

# Robert Lee Observer

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## Jameson Plant Enlargement Starts

### Steers Open With Menard Tomorrow

Schedule opener for the Steers is at Menard tomorrow, Friday, September 6, and the first home game with Eden to be here next Friday, September 13.

Terry Thetford, junior and letter man, is out with leg bone broken at the ankle, and is not expected back in the play for several weeks. Otherwise, the Steers appeared in good form at their work out in scrimmage with

#### Notes

#### From The Oil Field

Whether in paying quantities or not remains to be seen, but there is an oil bearing sand at a depth of around 6,400 feet across the north edge of the Northeast IAB Field.

Piecing together bits of information, the picture begins to take form, though company sources are not officially available at this writing.

Locally, we have good reason to say that this sand must have appeared in the Gulf well on the Campbell place, abandoned without what we would call an adequate effort to complete in that particular formation.

Also, it could have been present in the Green Preslar well, at the west edge of the field, and there is strong reason to believe it was never adequately explored in the Reid well, on wildcat territory, a half mile east of the field, or in any other well.

In another article in this issue is a sort of grapevine report on Standard's No. 3 Boswell, the well just drilled to ar near the Ellenberger formation, the deepest formation ever touched in the present Northeast IAB immediate area.

The Northeast IAB, first called the Sanco Canyon, later joined by the Railroad Commission with the IAB Meneille Field, extends north and east from Highway 208, while the original IAB-Meneille extends west and south, making the whole production belt run from southwest to northeast. (See Sand below 6,00, page two.)

### HOSPITAL NEWS

Aug. 28 — Mrs. E. V. Lowrance admitted. Mrs. Danny Webb and Pamela Lyn, Mrs. C. E. Mathers, Francine Scudday dismissed.

Aug. 29 — Martin Basquez dismissed.

Aug. 30 — R. C. Scudday Jr. dismissed.

Aug. 31 — Roy Braswell dismissed.

Sept. 1 — Mrs. Billy M. Jones, Mrs. J. O. Rudd dismissed.

Sept. 2 — Mrs. Lura Smith admitted by transfer from Shannon. Mrs. Bonita Robertson admitted. Mrs. Dale Wojtek dismissed.

Sept. 3 — Mrs. O. K. Rabb admitted. Mrs. Lena Russell dismissed.

### Boswell Outpost Tests Lower Sand In Northeast IAB

Standard of Texas has drilled deeper in their new well, after reportedly finding a good sand at the usual production level in the Sanco field.

Unofficial local report is that tests have been made of showings at 6,400 feet and drilling continued to the Ellenburger. Evi-

#### LATE BULLETIN

Local observers noted that casing is being run on Standard of Texas No. 3 Boswell. Standard of Texas Production Office at Snyder, contacted by telephone would not divulge any information whatsoever on this well.

Recently new locations are pending results of these tests, with some indication of a possible two-level production, the lower level said to be of a very high grade of oil.

The location is about 1200 feet from the west line of the Lura Reid land, with Devoll and Campbell land adjoining on the north.

Surface is owned by Marvin Simpson, minerals largely by Frank Scarborough heirs.

Rankin.

Menard is rated one of the tough games of the season, while in the 6-B District title schedule, Bronte, heavy on seniors, is considered the main hurdle.

#### STEER FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

##### Pre-Conference

Sept. 6, Menard, There.  
Sept. 13, Eden, Here.  
Sept. 20, Melvin, Here  
Sept. 27, Sands, There.  
Oct. 4, Iraan (A) Here.  
Oct. 11, Ozona (A), There.  
Oct. 18, Open.

##### Conference

(6-B Title)  
Oct. 25, Hermleigh, Here.  
Nov. 1, Trent, There.  
Nov. 8, Loraine, Here.  
Nov. 15, Bronte, There.

### Twisters In Final Game Here Sun., Talk '64 League

The Robert Lee Twisters will close their summer baseball play next Sunday afternoon here with Bronte. The Rockets, colorful team from San Angelo, scheduled here last Sunday, cancelled the game.

Ronnie Baker, manager, said plans are being considered to form a hard ball league next year possibly consisting of several San Angelo teams, Robert Lee, Bronte and Ballinger.

This year the Twisters did not play for keeps, games being scheduled from week to week with whatever teams might be available.

The Twisters won 9 to 4 over Bronte in a recent game.

#### GOLDEN HERITAGE ASKED THEIR PLANS ON MEETING SEPT. CONTRACT DEADLINE

The Board of Community Development in a brief discussion Tuesday noted that Golden Heritage, Inc. had not yet got construction underway or informed the RCD of progress made toward building a nursing home here under the contract signed June 20.

By this agreement, the site was deeded to the firm by the BCD on condition construction should start in 90 days.

The BCD is making inquiry of the company as to their plans.

#### WMU WILL OBSERVE WEEK OF PRAYER EACH DAY AT 9:30 THROUGH NEXT WEEK

Ecuador, Columbia, Peru, and Venezuela in South America were countries covered in a program, "Conquest Through New Ministries," when the WMU of the Robert Lee Baptist Church met Tuesday with Mrs. Hays Prentice.

Venezuela was presented by Mrs. Vaughan Davis, Columbia by Mrs. Gerald Allen, Ecuador by Mrs. Frank McCabe, Peru by Mrs. Mark Chumley.

