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P. T. A. SETS SPRING FESTIVAL DATE FOR SATURDAY, MARCH 18

The Spring Festival, sponsored by the Robert Lee P. T. A. will be held Saturday, March 18, beginning at 5 p.m. Booths will be set up in the Gym to include food, country store, pick and pay, spook house, chunking at dolls, crafts, fish pond, fortune telling, popcorn and snow cones. There will also be artists on hand to draw silhouettes. Other activities will include a hay ride.

Mrs. Willis Wayne Smith, Mrs. David Key, and Mrs. Douglas Dean will be in charge of the Food Booth. Mrs. Raymond McCutchen, Mrs. Cumbie Ivey Jr., Mrs. Jeff Dean, and Mrs. Sam Powell comprise the Program Committee.

In charge of the High School

J. M. Hurley Touring Pacific

PACIFIC (FHTNC)—Jerry M. Hurley, radarman third class, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hurley of Sanco, Tex., is serving aboard the guided missile frigate USS Mahan on a five-week cruise in the Pacific.

The Mahan departed San Diego, Calif., Feb. 16, and is scheduled to visit Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, and Acapulco, Mexico, before returning March 21.

The Mahan is the third ship named in honor of Rear Adm. Alfred T. Mahan, whose writings, citing the importance of sea-power for nations, became world famous. The first Mahan, a destroyer, was decommissioned in 1930, and the second was sunk in the Leyte Gulf, Dec. 7, 1944.

The new frigate was commissioned Aug. 25, 1960, three years after laying of its keel in the San Francisco Naval Shipyard. It is equipped with advanced electronic equipment and armament, including the Terrier surface-to-air missile and the Asroc, an anti-submarine rocket.

Absentee Voting Begins Here

County Clerk, J. L. "Chilly" Tinkler announced this week that his office has received the official voting ballots for the special U. S. Senatorial election that will be held Tuesday, April 4.

Absentee voting begins this week. "A voter who desires to use the absentee ballot must come to the County Clerk's office and have in his possession his poll tax receipt," Tinkler said.

Deadline for absentee voting in the Special U. S. Senatorial race is three days prior to the regular election day, the date being in this instance, March 31.

The candidates, 71 of them, are are listed alphabetically on the ballot.

LOCAL NEWS

Earl Smith of San Angelo, formerly of Robert Lee, visited here Monday.

Rev. Hubert C. Travis, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Sterling City, was a guest of the Observer Monday morning. The Rev. Mr. Travis was enroute to Waco.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Bilbo are visiting their daughter, Mrs. Jarvis Littlefield, and family in Afton, Oklahoma, for two weeks.

Booth is Mrs. W. T. Roach and Mrs. Glen Waldrop. Grade school chairmen are Mrs. Ava Lou Hanna and Mrs. Edna Mae Havins.

Publicity committee include Mrs. Robert Vaughan, Mrs. J. D. Boykin, Mrs. John King, and Mrs. Jim Haralson, Mrs. Hulan Harris is in charge of door prizes which are being donated by local merchants.

The booths will close down at 8 o'clock and the variety program in the auditorium will begin at approximately 8:15. Coronation of the King and Queen will follow.

Royalty candidates are Vicki Harris and Salvador Longoria and Kay McGinley and Danny Percifull, first grade; Beverly Shandley and Barry Day, second grade; Debbie Vosburg and Jackie Thompson, third grade; Elaine Fikes and Larry Wojtek, fourth grade; Lois Heuvel and Randy Hall, fifth grade; and Nancy Jacoby and Buddy Vosburg, sixth grade.

Also, Linda Jacoby and William Hood, seventh grade; Kay Havins and Tony Dean, eighth grade; Elwanda Sparks and Dick Waldrop, ninth grade; Beverly Higginbotham and Jimmie Carraway, tenth grade; Betty McGinley and John Kinsey, eleventh grade, and Gayle Lewis and James Bankenship representing the twelfth grade.

From the group will emerge a King and Queen for the Elementary and High School.

Seminole Rites Held for Mathers

Services were held for Olen (Rusty) Mathers, 58, who died Thursday at 3 p.m. Saturday in the First Presbyterian Church at Seminole.

Mathers, a Gaines County resident 27 years, died at 3 p.m. Thursday. He was a farmer-rancher who lived 18 miles northwest of Seminole. He suffered a heart attack.

Mathers was a member of the Denver City, Masonic Lodge and a 32nd degree Mason in the Scottish Rite, a member of the Denver City Roping Club and a member of the Church of Christ.

A native of Castro County, he had lived in the Seminole area most of his life, after moving from Silver when he was a boy.

Services were conducted by Scottish Rite Masons of El Paso. Graveside rites were by the Denver City Masonic Lodge.

Survivors include his wife, Jewell; two daughters, Mrs. Clydene Maxwell, Kermit; Mrs. Boyce Blakeney, Denver City; six grandchildren; five brothers, Frank, Sierra Blanca, Tex.; C. E. Silver; Russ, San Angelo; W. E., Tatum; Jack, Truth or Consequences, N. M.; two sisters, Mrs. Sam Savage, Lovington; and Mrs. Sidney Padgett, Truth or Consequences.

Pallbearers were Hubert Pruitt, Chester Browne, Eddie Jameson, Johnny Ashcraft, D. P. Morehead and Walter Anderson.

Capt. and Mrs. Horace L. Scott and children of Abilene were weekend visitors in the L. Scott home. They also visited other relatives while here.

Surprises and a good time are in store for you and your friends soon. Stay alert so that you won't miss out on the fun.



"CAUGHT A BIG 'UN"
A. H. "Buster" Jones of Silver is the proud fisherman pictured with the 41 lb. Yellow Cat Fish that he pulled from Robert Lee Mountain Creek Lake Wednesday. The evidence of the big fish spread fishing fever among Robert Lee residents.

FRIENDSHIP WHD CLUB MEETS

The Friendship W. H. D. Club met March 9 in the home of Mrs. Bobby Baker.

Twelve members answered roll call with "My favorite quick meal."

Miss Carole Hooper gave the program on "Low Cost Meals."

The Friendship, Green Mountain and Robert Lee clubs will have a joint meeting March 23 at 2 p.m. in the Recreation Hall. Mr. Wilson of Wilson's Hobby Shop in San Angelo will speak on "Crafts" at this time.

475 Attend Pancake Supper

More than 475 people from Colorado City, Lorraine, Robert Lee, San Angelo, Silver and many other distant points attended the Silver Lions Club Annual Pancake Supper Friday night.

Those that attended not only got their fill of pancakes, bacon, coffee and pie, but they were gloriously entertained also.

Entertainers that appeared on the stage of the Silver School auditorium were: the Colorado City School Stage Band, Larry Lindsey Trio Group of Silver, Mr. Kelly with his musical hand saw accompanied by Miss Susan Hughes of Silver, Roscoe Boys Club trampolene act, Johnny Dutton Western String band of San Angelo, Southwestern Conference Football Highlights of 1960 and film of the Crippled Children's Camp at Kerrville where part of the proceeds of the supper will be sent.

Lion president Vaughan Davis said that he was pleased with the way the Lions worked and the response given by the friends of the Lions Club.

Report local news by calling Merle King at 453-4051 or 453-3501.

Trustees Hire School Teachers For 1961-62

The Robert Lee School Board of Trustees hired 15 teachers for the Robert Lee Independent School District here Thursday evening.

One instructor presented his resignation by mail, and one teacher's contract was not renewed for the school year of 1961-62.

Elementary school teachers that were given contracts for the school year of 1961-62 were Mrs. Chanda McBroom, Mrs. Sam Powell, Mrs. Eunice Olson, Mrs. Bernard Petty, Mrs. Virginia Walling, Mrs. Lucille Dean and Mrs. Dale Hamby.

