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APPRECIATION AWARD—Pictured above is Rev. Dempsey G. Salter presenting a plaque to Mrs. Lena Simpson Russell in appreciation of 60 years service as church organist at the Robert Lee Methodist Church. Mrs. Russell began playing the organ at the local church when she was only 10 years of age.

Mrs. Russell Awarded Plaque For Service

At the 11:00 a.m. Sunday Service of the First Methodist Church in Robert Lee, Mrs. Lena Simpson Russell was surprised when she was awarded a silver plaque for 60 years service as an organist in that church by the Reverend Dempsey G. Salter.

Mrs. Russell began playing the "old pump organ" in the Robert Lee Methodist Church when she was 10 years old. She has played the organ for the church services, weddings, funerals and other church functions since she began playing in January of 1902.

a second glance

By JOHN H. KING II

When "Chig" Brown and Freeman Clark closed their service station business they broke up the "Philosophers' and Prophets' Circle;" however, a few of them drop into The Observer Office regularly to "air out" their views on various subjects.

The other day I was running the old press at a jogging speed when one of the members of "The Circle" came in and by coincidence I increased the speed of the press to the point where it sounded like it was going to walk out the door, and the person who was talking to me said, "My gracious, John! You are as bad as Clark used to be when things got so hot that he couldn't bear to hear them he would turn the volume up on the radio so loud all participants would have to leave or shut-up!"

Really, I didn't do it on purpose.

It's refreshing to see evidence that our readers are interested in national affairs that can affect us all locally. Elsewhere in the paper is a letter written by Mrs. Louise Clendennen in connection with the recent Washington Letter written by Congressman O. C. Fisher about the proposal of creating "The Department of Urban Affairs and Housing" that was printed in The Observer January 25.

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Local Fire Dept. Is Kept Busy

Volunteers of the Robert Lee Fire Department were called to fight 3 fires in two days last week.

At approximately 2:30 p.m. Friday, the local fire fighting unit was called to the farm residence on the old Kerley place 9 miles southwest of Robert Lee. The farm is now owned by Artel Roberts.

The fire destroyed the 5 room frame house, but members of the fire department that answered the alarm were able to keep the fire from spreading on to adjoining pastures and grain fields. The house was insured according to Roberts.

A Latin American family had vacated the farm house a few days prior to the fire.

At 5:00 p.m. the Volunteer Fire Department answered a call to extinguish a grass fire about 5 miles north of Robert Lee near the Will Fikes farm.

Only damage caused by this fire was the burning of grass and weeds in a barrow ditch of about 200 yards in length.

Saturday afternoon a grass fire momentarily got out of control due to the high wind at the residence of Mrs. Lena Millican.

When the fire department arrived on the scene an evergreen tree next to the house was in flames; however, the fire fighters extinguished the blaze before it could damage the house that is located in the southeast part of town.

MAN INDICTED FOR BURGLARY

Grand jury for the 51st District Court indicted a Leuders man on a charge of burglary here Monday.

J. B. Hambrick, now in jail at Sweetwater, is alleged to have stolen four riding saddles from the Charles Cave ranch near Blackwell on January 20.

Mrs. Russell's father, the Rev. W. K. Simpson, was the pastor of the Methodist Church here for 3 years. Mrs. Russell said that she began playing "for prayer meetings and Papa would always tell me which songs he was going to use and I would practice those for a week."

The plaque presented to Mrs. Russell has a 3" silver eighth note mounted at the top; the inscription on the plaque reads "to Lena Simpson Russell in Appreciation of 60 Years Service."

The Reverend Dempsey G. Salter said Sunday that he wouldn't be surprised if Mrs. Russell's career as a church organist wasn't a record for a person playing a musical instrument in the same church and town for more than 60 years.

Local Church Hosts Brotherhood

The Robert Lee Baptist Church was host to Rannels Baptist Associational Brotherhood Monday night. Churches were represented from Winters, Ballinger, Paint Rock, Miles, Bronte and the surrounding communities.

Frank Coalson is President of the Robert Lee Brotherhood. He served as chairman of the entertainment committee. The meal consisted of old fashioned pinto beans, baked ham, potato salad, and all the trimmings. Homemade pies, baked by the ladies of the church, were the desserts.

