish to have.

Washington News Letter

By O. C. FISHER
Congressman, 21st District

REVOLUTIONARY CHANGES in the American concept of federal control over farm labor is becoming more serious. Despite a mass protest by 40 Congressmen and Senator at a meeting with the Secretary of Labor three weeks ago, the Secretary has proceeded to draft a regulation which he proposes to put into effect this summer.

The regulations would require farmers and ranchmen who apply for labor through United States Employment Services to hire (if local labor is not available) any idle worker available, even though such person might live 1000 miles away, with the employer paying the transportation costs to and from the employee's home. The employer would also have to pay that imported employee the prevailing wage, determined by the Labor Department, and provide certain housing also required by that Department.

Of course, the employer could refuse to hire such person. But if he did hire him that would be the conditions imposed.

And if he applied to contract for a Mexican national, where no local labor is available, before such bracero could be processed, the employer would have to offer to take that unemployed worker who lives that 1000 miles or more away, under the terms and conditions described!

The proposed regulations are monstrous. Before becoming effective they must have White House approval. And the protest is now shifting to the office of the President. In addition, the legality of the regulations are being questioned. The Law branch of the Library of Congress has just released an opinion which holds the proposed regulations of doubtful legality. And many eminent lawyer are joining in that opinion.

I do not believe the regulations are legal. The Secretary builds his case on an old 25-year-old law known as the Wagner-Peyser Act.

The tempo of the battle against this invasion of the rights of the people is picking up. The Farm Bureau, the Sheep and Goat Raisers, and many other groups are joining in the protest, and the opposition is gaining throughout the farm belt of the country.

DEATH OF BLAIR INFANT

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Blair mourn a stillborn daughter born at 6:35 p. m. April 9 in Clinic-Hospital at San Angelo. The infant, named Charlene Ann, was buried with graveside services at 11 a. m. Friday at Robert Lee cemetery. The Rev. Travis McNair officiated with arrangements in charge of Clift Funeral Home. The Blairs have two sons, Jimmie and Joe Dee. Mrs. Blair is the former Charlene McCutchen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jim McCutchen. Mr. Blair is a son of Mrs. J. S. Blair and is an oil field driller.

GREEN MT. HD CLUB

Green Mountain Home Demonstration Club met April 7 in the home of Mrs. R. L. Page. Five members and the county agent, Miss Carole Hooper, were present. A study on crafts was presented by Miss Hooper.

Bob Goss, former Coke county resident, has renewed his subscription and says: "I want to keep informed on the happenings in Coke County. We had 1.4 inches of rain and things look better." He resides near Hermleigh.

HOSPITAL NEWS

April 7—Mrs. Helen Fowler admitted. L. Sawyers dismissed.

April 8—Sam Ed Skipworth admitted. Mrs. Curtis Dukes, Brenda Cowley dismissed.

April 9—Mrs. J. D. Boykin admitted. Mrs. Montie Little, Sam Ed Skipworth dismissed.

April 10—Daughter born to Mrs. James Deen. Virginia Jay, Adelle Golden admitted. Mrs. Austin Gloria, Mrs. J. D. Boykin dismissed.

April —Carl Brock admitted. Juan Eperque, Adelle Golden dismissed.

April 12—Helen Fowler dismissed.

April 13—Mrs. W. M. Johnson, Mrs. Lois Mae Smith admitted. Virginia Jay dismissed.

A. B. Sheppard
APARTMENTS
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ROBERT LEE, TEXAS

WILL SHE LIVE TO GROW UP?

This child has leukemia — one of the most tragic forms of cancer. Only research has kept her alive. Ten years ago, children struck with leukemia — cancer of the blood-forming tissues — had only a few weeks or months of life. Today, many of these children have had precious months, even years, added to their lives, thanks to dramatic research discoveries. Until science finds the means to save them, however, they live on borrowed time. The American Cancer Society's research program includes \$1,500,000 annually for research related to leukemia. Millions of dollars more are needed to conquer this grim disease — which kills 2,000 children each year, and is taking an increasing toll of adult lives.

