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# **Robert Lee FFA Quiz Team Tops Area**

The Robert Lee FFA Quiz team completely dominated the Area Quiz Leadership Contest Dec. 5 in Big Spring by scoring 288 points out of a possible 300 to top all ouiz teams from Area II and West Texas.

Team members include Commie Hallmark, Taylor Jones, Joe Lara and Clark Godwin. All are freshman vocational agriculture stu-

dents in our local high school. The FFA Quiz Contest is based upon knowledge of the FFA organization and parliamentary proeedure. Written examinations are given each team member and then the scores are evaluated. Four members make up a team; using the three high scores as team mmebers and the fourth member as an alternate.

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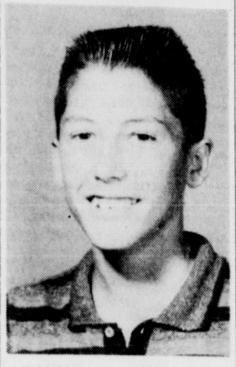
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For the Robert Lee Chapter this makes the third consecutive year the Quiz Team has participated in the State Contest. The team last year composed of Don Hester, Joe Roe and Ronnie Reid, placed secend in the State Contest. Don Hester was the second high individual in the state.

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scored 288 points to decisively top for the State Championship. Ysleta, 7th.



COMMIE HALLMARK, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. (Dooge) Hallmark, scored 98 out of 100 to top all area FFA quiz contestants in Big Spring Saturday. He will lead the Robert Lee Future Farmers Quiz Team in the state contest next Saturday in Huntsville.

Individual scores at the area in- Area II. Only the top school in eluded Commie Hallmark 98; Tay- each area over the entire state br Jones 96; Joe Lara 94 and is eligible to compete in the State Cark Godwin 94. 100 points was Contest. Ten teams, one from each of the 10 areas in Texas, will The three high team members compete Dec. 12th at Huntsville prizes. the second place team, Tahoka, The Robert Lee Farm Radio by 21 points. Other placings in- | Team composed of Carlton Boone, duded Big Spring, third; Pecos, Jerry Quisenberry and James th; Snyder, 5th; Rule, 6th, and Harmon placed third in a field of seven in the Radio Contest. The To participate in a State Con- team gave an informal panel distest is a rare feat because you cussion on marketing livestock.

must first win district and then The Quiz team will be accompawin the area contest. Over 80 nied to Huntsville by Hulan Har- m. schools with a total enrollment of ris, local vocational agriculture

### J. H. VOWELLS HERE

months last winter in California. They have a daughter in Los Angeles and a son at Yuma, Ariz., their nice farm near Arapaho and have bought a new home in Clinton which they will soon occupy. Mr. Vowell says a new Washita River dam near Clinton is nearng completion. John came with his parents to the Valley View community southeast of Robert Lee 70 years ago. They have resided in southwestern Oklahoma since about the time of World War I. While here Mr. Vowell advanced his Observer subscription a couple of years.

# **Candy for Kids**, **Prize Drawing** For Xmas Party

Plans are shaping up for Robert Lee's annual Christmas Party scheduled for Saturday, Dec. 19. The event is sponsored by the City Commission, the Board of Community Development and business firms of the city who will donate

Free movies and roller skating for the youngsters will take place between 1 and 3 p. m. and Santa Claus is expected to arrive soon after 3 to distribute candy gifts and greet all the children of this area.

Drawing for a list of 35 valuable prizes will start at 3:30 p.

The Robert Lee high school marching band will lead the Santa Claus parade, with old Santa himself riding in the fire truck. A list of the prizes will be published next week. Everyone is invited to register ther names for the drawng. Each business house will have a box for the names and you may register now and as often as you like before Dec. 19. A Turkey Shoot sponsored by the Quarterback Club is also to be a feature of the Christmas party, and Farris City Drug will have a big prize drawing of its own to



first of the year. This statement tor at the bid price. was made Tuesday by F. A. Seidel of Ballinger, low bidder on the project who signed his performance contract at a special session of Coke County Commissioners Court.

Mr. Seidel said his firm is completing other projects and will have machinery and equipment available to get right on the Robert Lee job after the holidays.

The Ballinger firm's bid of \$86,-111.65 for approximately 115 blocks of city street paving was low among 15 other bids submitted at a public letting two weeks ago. His contract also includes the construction of 2,000 feet of 24-inch curb and gutter for 36-foot wide in his construction firm. Having streets at \$2.18 per foot, and 600 just completed the \$65,000 Mounfeet of 24-inch curb and gutter tan Creek Reservoir Spillway conor proposed 40-foot width paving tract here. Seidels have had other at \$2.33 per foot. Curb and gut- Coke County contracts. They build ter installations are to be paid the Farm to Market Road from by property owners.

The Seidel bid was \$10,000 under the next lowest offer made by Younger Construction Co.

Funds for the paving were provided by a \$150,000 bond issue vot- ago. ed last summer by taxpayers of Precinct 1.

Robert Lee's street paving pro- 30 feet wide. Any additional work gram will start soon after the will be carried out by the contrac-

> Present at the Commissioners Court meeting Tuesday were all members of that body, Mayor W. D. McAdams and S. C. Cooper and H. B. Reaves, of the engineering firm of Parkhill, Smith & Cooper of Lubbock, along with Mr. Seidel.

> The Lubbock firm was employed by the county to handle the engineering and drew up plans and specifications for the project. Their representative, Bill Bissell, will be assigned here to supervise the construction work.

> Mr. Seidel has two sons, Alton and Everest, associated with him Pecan Church to Shaggy Peak, a Precinct 3 project, and had a sub-contract for paving when the state built a new Colorado River Bridge at Robert Lee a few years

At present Seidels are completing a stretch of 6 miles of state Since bids were well under the FM paving east from Tennysin. estimated cost, it will be possible More than half the distance is to pave additional streets and in Precinct 4 in Coke County. It some paving is to be done around will connect up a paved route

# **Robert Lee Has Stiff** Grid Schedule in 1960

Robert Lee High School Steers! motball schedule for 1960 was reames at home and five away.