High school instructors that were offered new contracts for the next school year were Mrs. Frank Coalson, Mr. Garland Davis, Mrs. Hazel Cooke, Mr. Hulan Harris, Mr. Jerry Alsop and Mr. John Malone.

The band director's position for 1961-62 was not filled Thursday night. Jim Anderson is currently serving as band director for the Robert Lee School.

Mrs. John Malone Elected to Teach Chemistry Here

The Robert Lee Independent School Board of Trustees elected Mrs. John Malone Thursday night to teach chemistry, physics and general science here for the next school year.

Mrs. Malone received her bachelor of science degree from Iowa Wesleyan College at Mount Pleasant, Iowa. She did graduate work at the University of Texas at Austin. She majored in chemistry and minored in music, physics and math.

She was a member of the University of Texas staff as a research chemist for a number of years.

Prior to her work at Austin, she worked as a chemist at the ordnance plant at Burlington, Iowa, analyzing explosives.

Mrs. Malone has taught chemistry and allied courses at Natalie, Rio Hondo and Port Lavaca. She taught in the Port Lavaca junior high school last year.

Mrs. Malone's husband is head coach of the Robert Lee Independent School system.

The Malones have three children: Mike, 13, Kitty, 2, and Patrick, 5 months.

Mrs. Malone said Tuesday that she "was happy to have the opportunity to teach in the Robert Lee School system."

DAUGHTER FOR WALKERS

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Walker are the parents of a daughter, Pamela Jan, born Saturday, March 11, in the Clinic Hospital in San Angelo.

The baby weighed 9 pounds, 13 ounces. She has two sisters, Loretta Nell and Carla Sue.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Sparks and Mr. Dee Walker, all of Robert Lee. Great-grandmothers are Mrs. E. T. Sparks and Mrs. Lem Cowley.

The father is employed by Union Texas Natural Gas Plant at Silver.

Something big will happen in Robert Lee soon! Be sure to read the future issues of the Robert Lee Observer for further details.

ALSUP RESIGNS

Jerry Alsop, assistant coach and science teacher, offered his letter of resignation to be read at the board meeting. His resignation was regretfully accepted by the trustees, high school principal and superintendent. Alsop plans to teach and coach in his native state of Tennessee next year.

DAVIS NEW ASSISTANT

Dan Turner, high school principal, and Hervey Latham, Robert Lee school superintendent, passed to the board Head Coach John Malone's request that Garland Davis be permitted to serve as his assistant with the football squad during the football season, and that Davis will serve as the Jr. High Girls Basketball coach, along with his regular teaching duties.

MRS. JOHN MALONE IS HIRED
The board of trustees, upon recommendation of Hervey Latham and Dan Turner, hired Mrs. John Malone as high school instructor for chemistry and physics and as Jr. High science teacher for the 1961-62 school year.

BOARD RECOGNIZES TEACHER'S CAPABILITIES

Mrs. Peggy Vinson, who was hired to ease an emergency that came about when the first grade's enrollment swelled to 36 students this year, was praised by Mr. Douglas Dean, Mrs. Hervey Latham and the entire school board for her efficient capabilities as a teacher.

The board stated that if a vacancy occurred in the faculty for next year, that Mrs. Vinson would be the first teacher considered.

MICROSCOPES TO BE PURCHASED

The school biology class will receive ten new microscopes for use in the study of biology next year.

FIRE BOXES REPAIRED

The Board hired Evans Brothers Boiler Works, a Fort Worth firm, to reglaze and replace defective fire bricks in the fire boxes of the boiler room. The defective fire boxes has prevented the heating system from functioning properly.

Cost of repairing the boiler room is approximately \$200.00.

The Board approved an increase of \$2.50 per month for watching the school property at night.

County Audit Is Published

The Coke County audit for the fiscal year of 1960 is published in this issue of The Robert Lee Observer.

You are urged by your county officials and the county auditor to carefully study the audit so that you will know how and why your tax dollar is being spent.

Wedon Fikes, county auditor, said that if anyone has any questions about the audit, "please feel free to come to the auditor's office in the court house for explanation and discussion" about any part or all the audit.

Another portion of the audit showing the amount of bonded and warranted indebtedness and a recap of all the county's funds will be published in next week's paper, and readers are urged to save this issue so that you will have a complete copy of the audit.

Silver News

Ross Cone, superintendent of Jameson Gas Plant at Silver, is in Dallas this week to attend the National Gasoline Association convention and Sun Oil Gas Department Superintendents meeting.

On vacation from his duties at Millican Station is O. L. White.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Parish journeyed to Beaumont Tuesday. Mr. Parish will attend Company Employees Association meeting, and Mrs. Parish will visit friends and relatives in Sour Lake. The Parishes will return to Silver Friday.

Mrs. Robert McGuire of Lubbock visited her mother, Mrs. Jennie Bilbo, and her brother, A. J. Bilbo, during the weekend.

Larry Don Millican visited Glyn Jameson in San Angelo during the weekend. The boys attend the San Angelo Rodeo and Fat Stock Show.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Wheeler visited Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Brace in Menard during the weekend.

A youth banquet will be held Friday night at the Silver Baptist Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Moss and family of San Antonio visited the Earl Lindsey family of Silver during the weekend.

Mr. Moss is Mrs. Lindsey's brother.

The Order of Eastern Star will have a spaghetti supper at the School Cafeteria at Silver Friday night.

Alana Cartright, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Allan Cartright of Snyder, visited Rosiland Braham for a few days.

Rev. and Mrs. Allan Cartright, former Silver residents, were visitors at the Silver Lions Club Pancake supper Friday night.

The Bob Odoms attended the annual Rattlesnake Round-Up in Sweetwater this past weekend. The Odoms were guests in Mrs. Odom's brother's family home, the Bill Allens.

Mrs. Frank Mullican and Mrs. Don Swinney were hostesses Wednesday night in the Swinney home for a "Grandma Shower." Mrs. Hershel McDonald was the honoree.

Attending the Cancer Crusade Conference in Brownwood Tuesday night were Mr. and Mrs. Herschel McDonald and Mrs. Frank Mullican.

Mrs. O. J. O'Brien of Amarillo visited Mr. and Mrs. Marion Cox Thursday through Monday. The trio attended the rodeo in San Angelo Saturday. Mrs. O'Brien is a sister of Mrs. Cox.

TRACK MEET TO BE HELD AT SILVER

An invitational Jr. High track meet will be held at Silver Saturday. Schools that have been invited to participate in the meet are Robert Lee, Bronte, Colorado City, Silver, Lorraine, Sterling City and Garden City.

There will be two divisions that will compete in the various track and field events. One division will be comprised of the 7th and 8th grades and the other division will be the 9th graders.

Trophies and ribbons will be awarded to the winning teams. The preliminaries will begin at 10 a.m.

Sun Pipe Line Employee Dies

Lowell Kimbro, 53, well known Sun Pipe Line electrician in the West Texas area, died suddenly at his home in Snyder Friday morning.

Kimbro, an employee of the Sun Company for 27 years, died shortly before he was due to leave his home for his job Friday.

He worked at the Jameson field at Silver nearly as much as he did in Snyder. He was the only electrician employed by Sun in this area.

Mr. Kimbro came to the Silver-Snyder area from Sun Field 6 years ago.

He is survived by his wife.

STEWART CHAT WITH GOVERNOR DAVIS

John T. Stewart was in a music store in Shreveport, La., last week and had the opportunity to visit with Louisiana Governor, Jimmy Davis for a few minutes.

Stewart drove his daughter, Kay Biggs, and granddaughter, Shari Lynn, to Shreveport to join Mrs. Biggs' husband, who is on a training program with Sears & Roebuck in that city.