The featured speaker for the evening was Rev. Collyn Moore. He is pastor of Lindell Avenue Baptist Church of San Angelo. Mr. Elzie Cox, First Baptist Church of Winters, is President of the Associational Brotherhood.

PUREBRED ANGUS SOLD

Marvin B. Simpson, Robert Lee, recently sold two Aberdeen-Angus bulls to F. R. Butler, San Angelo, Texas; a registered Angus bull each to Frank Allyn, Trent, Texas; Fred Allyn, Tuscola, Texas; Curtis Blair, Robert Lee.

VISITING HERE

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Salter of San Antonio, parents of Rev. Dempsey G. Salter, are visiting in the home of their son and daughter-in-law this week.

Plans For Abilene Meeting Made

Attending the District Training-Planning Meeting held Monday in Robert Lee were 108 persons from 16 counties. The meeting was held in the First Baptist Church.

Mrs. Maynard Gaines, District Vice President, presided during the day long session. Miss Heldegard Ebeling, Blanco County, served as secretary while Mrs. J. T. Hendrix was reporter.

Mrs. Pat Rives, Coke County THDA Chairman, was in charge of introductions of local persons.

Sheriff Melvin Childress welcomed the group to Robert Lee. Rev. Robin Guess led the group in a devotional. Mrs. Cortez Russell was pianist for the group singing led by Mrs. McElrath of Coleman.

Plans were made for the District Meeting which will be held in Abilene on April 12. Mrs. Pat Rives, County THDA Chairman, will be on the election committee to represent Coke County.

Mrs. Glenn Waldrop and Mrs. C. E. Arrott were in charge of registration.

Guests attending the luncheon were:

Judge Thetford, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Harmon, Sheriff and Mrs. Melvin Childress, Commissioner Howard Brock, Mrs. Polly Murphy of San Angelo Standard-Times, Mrs. Bobby Walker, Mrs. Douglas Dean, Mrs. Mary Kral, Deputy Sheriff Jesse Parker of Bronte and Rev. and Mrs. Robin Guess.

T.H.D.A. Chairmen attending were: Mrs. L. J. Edwards, Bandera County, Miss Hildegard Ebeling, Blanco County; Mrs. Pat Rives, Coke County; Mrs. Weldon Davis, Coleman County; Mrs. Elton Hutchinson, Concho County; Mrs. Ewald Sagebiel, Gillespie County; Mrs. J. E. Jones, Kerr County; Mrs. Sherman Long, Llano County; Mrs. W. T. Engdahl, McCulloch County; Mrs. J. F. Hendrix, Nolan County; Mrs. E. F. Volglesang, Runnels County; Mrs. J. Tom Williams, Schleicher County; Mrs. E. F. Saling Jr., Taylor County; Mrs. R. L. Probst, Tom Green County.

Arbor Day Observed Here

An Arbor Day ceremony and planting was conducted at the entrance of the Robert Lee Cemetery by members of El Valle Garden Club Friday afternoon.

Assisting in the planting of two Japanese Ligustrums were Jeffery McCabe, Eric Samuelson, Roy Ivey, Danny Smith, Alfred Blair, Ross Adkins and Craig Thomason, all members of the Robert Lee 6th grade class.

Jeffery McCabe gave a history on Arbor Day and Eric Samuelson gave a reading entitled "Trees" by Joyce Kilmer.

Past presidents of El Valle Garden Club participated in the planting ceremony by placing a shovel of dirt around the plant. Those who participated in this part of the program were Mrs. W. J. Cumbie, Mrs. J. C. Snead, Jr., Mrs. G. C. Allen, Mrs. Cumbie Ivey, Mrs. Cumbie Ivey, Jr., and the present president, Mrs. Marvin Simpson.

Mrs. Dempsey Salter completed the program with a prayer.

Sweetheart Banquet

The annual Youth Sweetheart Banquet will be held at the Robert Lee Baptist Church, Saturday, February 10. One of the most unique programs ever presented the group will highlight the evening's entertainment.

Young people and their dates will attend the semi-formal affair. The program will be from 7 until 9 p.m. This year's banquet is to include a number of the local youth on the program.