The 1960 Steer Footbal Schefule appears in the "On the Campus" department on Page 6 of this newspaper.

Two new opponents next year will be Roby and Sands, while Im Ned and the early season same with Bronte Longhorns have been dropped.

lt's an interesting schedule and tough one, too. .Menard, Baird nd Eldorado, non-conference oes, will furnish plenty of competition before the 6-B conferthe battle is waged during the ast half of the season.

Roby Lons replaced Eldorado In the conference this year, Eldohado being elevated back to Class A, while Roby was moved down to Class B after competing in Class

Sands is a new comer and will e playing 11-man football for the inst time next year. It is a conwidated school, located at Ackerbetween Big Spring and La-

the team to beat in 1960, as the Love, David Furr, Silver, Tex. ardinals lost only one starter. tonte Longhorns will be contenhampions lose seven first stringe third spot.

How about the Steers? They may be better next season; at leased this week by Coach Bill least they can't have a much poor-Callaway. Then there will be five er record than this year when their only win in ten games was tie in wth the day. over a weak Melvin club.

> The Robert Lee coach expects a squad of 30 which will include a half dozen freshmen. Some of his key players of next season's team For Rebuilding will be Jerry Quisenberry, Curtis Higginbotham, Don Robertson, Pat Lomas, Bill Ledbetter, Richard Sims, Tommy Allen, John Kinsey and Joe Roe. Also David Drennan, 185-pound lineman, and Royce McInturf, both of whom were ineligible the past season. Some good material is being turned out at Silver and Robert some of these boys.

some stiff rules in regard to train- is to start immediately. ing and says the boys who take part in high school athletic proasks the parents help in this mat-

ter.

LETTER TO SANTA

Dear Santa: Carla wants a tiny tears. want a football set and a football. Callaway rates Hermleigh as Do not forget Mrs. Newell.

Mr. and Mrs. John Allen reers again, although the district turned Tuesday from a few days visit at Midland with their son-in-Roby is Callaway's pick for law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Ross.

# **Contract** Let **P-P** Residence

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Perkins-Prothro Oil Co. of Wichita Falls has let a contract for rebuilding a dwelling house recently destroyed by fire. The residence in the company's camp southwest of Silver was occupied by Paul Burns and family.

Brown Lumber & Supply of Ro-Lee is hoping to attract at least bert Lee was the successful bidder on the project and the labor will Coach Calloway has layed down be handled by Martin Casey. Work

The residence, one of 14 company owned houses for pumpers grams will have to obey them. He and other personnel, was burned to the ground along with the family car and much of the kitchen and bathroom equipment. A coat of ice is thought to have prevented the flames from spreading to adjacent houses.

The Perkins-Prothro houses have two bedrooms, living room, dining room, bath, breezeway and attached garages.

> GOOD Today, BETTER Tomorrow; ROBERT LEE!

the school house at Silver.

Most of the city paving will be

P-TA MEETING DEC. 10 Regular monthly meeting of the Robert Lee P-TA is scheduled for Thursday evening, Dec. 10, at 7:00 o'clock in the school auditorium. There will be special music by a men's quartet. Rev. Robin Guess, Baptist minister, will speak on "Strengthening Homes Through Spiritual Values." A social hour and refreshments will follow the program. Baby sitters will be available.

Bart Preslar of San Angelo visited here Tuesday with his brother, Howard Preslar and family.



1959-60 sweetheart of the Robert Lee chapter of Future Farmers of America. She was runnerup for district sweetheart honors at the Concho District FFA Banquet held Monday night at Sitton's Cafeterial in San Angelo. The daughter of Postmaster and Mrs. Hugh Lewis Jr., Gayle is a junior in high school.

from Tennyson to Miles.

Seidels are also presently on state projects at Mertzon and Ozona.

The contractor says he will employ some local labor. Applicants for jobs should contact Commissioner Fern Havins or Judge W. W. Thetford.

# **State Trapper Makes Report On Year's Work**

A semi-monthly meeting of the Coke County Ranchers Committee last week heard a report by the government trapper, Leroy Elliott. During October and November he killed 6 bobcats, 2 coyotes, 10 red fox, 25 smaller varmints and other foxes.

His report for the year indicates the following predatory animals and varmints were disposed of: 17 bobcats, 2 wildcats, 4 coyotes, 40 red fox, 360 smaller varmints.

During the year he worked on 34 separate operations and placed bait on 12 ranches. He has operations now going at Edith, Blackwell, Valley View and two in the Juniper area.

The association has 37 members involving an area of 398 sections. of land in the county. Ranchers are assessed \$1.00 per section every two months to help carry on the fight against predatory animals.

Mr. Elliott's salary is paid onehalf by the state and the county and ranchers make up the other half. The association has a director from each precinct as follows: 1, J. O. Rudd; 2, Walter King; 3, Finnell Smith; 4, Bert Blaylock. Sterling Lindsey, county agent, serves as chairman of the group and Mrs. R. C. Patterson is the treasurer.