Help research find the answers that will save these lives. Give generously to the American Cancer Society's intensive research assault against leukemia and all other forms of cancer.

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

FOR SALE — 4-room modern house, big corner lot on pavement. Must be sold to settle estate. — Sam McDonald, adm. of Mrs. E. C. McDonald Estate. 45tf

LOST — Pair of smoked blue glasses, without case. Finder please advise Brenda McDorman, GL 3-2741. 1c

ON THE CAMPUS

At Robert Lee High School

By FRANCES WYLIE

Friday, April 10, Robert Jay and his tennis teams attended the 20B Interscholastic League Tennis Meet at Central High School in San Angelo. Entered in the senior girls' doubles, Eunice Blair and Gayle Lewis. Bill Mundell and Sam Skipworth played in the senior boys' doubles. The entries did not become eligible for the finals. Sandra Baker and Frances Wylie were scorers and line-callers for some of the games.

Other schools attending the meet were Bronte, Eldorado, Mertzon, Miles, Christoval and Wall.

Being moved less than a week, Carolyn, Glenda, and Tommy Blair re-enrolled at RLHS. They moved to Snyder April 3 and returned April 9. Wednesday, the student council will discuss the situation of Glenda's becoming cheerleader again. She was chosen fourth cheerleader at the April 2 election.

Carolyn is a sophomore; Glenda, freshman; and Tommy, a seventh grader.

Last week was known as National FHA Week throughout the nation. Starting last week, the club met Monday night for a regular club meeting. Tuesday each girl was required to wear colors in her school dress. Kay Wink, freshman FHA'er was in charge of the weekly Wednesday morning devotion. Thursday at noon, the girls had their annual rose planting ceremony.

Throughout the week a girl from each class who is in FHA, was running for FHA rose queen. The senior candidate was Jo Ann Millican; junior, Pat Fowler; sophomore, Brenda McDorman, and freshman, Kay Wink.

HONOR ROLL

Forty-six junior high and high school students achieved scholastic achievement on the fourth six-weeks' honor roll.

The "A" honor roll consisted of Ann Carwile, Vicki Wojtek, Ellen Counts, Jo Ann Hood, Kenneth Wink, Eunice Blair, and Jerry Dean.

The "B" honor roll is composed of the following students:

Derwood Calson, Marian Fikes, Robert Holland, John Jacobs, Bonnie Quisenberry, Bill Roach, Sheila Roe, Diane Samuelson, Dick Waldorp, and Clark Godwin.

In the first three grades of high school the honor roll included Barbara Gray, Joe Roe, Betty Tinkler, Ronald Shirley, Frankie Blair, Brenda Cowley, Gayle Lewis, Brenda McDorman, Sue Parker, Danny Authur, Jerry Blair, Bonnie Tinkler, Marilyn Reid, Bernice Seltz, Jerry Sparks, and John Walker.

Seniors on the "B" honor roll were Jane Austin, Sandra Baker, Patricia Conner, Annice Gartman, Betty Hood, Mike Lomas, Marion Mason, Jo Ann Millican, Kenney Sawyer, Sam Skipworth, Jerry Tinkler, Marlow Wojtek, and Frances Wylie.

COMING EVENTS

Scheduled for the coming week is a baseball game here with Divide April 17.

The 21st of April the Lakeview Band will perform in the high school auditorium at 10:15 a. m. The public is invited to attend.

Also the same day the baseball team will play at Norton at 2:00 p. m.

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NEW CHEVROLET OWNERS

Vaughan Chevrolet Co. of Robert Lee reports sales of the following new Chevrolet units for the months of February and March:

Joe Weddle, pickup.
H. O. Cash, station wagon.
Raymond Handley, pickup.
W. E. Buckner, pickup.
Lewis Clark, sports coupe.
W. R. Madewell, 4-d sedan.
Texas Nat. Corp., pickup.
Conrad Oil Co., pickup.
Billy Gene King, 4-d sedan.
Jack Owens, pickup.
Ed Bowman, pickup.
Frank Lacik, 2-d sedan.
Canyon Tricking Co., pickup.
Jim Franklin, pickup.
T. L. Greenwalt, 4-d sedan.
D. C. Cravens, 4-d sedan.
N. K. Cheatham, 4-d sedan.
L. K. McKinnon, 4-d sedan.
B. McDowell, 4-d sedan.
W. R. Loving, 4-d sedan.
Harold Letcher, 4-d sedan.