Son Born to Carroll Wilkes

A son, Mike, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Wilkes of Silver in a San Angelo Hospital Friday, March 10.

Mike weighed 7 lbs., 1 oz. at birth. He has two older brothers, Ricky, 6, and David, 4.

His father is employed by Ernest Clendennen as a chief welder and maintenance man.

HERFORD RETURNS FROM DALLAS

Jim Herford returned to his job with Sun Pipe Line department Monday after staying in Dallas with his wife for three weeks.

Mrs. Herford is a patient at Baylor Hospital in Dallas.

Leta Davis to Marry Carlton Caston

Mr. and Mrs. Leon W. Davis of Roscoe announce the approaching marriage of their daughter, Leta Bert, to Carlton Caston of Robert Lee, Texas. Mr. Caston is the son of Mrs. Bessie L. Caston and the

late Mr. J. C. Caston.

The wedding will take place April 14, 1961, in the R. S. (Ted) Lambert home at 601 East 4th St. in Sweetwater. Time will be 6:30.

Miss Davis is a graduate of Roscoe High School. She also attended 'Four C' Business College in Waco, Texas. At the present she is employed at Carmichael Motors in Sweetwater.

Mr. Caston attended Robert Lee High School, and served two years in the U. S. Army with duties in Korea and Japan. He is presently employed by J. D. Harmon, Conservation Contractor, in Robert Lee.

The couple will make their home in Robert Lee.

SILVER RESIDENT'S NEPHEW IS KILLED

Rites were held in Odessa Monday for Wayne Bankes, 20, who was killed in an auto accident near Sterling, Kansas Thursday.

Bankes is the nephew of Mrs. Ross Gann of Silver.

Survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank O. Bankes of Odessa, and two sisters.

WINNERS NAMED IN POSTER CONTEST

Winners in the Poster Contest, advertising the Spring Festival and sponsored by the Robert Lee P. T. A., have been announced as follows: 1st grade, tie between Jan Havins and Jane McClellan; 2nd grade, Debra Gayle King; 3rd grade, tie between Fredda Kay Cooke and Gary Thompson; 4th grade, Kathy Mathis; 5th grade, Vernay Vaughan, and 6th grade, Larry Casey.

Winning posters are now on display in Polly Roe Holland's Studio and others may be seen in the Percifull Building display windows.

Mrs. Wesley Rogers of Ft. Worth and Mrs. L. O. Hammack of San Angelo, were guests of the Lynn Hammacks Thursday. Mrs. Rogers is a sister of Mr. Hammack.

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Silver P. T. A. Elects Officers
Mrs. Lawrence Feaster was elected president of the Silver P. T. A. Monday night for the school year of 1960-61.
Other officers elected were: Mrs. A. J. Roe Jr., vice president; Mrs. Billy Jones, secretary; Mr. Earl Cook, treasurer; Mrs. Walter Paul, parliamentarian, and Mrs. Maurice Duncan, historian.
Superintendent Guy Wheeler spoke to the group on "The Reading Readiness, Achievement and Aptitude Test."
The Silver Band presented a concert to the group that attended the P. T. A. Meeting.
Monday, April 10, at 7:30 p.m. will be the time for the next meeting and the Silver 1st and 2nd grades will present the program.
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Home Demonstration

By CAROLE L. HOOPER

Plans for the 4-H Clubs Aunt Jemima Pancake Supper are coming along fine. We are getting some wonderful cooperation from Hale Kincaid and other Silver Lions, who are becoming very proficient at staging successful pancake suppers.

The one act play contests will be March 24 also; so we hope you will all come out to eat with us, then attend the plays.

The County Foods Contest will be April 8. All 4-H girls who are planning to participate should be selecting their recipe and working on a script. Scripts should be brought to my office within the next week to be checked.

The next time you broil steaks or hamburger patties try using a flavored butter such as Provolone Butter, Parmesan Butter or Basil Butter.

Spread one of the following butters generously on top side of steak or patty. Broil 4 inches from heat, buttered side up for 3-5 minutes (depending on how well done the meat is desired). Salt. Turn steaks. Butter other side and salt well. Broil 3-5 minutes or until browned. Serve garnished with parsley.

Provolone Butter: Blend together ¼ cup (½ stick) softened butter, 1 teaspoon chopped onion, ½ teaspoon Worcestershire sauce and 2 tablespoons grated Provolone cheese.

Parmesan Butter: Blend together ¼ cup (½ stick) softened butter, 2 teaspoons oregano and 2 tablespoons grated Parmesan cheese.

Basil Butter: Blend together ¼ cup (½ stick) softened butter, 1 teaspoon grated onion and ½ teaspoon basil.

Agriculture News

By STERLING LINDSEY

The winter show circuit came to an end with the closing of the San Angelo Show. We like to believe that it ended with a triumphant note even though some of the club members' animals failed to reach the goal set for them.

The big item in the San Angelo Show is the lamb show. Something over 700 lambs were shown in four classes, with the number in the classes running from 77 in the heavy weight fine wool class to a high of 291 lambs in the light weight fine wool class.

Four Coke County 4-H club members were among the privileged few that made the sale. In the heavy weight fine wool class, three of the top six placing lambs belonged to Coke County 4-H club members. Jimmy and Ronnie Varnadore exhibited the 3rd place lamb, while Ronnie and Donnie Devoll's entry was 5th and Jerry Burson's placed 6th.

Ricky Harris weathered the storm in the class of 291 light weight fine wool lambs. Ricky's lamb placed 8th. Also placing, but not making the sale was the Varnadores' light weight cross-bred lamb that placed 17th, two lambs away from the sale.

The seven Coke County broiler entries received prize money. Dee Arrott's group of five cockerels received a blue ribbon (superior) rating good for \$10.00 prize money. The other six entries made by Jim Bob Arrott, Carl, Lonnie and Raynelle Bloodworth, Lynsey and Edward White received a red ribbon designating an excellent rating. They received an award of \$5.00.

Robert Holland's 4-H and FFA commercial steers were rated as

good. He received a red ribbon rating.

Seven club members scrambled for prize money during the rodeo performances, with only one boy being successful. William Ray Hood received a prize for getting his animal across the finish line.

Other club members with entries in the show were James Bird Pentecost, Bennie and Dawnie Boykin, Selso Abalos and Jackie Counts.

H. D. MEMBERS SEE DEMONSTRATION

Miss Carole Hooper, Coke County Home Demonstration Agent, presented a demonstration on "Low Cost Meals" to members of the Green Mountain Home Demonstration Club members Tuesday.

The seven members that attended the session met in the home of Mrs. Sam Duncan.

The next meeting will be in the home of Mrs. Sloan Boone on March 21. Mrs. Glenn Waldrop will provide the program on health.

Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Graves and daughters, Carol Ann and Martha Sue, from Austin spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Hervey Latham and LuAnn. Mrs. Graves and Mrs. Latham are sisters. Saturday the group motored to Abilene where they were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ollie McMinn, aunt and uncle of Mrs. Latham.