### Silver News

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Slone and Patricia Conner of Hawley were Sunday afternoon guests in the home of Patricia's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George E. Conner. Pat is staying with her aunt and uncle in Hawley while attending a beauty culture school in Abilene.

maintenance foreman, is on va- R. B. Allen. cation this week and expected to get in some deer and quail hunt- ity are Mr. and Mrs. Lee R. ing. Robert Huggins, Sun gas de- Brown, parents of Miss Violet children. partment roustabout, is taking a Brown, former Silver teacher. two weeks' vacation and is visit- They moved from Robert Lee ing in Dallas.

a few days. Accompanied by his Mr. Brown is a pumper for Magfather of Junction they went out nolia and will be in charge of to Van Horn and each bagged a production on the Allen and Carr blacktail buck. One of them had leases. 8 points and the other had four.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

a dinner Friday night at the is being treated in an Odessa hosschool cafeteria. Husbands were pital. Mrs. Hollis is remaining guests, making a total of 25 in with her relatives, while Mr. Holattendance. Welcoming the group lis returned Sunday night to his was Louise Hughes and a Christ- home in Silver. mas Story from the Bible was read by Margaret Whitaker, with Eunice Mumford giving a Christmas song. Gifts were exchanged by the members. Roast chicken and dressing featured the dinner served on attractive tables with Dallas on Thanksgiving holiday decorations. Maybelle Stewart is class president and the teacher is Virginia Ashby.

Silver Boy Scouts put on a successful drive for old toys Saturday. The toys will be repaired and distributed to needy families. Jim Herford was in charge of the drive as scoutmaster.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Koonce spent the weekend in Dallas and were guests of their niece, Mrs. B. M. Hopkins and family.

Mr. and Mrs. R. K. Beggs entertained friends from Gainesville, Mr. and Mrs. Harry McCoy, and son, H. P., the past weekend. ful quail hunting.

ed last Wednesday from a few purpose. days trip to Beaumont where they visited their son and daughter-inlaw, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Hugh teams split a double header at Odom and little Robert Ernest. Robert Lee Monday night. Silver The grandson is now three months boys were defeated 27-17, while old. The Odoms also visited Mr. the Silver girls team won their and Mrs. E. E. McCluskey at contest 32-23. In a previous meet-Nederland and with the W. W. ing Silver won both games from Dean family at Woodville. Both Robert Lee. the McClusky and Dean families were former residents of Silver.

First Baptist Church at Eden. Miss Sockwell is a former home | Bill Matlock of Robert Lee, emeconomics teacher in the Silver ployee of Perkins plant here, took school and is a sister of Curtis, a group of 13 Texas Natural em-Sockwell, employee at Jameson ployees to his mother's ranch joinnatural gasoline plant.

Frank Mullican was a visitor in hunt. Nine bucks were bagged San Angelo last Wednesday. He by members of the group. was a luncheon guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Carr and spent the Wayne Reed, Jameson plant night in the home of Mr. and Mrs.

New residents of this commun-Tuesday and will reside in the R. Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Green. Bob Mrs. T. M. Wylie of the Friend-James Furr enjoyed a vacation B. Allen ranch house which has last week and went hunting for been improved and redecorated. the Bill Matlock party.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Hollis were called to Odessa Saturday by the Members of Hope Class of the illness of their cousin, Mrs. Ben

Baptist Sunday School enjoyed Clynch of Andrews. The patient their annual Christmas party with suffered a nervous breakdown and may be left with Sue Parker.

> Mrs. Hank Mason has returned to her home in Dallas after a week's visit in the home of her daughter, Mrs. George Fugate, and family. She came home with the Fugates when they visited in

> Intermediate troop of Girl Scouts will hold their Christmas Party at the Methodist Church Dec. 15 at 3:30 p. m. The girls have made rag dolls and also sent toilet articles for the children's ward at the state hospital n Abilene.

> The Intermediate Sunday School Class of the Methodist Church will hold a Christmas Party at Sun Rec Hall Friday, Dec. 11, at 5 p. m. There will be a weiner roast and gift exchange.

Members of the Junior M. Y. F. are also sending a box to the chil-The men enjoyed some success- dren at the Abilene hospital and adults are invited to donate cloth-Mr. and Mrs. Bob Odom return- and and toilet articles for this

> BASKET BALL GAMES Silver junior high basket ball

### TEXAS NATURAL CAMP

ing Big Bend Park for a deer

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Brown of Crane were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hearn.

Coming from Bronte for a weekend in the Truman Hines home were Mrs. Richard Miller and

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Underwood of Dallas were weekend guests of

with Mrs. Green.

and Jack Geist.

### The Observer, Robert Lee, Texas

# Set Banquet For Gold Star Winners

Prescilla Wylie and Eddie work.

Glenn, Coke County's 1959 Gold Star award winners, will be hon- Mrs. D. K. Glenn of Bronte. H ored at a district 4-H banquet in likewise, has completed five year San Angelo Dec. 12. The two out- of 4-H club work, predominant standing 4-H club members, along in sheep production, beef produ with two leaders and the county tion and soil and water conserv extensions agents, will attend the tion. He has received the Soil a Extension District 7 banquet for Water Conservation Award. the Gold Star winners from this Beef Award and five year pins 22 county area.

Prescilla, daughter of Mr. and also went on the deer hunt with ship community, is a 15 year old member of the Robert Lee Sen-Earlier in the week Mrs. Helen ior Girls 4-H club. She has been Gilbert, Mrs. Johnnie Wall and active in several fields of club Mrs. Louise Paul of Silver visited work, notably clothing, food preparation and swine production. She New Observer subscribers in- is a previous winner of the clothclude Rex Snell, Delbert Coalson ing, food preparation, girls home economics and electric awards. News itemr and subscriptions She has received five year pins for completing the necessary year's

Eddie is the son of Mr. addition to this year's Gold St Award.

Both Gold Star winners serving on the Coke County 4 Club Council, Prescilla being se retary-treasurer of the group. The banquet will be held in Town House hotel at noon Satu day and is being sponsored by West Texas Utilities Co.

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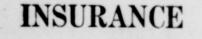


ton because of the illness of her boys were victorious 48-20. father. Miss Campbell teaches

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Haigood left night. Tuesday on a two weeks vacation trip to points in South Texas. They were accompanied by Mrs. Haigood's mother, Mrs. Mayme Berringer of San Angelo. They expected to visit in Premont, Freer and Alice.