Entertainment of the highest nature will permeate the evening. Reservations are being made for \$1.00 per person. Those in charge of reservations are Durwood Coalson, Marion Fikes, Bonnie Quisenberry, Joe Roe and Charlotte Smith.

The excitement of the occasion is gaining increasing interest among the youth of the church. Young people from several of the churches in Robert Lee are expected to attend the affair.

PRO TEAM AT BLACKWELL

The Harlem Stars, a professional Negro basketball team, will play the All Star Team of Area Coaches at the Blackwell school gym Monday, February 19, at 8:00 p.m.

This contest is sponsored by the Blackwell Lions Club. Students will be admitted to the game for 75c and adults for \$1.50. Proceeds go to the Blackwell Lions Club Project Fund.

Stepped Up Efforts Asked In S.R.F. Drive

Stockmen and sportsmen of Texas and the Southwest have been requested by the Southwest Animal Health Research Foundation to "pull all stops" immediately in their drive to control and possibly eliminate the costly screwworm.

J. O. Rudd, chairman of the Coke County Screwworm Control Program Committee said he had been advised by the Foundation's Board of Trustees that the long-sought goal of a screwworm-free Southwest would be a possibility for 1962 if full advantage is taken of the hard freeze of two weeks ago which dealt the flesh-eating parasite a very crippling blow.

Chairman Rudd added that if the \$3 million voluntary contribution goal of the drive is reached within the next two to three weeks, they could expect estimated savings during the next two years of \$200 million from screwworm damage and treatment costs and a reduction of up to 50 percent in the cost of the eradication program.

"These savings alone," he said, "make a stepped-up effort most worthwhile, but more important, wouldn't it be a wonderful feel-

ing to know that with the return of warm weather we wouldn't be spending time and money fighting the age-old battle against our most costly stock and wildlife pest? We are so close now to success that any slow down could set us back indefinitely and lose for us the advantage gained from the hard freeze."

Chairman Rudd said the Foundation Trustees are moving forward with their plans to get the male-sterile fly release program underway within the next few days. They have also notified all county chairmen of a statewide kickoff meeting for February 14. The meeting will be held in Austin and representatives from every county will be urged to attend. Details will be announced later but it is hoped the fund drive will be over the top by the date of the meeting.

Reports from 120 counties show that more than half a million dollars is now on deposit at banks in these counties. Organizations are now functioning in 212 counties. Too much is at stake, Chairman Rudd said, to slow down now and he urged a redoubling of efforts by all drive participants.

Betty Tinkler Is Eligible for Scholarship

Betty Carol Tinkler is winner from Robert Lee high school of Robert Lee, Tex., in the 1962 Betty Crocker Search for the American Homemaker of Tomorrow thus becoming eligible for one of 102 scholarships which total \$110,000.

Having received the highest score in her school in the knowledge and attitude test on homemaking given senior girls Dec. 5, the winner now will have her paper entered in competition with those of winners in other high schools of the state for state honors.

The State Homemaker of Tomorrow will be named in the spring, will receive a \$1,500 scholarship from General Mills, sponsor of the program. A \$500 award will go to the second highest ranking state Homemaker of Tomorrow.

Later, State Homemakers of Tomorrow with their advisors will enjoy an expense-paid educational tour of New York City, Washington D. C., and Colonial Williamsburg, Va., to culminate with the naming of the 1962 all-American Homemaker of Tomorrow May 3 at a banquet in Williamsburg.

The national winner's scholarship will be increased to \$5,000, with second, third and fourth place winners receiving \$4,000, \$3,000 and \$2,000 scholarships, respectively.

The homemaking test, prepared and scored by Science Research Associates, Chicago, provides the basis for selection of local and state Homemakers of Tomorrow with personal observation and interviews as added factors in national judging.

The 1962 Betty Crocker Search reached another all-time high in enrollment, with 406,132 girls in 12,874 schools participating. In the eight years since the program started, more than two and a half million girls have enrolled, and, including this year, scholarship awards will total more than three quarters of a million dollars.

EDITH HD CLUB

Mrs. Glenn Waldrop presented a program on "Health and Safety" at the Edith Home Demonstration Club that met in the home of Mrs. Rollar Page Tuesday.

Seven members and one guest, Mrs. Fred McCabe, attended the meeting.