Rev. Travis McNair, Methodist minister, was in San Antonio Tuesday and Wednesday attending a pre-conference meeting.

Award Given New Car Dealer For Safety Training

A certificate of merit for lending automobiles in the high school driver training program was received this week by Ivey Motor Company, authorized new car dealer in Robert Lee.

The award was made to the dealer by the Texas Automotive Dealers Association, the state-wide association of factory franchised dealers whose members for more than 10 years have loaned cars to high schools for "behind the wheel" driver education. The vehicles are loaned without charge, as a public service.

The local company loaned one car to each: Robert Lee Independent School, Robert Lee, and Silver Independent School. Silver, which have instructors qualified to teach the fundamentals of actual driving, as well as the theoretical aspects of proper use of today's modern motor vehicle.

Officials of the state new car

The Observer, Robert Lee, Texas

April 16, 1958

dealers association describe the driver training program as a most important part of the campaign to cut down the accident rate of teenagers and those in the early 20's age group.

"Youthful drivers are the reservoir from which future operators of motor vehicles are siphoned," said Sam H. White, Houston, President of the association. "As the sellers of motor vehicles, our members who have loaned cars are glad to do everything possible to give them as much advance training as they can."

Records show that students who have been graduated from a high school driver training class have little trouble passing the driver's license tests, and upon being licensed usually make better drivers than those who have not had such training.

Authorized new car dealers have more than \$1,000,000 invested in automobiles on loan to high schools throughout the State for this purpose, according to an estimate by Tom J. Crooks, Manager of

the association at Austin.

Many of the cars are equipped with dual controls, for maximum safety during the actual driving instruction procedure, he said.

Shortage of teachers qualified to instruct in "behind the wheel" classes prevents a wider participation in the program by both schools and dealers.