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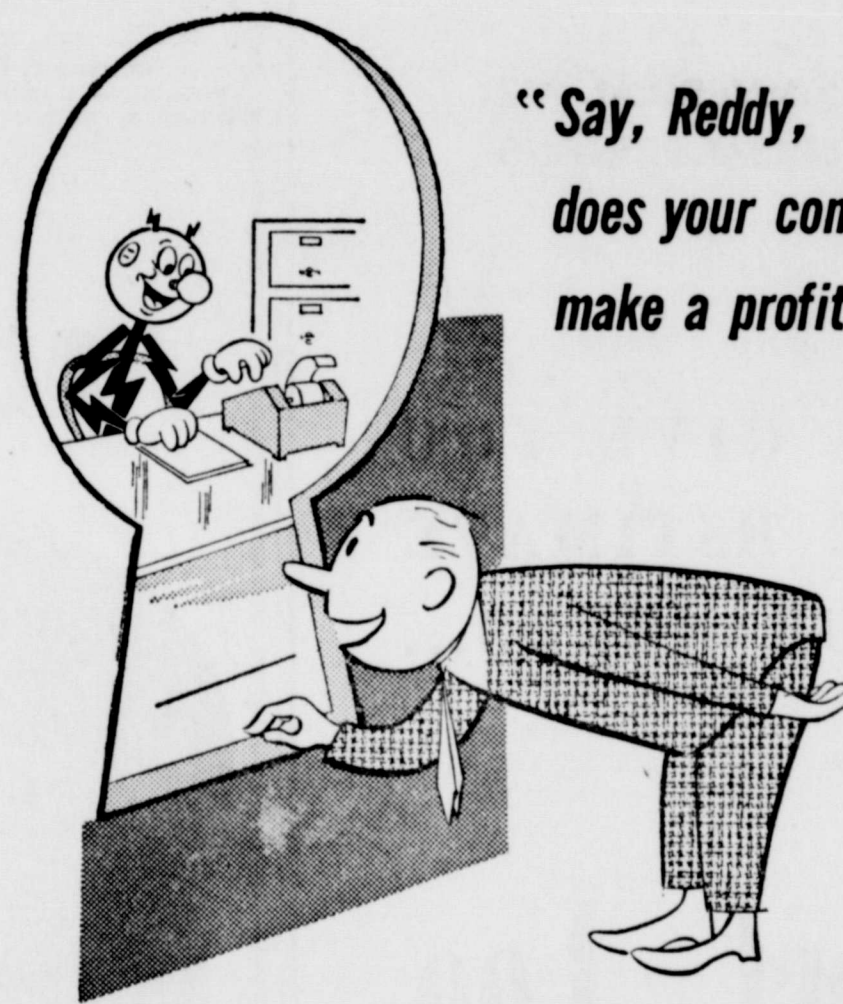
Won in 1960 for Texas school children clear title to their two million acres of Tidelands; Chosen the outstanding attorney general of the nation in 1960 by National Association of Attorneys General; Received nationwide acclaim for his war against loan sharks, quack doctors and syndicated gambling, anti-trust violation and organized crime.

BACKGROUND

In combat during World War II commanded field artillery battalion in the Philippines; decorated for leading volunteer patrols behind enemy lines; accepted surrender of General Yamashita's forces.

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Girls' Jackets Are Ordered

By Jenell Jeffery

Jackets were ordered Tuesday, March 7, for the ten basketball girls that lettered.

Black jackets with black leather sleeves and an orange letter were decided upon. A small basketball will be on the letter and each girl's number will be on the sleeve.

The ten girls that lettered were: Brenda Cowley, Gayle Lewis, Betty Tinkler, Barbara Gray, Betty McGinley, Jenell Jeffery, Kay Wink, Phebe Casey, Beverly Higginbotham, and Carol Hester. The captains were Brenda Cowley, Gayle Lewis, and Jenell Jeffery.

ROBERT LEE P. T. A. CHANGES MEETING TIME

The Robert Lee P. T. A. will meet Thursday night, March 16 at 7:30 rather than the usual time of 2:35 p.m.

A style show will be presented by the F. H. A. chapter sponsored by Mrs. Fred Cooke.

A social hour will follow the meeting.

Free gifts for every member of the family will be given away soon! Watch for further details.

Why Our Parents Should Visit School

By Vicki Wojtek and Brenda McDorman

When Johnny comes home with an F on his report card and can not explain why, most parents think this is the time to visit school to talk with the teachers about Johnny's grades. However, if they had visited Johnny's school before he got an F on his report card, perhaps they could have prevented it. Parents should keep in touch with their school so they can know how the teachers and students are getting along, to find out what teaching methods they are using, and to observe how the administration is working out the problems of running a business so vital as the educating of our young people's minds.

If there is discord between a child and his teacher, it is the parents' duty to find out where the trouble lies. If the teacher is

at fault, perhaps a talk directly with him will solve the problem. If the child is causing trouble, a more drastic measure may be taken. No matter whose fault it is, the parents' visit might lead to an understanding.

"Now in my day..." How many parents have voiced this feeling about modern teaching methods in comparison to those used in their day? But if they never visit the class in session, how can they possibly know which method—the old or the new—is best?

School is a business. Running a school involves a multitude of duties, and it is the administration's job to see that all runs smoothly. If Johnnie finds fault with the way the school is being run, the parents should again find where the difficulty lies.

The school in each community is for the children, and it is the parents' job to see that the school is the very best for their children. Now we ask you—how can the parents possibly know about the school when they never visit it?

Elementary News

By Frankie Millican

The elementary grades elected their queens and escorts for the P. T. A. Festival to be held on March 18. Those selected were: first grade, Kay McGinley and Danny Percifull; second grade, Vicki Harris and Salvador Longoria; third grade, Beverly Shandley and Barry Day; fourth grade, Debra Vosburg and Gary Jack Thompson; fifth grade, Elaine Fikes and Larry Wojtek; sixth grade, Lois Heuvel and Randy Hall; seventh grade, Nancy Jacoby and Buddy Vosburg.

The class which gets the most money will be the winner of the Festival. Their queen and escort will be the winner.

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Man & His Achievements May Be Fatal

By Brenda McDorman

Man isn't so smart. Thousands of years before he began to have afternoon headaches from trying to think, the turtle had a streamlined body, turret-top, retractable landing gear, and a portable house. Despite man's achievements since the primitive time, there are still thousands of things that man hasn't touched.

Man alone among all forms of animal life walks erect; he alone has the power of speech; he is an inventor who has perfected tools; he has domesticated plants and animals; he has learned to make and control fire; he has develop-

ed writing; he has built cities and has learned how to annihilate time and space through the use of telephone, telegraph, television, and radio; he alone flies through the skies on power-propelled vehicles. And yet, man has more worries and is the most confused form of life on earth today.

Nothing is simple now. Once upon a time, life was very simple. All a man had to worry about was feeding and clothing his family. Nowadays, a man worries about his job, educating his children, taxes, loans, mortgages, and car payments. Improvements and inventions are wonderful, but sometimes I wonder if man wouldn't be better off if we were still living in the Stone Age or even in the Pioneer Days.

But we can't turn the clock back. We must learn to make the most out of our lives. At the rate we're going now, in the very near future men will eat baked beans and say: "Ah, dear, these are just like those in the cans Mother used to open."

ACTIVITIES TO BE HELD AT ROBERT LEE

Duel activities will be held at Robert Lee School on Friday, March 24. The annual 4-H Pancake Supper will be held in the school lunchroom, and the District 19-B One-Act Play contest will be held in the auditorium.

NEW STUDENT ARRIVES

By Bill Roach

Joe (Rusty) Dodson is a new student at Robert Lee public school. He enrolled in the eighth grade last Monday morning, March 6.

Rusty moved here from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, where he attended Jarman Junior High School. He has already taken an interest in track. The eighth-grader is expected to be a great help to the football team next year.

Homemaking Students to Give Style Show

The Homemaking students of Robert Lee High School are going to be in charge of the program for the P. T. A. meeting, March 16, 1961, at 7:00 p. m. in the school auditorium.

Girls will model the dresses which they are now making in homemaking classes and the garments they are making for home experience.

Second year students are making tailored garments. They are also making dresses for pre-school children. These will be worn and modeled by the pre-school children.

The third year class is making dresses for special occasions: featuring a bridal gown, followed by formal dresses and after five dresses.