The club will meet next in the home of Mrs. Finis Harmon on Feb. 20.



ED J. CARPENTER — a resident of Howard County, has announced his candidacy for State Representative of the 78th District.

Jerry Craig Joins Marines

Jerry Craig, 17, son of Mr. and Mrs. James H. Craig of Robert Lee, enlisted in the U. S. Marine Corps at Abilene Friday, February 2.

He left Abilene Friday afternoon by train with two other Marine recruits for San Diego at the U. S. Marine Recruit Training Depot where he will receive 16 weeks of recruit training.

Jerry Craig attended Robert Lee High School for nearly two years where he participated in track and football.

Political Announcements

This newspaper has been authorized to announce the following candidates for the offices indicated, subject to action of the Democratic Primary, May 5, 1962.

For State Representative:
78th District
DAVID READ
Of Howard County
ED J. CARPENTER
of Howard County

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ATTEND MINISTER'S WEEK

Reverend and Mrs. Dempsey G. Salter are attending Ministers' Week at S. M. U. in Dallas Monday thru Thursday of this week.

R. P. Ross Asks Re-Election As Pct. 1 J. P.

Roy P. Ross announced this week his candidacy as Justice of the Peace in Precinct 1 of Coke County.

Ross was nominated as candidate for the peace justice position in the Democratic Primary election in 1958 by virtue of write-in votes. He won the second primary election in August of 1958 by defeating E. C. Davis.

In addition to his duties as Justice of the Peace of Precinct 1, he owns and operates the Conoco Service Station in Robert Lee with a son, Joe.

Before he bought the service station he was employed at McDonald Lumber Co. here for 12 years. Prior to that period he was engaged in the dirt contracting business for several years.

R. P. "Ricky" Ross has called Robert Lee his home since 1906. He was a volunteer in the National Guard during World War I.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross have 6 sons and three daughters ranging in age from 20 to 40 years old.

In his announcement for re-election, Peace Justice Ross said he had fulfilled his duties in this

office for the past four years to the best of his knowledge and ability and that he sincerely appreciated the cooperation that Coke County residents had given him during this term of office.

Ross also said that he hoped he had executed the duties of his office in such a manner that would warrant the confidence and support of the voters for another term as Justice of The Peace of Precinct 1, Coke County.

DIVORCES GRANTED

Three divorce decrees were granted in District Judge Joe L. Mays' court here Monday.

Those granted a divorce were: Willie R. Lankford from Myrtle B. Lankford; Colleen Thompson from Lonnie H. Thompson; Marcia Lee Scott from Danny Ray Scott.

Mrs. Thompson was awarded the custody of two minor children and \$75 per month child support.

Further action in Monday's session of court was the appointment of Royal Hart, a San Angelo attorney, as defense attorney for Oscar Wagner Sr.

Wagner, now free on bond, is alleged to have burglarized the G. C. Casey residence on the night of July 27.

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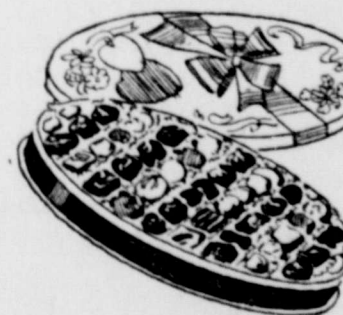
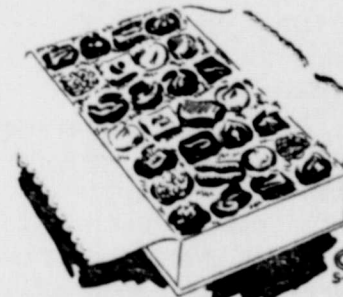
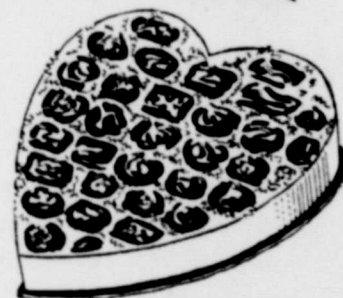
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Silver News

By Mrs. George Fugate

Mrs. Jack McCallie of Matador was a recent and most welcome guest in Silver this past week.

The Girl Scout cookie sale was a huge success in Robert Lee and Silver. Many thanks to all the people who purchased cookies.