Friends here have received invitations to the marriage of Miss Willene Sockwell to W. R. Silver. The event is set for Dec. 19 in

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Playing Coahoma last week Sfver girls were nosed out 30-29. Mary Helen Campbell made a Silver's 7th graders won their couple of recent trips to Pleasan- game 20-17 and our junior high

Return games at'Coahoma have band in the Silver public school. been scheduled for Thursday

# **Robert Lee Coaches Guests Of Silver Lions**

Silver Lions Club meeting Dec. 1, 6:30 p.m. at Methodist Church. Meeting was called to order by Club President Lion Jennings and cur guests were introduced: Head Coach Bill Callaway, Ass't Coach Chester Dowell, Coach Garland Davis, Curtis Higginbotham and Raymond Kincaid. Other boys from Silver did not get to attend due to a basketball game.

Lion R. K. Beggs was inducted into the club as a new member. After a wonderful meal prepared

by the Methodist Friendship Class. Coaches showed films of the Robert Lee-Bronte football game. Coach Bill Callaway's talk was enjoyed by the club.

Club will have its annual Christmas party at Silver School. Lion Vaughn Davis is chairman and Lion Ernest Clendennen and Lion Guy Wheeler assisting.

Dec. 15, the club's next regular meeting will be Ladies Nite.

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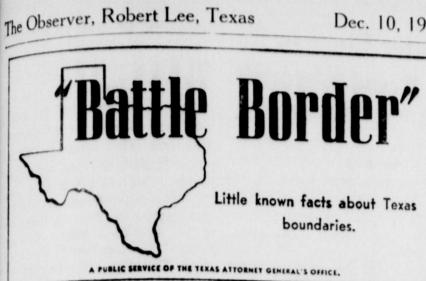
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watershed, Old Red River becomes a mighty torrent unfriendly to everything within its tempermental path.

But, during drought and dry bed. spells it becomes as lean in washimmering sea of hot sand. In 1919, Oklahoma brought suit The Federal Government got in-

Editor's Note: This is the se- in the U.S. Supreme Court aventh in a series of articles out- gainst Texas to fix the boundary ining the numerous boundary con- line between the two states along flicts dating back to 1716, point- the south bank of the Red River

The two states were busy loadold Red River is a fabulous ing their best courthouse guns for a very good reason - oil.] hetween the possessions of France in Burkburnett, crept northward to the very river banks. The ri-

this point. Soon one drilling rig ventured out into this strip of sandy wastewhen heavy rains fall in its land and, in November, 1919, struck ol.

> It was not long before derricks were scattered along 40 miles of the Red River bank and

Oklahoma claimed the south ter as it is rich in history - a bank had been settled as the beunribbon of water wandering in a dary by the U. S. Supreme Court in the Greer County case.



Dec. 10, 1959 to the fight by claiming Indian rights were at stake in a large part of the river bed and nearby islands.

> The Supreme Court decided against Texas and held the south bank to be the boundary and not the middle of the river.

> There were other disputes just off stage biding their time to jump into the act.

> The first: where is the south bank of Red River?

> "This developed one of the most plicated boundary disputes ever recorded," Attorney General Will Wilson says.

"It involved massive research into law, history, geography, physiography, botany, plant ecology, topography, geology, and engineering."

Wilson recently returned from fighting another boundary dispute for Texas, the tidelands issue be-The drilling rigs, first sprouting fore the U.S. Supreme Court. With the bluffs, flats and river bed full of derricks tapping oil it suddenly became downright urgent to know what was meant by the words, "south banks."

Parts of the river bed were being taken and held by intimidation and force. Both states were assuming jurisdiction. Armed conflict between oil and gas rivals threatened.

The Texas militia was called to support court orders. An effort was afoot to call the Oklahoma militia for the same purpose.

Texas Rangers prowled the area, discouraging a throwback to the law of tooth and claw.

If you are fishing in the Old Red on the Texas side, the valley bluffs will be two to five miles south of you. Between the bluffs and the water's edge you will notice a well defined water-worn bank known as cut-bank.

This cut-bank separates the sandy river bed from the upper lands that extend southward to the distant bluffs. The ordinary rises of the river are held by this cutbank. The rises occur in May and June, called "spring rises."

"At the time of the Oklahoma-Texas dispute the Red River had jumped the cut-bank four times and flooded the valley lands in



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1876, 1891, 1908, and 1915." Wilson points out.

Oklahoma and the United States claimed these bordering bluffs were the banks of the Red River. Oklahoma claimed title to the entire area, bluff to bluff.

Texas fought back and insisted that the line be fixed at water's edge when the river was at its ordinary stage. Texas claimed the south half of the river's sand

The United States disputed the claims of both by claiming all of the south half, portions of the north and all islands in the river

"The referee, the U. S. Supreme court, had its work laid out. To the oil men milling around the outer fringes, it certainly looked like 40 miles of bad road ahead. "It was, forty there and forty back," Wilson notes.

#### 4-H SUNSHINE CLUB The Robert Lee Sunshine 4-H club met Nov. 30 in the old fourth grade room. There were 27 girls present and two new members. The girls sample Christmas candy that Miss Hooper made. Recipes

### were given to each girl on how to make Christmas candy. - Reporter, Patty Jean Hughes.

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Will appreciate your promptness in sending in renewals if you wish to have the newspaper continued.

Expiration dates have been brought up to date and appear nearthe name on your Observer. Election year is coming up and things will be

### The Observer, Robert Lee, Texas

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# Water Lines to Be Lowered Ahead Of **Street Paving**

The City of Robert Lee now has in operation a two-way short wave radio system based in the City Hall and connected with a mobile unit in the pickup truck operated by Water Supt. Cecil of Mr. and Mrs. Santos Tijerina. Mayfield.