Mrs. Fred Cooke will be the director of the style show. Louise Drennan and Sue Parker will be the narrators. The Homemaking Department wishes to extend a cordial invitation to everyone.

ROBERT LEE GAINS VICTORY

By Don Ellis

Robert Lee High School baseball team played their first district game Thursday, March 9, with Eola. The final score of the game was 16-4 with Robert Lee in the lead.

Curtis Higginbotham pitched most of the game and struck out 13 Eola boys. Joe Roe hit the first home run for Robert Lee this season. Robert Lee's hits totalled 13.

Friday, March 17, Robert Lee plays Novice here at 3:00 p.m.

Seniors Win Essay Contest

The past week was Texas Education Week at Robert Lee School. Sixteen dollars was donated to the school. The money was distributed among the six upper classes for the best theme written on the value of the Public School Week or why parents should visit school.

Five of the upper classes entered the contest. The only one that did not enter was the freshman class.

The first place prize was \$5.50 which went to the senior class. Second place was \$4.50, which went to the sophomore class.

Third place went to the eighth grade. The prize was \$3.00. There was a tie for fourth place between the junior class and the seventh grade. The prize money for fourth and fifth places was put together and divided between the two classes, which was \$1.50 each.

Free gifts for every member of the family will be given away soon! Watch for further details.

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SCHOOL OBSERVES TEXAS PUBLIC EDUCATION WEEK

By Bob McBroom

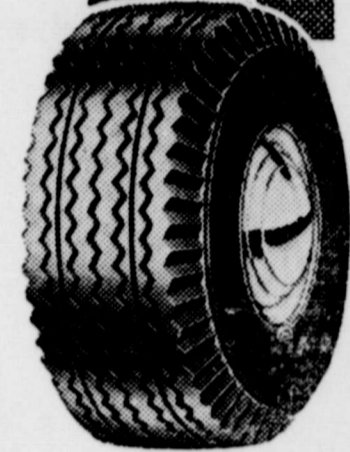
Visitors were welcomed by the student council during Texas Public School Week, March 6-10, as part of the festivities.

The visitors were conducted on tours through the building by the student council. They were invited to visit any class they chose.

Celebrated in conjunction with Public School Week was Robert Lee Student Council Week. The student council named the days of the week and the students dressed accordingly. Monday was set aside as "Twirp Day," Tuesday was "Kid's Day," Wednesday was "Dress-up Day and Teachers' Appreciation Day," and Thursday was "Western Day."

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Without doubt this is one of the best residential locations in the city of Robert Lee. It is 9 blocks north of the court house, right up paved Austin (Main) street. It includes the southeast quarter of block 33 A & N LC Addition. Paving continues north and also in front on 16th street. It is just beyond the beautiful County Park layout. There is frontage of 150 feet on 16th and 140 ft. depth. Paving on both sides!

Front yard is terraced to retain rainfall and an important feature is the 7 wonderful pecan trees that will produce valuable crops of nuts. There are two fine garden plots, many lovely roses, beautiful bermuda grass lawn and shrubs.

The house with dimensions of 28 x 28 ft. has a nice 14 x 14 ft. living room, two bedrooms, bath and a most attractive kitchen, with connecting hallway and ample closet space. New carpeting in the living room and both bedrooms, with inlaid tile floors in the kitchen and bathroom. The kitchen is a dream with beautiful built-in cabinets of mahogany plywood, Youngstown enameled sink and 30-gal. Hotpoint electric water heater. There is an automatic butane gas wall heater with forced air which keeps the entire house comfortable.

The attached carport with concrete driveway is enclosed on three sides, with an 8 x 8 ft. storage space in the north end. Access is also from a door leading from the kitchen. Additional storage is furnished by a 14 x 47 ft. out building. There is also a chicken pen and hen house so you can have your own fresh eggs.

Remodeled throughout a few months ago, the dwelling has many attractive features which need to be seen to appreciate. The appraised value is \$10,408 but it can be bought for less.

The owners, Mr. and Mrs. Ell Hatley, have an opportunity to buy property in Oklahoma if they can sell this place. Would hate to have Ell and Zola leave Robert Lee, but they have been offered a good proposition and we will wish them success.

I have an exclusive listing for quick sale on this property and you are at liberty to take a look at it any time, or call me for an appointment.

This is property that anyone would be proud to call their home. It is already for you to move into and enjoy comfortable living to the fullest. Even has good neighbors. Some of you ranch folks who are planning to come to town before long, should look at it. Remember you wouldn't be getting bare clay lots that cost \$500 for 50 feet, but a homesite that has been achieved through many years of planning and thoughtful labor.

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DISTRICT NEWS

Present Supervisors —

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

Mrs. Annie Wilkins, just south of Bronte, has completed seeding a field to native and introduced grasses. Last June she drilled grain sorghum in this field for a dead litter. As part of her Great Plains Conservation Contract she drilled Blue Panic, Sand lovegrass, Indiangrass, and Switchgrass to protest the field from erosion and for livestock grazing.

O. W. Newell, about three miles south of Bronte, is also carrying out a Great Plains Conservation Contract on his farm. He has seeded a field to Blue Panic in rows. He plans to use this field for grazing along with his rangeland.

An earthen diversion has been completed on the L. T. Youngblood stock farm about seven miles north of Bronte. The diversion is 836 feet long and is used to protect a field from excess water runoff.

R. C. Lasswell has completed an earthen diversion on his place about eight miles north of Bronte. The diversion is 1120 feet long and is used to divert additional water into a pond for livestock water.

Court House Rainfall Record

This Month 0
This Year 4.40
This Time last year 2.63

New residents of Robert Lee are Mr. and Mrs. Rodney McMackin from Kenton, Tennessee. Mr. McMackin is with the U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey. The couple, who was recently married, is at home in one of the Sheppard's houses.



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COUNTY AUDIT

The Observer, Robert Lee, Texas

March 16, 1961

For Coke County for Year 1960, From January 1, 1960, to December 31, 1960, as taken from Coke County Annual Audit which was made by Weldon Fikes, Coke County Auditor.

Analysis of Assessed Valuation

YEAR	AMOUNT
1954	\$25,041,630.00
1955	29,762,910.00
1956	29,326,340.00
1957	26,275,310.00
1958	24,997,235.00
1959	25,989,065.00
1960	24,978,235.00

Analysis of Taxes Levied

	TAX RATE	TAXES LEVIED
1954	\$.85	\$212,859.27
1955	.85	252,990.58
1956	.85	249,279.85
1957	.95	249,620.76
1958	.95	237,478.60
1959	.95	246,901.46
1960	.95	237,298.51
STATE RATE	\$.72	
COUNTY RATE		
Jury	\$.00	
Road & Bridge	.30	
General	.40	
Courthouse & Jail	.06	
Permanent Improvement	.19	.95
(Bonds, Int. & Sinking)		
Total		\$1.67
ROAD DISTRICT RATES		
Commissioners Precinct No. 1	\$.30	
Commissioners Precinct No. 2	.36	
Commissioners Precinct No. 3	.24	

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

Jury Fund

Balance January 1, 1960	\$ 7,107.16
RECEIPTS	
Interest on Time Deposit	1,000.00 1,000.00
DISBURSEMENTS	
Court Reporter's Salary	618.60
Asst. Dist. Atty. Salary	149.04
Steno. to D. A. Salary	91.68
Justice Court Jurors	6.00
Grand Jurors	205.00
Jury Commission	45.00
Dist. Court Jurors	810.00
Meals for Jurors	77.96
County Court Jurors	210.00
Costs in Lunacy	37.85
Administration Fee	15.00
Treas.'s Comm. 1&2 Quar.	36.39
Bailiff	20.00
Cost of Dist. Ct. Case	1,166.89 3,489.41
Trans. Lubbock County	
Total Disbursements	3,489.41
Balance December 31, 1960	4,617.75
Time Deposit	40,000.00
Total Balance	44,617.75