The Lions club annual Pancake Supper will be held February 23. Proceeds from this event enables the club to sponsor many youth organizations. Entertainment will also be provided.

Mrs. Hal Anderson has been a patient in the Coke County Memorial Hospital at Robert Lee.

Mrs. Jean Furr, David and Car-

la are owners of a new automobile.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Gartman are the parents of a son, Kerry Lynn. The baby weighed 8 lbs. and 15 oz.

Judy Kincaid spent the weekend at Camp Booth Oakes, Sweetwater, preparing for "Roundup" which will be held in Vermont this summer.

The monthly Neighborhood meeting of Girl Scouts was held Monday at the Scout Hut with Mrs. Hershel McDonald presiding. Plans were made for the annual Father-Daughter Banquet.

Mr. and Mrs. Hershel McDonald will be moving to Rising Star, Texas, March 1, where Mr. McDonald will be taking a new church.

Mike Wheeler, son of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Wheeler, was married to Miss Nan Braman of Melvin, Tex. Mike will continue his studies at San Angelo College.

A large crowd was in attendance at the Silver Basketball Tournament this past weekend. Trophies were presented to the following schools.

1st Place Girls—Bronte
1st Place Boys—Robert Lee
2nd Place Girls—Highland
2nd Place Boys—Silver
Consolation for Girls — Water Valley

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Good Sportsmanship for Girls—Silver

Good Sportsmanship for Boys—Bronte

Those making All Tournament team were Boys—Fincher, Water Valley; Gartman, Silver; Morrow, Bronte and Hood, Robert Lee.

Most Valuable player—Thetford of Robert Lee.

All Tournament Girls — Forwards—McRae, Highland; Rees,

Bronte, and Durham, Sterling City.

Guards—Coulter, Water Valley; Heuvel, Robert Lee; Conley, Silver.

Most Valuable Player — Gartman of Silver.

All of the boys and girls who participated in this tournament are to be commended for the fine sportsmanship displayed during this event.

Doug Wilkes has recently accepted an appointment from the U. S. Civil Service Commission to a position at White Sands Missile Base, White Sands, New Mexico, under the cooperative program. He is also attending the University of Los Cruces after attending Howard County Junior College in Big Spring last semester. Wilkes is a graduate of Colorado City High School.

Jerry Wilkes of Fort Sill, Okla. spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Wilkes. He was recalled into the U. S. Army Jan. 5 of this year. He was released from two years military duty in September of 1961; nineteen months of which were spent in Germany.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Bumpas and Craig of San Angelo spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Ferrell.

Mrs. Hal Anderson fell at her home Saturday and was taken to Coke County Memorial Hospital, Robert Lee. Facial injuries required a number of stitches taken. She remains in the hospital. Joe Windham, a student at North Texas State University, Denton, recently visited his parents, the J. C. Windhams.

Billy M. Jones was taken to Root Memorial Hospital in Colorado City about eight o'clock Monday evening by Clift ambulance. At first thought to be

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suffering from a heart attack, Mr. Jones was found to be suffering from a reaction to penicillin. He has been returned to his home at Perkins-Prothro Camp.

Rev. Robin Guess was called to Austin Saturday to officiate at the funeral services for J. S. Durham. Mr. Durham was a member of the Manchacha Baptist Church, of which Rev. Guess was formerly pastor.

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Letter to The Editor

February 5, 1962

EDITOR, Robert Lee Observer:
Robert Lee, Texas

Dear Editor:

On January 25th, in "A Second Glance" you said, referring to Congressman Fisher's newsletter, "I would welcome your letters about this matter." I waited for some comments and evidently you did too, Mr. Editor, for in the February 1st issue you said, "I guess everyone agreed with Mr. Fisher's letter last week." Well, I certainly did and also did what Mr. Fisher suggested. I wrote to Senator Yarborough, Senator Tower and to Congressman Fisher asking that all work to defeat the creation of the "Department of Urban Affairs and Housing."

President Kennedy claims he has the authority to reorganize the executive branch and create the new department, and since Congress did not give him the go-ahead he is now using this route. There is some question as to the route being constitutional. However, this is subject to the veto by Congress. If either the House or Senate passes a resolution against creating the new department it will be killed. Hence the need of our Senators and Congressmen to hear from the people at home telling them to veto this creation of this new department.