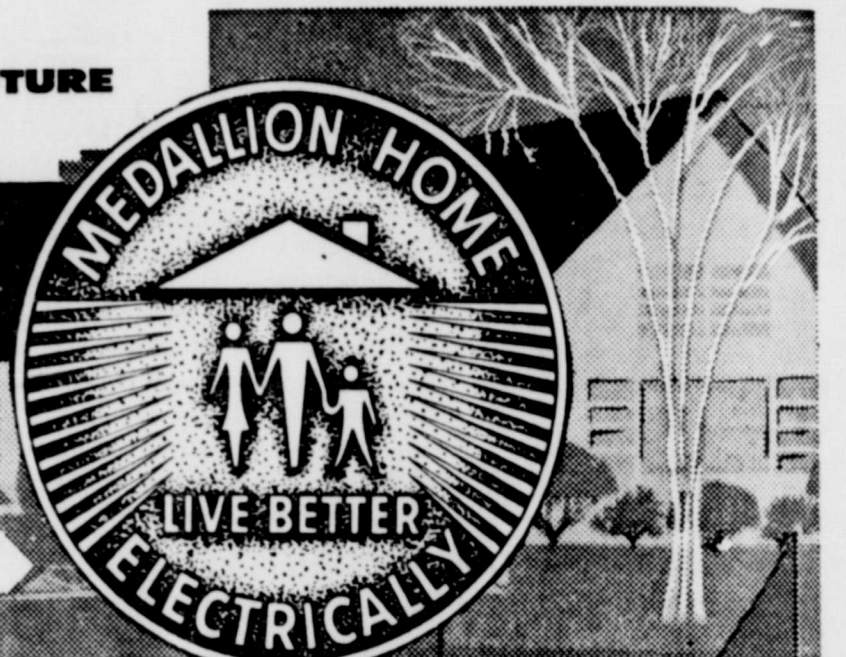
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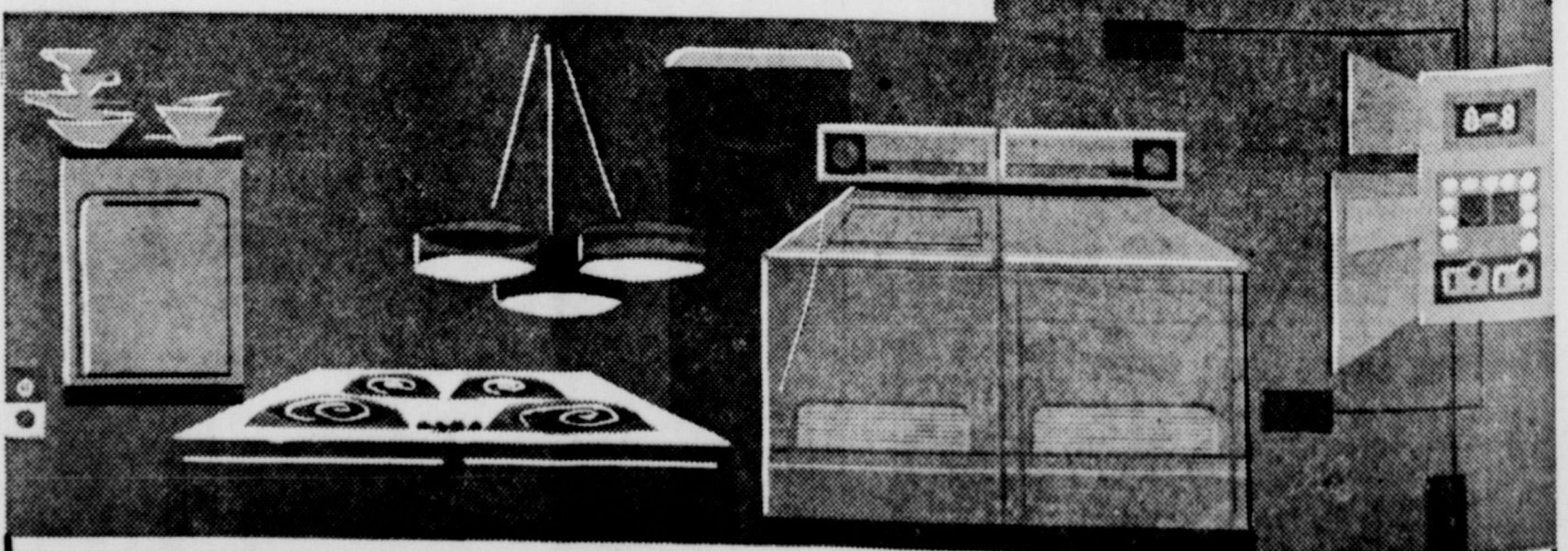
A Medallion Home has plenty of Housepower (adequate wiring) for full electrical living. It is equipped with wonderful labor-saving, time-saving electric appliances that make really modern living possible. And it has good lighting — light that saves your eyes while beautifying your home.

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Important Information to the Tax Paying Voters of Precinct Number One

No. 2 of a Series of Three Advertisements

A high taxing valuation in the past ten years has made it possible for Coke County to make outstanding public improvements which would not have been dreamed of without this increase of tax money. A new court house, new school facilities in Robert Lee, Bronte and Silver, a county hospital and two excellent park, swimming pool and recreation projects have resulted. We have them now, they have made Coke County a better place in which to live, and not one cent of extra taxes has been levied to pay for them.

The only instances of increased taxes occurred where precinct road bonds were issued. They were in Precinct 1 a few years ago when \$245,500 was voted 196 to 65 to pave the Silver loop, build a new bridge over the Colorado River and run to a new paved highway from Silver to the Millican oil field west of Edith.

Precinct 3 then followed by voting 57 to 26 for a bond issue of \$62,000 to connect up this new paved road down to State Highway 158 west of Edith at Pecan Church corner.

In Precinct 2 a bond issue of \$160,000 was carried by a vote of 291 to 19. This provided for paving in the city of Bronte and construction of some bridges out in the rural area.