It enables the city secretary place Tuesday afternoon at the and water superintendent to keep Robert Lee Latin-American cemein touch with each other at all tery with Rev. Father Fidelis times and insure quick response Albrecht of San Angelo officiating, to urgent matters and emergency Clift Funeral Home was in charge calls.

The equipment was installed at a cost of \$315, and \$200 of this amount was provided by the sale of by her sons, Garlan and Billy C. scrap pipe and material sold by the city.

lot of work in connection with the derson. The boys did some deer water distributon system to start hunting and each got a blacktail immediately. Because of the new buck. paving it will be necessary to lower many lines and replace some of the old pipe. City officials feel that all water lines to be covered with paving should be in good shape.

City officials report that Supt. Mayfield has made some improvements and completed an extensive cleanup program at the waterworks plant.

# Nov. 2 - Lenn Roberts, Jimmy Caraway admitted.

Dec. 3 - Maurice Yarbrough admitted. Nov. 4 - Mrs. W. E. Dart Jr. admitted. Jimmy Caraway, Lenn Roberts dismissed. Nov. 5 - Mrs. Fred Smith admitted. Nov. 6 - Maurice Yarbrough dismissed. Nov. 8 - Bobby Ray Duncan

Jr. dismissed.

DEATH OF GARZA CHILD Bertha Garza, 22 months old died at 7 a. m. in the Bronte hospital of pneumonia. She was admitted to the hospital the previous day. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Conrado Garza, young Robert Lee Latin-American couple. The child was born Jan. 28, 1958. Mrs. Garza is the former Hortensia Tijerint, daughter Funeral services and burial took of arrangements.

Mrs. Ethel Green, accompanied of Colorado City, visited last week with the former's brother, Ray The city is making plans for a Conner on his ranch south of SanDur

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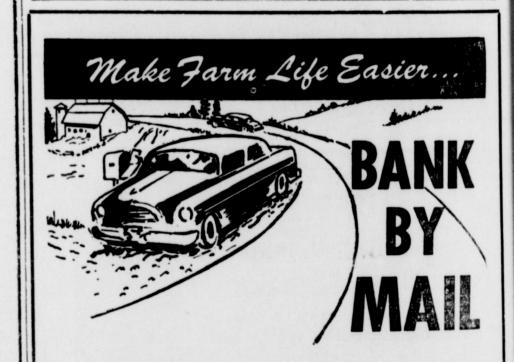
NOTICE - Will the person who Jr. admitted. Mrs. W. E. Dart borrowed the air tank from Ivey Motor Co., please return same.

interesting from a political standpoint. You'll want to keep up with Coke County news.

The Observer will make an appropriate Christmas gift for friends and kinfolks who have moved away. Gift subscriptions will be accompanied by a suitable Christmas card with the name of the sender.

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Farmers work longer hours, during planting and harvesting seasons, and it may be hard to find time for a trip to town and to the bank.

On such occasions, use our bank-by-mail service. Any mail box then becomes a teller's window. The mail man does most of the work.

Ask for our handy envelopes for banking by mail.



# **Robert** Lee State Bank

# 300 Angus Bulls h Dec. 16 Sale

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The Moore Bros., Lemley, & allen Angus bull production sale ill be held at Western Livestock commission Co. yards in San Anrelo next Wednesday, Dec. 16. ale starts at 12:00 noon and 300 head of bulls of serviceable age ill be offered.

In 1951 this sale was started with the idea of supplying top quality wils for the commercial breeder. iso with the thought that by raisin these bulls in West Texas, bey would be so much better acimated to the country where hey would be used.

During the nine years this sale mimal most desired by the ranchnen. Size of the animals has inreased and no where can so mawhills of high quality be found. 1958 the bulls that were just eginning to be two years old. wighed over 1,300 pounds at sale me and were not fat.

Though the three consignors um together to hold the sale. tere is a keen competitive ingrest between them.

Each year the demand has inreased and in this year's sale the Hering consists of 300 head of ig rugged Angus bulls, well A flower from earth's garden rown out, not too fat for sere, and they are fertility, bangs Though not in full bloom. d tuberculosis tested.

Mrs. Ava Lou Hanna is substiing for Mrs. R. C. Patterson in That God entered the garden e county judge's office while the tter is taking a two weeks' vaation.

### Weekly Meditation

When we become partners with God in His work, He becomes partner with us in our work.

t we can be of service to you please call upon us.

Minister, Delbert Smith

### ATTEND LATHAM FUNERAL

Many kinfolk and friends came to Robert Lee last Wednesday to attend funeral services for Suzanne, 4-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hervey Latham, whose untimely death caused deep sorrow in the community.

Relatives of Mrs. Latham who came included her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. McMinn of Texarand wife of Beaumont; a sister, Mrs. Carroll Graves and husband of Austin; also Mr. and Mrs. Boots McBroom of Canyon, Marvin Mc-Broom of Borger, Mrs. Sam Griggs of Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. Ollie McMinn of Abilene.

Friends of the family coming from Old Glory were Mr. and he been held, consignors have Mrs. Garrett Spitzer, Mr. and Mrs. ken able to develop the kind of Tom Pritchard, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Rinn, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Smith, Mrs. Edward Letz, Mrs. Travis Beil and Vernon Leverett. Friends present from Noodle were Mr. and Mrs. Troy Sloan, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Sloan, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Jennings, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ueckert, Mrs. A. D. Hill, Mrs. Hubert Sullivan and Mrs. Harold Bails.

> The following poem was written by Mrs. Frank Coalson:

In Memory of Suzanne is missing today

it was taken away. The why and the wherefore is not for us to understand, and chose our darling Suzanne. But earth is much sweeter. that she has been here, With her angelic smiles, her affection, her cheer. And heaven is now dearer for her family and the rest Contented with God's wisdom: that whatever is, is best.