The cost of this "Department of Urban Affairs and Housing" would be unbearable. The federal government has no magic money tree. All that the federal government has in the way of money comes from the people in the

states. And the federal government always takes from the people of the states, no matter what the purpose, more than it returns. For the federal government to take over in this area is socialism, pure and simple. The local citizen would have no control over his own city hall and county seat, for we know that with money from Washington, comes control from Washington.

This department, if established, would take control of the city hall direct to Washington. If the financing for local projects comes from Washington (don't forget that you first sent the money to Washington) the city and county would be less responsive to our individual needs. We would lose personal contact with our local government which affects us directly each and every day. The authority of governors, state legislatures, and other local levels of government would be absolutely and completely demolished. The strategy of this bill has been described by 5 members of the House Government Committee as follows: "To say the bill merely

conveys status to the present housing agency without transferring any functions in or out of the agency only describes the first step of the long-range strategy — a strategy apparently designed to bring the solution of the day-to-day problems of community life under the direction of centralized government."

The Senate Minority report gives this warning: "a line of communications will be set up directly from the city mayor's office to the center of Federal government. County commissioners, state legislatures, governors will be ignored. If Washington pays the bill, Washington will direct the action.

More than hopscotching over state and county government, this new department can eventually nullify local city government." Now one can easily see the terrible consequences of allowing this proposed department to be created.

Yours truly,
LOUISE CLENDENNEN
P. O. Box 91
Silver, Texas

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PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Lomas and Lisa Lynn of Colorado City visited in the homes of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Lomas and Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Wylie, Jr., over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Sheppard accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Ira Koskie of Abilene, were in Fort Worth last Tuesday to attend the Fat Stock Show and Rodeo.

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Robert Lee, Texas

Your County Agents Report

Agriculture News

By STERLING LINDSEY

The predatory animal control activities of Mr. Leroy Elliot, Government Trapper in Coke County included the removal of several potential livestock killers during the past two months. Mr. Elliott reported in the Trapper's Association directors meeting that seven bobcats, one coyote and three red fox were taken during the last reporting period. Also, some 40 gray fox and other varmints were removed from the scene. The catches were made at six different locations in the County, Mr. Elliott reported.

Another stock show of interest is to unreel this week. James Bird Pentecost will exhibit his two hereford steers in the Southwestern Livestock show in El Paso. One of James Bird's steers was previously made champion of the County Fat Stock Show.

The Southwest Animal Research Foundation from all indications is pulling all stops to get the screw worm control program underway this spring. If they are successful this will mean two years of fighting screw worms knocked off their original play for this area. What happens, both in Foundation activities and contributions from stock owners, during the next few weeks will determine whether or not they will be able to greatly speed-up the program to take advantage of the severe winter weather.

Coke County's contributions collected for the program totaled \$6610.00 as of Monday, February 5. The above contributions were given by 141 operators.

The 141 operators total about 36 per cent of the livestock operators in Coke County. Approximately 400 producers have livestock in the county.

I would be watchful of strange acting animals that could be rabid. Oscar Kresta killed a fox Tuesday that acted abnormally. There are probably others that have noticed or killed varmints that did not act as a normal wild animal should.

If you should kill any animal that shows signs of rabies which has exposed a valuable animal or some person, have a laboratory test made of the possibly rabid animal. There is no room for speculation where rabies is concerned.

ATTENDS AREA MEETING

Coach John Malone attended an area coaches meeting in Brownwood Saturday.

Home Demonstration

By FAY C. ROE

I wish to thank each and every person who helped to make the district 7 Training-Planning Meeting a success.

Especially do I thank Robert Lee State Bank, Roaches Dry Goods, West Texas Utilities, our two editors — Mr. King of the Observer and Mr. Oglesby, Bronte Enterprise, Bro. Guess, Mr. Adkins and Mr. Lindsey. Also Sheriff Melvin Childress and Mrs. R. C. Russell for the things they did to help. I hope the out of town guests enjoyed their visit to Robert Lee as much as we enjoyed having them.

