

Robert Lee Observer



THE QUEEN MOTHER — Mrs. S. A. Kiker, 90, (holding the roses) was selected Queen Mother of Bronte for 1964. She is flanked by her grandson, Norman R. Kiker, and a daughter, Mrs. B. E. Modgling. Standing behind Mrs. Kiker is her son, Dave Kiker of San Angelo.

Bronte's Labor Day Picnic is Big Celebration

Photos and story courtesy of the Bronte Enterprise.

An all time record crowd of more than 1,000 persons attended Bronte annual Labor Day celebration, which was combined this year with a commemoration of Coke County's Diamond Anniversary.

The larger than usual crowd was easily handled by Aubrey Denman and all his helpers. All the visitors went through food lines in record time and everybody bragged on the quality of the barbecue and other foods. Bob and Pat Johnson were in charge of cooking the meat.

First thing on the program was announcements by Mayor Royce Lee, master of ceremonies; followed by a flag raising ceremony conducted by Bronte Boy Scouts. The Rev. Murrell Johns gave the invocation and the Rev. Austin Master-son led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Following the meal Edward M. Cumbie gave a welcome address, telling those present if they had been in Bronte as much as 15 minutes, they were old timers and were entitled to a genuine old timers welcome.

Some of the old timers who were recognized included Mrs. S. O. Jackson, L. C. Robbins, Mr. and Mrs. Hawley Allen, Willie Tubb, Ira A. Bird, R. E. Cumbie, L. E. Smith, Billy Rodgers, Homer Cornelius, Mrs. Will Hearrell, Bert Cornelius, Mrs. Annie Wilkins. All of them were here when Coke County was organized, or shortly thereafter.

Mayor Lee asked that all the old timers come forward and be recognized. He also recognized Walter Jubber, whose home is in South Africa, as coming the farthest for the celebration. Actually Jubber is living now in Abilene and attending ACC, so the best The Enterprise could determine was that Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Lee of Memphis, Tenn., actually came the greatest distance to attend the 75th anniversary.
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Steers Open Season With Menard Here

Its Menard Yellow Jackets for an opener this Friday night, September 11, on the home field.

The opener last year was at Menard, and it was 30-6, but the

year before, 1962, the Yellow Jackets tied the Steers in an even 6-6 at Robert Lee.

Coaches Davis and Coalson were not making predictions for these non-conference games this year, as the local boys worked out, showing good spirit, but with considerable re-organizing to do since big Bill Roach graduated out of center, shifty Delbert Coalson out of the backfield, and some other of last year's seniors out of the squad.

The game is called for 7:30 on the home field.

Alaska Air Crash Takes Life of Luther C. Day

Luther C. Day, son of Mrs. Hattie Day of Robert Lee and member of the Robert Lee High School class of 1947, is to be buried in the National Cemetery at Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio.

Day, serving in the Air Force, lost his life in the crash of a private plane while hunting. The crash took the lives of two other passengers.

He was born Oct. 11, 1929, at Marie in Runnels County and moved to Robert Lee as a child. He attended Robert Lee schools and was graduated from Robert Lee High School in 1948. In July, 1948, he entered the USAF and at the time of his death was stationed with a weather squadron at Fairbanks, Alaska.

Survivors include his wife, Katherine; a son, Luther C. Day Jr., of Fairbanks; his mother; a sister, Mrs. R. C. (Lorine) Burpo of San Angelo; two brothers, Murl E. Day of Miles and Richard Day of Robert Lee.

SOPHOMORES ELECT OFFICERS FOR CLASS

The sophomore class, which has thirty-one members, held a class officers election on Thursday, Sept. 3. The elected are as follows: Pres. — Buddy Vosburg, Vice-Pres. — Glenn Roach, Sec.-Treas. — Carl Bloodworth, and Reporter — Rhea McCutchen. Student council representatives are Nancy Jacoby and Buddy Vosburg. The sponsors for the Sophomore class are Miss Donna Gregory and Miss Joyce Mize.

Jack Snead Now Air Force Captain Here This Week

Captain Jack Snead of the Air Force, visiting in Robert Lee with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Snead, has recently been in school at the Air Force Institute of Technology at Wright Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio.

He came back with his parents, who spent several days at Dayton.