Plans were outlined for the Week of Prayer on Home Missions, to be observed each day at 9:30 next week.

Contract has been let to Dresser Engineering Company by Sun Oil Company through the Gas Department to revise recovery facilities of the Silver Jameson Gas Plant, with preliminary work under way Wednesday of this week.

The object, according to local Sun superintendents, is to recover additional propane and butane from inlet gas streams.

#### BRUCE CLIFT REPORTED IMPROVED, SECOND CRITICAL ILLNESS UNDERGONE IN YEAR

Bruce Clift, critically ill at Shannon Hospital, San Angelo, was reported somewhat improved at the end of last week and first of this week.

Mr. Clift underwent a serious ago, recovered and returned to major operation some months his work at the Clift Ambulance Service. He was taken seriously ill again three weeks ago last Saturday, developed pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. Linzy McDorman spent five days last week visiting Mrs. McDorman's sister, Mrs. Jimmy Marl and husband at Jal, New Mexico, and Mrs. McDorman's brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Ellison at Balmorhea.

A low temperature oil absorption system to be installed. It will be necessary to install an absorber column, an oil floculator, a hydraulic oil system, an additional loading tower, and various pumps and motors.

The refrigerator system will be enlarged by installation of a centrifugal compressor powered by a solar gas turbine, (said to be of the airplane type).

Revision should be completed in approximately three months. Engineering is by Sun Company and Stearns-Rogers engineering firm.

The work is expected to get in full swing next week. Local labor and materials are to be used where feasible. The kind of work includes welders, cement men, carpenters, pipe fitters, and common labor, according to information from the Sun gas Department.

### Hospital Budget Is Set, District Goes Into Full Operation

Budget hearings were held at the court house Wednesday on the county budget and the West Coke County Hospital District budget for the coming year.

Some \$12,000 allowed in the previous county budget will be transferred to the hospital, which, under the terms of the bill permitting the district is transferred to the new district with all assets and liabilities.

It is thought that the election was held in time for the hospital to be included in the rolls, thus providing that collections in the fall and at the first of the year will be available in time to carry on operations on or before the funds transferred from the county are exhausted.

The hospital is now under operation of the district, all letterheads and all billings and other transactions being now carried on under the name "West Coke County Hospital District."

## Learning Stressed; Interest Is High As School Starts Work

Interest among patrons and friends of the school in its opening week was reflected in a large turnout for Assembly Tuesday morning, parents and other visitors numbering almost as many as students themselves.

It was also shown in the record attendance at the Quarterback Club barbecue Friday night. In a scrimmage with the 40-member Rankin squad, the Steers showed good form, both in rushing and in passing.

The school settled into its regular routine at the last of the week, skipped Labor Day Monday, and got down in earnest to a year which the teaching staff expects to lay heavy emphasis on scholarship.

#### FACULTY OF EIGHTEEN

Two new teachers began work with the school. They are Russell Hugh Coalson, math and assistant coach, and Bill M. Williams, band director.

Other teachers are: Superintendent, Dorman Thomas

High School Principal, Douglas Dean

Grande School Principal, Garland Davis

First Grade, Mrs. Russell McBroom

Second Grade, Mrs. Uaomi Powell

Third Grade, Mrs. E. W. Olsen

Fourth Grade, Mrs. Bernard Petty

Fifth Grade, Mrs. Delbert Walling

Sixth Grade, Mrs. Jeff Dean  
Math, Athletic Director, John Malone

Science, Mrs. John Malone

English, Business, Mrs. Dempsey Salter

Social Studies, Dale Hamby

Spanish, English, Mrs. Frank Coalson

Home Economics, Mrs. Fred Cooke

Vocational Agriculture, Bobby Cox.

### War I Veterans Will Meet Here For Day; Commander Expected

Coke County Veterans of World War I and their ladies will hold a fall meeting in Robert Lee next Saturday, Sept. 7.

Featuring the gathering will be a dinner at noon at the air conditioned community building at the County Park. Froggy's Cafe will serve the fried chicken dinner and ladies have been requested to bring pies or cakes. Everything else will be furnished by the entertainment committee.

Serving will begin promptly at 12:00 noon while a visiting hour has been announced prior to the meal.

Special guests will be Robert L. McCall of Lone Grove, newly elected district commander; Mrs. Velvie Snyder of San Angelo, district president of the Ladies Auxiliary; Leon Thomas of Ballinger, district senior vice commander; and Arthur Sitas of San Angelo, tri-county veterans service officer.

Letters have gone out inviting

all World War Veterans of Coke County to attend the meeting in Robert Lee next Saturday, and persons planning to be present are requested to make reservations in advance.

Approximately fifty Veterans of World War I reside in Coke County, and the county organization reported 37 members last year. Five have died since the local barracks was organized three years ago.

H. O. Whitt of Bronte, retired Santa Fe agent, is commander of Coke County Barracks No. 2409 Veterans of World War I U.S.A. The quartermaster and adjutant is A. J. Kirkpatrick of Robert Lee, former newspaper publisher.

Kirkpatrick stated early this week he expects a good turnout Saturday. There will be no charge for the noontime meal and he believes the veterans will find daytime meetings more to their liking than getting out for night meetings.