Ralph Garvin and W. W. (Preacher) Cathey of Odessa were Robert Lee visitors Monday. Mr. Cathey's mother, Mrs. J. W. Cathey, has been ill in a San Angelo hospital. Her daughter, Mrs. Garvin, has been with her the

GIFTS FOR BURNS FAMILY The Paul Burns family was given a shower of household articles at Green Mountain community Center Saturday night. They received many nice gifts to take the place of those lost when their home was recently destroyed at Perkins-Prothro Camp. The event was sponsored by members of Pekana; her brother, T. F. McMinn can Baptist Church who presented the couple with an electric mixer.

# PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Shoemaker and children returned Monday from a visit at Delhi, La. Mr. Shoemaker had a week's vacation from his work with Sun Oil Co. at Silver. They visited Mrs. Shoemaker's parents at Delhi and also visited kinfolks of Mr. Shoemaker at Monroe and other points. Delbert attended school at Delhi and was a member of the football team. He enjoyed seeing Delhi win its game against Bunkie last week. The Delhi team plays Houma this week for the state championship.

Mr. and Mrs. Weldon (Jiggs) Lofton and three children visited here the past week with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Lofton, and the T. W. and M. W. Farris families. Jiggs was on vacation from his poston at a large industrial plant in Texas City. They also visited Mrs. Loften's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Raphey Farris in Goldthwaite and with her brother, Wallace, at Menard. Jiggs did some hunting near Menard and bagged a nice whitetail buck.

Making a weekend blacktail deer hunting trip to territory near the Big Bend Park were Frank C. Coalson, Weldon Fikes, J. E. Quisenberry Jr., and Butch Davis. None of them was able to bring down a buck, but Mr. Coalson shot a javelina.

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# **Christmas** Gifts

### **Available at Your Hardware Store**

# FOR THE MEN

Gun Cases, Fishing Tackle, Hand Tools, Electric Drills, Billfolds, Pocket Knives.

### FOR THE BOYS

BB Guns, Model Planes, Trucks, Wagons, Footballs, other Toys.

# FOR THE LADIES

Toasters, Dishes, Hand Mixers, All Kinds Houseware, useful and decorative. Be sure and see our new line of Corning Dishes.

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Dolls, Bracelets, Paint Sets, Toy Dishes, Doll Cradles and many other gift articles.

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### FREE GIFT WRAPPING

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### Northside Church Of Christ

Assemblies of the Church: nday, 10:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m. Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.

past week

Montie Wallace and family have moved to the Boyd Yarbrough place in the north part of town. They formerly resided in one of the Jack Trimble rent houses in the south section of the city. Mr. Wallace is employed by the Soil Conservation Service.

## **Angus Bull Production Sale**

TO BE HELD

# Wednesday, December 16

AT

## Western Livestock Commission Co.

SAN ANGELO, TEXAS

Sale Starts at 12 Noon

Offering 300 Registered Angus Bulls, all of serviceable age. these bulls are raised and acclimated in West Texas. They are not over fitted, and have been tested for bangs and tuberculosis. They are ready for shipment anywhere.

These Angus bulls also will have been fertility tested within a few days before the sale to guarantee good calf crops.

This sale is backed by years of selective breeding by West Texas breeders to assure the type of cattle most in demand.

### MOORE BROS. Eldorado, Texas

JOE R. LEMLY San Angelo, Texas

HERMAN ALLEN Menard, Texas

### **On The Campus** Robert Lee Public Schools

By JO ANN HOOD

A HARD FIGHT

Monday night, Nov. 30, the Hi-Liters and Steers traveled to Lake View for the return game of the season.

The B team had a good game with Robert Lee on top by a score of 39 to 28. The A team was not so fortunate, being defeated by the cose margin of 49 to 41.

The Steers were defeated by the Lakeview boys with a score of 49 to 31. This year has been the first time the Robert Lee and Lake View boys have ever tangled.

### STUDENT TEACHERS

Mr. Ralph Long and Mr. Don Tankersley are here from Texas Tech Lin ubbock to get their required student teaching time, under direction of Hulan Harris, Robert Lee vocational ag. instructor

### SENIORS ORDER INVITATIONS

Mr. Jacks came on Nov. 23 so the Seniors could select their invitations. By choosing them now, they will be able to receive them earlier in the spring. They are very pretty and the seniors seem to think that they are the prettiest ones any seniors have ever had.

#### 1960 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Sept. 2-Menard, There Sept. 9-Sands, Home Sept. 16-Open Sept. 23-Melvin, There Sept. 30-Baird, Home Oct. 7-Eldorado, There Oct. 14\*-Roby, There Oct. 21\*-Hermleigh, Home Oct. 28\*-Trent Home Nov. 4\*-Loraine, There Nov. 11\*-Bronte, Home \*-Conference game.

### This Week's Meditation

"Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven." Matthew 5:16

Eugene Bertin said: "The torch of religion may be lit in church. but it does its burning in the shop and on the street."

HI-LITERS WIN SECOND Robert Lee Basketball teams took part in the Blackwell tournament Dec. 3-5. There were eight schools entered.

On Thursday the Hi-Liters and Steers played Divide to open the the same score, 53-24.

Miles on Friday night. The girls again won with a score of 43-25. The Steers were not so lucky, being defeated 38 to 31. This eliminated them from the race.

the forwards just couldn't find the will be even better this year." basket and Robert Lee lost to gin of 38 to 39.

first but better than third. It as posible. seemed as though the people really got their money's worth be-Noodle by a score of 40 to 41. The Hi-Liters were very proud

place on the All-Tournament team. STEERS IN ELDORADO

The Steers are entered in the wrapping paper, and be sure that faced. Eldorado Boys tournament Dec. every package is tied with a strong day.