Courthouse and Jail Fund

Balance January 1, 1960	\$ 10,137.75
RECEIPTS	
Ad Valorem Taxes	13,901.36
Delinquent Taxes	64.31 13,965.67
DISBURSEMENTS	
OPERATION OF COURTHOUSE	
Caretakers' Salaries*	4,743.00
Utilities	1,266.06
Contract Labor	300.00 6,309.06
MISCELLANEOUS	
Treas.'s Comm. 1&2 Quar.	171.98
Insurance	223.20
Extra Help—Custodian	225.00
Withholding Taxes	492.00 1,112.18
PERMANENT IMPROVEMENTS	
Courthouse Equipment	317.24
County Jail Repair	368.90
Bronte Park Improvements	1,570.96
Robt. Lee Park Improvements	1,192.31
County Hospital Repair	308.39 3,757.80
Total Disbursements	11,179.04
TRANSFER TO:	
Social Security Fund	325.00
Balance December 31, 1960	12,599.38

*—After deductions

General Fund

Balance January 1, 1960	\$ 36,098.18
Redeposit of Time Deposit	20,000.00
RECEIPTS	
Ad Valorem Taxes	94,255.05
Delinquent Taxes	540.52
Oil & Gas Lease	30.00
Royalty on Oil	141.67
Robert Lee Swimming Pool	1,077.00
Bronte Swimming Pool	1,268.95
Robert Lee Park Rec. Hall	406.50
Refund Telephone Calls, etc.	327.83
Interest on Time Deposit	425.00
Sale Used Typewriter	25.00
Rental Telephone Booth	20.73
Refund Escrow Money R. L. Swimming Pool	239.00
Refund Escrow Money Bronte Swimming Pool	102.00
Trapper's Association Fees	1,200.00
Reimbursement Welfare (Perry Children)	231.07
Transfer Hosp. I&S Fund to Close Acct.	373.58 100,663.90
DISBURSEMENTS	
COUNTY & DISTRICT CLERK	
Telephone	194.78
Office Supplies & Expense	2,147.24
Stamps	152.29 2,494.31
COUNTY AUDITOR	
Salary (after deduct.)	4,932.36
Asst. Salary (after deduct.)	2,607.00
Office Supplies	147.86
Telephone	200.14
Stamps	20.30
Travel Exp. to Conference	51.22 7,958.88
SHERIFF & TAX COLLECTOR	
New Car Less Trade-in	1,762.00
Sheriff's Car Expense	1,164.32
Deputy Sheriffs' Travel	840.00
Office Supplies & Expense	1,550.61
Feeding & Conv. Prisoners	268.79
Telephone	740.99
Stamps	219.70
Jail Supplies & Expense	538.34 7,084.75
COUNTY TREASURER	
Telephone	131.01
Office Supplies	332.17
Stamps	98.00
Office Equipment	413.95 975.13
COUNTY JUDGE	
Travel & Exp. to Conference	120.50
Judge's In-county Travel	900.00
Telephone	242.21
Office Supplies	44.70
Extra Office Help	145.50
Stamps	28.86
Secretary	408.00 1,889.77
COUNTY ATTORNEY	
Stamps	16.00
Office Supplies	652.73
Typing	212.28
Travel Expense	129.15
Toll Calls	58.18
Expense to Conference	15.75 1,084.09
EXTENSION SERVICE—AGRICULTURE	
County Agent's Salary*	1,320.00
H. D. Agent's Salary*	1,449.96
Secretary's Salary*	2,032.10
Co. Agent's Travel Exp.	799.92
H. D. Agent's Travel Exp.	759.96
County Trapper	2,400.00
Extra Office Help	112.50
Telephone	287.49
Stamps	72.60
Office Supplies	581.02
Co. Agent's Pickup Exp.	394.23
Bounty on Bobcats	662.50
Bounty on Jackrabbits	157.60
Bounty on Rattlesnakes	5,721.00
Telephone, Brucellosis Lab.	24.10
New Pickup less Trade-in	896.00 17,670.98
JUSTICE OF THE PEACE NO. 1	
Vital Statistics	23.50
Inquest	10.00
Office Supplies	96.55
Stamps	10.25
Travel Expense	2.10 142.40
JUSTICE OF THE PEACE NO. 2	
Stamps	8.00
Vital Statistics	33.00
Telephone	159.67
Office Supplies	55.59
Office Rent	180.00
Utilities	39.62 475.88
VETERAN'S COUNTY SERVICE	
Veterans Serv. Officer Sal.	360.00
Travel Expense	240.00
Travel Exp. to Conference	69.76 669.76
COKE COUNTY PARK OPERATION—ROBERT LEE	
Caretaker's Salary*	2,836.95
Utilities, Supplies, etc.	3,490.14
Escrow Money	500.00
Extra Labor	1,534.80 8,361.89
COKE COUNTY PARK OPERATION—BRONTE	
Caretker's Salary*	3,027.70
Utilities, Supplies, etc.	4,116.71
Escrow Money	1,000.00
Extra Labor	857.00 9,001.41

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COKE COUNTY MEMORIAL HOSPITAL		
Operating Expense	9,334.76	
Insurance on Bldg.	413.28	9,748.04
MISCELLANEOUS		
Commissioners Toll Calls	104.88	
Tax Valuation Eng. Serv.	8,180.41	
Other Travel Expense	271.89	
Insurance	1,423.05	
Withholding Taxes	2,715.60	
Official Bond Premiums	60.00	
Contract Auditor	950.00	
Election Expense	819.38	
Courthouse Supplies & Exp.	1,267.02	
Robert Lee Fire Dept.	606.69	
Advertising	746.76	
Bronte Fire Dept.	619.72	
Nightwatching	360.00	
Repair Com. Bldg. Prec. 4	138.91	
7th Judicial Dist. Adm. Fees	16.00	
Lights	3,392.86	
Robert Lee Rec. Hall Exp.	662.36	
Water	142.96	
Livestock Association	1,000.00	
Treas.'s Comm. 1&2 Quar.	1,485.54	
Expense Kickapoo Project	38.45	
S/W Radio & Exp. Game		
Warden	608.47	25,610.95
CHARITY		
Care of Dependent Children	564.64	
Exp. Surplus Commodities	739.14	
Services (Food, Fuel, etc.)	139.41	
Hospitalization (Bronte)	404.00	
Hospitalization (Shannon)	690.24	
Doctors Fees (Shannon)	300.00	
Medicine & Drugs	50.20	2,887.63
Total Disbursements		96,055.87
TRANSFERS TO:		
Social Security Fund	1,270.00	
Officer's Salary Fund	8,000.00	9,270.00
Balance December 31, 1960	51,436.21	
Time Deposit	20,000.00	
Total Balance		71,436.21
*—After Deductions		