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### A Precious Commodity

In the firm belief that all of us should—occasionally, at least—pause and take stock of the way we spend our time we invite your attention to the following editorial which appeared in the Weirton Steel Employees Bulletin. In view of opening of a new school term and the fact that students have a particularly fine opportunity to use their time productively, this article should be doubly appropriate. Here it is:

"What would we do if we had a bank that credited \$86,400 to our account each morning; carried over no balance from day to day; allowed us to keep no cash in our account and every evening cancelled whatever amount we failed to use during the day?"

"What would we do? Well, most of us would draw out every cent!"

"We have such a bank, you know. We call it 'Time.' Every morning it credits us with 86,400 seconds, and every night it writes off whatever of this we have failed to invest to good purpose. It carries over no balances."

"Each day it opens a new account with us. If we fail to use the day's deposits, the loss is ours. There is no going back. There is no drawing against 'tomorrow'."

### Hunting Season Arrives, Don't Be a Statistic

A report on hunting casualties for the ten-year period from 1951-60 was recently completed by the National Rifle Association. To secure uniformity in accident reporting, NRA printed forms which were circulated to all conservation agencies in Canada and the United States who desired to cooperate in gathering the data.

The report stated that 99 per cent of the hunting casualties involved were male. The majority of them were 20 years of age or older and more than 70 per cent of them had three years or more hunting experience.

In reporting the relationship of the casualties to the type of hunting, it was found that about 40 per cent of the casualties occurred while the shooters were hunting small game (rabbit, squirrel, woodchuck, etc.); approximately 25 per cent while hunting land birds (quail, pheasant, dove, etc.); a fourth while hunting deer, and about seven per cent while hunting waterfowl.

Casualties were reported for almost every hour of the day and night. The incident rate, however, reached its peak between 1:30 and 4:30 p.m.

Shotguns accounted for most of the casualties (60 per cent). Rifles at 36 per cent were second and handguns were third at less than four per cent.

In each of the 10 years covered by the report, more than half of the casualties occurred while the shooter "did not intend to discharge his firearm." In the cases where the discharge was unintentional, approximately 60-70 per cent happened when visibility was clear; 55-65 per cent were in light or open cover; and approximately 40 per cent of the victims were wearing bright-colored clothes.

A simple safety rule to follow



**YOUNG TEXAN FOR AUGUST**—Paul Marquis Quinton, 18, a May honor graduate of Baytown's Robert E. Lee High School, has been chosen by Texas Optimist Clubs to receive the Troy V. Post Award—and to be designated "Young Texan of the Month" for August. During his senior year, Quinton made the National Honor Society, served as president of the National Forensic League, vice-president of the chemistry club, and was a member of the National Thespian Society. His many interests include playwriting, acting and chemistry. Quinton will enroll this fall at the University of Texas armed with three scholarships—Sun Oil Co. award, a scholarship from the University of Texas exes of Baytown and a "Most Valuable Student" award from the Elks Foundation. As a winner of the Troy V. Post Award he becomes eligible for one of three valuable scholarships to be awarded monthly Young Texan winners at year end. Quinton was chosen for the honor in competition with hundreds of other nominees by a panel of state leaders headed by U. S. Supreme Court Justice Tom C. Clark.

while hunting is "be sure of yourself, be sure of your weapon and be sure of your target."

#### THERE'S NEWS IN THOSE ADS.

Advertising has told Americans the story of America's progress. It is business news for those who buy, those who sell, and those who build. More and more as time goes on, the advertisements in this newspaper will carry information every reader will find worth while.

### Sand Below 6,000 Due Further Study in Northeast IAB

This is written from memory and without reference to official records or oil company sources, but within our knowledge, no previous well in the Northeast-IAB has tested with any real attempt to complete any formation between the Strawn Lime (Reef) and the Ellenberger Lime.

Tests in the Ellenberger have sometimes found a little oil, with too much salt water, and too serious a doubt of having enough oil to produce.

#### PRESENT PRODUCTION FROM 5,000 FEET REEF NON-BEARING

The main oil bearing sand in the Northeast IAB has been designated as the IAB Pennsylvania, and it occurs right at Sanco in three sections, close together. Whether all three are known by the same name is a technicality, but the good wells center at Sanco on the Simpson and Hayes leases, with a two level potential production.

The formation thins out to the eastward, is tight in spots, limiting production so far at the 5,000 foot sand level to within a mile of the Sanco post office.

The Northeast IAB was opened by Standard of Texas, who leased the land, the opener being in the form of a farm-out to Tucker Drilling Company, Tucker I. A. Bird No. 1, on a tract of the Bird ranch just north of Highway 208. By the end of November that year, 1961, other producers Standard of Texas Sun Oil Company No. 1 Meneille and No. 2 Meneille, with Briscoe (Dickey) No. 1 in process of completion in both the sand at approximately 5,000 and the Reef at approximately 6,000 feet.

Standard in their Simpson No. 1 just north of Sanco townsite and Tucker in their Ila Adkins No. 1 at the foot of Durham's Peak, went to the reef, as did perhaps one other well, presently productive in sand, but all found the reef either too thin, dry, or absent, and after that drilling and testing was confined to the productive sands in the 5,000 foot neighborhood.

The drilling and exploration now under way at the northeast edge of this field appears to be about the only activity of serious promise in Coke County for 1963.