This information is presented as a foundation for urging passage of the \$150,000 bond election in Precinct 1, most of which would be used in paving the streets of Robert Lee.

We present the following reasons why you should favor this bond issue:

NO. 1

While Robert Lee is an incorporated town its citizens have paid county road taxes just the same as property owners in the rural areas. Our people also own automobiles and pay taxes on them with the car tag fees. All this money goes into the county road fund.

NO. 2

Unfortunately Robert Lee is scattered out to the extent that we have 12 miles or more of streets which are in daily use. These city streets have never been graded or surfaced because the city did not have the necessary funds. But county road funds have been used almost entirely out in the rural areas, and there is hardly a farm or ranch in the county that does not have an all weather road to its gate. In some instances county road funds have been used to build a mile or more of improved all weather road to a single ranch.

NO. 3

The town of Robert Lee has received little of the county road money. Maybe its citizens didn't contribute too big a share, but neither did the average farmer or rancher. Oil valuations account for 85% of the

county's taxing valuation. Also there are some owners of big spreads who live outside the county and don't help this community economically.

NO. 4

Robert Lee does not have the money to put its streets up in condition. They need grading and surfacing. Only in the most recent years have we received any street work at all, which has consisted of smoothing off the surface. There are no grades, no drainage, no surface to keep us out of the mud.

NO. 5

Please don't forget that Robert Lee citizens also pay taxes on their property. The assessment on a fair sized home in town is equal to or greater than a good 320-acre farm. We pay city taxes, all of which goes to retire administrative costs, pay old water bonds issues, retire the current water bond issue of \$65,000 and pay off the big UCRA loan on the Mountain Creek Reservoir project.

NO. 6

Residents of Precinct 2 (Bronte, Ft. Chadbourne, Olga, Hayrick) cast only 19 votes against the bond issue in Dec. 1954 which provided for paving in the town of Bronte. They got 132 blocks of paving for \$88,000, and everybody thought it was wonderful. Ranchers and town folks alike are proud of their paved streets.

NO. 7

It cost a little extra taxes. In fact it cost more over in Precinct 2 than it will in Precinct 1 because our precinct has a much larger taxing valuation.

NO. 8

If the \$150,000 bond issue carries April 25 the entire amount is to be paid off during the next 15 years. New oil development has increased the taxing valuation of Precinct 1 and the Robert Lee school district. This precinct had a taxing valuation of \$15 million last year and the added tax levy will be small.

NO. 9

Robert Lee is the home town of all residents of Precinct 1 whether you live here or out in Sanco, Silver or other areas. It is important to have a county seat that is keeping step with the times. We've been on your side, now we are asking residents of Precinct 1 outside Robert Lee to be on our side.

We hope this is not asking too much.

If you are an average taxpayer it will cost very little.
If you are one of the bigger taxpayers, you could hardly miss this small amount.

The Robert Lee
BOARD OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

SMALL TALK

By A. J. K.

DNAB ECITON! Sure, that's the way they want it. The gal who handles publicity for the Band Club says some of the group don't read the notices in the paper. She wondered if we couldn't put the type in upside down. No deal, we said. Might set it in Chinese, or backward as the first two words.

Hope everyone knows the band members will be feted with a big spread on Friday night. It's a community affair, everyone bring some food and give these young musicians a nice send off.

Upside down, huh? We make enough typos in this newspaper without doing it intentionally.

Wayman Robertson took part in the rabbit hunt at Bronte Saturday. Was pretty tired next morning when we saw him. But he had a big day and enjoyed lots of shooting. Got himself 49 rabbits and a badger.

Rabbits are terribly bad this spring, but it's getting late for more drives because the leaves are coming out.

We understand the school board is looking for an experienced assistant coach who will also have a position as a grade teacher. Most all schools have at least a two-man coaching staff. If we are going to compete in athletics we must keep up with a good coaching staff.