I attended an equipment Workshop in Midland Tuesday and Wednesday. A few Agents from District 7 joined District 6 in the training. The training will be valuable in my work in Coke County.

I was an overnight visitor in the home of a niece, Mrs. M. J. Tilley and family. One of A. J. sisters, Mrs. Joe Slaton of Winters accompanied me on the trip.

The past weekend was a busy one at our house. We "took in" the Basketball Tournament at Silver. I saw some good games and enjoyed seeing people from the visiting schools. The Silver P. T. A. did a nice job of concessions. One of the Silver Home Demonstration members, Mrs. Hilda Feaster, is President of the P. T. A. and she is an untiring worker.

Vernay Vaughan and Kay Roberts, 4-H girls of Robert Lee, dropped by the office Thursday afternoon for some help in finding a recipe suitable for a Foods Demonstration. I hope all the 4-Hers' are working to find ideas and recipes. I want to have a good County Foods Contest with a great many demonstrations.

The Home Demonstration Council will meet in the Conference Room of the Courthouse on Tuesday, February 13 at 2 p. m. I would urge all of you members of Council to be present at that time.

4-H GIRLS MEET

Kathy Service was appointed song leader, and Marsha Varnadore was appointed chairman of games by nomination of members attending a recent 4-H Girls meeting at the Robert Lee School.

Other officers of the club are Diane Baker, president; Elaine Fikes, secretary and Vickie Rowoldt, reporter.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO EXECUTE OIL, GAS AND MINERAL LEASE

Notice is hereby given that Coke County, Texas, intends to execute an oil, gas and mineral lease upon all the following tracts or strips of land:

(1) All that certain strip of land 100 feet wide covered by the right of way of the Public Road beginning at a point the East side of a 28 acre tract in the West part of the R. McRae Survey No. 1596, at a point in the center of the old road and also in the center of the new highway 413 feet North and 10 degrees East from the S. E. corner of said 28 acre tract. Thence in a Southeasterly direction to a point even with the Southeast corner of the J. L. Durham Survey, Abstract No. 765, containing approximately 8 acres, more or less.

(2) A strip of land 40 feet in width, beginning at the old Colorado City and Robert Lee Highway, located in the R. McRae Survey No. 1596, Abst. No. 522 and ending at a point even with the North line of the Indianola R. R. Survey No. 3, Abst. No. 466, containing approximately 6 acres, more or less. (Reference being made to deeds dated Jan. 7, 1935 and recorded in Vol. 55, pages 64, 65, 66 & 67, for a more particular description)

All bids for such oil, gas and mineral lease shall be submitted in writing to the Commissioners Court of Coke County, and such

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Commissioners Court will receive and consider all such bids, on March 5, 1962 at 10:00 A.M. in the office of the County Judge, in the Courthouse of Coke County, at Robert Lee, Texas.

The County reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Weldon Fikes
County Auditor
Coke County, Texas

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GOOD Today,
BETTER Tomorrow
ROBERT LEE!

NEW RESIDENT

Milton Beaver of San Angelo has moved to Robert Lee recently.

He is employed as a butcher at Baker's Grocery and Market.

Spending a couple of days visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Woody Gardner this week were Mrs. Curtis Dehnel and David and Lisa Gayle of San Angelo. Mrs. Dehnel is a niece of Mrs. Gardner.

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

REAL ESTATE

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Robert Lee

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School Library Improvement Needed To Meet Education Agcy. Requirement

As part of the improvement program of the Robert Lee Schools, the local library program is to be evaluated by personnel of the Texas Education Agency this spring, and their recommendations put into operation before the 1962-63 school year begins.

In a meeting last month in Austin, Supt. Latham received much information concerning the needs of a library for a school the size of Robert Lee's and also suggested ideas for improving the accessibility of library books for students throughout the school from grades 1-12.

The present library is a closed shelf library with a check out desk at the door. The state recommends open shelf libraries for schools in order that students may browse through the selections. A qualified adult should be on duty in the library at all times to aid the student in the selection of books or reference materials that may be needed at the particular time.

Some remodeling will have to be done in the new building in order to have the proper facilities for the school library and to make room for a science laboratory. At the present, it is planned to use the library-study hall area as the new science laboratory-lecture room, and to move the library to what is now the audio-visual aids room. Additional shelving can be placed in that room and excellent library facilities can be maintained for the school.