Whether or not it will open a new field between the Reef and the Ellenberger in the area between 6,000 and 7,000 feet, would be pure speculation without information which the oil companies themselves probably do not yet have.

There is another location yet to be drilled on the Boswell lease, which now has No. 1-A, No. 1-1, and the newly completed No. 2 in production, with Tuckers Rig No. 30 about ready to leave the No. 3 at a depth well past 6,400 feet.

Also drilling is in prospect on the Palmer Leeper ranch north or northwest of production in what is still wildcat territory. —USB.

#### Class of '64 Names Officers, Douglas Dean Is Class Sponsor

The Robert Lee Senior Class of '64 elected their officers Friday.

President, Bobby Blaylock; Vice-President, Dick Waldrop; Secretary, Mary Beth Walker; Marion Fikes; Business Manager, Rosalind Bradham; Reporter, Robert McBroom.

A committee was formed under the business manager to take care of the concession stand and other money raising activities of the Senior Class.

Douglas Dean, High School Principal, was elected class sponsor.

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# Our Home Circle

By Fay C. Roe  
Home Demonstration Agent

Leaders interested in Clothing will attend a training program on Friday, Sept. 6, at 1:30 p.m. in my office. These women will give their program in their local clubs at a later date. "Up to Date Clothing" ideas will be given including news in fashion, fabrics, and care of clothing.

The program being presented in the Home Demonstration clubs during September is "Pies and Desserts." I will give the program Tuesday and Wednesday of this week in Green Mountain and Bronte Sr. Clubs and in Friendship and Robert Lee on Thursday, Sept. 12. If you are interested in learning more about pie making, you are welcome to attend one of these meetings. Call me or one of the club members to find out the time and place for each meeting.

Most all women are considered to be "Curious as Cats." This curiosity in women usually shows up when they are shopping. They explore new items on the counters in foods, cleaning supplies, and others. To let you women in on a few new things you will be seeing as you shop in the near future — you will see:

1. "Twisty jewelry" in translucent nylon or gold finished steel new style key ring. It is flexible

strong and has a novel disconnect lock.

2. Place mats made of vat-dyed burlap with vinyl film coating to make surface spillresistant. The underside is made of urethane backing which serves as a padding and as anchor.

3. Plastic eyeglass lens which weigh only half as much as glass, give clearer vision, and are almost totally free from fogging. They will not shatter nor scratch as easily as glass. The one disadvantage is they seem to be slightly higher in price.

4. Toasted cocoanut frosting mix is another convenience food. Flavorful cocoanut is toasted and blended with white creamy frosting mix. This frosting is especially tasty with the already introduced toasted cake mix.

5. Sponge cake — there is a mix now which is available and it is said to be rather like the home made ones.

6. All cotton stretch corduroy — the first all cotton stretch corduroy on the market will be seen this fall. It is a "Filling stretch" in 36 inch width.

7. Fabric reviver and brightener is said to aid effectively in whitening and brightening cotton, linen, wool, silk fabrics as well as synthetics. It is designed for use in both hand and machine laundering and imparts a light fragrance to the fabric.

#### Schedule

Thursday, Sept. 5 — Conference Mrs. R. L. Page.

Friday, Sept. 6 — H. D. Leader training, "Up to Date Clothing", 1:30, Office.

Monday, Sept. 9 — Office.

Tuesday, Sept. 10 — H.D. Council 2 p.m., Conference Room.

Wednesday, Sept. 11 — Office.

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## B. SHELBURNES COMING HOME IN OCTOBER

Friends of G. B. Shelburne III, more familiarly known as B., will be glad to know that he and his wife plan to leave Zomba, Nyasaland, Africa, the 20th of October to fly to the United States. They have been missionaries in that country for over two years and expect to return after a six months' stay in the States while he works here in the interest of the Mission work there. They have had a very happy and profitable experience in their work in that country.

## Lunchroom Menus

For week begining Sept. 9 and ending Sept. 13.

Mon., Sept. 9 — Hamburgers, buttered corn, lettuce, tomatoes, onions, pickles, potato chips, milk, chocolate and vanilla pudding.

Tues., Sept. 10 — Italian spaghetti and cheese, cabbage and carrot slaw, English peas, hot rolls and butter, milk, pineapple upside down cake.

Wednesday, Sept. 11 — Frito pie, buttered rice, carrot and pineapple jello on lettuce, hot rolls and buter, milk, ice box cookies.

Thurs., Sept. 12 — Roast beef and gravy, roast potatoes, green beans, celery sticks, hot rolls and butter, milk, jelly.

Fri., Sept. 13 — Pinto beans, buttered potatoes, combination cheese wedge, cornbread and butter, milk cherry cobbler.

### TAKE A LOOK AT THE ADS.

A little time spent in reading them is time well spent.

The Observer, Robert Lee, Texas

Sept. 5, 1961

## Observations

(A Personal Word  
By The Editor)

In the issue of August 4, 1939 Felix W. Puett, who was co-owner of the Observer with his mother, Mrs. A. W. Puett, announced that S. R. Young had bought half interest in the paper, evidently Mrs. Puett's interest.

On the mast head the names of Felix W. Puett and R. L. Hall had been listed as editors and publishers, then with the August 4, 1939 issue, it became F. W. Puett and S. R. Young, editors and publishers, and the front page article carried the statement that Mr. and Mrs. Young and daughter, Rhonda Lea, were moving to Robert Lee.