More county financial reports



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Statement of Cash Receipts & Disbursements On Coke County Memorial Hospital

Balance January 1, 1958	.....	\$	55.27
Receipts			
Receipts from Patients, etc.	.....	45,989.91	
Received from Coke County	.....	14,383.01	
Received from Coke County for Charity Patients	..	1,838.25	
Redeposit of Returned Check	.....	10.00	
Total Receipts	.....	62,221.17	
Disbursements			
Salary Checks (after deductions)	.....	31,968.23	
Withholding Taxes	.....	4,232.90	
Social Security Taxes	.....	1,614.48	
Hospitalization Insurance	.....	815.85	38,631.46
Office Supplies & Expense	.....	824.76	
Food	.....	5,362.86	
Housekeeping Supplies	.....	583.89	
Laundry	.....	1,486.47	
Plant (Utilities etc.)	.....	3,198.45	
Medical & Surgical Supplies	.....	1,269.30	
Anesthesia and Oxygen	.....	426.57	
Drugs	.....	7,218.97	
X-ray Supplies and Expense	.....	566.88	
Outside Lab Fees	.....	243.00	
Blood	.....	180.00	
Dr. Pepper	.....	71.59	
Operating Room Supplies	.....	261.43	
Equipment	.....	807.64	
Anesthesia Fees	.....	131.57	
Miscellaneous Expense	.....	16.69	
T. H. A. Dues	.....	35.00	
Engraved Birth Certificates	.....	49.85	
Refund on Ins. Overpayments And Returned Checks	.....	308.30	
Linen Replacements	.....	201.23	23,244.45
Total Disbursements	.....	61,875.91	
Balance December 31, 1958	.....		289.99

in this issue that you should read. One thing that impressed us is that the county is paying off its bonds at the rate of \$75,000 a year and the entire amount will thus be retired in 10 more years.

Farmers and ranchers around Bronte gave full support to the bond issue in Precinct 2 a few years ago which resulted in the town getting most of its streets paved. It was a wonderful improvement and everyone is proud that Bronte now is a much better and more attractive place to live. Folks in Precinct 1 will have the opportunity to give Robert Lee a much needed boost by voting for the road bond issue on April 25.

Hope everybody made the income tax and car inspection deadline yesterday. We got the revenue man fixed up 24 hours early. Nothing to worry about now except the road bond election, the cancer campaign and a brochure for the BCD which will advertise our city as a wonderful place to live and a good place to own a business. Hope we are able to include paved streets as one of our important achievements.

The cancer campaign has been delayed to allow the Red Cross drive to be finished. More information on the Cancer Crusade will be published next week.

Baptist Church

Tuesday, April 14, six members of the Robert Lee Baptist Church attended a Vacation Bible School Clinic at First Baptist Church of Ballinger. Eighty five people from the various other churches of the Runnels Association gathered there to gather information for their V. B. S. Schools. Mr. John McLaughlin from Dallas, Texas was there to direct the school. Two ladies from the Ft. Worth Baptist Book Store displayed helpful material, for those interested in making purchases while at the clinic.

Those attending from Robert Lee were Mrs. J. L. Carlwile, Mrs. A. D. Fields, Mrs. Kenneth Lackey, Mrs. Maurice Yarbrough, Mrs. Bennie Smith, and pastor Bennie Smith.

Beginning Wednesday evening at

7:30 p. m. Mr. George Stuart from the Baptist Office in Dallas will be in the Robert Lee Baptist Church for a week's study and teaching on teacher improvement, in the field of Sunday School. It will be for the good of every Sunday School teacher no matter what age they work with. A study of the over all Sunday School program will be made by Mr. Stuart while in Robert Lee Baptist Church, and improvement suggestions will be made where weak points seem to exist. In general it will be a time of improvement and strengthening of the Church Sunday School program and methods.

CARD OF THANKS

I wish to take this opportunity to thank Dr. McDaniel and the staff of Coke County Memorial Hospital for being so kind to me while I was a patient during the past week. —Mrs. Montie Little, Tennyson, Texas.

The Observer, Robert Lee, Texas

April 16, 1958

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With deepest gratitude we extend this word of thanks for the many kind acts of sympathy expressed by thoughtful friends. Your

kindnesses have meant much to us —The Roe Family.

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