Captain Snead, who has been 13 years in the Air Force, and his wife, the former Clovinia Caraway have two children, David, 8, and Angelo, 3. She is the daughter of the late Clayton Caraway and niece of Mrs. H. C. Allen.

Member of the class of 47, Robert Lee High School, he was a classmate of L. C. Day, who died the other day in a plane crash in Alaska and of the late Harold Sheppard. He is studying electrical engineering, with specialty in guidance and control.

The captain drove the Snead family car back to Robert Lee and is returning this week.

The Upper Colorado River Authority committee is to meet with the CRMWD committee on September 18 to formulate a final agreement in regard to the use of water from the proposed Robert Lee Reservoir.

Story of Robert Lee, County To Continue

The Bronte Enterprise published last week the largest single edition any newspaper in Coke County has ever published — an 80-page Dia-

mond Jubilee edition for the Bronte area as tied in with the history of Coke County.

Junior High Teams In Double-Round 8-B Play By Zones

The Junior High football 8-B district will cover the same ground as the Senior district except that it is divided into zones this year.

Robert Lee is in the south zone, with Jayton, Hermleigh and Trent. The Dogies will open their season with Silver at Silver in a non-district game today, Sept. 10 at 7:30. They will play Bronte at Robert Lee on October 1, Trent at Trent on October 8, Silver here on Oct. 15, and Bronte at Bronte on October 22, then on October 29, Trent here.

Jayton, Hermleigh and Loraine are in the north zone and the zone winners will play off the district title.

This is one of a series of projects bringing to the people of Coke County their past and making a record in pictures and stories.

The Robert Lee Observer came out in May with an introductory edition, which is to be followed by several editions covering the businesses, the churches, the schools, and the family histories of those who have had a part in the settling and development of Coke County, particularly the western part of it.

The Observer started our part of the undertaking with stories from time to time in 1963 leading up to the anniversary year. We would like to suggest to all of you who are interested that you save the issues and put them together in a packet, where you and your children can refer to them in the future.

In the course of time we will arrange a few of these packets for the school library and others particularly interested.

What Happened To Coke Family Farms Agent's Theme

Editor's Note: County Agent Sterling Lindsey of Coke County prepared the following article as a paper connected with a summer school for agents he attended recently.

The study is of a problem that faces and has for some time faced the people of Coke County communities.

It is timely now as we look for something to replace the abandoned farms as livelihood for families that would like to live here.

Vacant houses that were farm homes, the community school with closed doors, the school bus only partially filled on its morning run — grim facts of changing times. Good or bad, the changes have occurred. And the trend will probably continue.

Exactly what has happened in Agriculture? Why the milk cow, the laying hen and the brood sow regimented instead of being a part of the family farm as they used to be?

When I was a boy growing up, I

traveled certain trails hunting birds, or the milk cow, and to go to the tank in the back of the pasture. A couple of summers ago, I went over those same places again. They looked different. The whole farm looked different. And being realistic it wasn't the same place I knew and remembered.

Coke County, in 1930, according to census figures, had 838 farms. In 1950, we still had 494 farms and ranch operators. The 1960 figures show Coke County to have 337 farms. During that same period the average farm or ranch size increased from 651 acres to 1,801 acres. In 1960, approximately half the operators were working off their farm or ranch to add to the family budget. And while these changes we taking place the average age of operators jumped sharply. These same trends are in force in other counties in our area and in all of Agriculture.

What, then, brought on these drastic changes? We, by nature,

are interested in our own welfare. To get a picture of what is happening and what has already happened, we must look at the total picture — the nations output, not just our sheep, wool, cattle or cotton.

First, in a free enterprise system such as we have, each operator produces as he sees fit, or as he is capable of producing. Agriculture produced well — and continued to produce well. Our nations food supply was bountiful. Our national economy benefited from agriculture's "push." Other industries found a good market for many of their supplies.

The tractor came into the picture, then four row equipment, the combine, hybrid seed, fertilizers, and other innovations that made greater production possible. Agriculture responded and put them to use. When word got around, the pace was accelerated — more technology and faster adoption.

One day, not many years ago, agriculture had more than she

could sell. This was good for the consumer, good for the nation's economy as a whole. But, it was bad for Agriculture.