Not very long afterward Mr. Young bought out Felix Puett and until late in the year 1944 his name appeared on the mast head as Editor and Publisher.

We could not lay hands on the exact issue, but sometime between October 27 and Dec. 21, 1944, Mr. Young sold the paper. The new owner's name never appeared on the masthead, —in fact, after this transaction, no names were carried on the masthead until April 26, 1946, when A. J. Kirkpatrick became editor and publisher. But Mr. and Mrs. Hunter, whose initials we cannot recall, evidently published the paper during that time.

Mr. Young was superintendent of the Sunday school in his church

at Miles before moving here, and always kept active and interested in the work of the church, as well as in every other interest of the community.

He saw the humor in life as well as its serious side, and often met the present editor with that teasing look in his eyes, as one who understood from experience what the editor's life is like.

As age advanced, he never lost interest in his work until his work was done.

He published a neat, constructive, friendly paper, which has become a part of the history of this community.

Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Key were recently visiting in Amarillo with Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Shelburne and children, Ruth Ann, Curtis Kline and Jimmy Len; also with another grandson, Jerry Calder. Mrs. Shelburne is a daughter of the Keys.

Progress means people working and getting somewhere with it.

**HAYRICK LODGE**  
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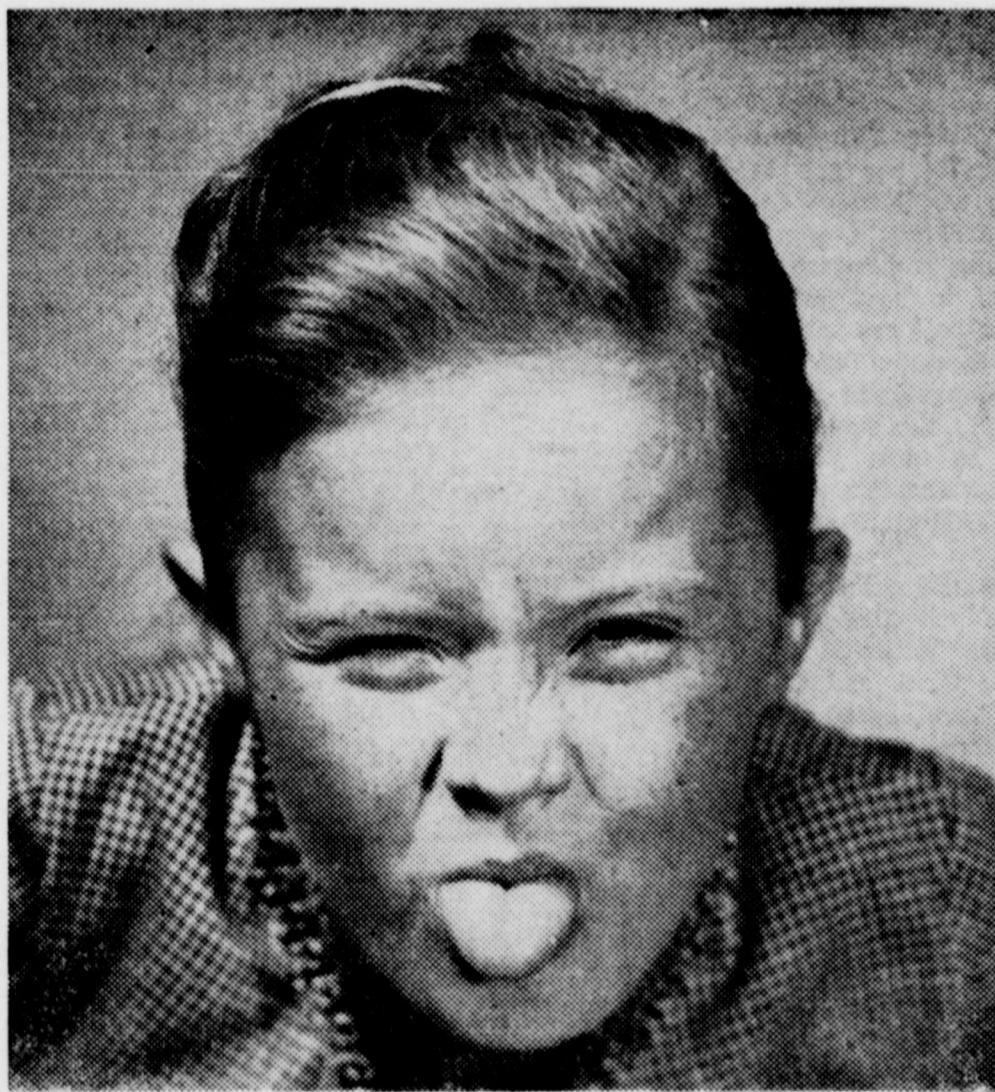
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**DELBERT SHOEMAKER, Sec.**

**ROBERT LEE CHAPTER**  
No. 187 O. E. S.

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**WINNIE WALDROP, W. M.**  
**JUANITA GODWIN, Sec.**



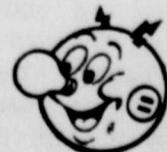
## Penny dislikes school...

but she'd like it less if she studied by a kerosene lamp per granddad's era. In present day education Penny doesn't realize how much importance is placed upon adequate school lighting. Unlike her superiors she is unaware that Reddy Kilowatt is her silent friend, protecting her precious eyesight by lighting up the pages for faster, easier and more accurate reading. When Penny grows up she'll realize how fortunate she was to be able to study under modern electric lighting.