Officer's Salary Fund

Balance January 1, 1960		\$ 17,466.06
Check deposited to this Fund by Error		5.90
RECEIPTS		
Fees—Sheriff & Tax Collector	25,219.40	
Fees—County & District Clerk	5,427.50	
Fees—County Attorney	2,810.00	
Fees—County Judge	100.35	
Fees—Justice of Peace No. 1	845.50	
Fees—Justice of Peace No. 2	373.50	
Treasurer's Commission 1 & 2 Quarters	6,125.19	
Commission on Auto Registration	1,965.75	
State Comptroller	621.15	43,488.34
TRANSFER FROM:		
General Fund	8,000.00	
DISBURSEMENTS		
Sheriff's Salary*	5,034.36	
Deputies' Salaries*	10,346.75	
Extra Help Sheriff Office	1,238.00	16,619.11
Judge's Salary*	4,116.72	4,116.72
Clerk's Salary*	5,354.40	
Deputies' Salaries*	4,302.12	9,656.52
County Attorney's Salary*	4,161.90	4,161.90
Treasurer's Salary*	4,682.80	4,682.80
Justice of Peace Salaries*	3,270.70	3,270.70
Constable Salaries*	2,769.25	2,769.25
Withholding Taxes	5,004.10	
Hospital Insurance	2,092.00	
Gen. Fund—Correst Error	5.90	7,102.00
Total Disbursements		52,379.00
TRANSFER TO:		
Social Security Fund	2,840.00	
Balance December 31, 1960		13,741.30
*—After Deductions		

Combined Operating Funds of Precincts (Road & Bridge, Lateral Road & Farm to Market)

PRECINCT NO. 1		
Balance January 1, 1960		\$ 38,740.77
RECEIPTS	60,318.25	60,318.25
DISBURSEMENTS		
Commissioner's Salary*	4,604.80	
Commissioner's Travel	600.00	
Gas & Oil	3,401.49	
Labor*	14,056.09	
Parts & Repair	3,982.81	
Material & Supplies	3,497.39	
Withholding Taxes	1,314.90	
Hospitalization Insurance	724.20	
Welding & Material	1,142.02	
Machinery Warrants	10,000.00	
Interest on Mach. Warrants	800.00	
Tires, Tubes & Batteries	99.82	
Lights	18.00	
Loan to Pct. No. 2	3,534.00	
Kickapoo Survey Expense	650.06	
Social Security Taxes	822.00	
New Equipment	5,067.00	

R.O.W. & Expense.		
L-229—F.M. 387	4,977.00	
Hospital Exp. on Rd. Hand	266.50	
Road Construction	360.90	
Treas.'s Comm. 1&2 Quar.	1,373.69	61,292.67
Total Disbursements		61,292.67
Balance December 31, 1960		37,766.35

PRECINCT NO. 2

Balance January 1, 1960		\$ 12,408.92
RECEIPTS	60,259.33	60,259.33
DISBURSEMENTS		
Commissioner's Salary*	4,505.80	
Commissioner's Travel	900.00	
Labor*	14,913.96	
Gas & Oil	3,768.45	
Parts & Repair	4,415.20	
Material & Supplies	3,878.29	
Withholding Taxes	1,723.80	
Hospitalization Insurance	1,053.00	
Welding	379.20	
Machinery Warrants	9,840.00	
Interest on Mach. Warrants	393.60	
Tires, Tubes & Batteries	1,034.47	
Lights	142.37	
Water	48.00	
Kickapoo Survey Expense	650.06	
Social Security Taxes	1,121.00	
R.O.W. & Exp. Hwy. 277	1,029.85	
Advertising for Bids	16.20	
Machinery Hire	200.00	
New Equipment	4,192.00	
Treas.'s Comm. 1&2 Quar.	1,373.69	55,578.94
Total Disbursements		55,578.94
Balance December 31, 1960		17,089.31

PRECINCT NO. 3

Balance January 1, 1960		\$ 28,873.82
RECEIPTS	38,750.11	38,150.11
DISBURSEMENTS		
Commissioner's Salary*	4,745.80	
Labor*	13,278.04	
Gas & Oil	2,973.76	
Parts & Repair	4,914.55	
Material & Supplies	4,618.58	
Withholding Taxes	1,368.20	
Hospitalization Insurance	905.40	
Water	50.00	
Machinery Warrants	5,660.00	
Interest on Mach. Warrants	623.28	
Tires, Tubes & Batteries	387.24	
Lights	24.17	
Kickapoo Survey Expense	641.17	
Loan to Pct. No. 2	2,280.00	
Post	253.15	
R.O.W.	100.00	
Social Security Taxes	1,048.00	
Insurance on Bldg & Trucks	76.58	
Treas.'s Comm 1&2 Quar.	886.26	44,834.18
Total Disbursements		44,834.18
Balance December 31, 1960		22,789.75

PRECINCT NO. 4

Balance January 1, 1960		\$ 35,711.14
RECEIPTS	36,923.72	36,923.72
DISBURSEMENTS		
Commissioner's Salary*	4,745.80	
Commissioner's Travel	900.00	
Labor*	10,677.72	
Gas & Oil	1,481.44	
Parts & Repair	1,722.34	
Material & Supplies	2,054.59	
Advertising for Bids	13.95	
Machinery Warrants	1,460.00	
Interest on Mach. Warrants	233.60	
Tires, Tubes & Batteries	83.75	
Withholding Taxes	1,513.00	
Hospitalization Insurance	850.80	
Lights	63.33	
Welding	10.50	
Kickapoo Survey Expense	635.56	
Loan to Pct. No. 2	2,052.00	
R.O.W. Hwy. No. 277	4,075.06	
New Equipment	7,378.44	
Social Security Taxes	1,048.00	
Treas.'s Comm. 1&2 Quar.	797.64	41,801.52
Total Disbursements		41,801.52
Balance December 31, 1960		30,833.34
*—After Deductions		

Recapitulation Operating Funds All Precincts

Balance January 1, 1960		\$115,734.65
RECEIPTS		
Ad Valorem Taxes	127,394.82	
Delinquent Taxes	405.39	
Sales	65.00	
Fines	1,413.65	
Auto Registration	53,912.43	
County Lateral Road Money	9,383.75	
Machinery Hire	327.00	
Refunds (Insurance & Kickapoo Survey)	695.62	
Interest on Time Deposits	350.00	
State Refund on Hwy. No. 277	2,303.75	
Total Receipts		196,251.41
Total Disbursements		203,507.31
Balance December 31, 1960		108,478.75

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Recent Bride Feted With Gift Tea

Mrs. Charlie R. Welsh was named honoree at a bridal shower recently at the Coke County Recreation Hall.

Hostesses were Mes. Arthur Tubb, Fagan Parker, and Linzy McDorman, and Misses Anne White, Sue Parker, Phebe Casey, Gayle Lewis, Brenda McDorman, Prescilla Wiley and Carolyn Parker.

Misses Wylie and Parker served cake squares and punch from a table enhanced with an arrangement of white stock and white gladiola as background for a bride and groom figurine. The recent bride's colors, blue and white, were carried out in the refreshments.

Miss Lewis greeted the guests and Miss McDorman was at the guest register.

Mrs. Welsh is the former Miss Marilyn Weathers. Her wedding was an event of February 24 in the Robert Lee Methodist Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Percifull and daughters, Becky, Melinda, Kathy, and Sue spent the weekend in San Antonio where they visited the Alamo, Brackenridge Park, and Witte Museum. Highlight of the trip was an ice skating venture at which the girls were "good," stated Mrs. Percifull.

Want Ads

OPPORTUNITY to go in business here in Robert Lee; drive-in cafe, suburban store and station. Kirkpatrick, Real Estate Broker.