# Mail Early To **Insure Delivery By Christmas**

Postmaster Hugh Lewis, Jr. this tournament. Both teams won with week announced his annual "Mail Early for Christmas" campaign Both boys and girls played and outlined plans for insuring delivery of all Christmas gifts and cards by Christmas Eve.

"Public cooperation," he said, "has been a key factor in moving Christmas mail on time in recent Saturday was the big night, but years, and I am hopeful that it

The postmaster urged patrons of Winters B team by a narrow mar- Robert Lee Post Office to start mailing Christmas packages now They came home with a second Packages to distant places especplace trophy, not quite as good as ially should be mailed as early

### Time for Cards

"This is also the week to precause the Miles boys fell before pare and mail your out-of-town Christmas cards," he said.

Lewis gave these pointers on of Pat Fowler who received a the proper mailing of packages, "Use sturdy corrugated mailing side the package in case the outcartons, plenty of heavy brown

10-12. Their first game will be cord. Cartons containing several or seals, place them where they against Sonora at 8 p.m. Thurs- gift packages should be stuffed will not conflict with the address. with tissue or old newspapers to Then, before you drop the package

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### cushion the contents.

"If your article is of unusual size or bulk, check with the post office because there are restrictions on size and weight.

"It is also important to make sure that your package bears the time. A delay now will contribut correct mailing address and your to a serious pile-up, particularly j return address. If you are sending the larger post offices, as the hol your package to a large city be sure to include the addressee's zone number. Including the zone number in the address always will by Dec. 10. Other mail should h facilitate delivery in large cities. Zone numbers also should be used on Chrstmas cards and other mail to cities with postal zones.

#### Address on Top

"The address shoud be on the top of the package and it should be carefully written or lettered. A piece of transparent celloprane tape placed over the address will usually prevent defacing in transit." It is also a good idea," Lewis said, to include the address inside address should become de-

"If you use Christmas stickers

in the mail, be sure you have fixed the proper postage. Battle Against Time

The postmaster reminded

the entire Christmas mailin period is primarily a battle again day approaches.

All packages going to distan cities should be in the post offic sent on its way as soon as po sible and all local mail should h in the post office no more than week or 10 days later. This kin of cooperation would mean that a Christmas mail would be delivered on or before Christmas Eve, th post master explained.

> GOOD, Today, BETTER Tomorrow ROBERT LEE.



No. 696 A.F. & A.M. Meets second Tuesda night in each month Visitors welcome.

JACK R. DENMAN, W. M. W. B. CLIFT, Secretary



The world expects the professed Christian to be in the house of the Lord on the Sabbath. But a Christian's faith is equally gauged by where he is seen during the week.

It has been forcefully stated that the only Bible some people read is the Bible "According to you." It is not imperative that you voice your Christian faith on every occasion. Your life is a living testimony of that faith.

The most effective sermons are not delivered from the pulpit. They are delivered on the streets. And along with Edgar A. Guest we would all agree:

I'd rather see a sermon than hear one any day:

I'd rather one would walk with me than merely tell the way;

The eye's a better pupil and more willing than the ear;

Fine counsel is confusing, but example's always clear.

The best of all the preachers are the men that live their creeds; For to see good put in action is

what everybody needs.

I soon can learn to do it if you will let me see it done:

I can watch your hands in action. but your tongue too fast may run. The lectures you deliver may be very wise and true;

But I'd rather get my lesson by observing what you do.

I may not understand the high advice you give;

But there's no mis-understanding how you act and how you live!

Your actions are living words. What you say can be smothered by the facts of your life. You cannot deny your actions.

The eyes of the world are upon the Christian. Therefore, let your life count for Christ this week. And may the song of your soul be "To God Be the Glory."

-Robin Guess

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### SMALL TALK By A. J. K.

It is reported the telephone company is not asking for a big rate increase, and they seem to have figures to back up their request to put the Robert Lee exchange on a paying basis. They dropped the matter in the laps of the City Commissioners. It would seem the telephone people might present their case with a public statement in this newspaper. Thus all subscribers would know the situation and city officials would not have to make an agreement with the company until the public had the opportunity to know what was going on.

Robert Lee is being sponsored for the first time this year, with the ham was shop foreman for Ivey BCD offering small cash prizes. It's a fne thing to get up nice sition in El Paso where he is home and yard and it can become sion of General Motors in the war- Lodge No. 686 in Robert Lee. a big event if people will partici- ranty department. He planned to pate. No rules or regulations are return to El Paso Wednesday. being set out, so each family is privileged to carry out its own program.

Heard Gen. McArthur the other night when he made a football award. He recalled being at a big game in the east with Teddy Roosevelt when the latter was president.. Teddy told him he would rather be playing in that game than be president.

It made me remember the time Teddy appeared at a cantonment where I was stationed during World War I. He got the biggest ovation I've ever seen. And I always remember one thing he said: "If you have to hit a man, put him to sleep."

Of course McArthur couldn't resist a jab at Truman. He said Harry was playing fullback when he recalled him from the Pacific.

Salmon featured the Thanksgiviig dinner menu at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tom McDaniel at Texas Natural Camp. They didn't aim it that way, however. Mrs. Mac had a fat hen for the occasion, but when preparing it for the oven discovered it had not been properly dressed and did not seem fit for human consumption. The salmon came in handy.