... adequate study light is important in the home too.

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# Dan Turner Writes Of Alaska Trip, Dollar For Hamburger Helps Enjoy Camp-Out Places Provided Travelers

(Editor's Note: When Mr. Turner, former High School Principal here left for Alaska with his home made camp outfit, we invited him to write us how he fared, hence this letter.)

Aug. 20

Dear Mr. Bird,

As usual I am about two weeks late on all my correspondence. It is too much of a job to get moved and settled in a new place and do everything that one should do. However, I guess that late is better than not at all.

Danny and I made the trip up the highway with very little trouble, not even a flat. I learned that a trailer is not the thing to pull on a gravel road and have promised myself that I will never do that again. We drove about 300 miles per day both on the pavement and on the gravel. At times 20 m.p.h. was good time and we would not have made our 300 if the days had not been somewhat longer than they are in the "lower 48."

After we got into the Yukon we were still able to read the paper, if you could find one, at eleven p.m. I didn't use my lantern after we got a day into Canada. It sure seems funny to see the sun back up by 3 a.m.

A number of tales that are told about the Alaska highway are complete falsehoods and since one hears so many the only way to find out is to make the trip. I thought that for gravel roads that they were good in most places, however, the people along the way said that they were in bad shape, due to the unusual rains that they had last spring.

Gas and lodging was no problem at all, other than the cost. I paid as high as 75c per gal at places in Canada. Of course the English measure is about a quart more than the American measure and I rarely had to have more than five dollars of gas at a time. With the exception of the Yukon, public campgrounds have been built all along the way and are very nice. In most places they have even cut the fire wood and all have grills and rest rooms.

It is amazing at the number of people who are traveling and camping in these parks. The cafes, both in the U. S. and Canada, and motels have caused this by the prices they charge. I heard a lot of comment about that in a number of places. At the only place that we tried to eat in Montana a meal for two was \$6.50, which changed our order to a cup of 15c coffee. I did pay a dollar for a hamburger in several places rather than take time to cook our noon meal. There is no need for me to try and describe the beautiful country that we saw on the trip, Webster didn't make enough adjectives for that. All that I can say is that the drive is worth almost any amount that it costs.

Danny and I have seen fish in such number that a number of my fishing friends would accuse us of not being completely truthful along those lines. Now is the spawning time for the salmon and the streams are red with fish. In places they seem to be stacked on top of each other. There is a limit on the number of all fish that you can catch which makes an all day fishing trip impossible.

The bear and moose cause a good bit of trouble by coming into people's camps and yards for something to eat. We have a bear hunting trip planned for this weekend and I will be able to tell you more about that at a later date.

Our town and school is now the fourth largest in the state, 1400 in town and 300 in the high school. We alternate with Kenai for the 3rd and 4th place. Most of the school buildings are new and very little interest is shown in sports. It will seem funny to have school for a change.

I have been informed that I can expect to be on duty at night about two nights a month for basketball games and such. The coach says that it is hard to get boys out at night during the hunting and fishing season.

The weather has been very pleasant, from 40 at night to 65 degrees in the daytime. I have noticed that you are still having some 100 degree days. I guess that in January you will be able to laugh at me. I hear that we will have a week or two of cold weather!

I am sure that a number of

people there remember the Brinkley report on T. V. last spring. The people here are somewhat upset about the things that he said, to put it mildly, he is no longer a welcome visitor to this state. Most of his show was a complete falsehood. Of course there are many problems that this, as a new state, must work out.

From what I have seen and heard we do not have near the problems concerning living conditions that a number of other states have. The land here will furnish plenty to eat and not as many of the people think that the government owes them a living.

The problems of the outside world seem to be secondary to most of the people. I guess that too much idle time would change that. If one is busy he is not sticking his nose into other people's business.

I hope that I will be able to spend a little time in Robert Lee next summer and I am sure that by that time I will know a lot more about this state.

Sincerely yours,  
Dan Turner

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

## Proposed CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT NUMBER FOUR ON THE BALLOT

### PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT TO BE VOTED ON AT AN ELECTION TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 9, 1963.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 16 proposing an amendment to Section 49-b, Article III of the Constitution of Texas so as to authorize an increase in the total amount of bonds or obligations that may be issued by the Veterans' Land Board to Three Hundred Fifty Million Dollars (\$350,000,000.00); providing for the issuance of said bonds or obligations and the conditions relating thereto and the use of the Veterans' Land Fund; and providing for an election and the issuance of a proclamation therefor.

### BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

Section 1. That Section 49-b, Article III of the Constitution of Texas, be amended so the same will hereafter read as follows:

"Section 49-b. By virtue of prior Amendments to this Constitution, there has been created a governmental agency of the State of Texas performing governmental duties which has been designated the Veterans' Land Board. Said Board shall continue to function for the purposes specified in all of the prior Constitutional Amendments except as modified herein. Said Board shall be composed of the Commissioner of the General Land Office and two (2) citizens of the State of Texas, one (1) of whom shall be well versed in veterans' affairs and one (1) of whom shall be well versed in finances. One (1) such citizen member shall, with the advice and consent of the Senate, be appointed biennially by the Governor to serve for a term of four (4) years; but the members serving on said Board on the date of adoption hereof shall complete the terms to which they were appointed. In the event of the resignation or death of any such citizen member, the Governor shall appoint a replacement to serve for the unexpired portion of the term to which the deceased or resigning member had been appointed. The compensation for said citizen members shall be as is now or may hereafter be fixed by the Legislature; and each shall make bond in such amount as is now or may hereafter be prescribed by the Legislature.