For Sale: 55 Brown Leghorn hens, 10 months old. \$1 per head. One or all. See Earl Roberts. 1tp

FOR SALE: 2 good utility trailers, 1 water tank trailer with good 300 gallon steel tank. 3 small butane bottles. Will buy, sell or trade what have you. Eubanks Wrecking Yard. 70-42 t

FOR SALE: 4 50' lots x 140' across highway from Varnadore's Cafe. Buildings and 2 butane tanks with or without lots. Call Jack Cowley, 453-4201 tfe-41

ARE YOU FRIENDLY? Then you will be a whiz at selling Avon Cosmetics. Turn your spare time into money. Enjoy high commission. WRITE BOX 1629 San Angelo, Texas

FOR RENT: Nice private bedroom with bath. Elmo Bell. Phone 3-2751 2tc

FOR SALE: 5 in portable irrigation pump. Complete with motor. Elmo Bell. Ph 3-2751 2tc

FOR SALE: Tile home next to school, double garage, 100 ft. lot. South front. Liberal terms. Call or write Travis B. Hicks, Ph. CL-7 2552, Hollywood, N. M. 70-3tfe

For Sale — 2 bedroom house in good location. Call 3-3821, 70-31 tfe

Before buying reference books see the World Book and Child Craft. Mrs. Jeff Dean. Phone 453-4781. 6tf

PLAN NOW TO ATTEND THE P. T. A. SPRING FESTIVAL, SATURDAY, MARCH 18TH. ROBERT LEE SCHOOL — BEGINS AT 5 P. M. FUN, FOOD AND FESTIVITIES. 3TC-70-39

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

SAN JOSE MISSION
1623 N. Randolph
San Angelo, Texas
March 10th, 1961

Managing Editor
ROBERT LEE OBSERVER
Robert Lee, Texas

Dear Sir:

Some of the people of our community have been asking a few of the Catholics for a clarification of the bill before the U. S. House and Senate concerning federal aid for schools.

First, there is no official Catholic attitude toward federal aid to schools. Insofar as the mode or way of distributing tax money is a political question, there is no official Catholic attitude, because the Church officially has nothing to do with politics, only matters of Faith & Morals. Therefore, let me repeat, there is no official attitude of the Church toward the present bill before the U. S. House & Senate.

There is much confusion concerning this bill. The confusion, in my mind, rests in the fact that there is a careless use of terms. I have before me a monthly magazine published in St. Louis, entitled "Fair Share News." It is put out by "Citizens for Educational Freedom," 3109 S. Grand Blvd., St. Louis 18, Mo. In it, too, is this careless use of words. This magazine, which is supported by non-Catholics, Catholics and Jews, all types of professional men, has as its purpose: To obtain justice for all children. "A fair Share for Every Child."

But their carelessness in using or making the distinction between the school and the child is quite apparent. I think that is the same problem that some members of the Catholic Church have in presenting this bill to the various groups in the House & Senate.

The "fair share" plan asks that the tax monies be delivered to the parents of the child. They are opposed to the present method of distributing tax money to a school board. Only those who attend a school over which this board has authority will receive the benefits of the tax monies.

Those who attend a school which is not under the authority of this school board will not receive any aid. Money given to the school or

school board is discriminatory; given to parents, instead, all are treated alike.

So, those who are in favor of a "Fair Share" for every child, desire that the tax money for education should go to the parents, not to the school board. The parents have the right, the freedom of choice, the liberty to choose any legitimate type of education that they may desire for their children. Then the tax monies gathered for that purpose will be sent to the parents for the exclusive use of education. Then, every citizen would have equal rights and equal freedom of choice.

This is a custom already invoked by the government. It cannot therefore, be against the constitution. The Federal Gov't. will now send money to any G.I. who desires an education, having fulfilled certain regulations. The G.I. can select his own school, his own type of education. He has a freedom of choice. He selects the kind of education he wants, and where he wants it, as long as the type of education, or the school which he chooses comes up to the standard of education, he will receive money to attend that school of HIS choice. That same privilege this group is asking for the grade school child.

Thanking you sincerely for permitting me to use the pages of our fine paper, I am,

Friar Fidelis

In charge of Catholics at Robert Lee.

Local News

Mr and Mrs. Sam Powell have as their guest, Mr. Walter Lee Ray, nephew of Mr. Powell. The visitor will be here as long as his work with the Soil Conservation Service keeps him in this area.

Rev. and Mrs. Robin Guess and children left Thursday for a visit in Moody, Texas, with relatives.

Mrs. Elsie Latham, a former resident here, of Seminole visited in Robert Lee Friday.

C. M. "Poochie" Allen of Seminole visited his father, Joe Allen, here Friday.

Surprises and a good time are in store for you and your friends soon. Stay alert so that you won't miss out on the fun.

Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements On Coke County Memorial Hospital

Balance January 1, 1960	\$	—525.84
RECEIPTS		
Receipts from Patients, etc.	52,487.40	
Received from Coke County	9,334.76	61,822.16
		61,296.32
Less Returned Checks	403.73	
Less Refund Insurance Overpayment	90.05	
Total Cash Available		60,802.54
DISBURSEMENTS		
Salary Checks*	32,907.56	
Withholding Taxes	4,658.44	
Social Security Taxes	2,254.85	39,820.85
Office Supplies & Exp.	858.22	
Food	4,546.83	
Housekeeping Supplies	555.02	
Laundry	1,310.88	
Plant (Utilities, etc.)	3,255.50	
Medical & Surgical Supplies	1,041.44	
Anesthesia & Oxygen	195.44	
Drugs	6,744.81	
X-ray Supplies & Expense	577.56	
Lab. Fees & Supplies	816.00	
Blood	280.00	
Dr. Pepper	63.29	
Operating Room Expense	367.73	
Equipment	186.78	
E. K. C. Repair	21.25	
Hospital Licensing Fee	50.00	
X-ray Filing Cabinet	64.00	
Lawn Mower, Ice Box, etc.	184.86	
Linen Replacement	208.31	21,327.92
Total Disbursements		61,148.77
Balance December 31, 1960	\$	—346.23
*—After Deductions		

PERSONALS

Mrs. Bob Watkins and son, Johnny Bob, age three, are making their home here with Mrs. Watkins' parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Snead Jr., while her husband, Airman 1st Watkins, is on an eighteen month tour of duty on the island of Okinawa.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Higgins attended the funeral of Mr. Olen Mathers, an uncle of Mrs. Higgins, in Seminole Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Absher are expecting as their guests, Mr. and Mrs. Hurley Bell of Barstow, California. Mr. Bell is a brother of Mrs. Absher.

James Petty, agriculture major at Abilene Christian College and son of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Petty, 433 W Concho St., San Angelo, has been elected vice president of a newly chartered agriculture society, Delta Tau Alpha. He was also listed on the Dean's Honor roll.

ALAMO THEATRE

ROBERT LEE, TEXAS

Evening Show Starts at 6:30 — Sunday Matinee 1:30

FRIDAY & SATURDAY, MARCH 17 & 18—Big Double Feature
Walt Disney's "The Hound That Thought He Was a Raccoon"
Alan Ladd, Sidney Poitier, James Darren in
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SUNDAY & MONDAY, MARCH 19 & 20, Matinee Sunday 1:30
Elvis Presley, Juliet Prowse in
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March 17, 1961, 6:00 to 8:30 P. M.

Silver School Cafeteria

Adults \$1.00

Children 75c



Double Frontier Stamps on Wednesday with
\$2.50 Purchase or More

SHILLINGS

Coffee 1b. 59c

KIMBELL'S ALL PURPOSE

Flour 10 lb. bag 79c

MATCHES, Kimbell - - 6 Box Carton 43c

KLEENEX TOWELS - - - - 2 Rolls 43c

CLOROX - - - - - Qt. 19c

PEACHES, Hearts Delight - - - No. 2 1/2 29c

LIGHT CRUST

Flour 25 lbs. \$1.89

HONEY, Fain's - - - - 4 Lb. Jar \$1.19

REX JELLY - - - - 2 1/2 Lb. Jar 39c

CRACKERS, Premium - - 1 Lb. Box 29c

BISCUITS - - - - - 3 Cans 25c

FRESH UNGRADED

EGGS doz. 39c

HORMEL'S MIDWEST

Bacon 1b. 49c

Fryers 1b. 35c

SAUSAGE, Dankworth - - - 3 Lb. Bag \$1.29

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