### DELTON CHATHAM HERE Delton Chatham visited among Robert Lee friends this week. He six grades of the Robert Lee pubhad been called to San Angelo by lic school will be given the night the tragedy in his family which of Dec. 17, at 7:30 in the school cost the lives of his father, his auditorium. "What Chrstmas step-mother. a brother and three Means to Me" is the title of the half-sisters. Their deaths resulted production. Special costumes will from an auto collision in south be worn and there will be Christ-Texas Sunday night of last week. mas songs and a full hour of en-The bodies were brought to San tertainment. Mrs. Jeff Dean is the Angelo, their former home, and director. Admission is free. burial took place Friday at Lawnhaven Memorial Gardens. Delton's brother, Eldon, was flown from Antonio the past week. The Chat- is hoped for. A home decorating contest for ham family resided in Robert Lee a few years ago when Mr. Chat-Motor Co. Delton has a good po- they attended sessions of the Ma-Christmas decorations around the employed in the Chevrolet Divi- is worshipful master of Hayrick

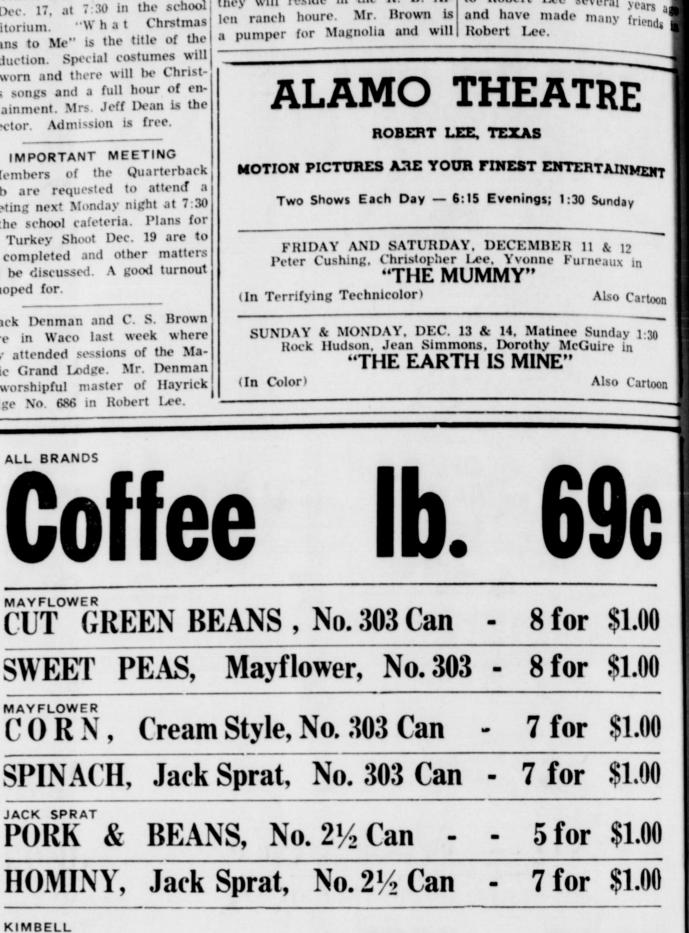
### SCHOOL OPERETTA

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### IMPORTANT MEETING

Members of the Quarterback Germany for the funeral. He is Club are requested to attend a 22 and has been in the army five meeting next Monday night at 7:30 years. A sister, Charlene, 14, also in the school cafeteria. Plans for survives. Sre was in San Angelo the Turkey Shoot Dec. 19 are to at the time of the accident but be completed and other matters expected to join her father in San will be discussed. A good turnout

> Jack Denman and C. S. Brown were in Waco last week where sonic Grand Lodge. Mr. Denman



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Mr. and Mrs. Lee R. Brown mo- be close to his work there. T ved this week to Silver where Browns moved from Westbroo they will reside in the R. B. Al- to Robert Lee several years a

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# **Robert Lee Baptist Church**

The Robert Lee Baptist Church has organized a Royal Ambassador Chapter for boys nine through 12 years.

This organization is primarily for those boys already enrolled in the church. However, any boy is welcome to become a member regardless of church affiliation.

The Royal Ambasadors have certain ranks to pass similar to the Boy Scouts of America except they are Bible centered and church related.

Richard Dumas is the counselor for the Royal Ambassadors. They will meet every Monday afternoon at 5:15 at the Baptist Churih. A Royal Ambassador hut is being renovated from the garage of the old parsonage.

### MEMORIAL FUND

The Robert Lee Baptist Churih has set up a Memorial Fund in honor of Suzanne Latham.

The Memorial Fund will be used for the purchase of new Baptist Hymnals. However, this is to be a permanent Memorial Fund. Through the years it will be recognized as a source for special purchases as an organ, pianos, etc. A number of Robert Lee people have desired to contribute to the church in memory of Suzanne. If that is your desire, please make your check to the Robert Lee Baptist Church and designate it the Suzanne Latham Memorial Fund. The church is not soliciting for this fund but sincerely appreciates your interest.

This is subscription paying time for many readers of The Observer. We will be happy at this holiday season if you will send in renewals without our having to mail statements. By the way The Observer makes a welcomed gift to friends and kinfolks who were former residents of Coke County.

#### CARD OF THANKS

Words fail us at a time like this, but to each of you who shared our sorrow by your kind words of encouragement, your lovely floral offerings and your prayers, may Weldon Fikes. chairman, Mrs. God's richest blessings be yours .-Hervey and Betty Latham.

COFFMAN SELLS SHEEP James Coffman, for four years associate county agent in Robert Lee and now employed by a Dallas agrilultural rhemical firm, sold the last of his sheep at auction here this week. He said he still has some registered cattle on leased pasture at Robert Lee, but he got out of the sheep business.

Coffman is with Van Waters & Rogers Inc. - San Angelo Stand-

#### PROPOSE BUDGET

The Robert Lee Baptist Church will have the opportunity to adopt the budget for 1960 this coming Sunday. The committee which will present the new budget consists of Gerald Allen, J. L. Carwile, Frank Coalson, Mrs. Kenneth Lackey, W. D. McAdams and Maurice Yarbrough, treasurer.

A mimeographed copy of the proposed budget will be handed each person in the morning worship service. It will then be presented for adoption during the evening worship hour.

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