"The Commissioner of the General Land Office shall act as Chairman of said Board and shall be the administrator of the Veterans' Land Program under such terms and restrictions as are now or may hereafter be provided by law. In the absence or illness of said Commissioner, the Chief Clerk of the General Land Office shall be the Acting Chairman of said Board with the same duties and powers that said Commissioner would have if present.

"The Veterans' Land Board may provide for, issue and sell not to exceed Three Hundred Fifty Million Dollars (\$350,000,000.00) in bonds or obligations of the State of Texas for the purpose of creating a fund to be known as the Veterans' Land Fund, Two Hundred Million Dollars (\$200,000,000.00) of which have heretofore been issued and sold. Such bonds or obligations shall be sold for not less than par value and accrued interest; shall be issued in such forms, denominations, and upon such terms as are now or may hereafter be provided by law; shall be issued and sold at such times, at such places, and in such installments as may be determined by said Board; and shall bear a rate or rates of interest as may be fixed by said Board but the weighted average annual interest rate, as that phrase is commonly and ordinarily used and understood in the municipal bond market, of all the bonds issued and sold in any installment of any bonds may not exceed four and one-half percent (4½%). All bonds or obligations issued and sold hereunder shall, after execution by the Board, approval by the Attorney General of Texas, registration by the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas, and delivery to the purchaser or pur-

chasers, be incontestable and shall create a general obligation of the State of Texas under the Constitution of Texas; and all bonds heretofore issued and sold by said Board are hereby in all respects validated and declared to be general obligations of the State of Texas. In order to prevent default in the payment of principal or interest on any such bonds, the Legislature shall appropriate a sufficient amount to pay the same.

"In the sale of any such bonds or obligations, a preferential right of purchase shall be given to the administrators of the various Teacher Retirement Funds, the Permanent University Funds, and the Permanent School Funds.

"Said Veterans' Land Fund shall consist of any lands heretofore or hereafter purchased by said Board, until the sale price thereof, together with any interest and penalties due, have been received by said Board (although nothing herein shall be construed to prevent said Board from accepting full payment for a portion of any tract), and of the moneys attributable to any bonds heretofore or hereafter issued and sold by said Board which moneys so attributable shall include but shall not be limited to the proceeds from the issuance and sale of such bonds; the moneys received from the sale or resale of any lands, or rights therein, purchased with such proceeds; the moneys received from the sale or resale of any lands, or rights therein, purchased with other moneys attributable to such bonds; the interest and penalties received from the sale or resale of such lands, or rights therein; the bonuses, income, rents, royalties, and any other pecuniary benefit received by said Board from any such lands; sums received by way of indemnity or forfeiture for the failure of any bidder for the purchase of any such bonds to comply with his bid and accept and pay for such bonds or for the failure of any bidder for the purchase of any lands comprising a part of said Fund to comply with his bid and accept and pay for any such lands; and interest received from investments of any such moneys. The principal and interest on the bonds heretofore and hereafter issued by said Board shall be paid out of the moneys of said Fund in conformance with the Constitutional provisions authorizing such bonds; but the moneys of said Fund which are not immediately committed to the payment of principal and interest on such bonds, the purchase of lands as herein provided, or the payment of expenses as herein provided may be invested in bonds or obligations of the United States until such funds are needed for such purposes.

"All moneys comprising a part of said Fund and not expended for the purposes herein provided shall be a part of said Fund until there are sufficient moneys therein to retire fully all of the bonds heretofore or hereafter issued and sold by said Board, at which time all such moneys remaining in said Fund, except such portion thereof as may be necessary to retire all such bonds which portion shall be set aside and retained in said Fund for the purpose of retiring all such bonds shall be deposited to the credit of the General Revenue Fund to be appropriated to such purposes as may be prescribed by law. All moneys becoming a part of said Fund hereafter shall likewise be deposited to the credit of the General Revenue Fund.

"When a Division of said Fund (each Division consisting of the moneys attributable to the bonds issued and sold pursuant to a single Constitutional authorization and the lands purchased therewith) contains sufficient moneys to retire all of the bonds secured by such Division, the moneys thereof, except such portion as may be needed to retire all of the bonds secured by such Division which portion shall be set aside and remain a part of such Division for the purpose of retiring all such bonds, may be used for the purpose of paying the

principal and the interest thereon, together with the expenses herein authorized, of any other bonds heretofore or hereafter issued and sold by said Board. Such use shall be a matter for the discretion and direction of said Board; but there may be no such use of any such moneys contrary to the rights of any holder of any of the bonds issued and sold by said Board or violative of any contract to which said Board is a party.