There has been some discussion concerning the opening of the library one night a week so citizens of the school district may utilize the services of the library as well as the students. Such a plan involves many factors, but plans are being made with that goal in mind. Many patrons of the school have shown an interest in the project since the county wide library program failed to materialize.

The library program is only one of the programs of the local schools which will have to be improved during the coming years in order to maintain an accredited high school in Robert Lee. Others will be discussed in future issues of the Observer.

SECOND GLANCE —

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The following is borrowed from a small publication by the name of "Cheer:"

"The codfish lays ten thousand eggs,
The homely hen lays one.
The codfish never cackles
To tell you what she's done—
And so we scorn the codfish
While the humble hen we prize
It only goes to show you
That it pays to advertise!"

Candidates who filed on the last day to be eligible in the May 5 Democratic Primary were Charlie Boecking for Coke County Judge and Ex-Officio School Superintendent and Mrs. Polly Roe Holland for County and District Clerk.

CARD OF THANKS

I want to take this means of expressing my sincere appreciation and thanks to the members of the Robert Lee Volunteer Fire Department, my neighbors and friends who put forth every effort to save my rent house that was located on the old Kerley Place, 9 miles southwest of Robert Lee, from being destroyed by fire last Friday.

I especially want to thank the Robert Lee Fire Department for keeping the fire from spreading into the nearby fields and pastures.

I am enclosing a check payable to the Volunteer Fire Department to further show my appreciation.

My sincere thanks,
Artel Roberts

Summers New Marine Recruit

A. J. Summers, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Summers of Robert Lee, enlisted in the U. S. Marine Corps at Abilene Friday February 2.

Marine Recruit Summers will be stationed at the U. S. Marine Corps Recruit Training Depot at San Diego, California, for 16 weeks.

He attended Robert Lee High School. Prior to enlisting in the U. S. Marine Corps, A. J. Summers was employed by Long's Texaco Service Station.

Blankenship Is Promoted

James Blankenship, former Robert Lee High School football, track and baseball letterman, has been promoted to the rank of Private First Class in the U. S. Army.

Blankenship is serving as a teletype operator in the communications center at Dyess Air Force Base at Abilene.

A 1961 graduate of Robert Lee High School, James studied typing and bookkeeping at the local high school "And these courses have really helped me in my work in the Army," he said this week.

Blankenship is visiting in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Blankenship, during a 7 day leave of absence from his Army duties.

When he completes his obligation in the Armed Forces he plans to attend college following a course of study in communications.

IN ABILENE HOSPITAL

Hugh Lewis, Jr., local U. S. Postmaster, entered a military hospital at Abilene Monday afternoon for treatment of a back injury.

FREE — To the first 10 Teenagers who purchase a ticket to "Teenage Millionaire" each night this movie is shown we will give a 33 1/4 r.p.m. record of "Teenage Millionaire" Free of Extra Charge.

ALAMO THEATRE

ROBERT LEE, TEXAS

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Ernie Kovacs, Cyd Charisse, George Sanders in
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Jimmy Clanton, Rocky Graziano, Zasu Pitts, Diane Jergens in
"TEENAGE MILLIONAIRE"

(In New Fabulous Musicolor)

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

BANANAS, Golden Fruit - - - - 2 Lbs. 25c

SHILLINGS

Coffee 1b. can 59c

FLOUR, Gladiola - - - - 10 Lb. Bag 89c

SUGAR, Pure Cane - - - - 10 Lbs. 99c

MORTON'S

Salad Dressing FULL QT. 39c

MORTON'S CHIP-O'S - - - - 49c Bag 30c

GLADIOLA

Corn Meal 5 LB. BAG 39c

GANDY'S BIG DISH, 1/2 Gal Crt. - 2 for \$1.00

ALL BRANDS

Biscuits 12 for \$1.00

PEANUT BUTTER, Bama - - 18 Oz. Jar 39c

KIMBELL

TEA 1/4 LB. PKG. 4 for \$1.00

DOG FOOD, Pard - - - - 7 Cans \$1.00

NOTICE!

All Grocery Items listed in this ad are the ones at the same price as last week—Only the Meat Items are changed.

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