"The Veterans' Land Fund shall be used by said Board for the purpose of purchasing lands situated in the State of Texas owned by the United States or any governmental agency thereof, owned by the Texas Prison System or any other governmental agency of the State of Texas, or owned by any person, firm, or corporation. All lands thus purchased shall be acquired at the lowest price obtainable, to be paid for in cash, and shall be a part of said Fund. Such lands heretofore or hereafter purchased and comprising a part of said Fund are hereby declared to be held for a governmental purpose, although the individual purchasers thereof shall be subject to taxation to the same extent and in the same manner as are purchasers of lands dedicated to the Permanent Free Public School Fund.

"The lands of the Veterans' Land Fund shall be sold by said Board in such quantities, on such terms, at such prices, at such rates of interest and under such rules and regulations as are now or may hereafter be provided by law to Texas veterans who served not less than ninety (90) continuous days, unless sooner discharged by reason of a service-connected disability, on active duty in the Army, Navy, Air Force, Coast Guard or Marine Corps of the United States between September 16, 1940, and March 31, 1955, and who upon the date of filing his or her application to purchase any such land is a citizen of the United States, is a bona fide resident of the State of Texas, and has not been dishonorably discharged from any branch of the Armed Forces above-named and who at the time of his or her enlistment, induction, commissioning, or drafting was a bona fide resident of the State of Texas. The foregoing notwithstanding, any lands in the Veterans' Land Fund which have been first offered for sale to veterans and not purchased at an election to be held on the first Saturday after the first Monday in November, 1963, at which election all ballots shall have printed thereon the following:

"Said Veterans' Land Fund, to the extent of the moneys attributable to any bonds heretofore issued and sold by said Board may be used by said Board, as is now or may hereafter be provided by law, for the purpose of paying the expenses of surveying, monumenting, road construction, legal fees, recodification fees, advertising and other like costs necessary or incidental to the purchase and sale, or resale, of any lands purchased with any of the moneys attributable to such additional bonds, such expenses to be added to the price of such lands when sold, or resold, by said Board; for the purpose of paying the expenses of issuing, selling, and delivering any such additional bonds; and for the purpose of meeting the expenses of paying the interest or principal due or to become due on any such additional bonds.

"All moneys attributable to the bonds issued and sold pursuant to the Constitutional Amendment adopted on November 6, 1956, shall be credited to said Veterans' Land Fund and may be used for the purpose of purchasing additional lands, to be sold as provided herein, until December 1, 1965; provided, however, that so much of such moneys as may be necessary to pay interest on such bonds shall be set aside for that purpose. After December 1, 1965, all moneys attributable to such bonds shall be set aside for the retirement of such bonds and to pay interest thereon; and when there are sufficient moneys to retire all of such

bonds, all of such moneys then remaining or thereafter becoming a part of said Veterans' Land Fund shall be governed as elsewhere provided herein.

"All of the moneys attributable to any series of bonds hereafter issued and sold by said Board (a 'series of bonds' being all of the bonds issued and sold in a single transaction as a single installment of bonds) may be used for the purchase of lands as herein provided, to be sold as herein provided, for a period ending eight (8) years after the date of sale of such series of bonds; provided, however, that so much of such moneys as may be necessary to pay interest on bonds hereafter issued and sold shall be set aside for that purpose in accordance with the resolution adopted by said Board authorizing the issuance and sale of such series of bonds. After such eight (8) year period, all of such moneys shall be set aside for the retirement of any bonds hereafter issued and sold and to pay interest thereon, together with any expenses as provided herein, in accordance with the resolution or resolutions authorizing the issuance and sale of such additional bonds, until there are sufficient moneys to retire all of the bonds hereafter issued and sold, at which time all such moneys then remaining a part of said Veterans' Land Fund and thereafter becoming a part of said Fund shall be governed as elsewhere provided herein.

"This Amendment being intended only to establish a basic framework and not to be a comprehensive treatment of the Veterans' Land Program, there is hereby reposed in the Legislature full power to implement and effectuate the design and objects of this Amendment, including the power to delegate such duties, responsibilities, functions, and authority to the Veterans' Land Board as it believes necessary.

"Should the Legislature enact any enabling laws in anticipation of this Amendment, no such law shall be void by reason of its anticipatory nature.

"This Amendment shall become effective upon its adoption."

Section 2. The foregoing Constitutional Amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of this state at an election to be held on the first Saturday after the first Monday in November, 1963, at which election all ballots shall have printed thereon the following:

"FOR the Amendment to Section 49-b of Article III of the Constitution of Texas to increase the Veterans' Land Fund by \$150,000,000.00; said Fund to be used for the purpose of purchasing land in Texas to be sold to Texas veterans who served in the Armed Services of the United States between September 16, 1940, and March 31, 1955; such funds to be expended in accordance with instructions and requirements that may be provided by law"; and

"AGAINST the Amendment to Section 49-b of Article III of the Constitution of Texas to increase the Veterans' Land Fund by \$150,000,000.00; said Fund to be used for the purpose of purchasing land in Texas to be sold to Texas veterans who served in the Armed Services of the United States between September 16, 1940, and March 31, 1955; such funds to be expended in accordance with instructions and requirements that may be provided by law."

If it appears from the returns of said election that a majority of the votes cast were in favor of same Amendment, the same shall become a part of the State Constitution and be effective from the date set forth in said Amendment, and the Governor shall issue a proclamation in keeping therewith.

Section 3. The Governor of the State of Texas shall issue the necessary proclamation for said election and shall have the same published as required by the Constitution and Laws of this state.