As the vicious cycle continued, prices on agriculture's produce moved lower, her purchases moved upward. Hoping to make ends meet, more know-how was applied, more fertilizer added. The neighbor's farm was purchased and both units put into one-operated with virtually the same equipment the one operator used previously. One operator went out, the price spread grew still wider. In compensation, still more technology, more resources, eight row equipment, better management were added. Again, the production rose, the surplus mounted, the producers sale price dropped further.

So, today, we have 50% of the operators producing more than ever before, feeding approximately 29 people each. Our nations total economy is up but agriculture is having increasing problems. Certain economic facts and forc-

es are at work in our national economy. These we must understand if we are to understand what is happening to the family farm.

First, in a free enterprise, open market system, the consumer, John Q. Public, regulates the prices of goods sold — all products, not just what agriculture has to offer. When too much food is produced, prices will go down, normally in a ratio of four to one (one percent more than consumer wants, four percent cut in price to move the food product.)

Secondly, consumption of agricultural or food products is inelastic — the consumer will eat so much, very little more at any price.

Another factor is that, the national economy increased and the price of products the farmer buys, moved up with the economy.

The fourth factor, and it is a key one, agriculture still has the capacity — the resources and know-how — to produce more than
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The American System was not intended to be controlled by the rigid disciplines of party, but rather based on proud and patriotic independence. --- President Lyndon Johnson at the White House, September 3, 1964, to 30 Republican business men who had announced they would cross party lines to support him.

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the consumer wants. Thus, these factors have brought about a "pull" and "push" situation. The farmer's income declined in relation to non-farm income. Some operators, young enough and qualified, moved to higher paying jobs outside agriculture. Some left because they were no longer able to make a living.

Adding to the "pull" and "push" effect are the advances in technology that have come about in recent years. One operator can farm much more land than ever before. And at the same time he must produce more per unit invested and/or per hour of labor to pay for the added investments. The combined effect of the new technology, its implementation, the shifting of resources and the movements out of agriculture, is an environment favorable for economic growth. In the case of Coke County, the number of operators grossing less than \$10,000 annually has decreased while the number grossing more than \$10,000 has increased.

What then, can be done in order that agriculture can expect a fair return on its investment? A number of proposals have been made. Some have already been tried. The various proposals will be presented in order that you may inform yourself on the situation.

Four choices can be made — cut production, increase demand, let the free market (supply versus demand) take its natural course, and a fourth measure, reduce the farmers ability to produce.

The first suggestion has been tried. Some help resulted, particularly by taking land out of production. But, the supply has not been reduced enough to balance with the demand.

Attempts have been made to increase demand for agriculture's output. To date, little change has resulted, one method — advertising — has shifted demand (beef to poultry, etc.) but has in-

creased total demand very little. Some say the nations population increase has helped. This has not been borne out — agriculture is still producing at a greater rate than population is increasing. Also, increasing per capita incomes has been mentioned. Since food consumption is relatively stable this has not had a marked effect. The increases in wages have been used primarily to purchase other non-agricultural products. The government food programs has increased consumption, but not noticeably.

The third means, let the free market handle the problem, means remove all controls and let farmers produce and sell all products as they may. With the supply of agricultural commodities there is on hand, this could be very shocking. The market, initially would surely make a severe drop. And how long the shock would last is difficult to determine. Produce prices could stay down long enough to hurt many individuals and also the total economy of the nation.

The fourth proposal, reduce agriculture's ability to produce, would have to be a political maneuver. It might be in the form of inducement payments or acreage controls or possibly government purchases. Or some combination of the three.

The family farm and agriculture are faced with a mountainous problem, one that has no easy answer. This has already been evidenced. But, understanding why agriculture is in an unfavorable situation and knowing what corrective steps are possible is a responsibility we must shoulder.

Ironically, we should also be thankful our problem is a surplus rather than a deficiency.

JUNIOR CLASS OFFICERS

The Junior Class elected officers Tues., Sept. 1. They are as follows: President, Doyle Robertson Vice Pres., Linda Jacoby Sec.-Treas., Gayle Conley Reporter, Farrell Jean Fikes Business mgr., Pistol Hood. The class sponsors are Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Pittman.

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AT BRONTE MONDAY
Senator and Mrs. Dorsey B. Hardeman of San Angelo and former Attorney General John Ben Sheppard were among those

present Monday afternoon. Both the Senator and Sheppard, who is now president of the Texas Historical Survey Committee, were on the program.

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sary celebration. Bronte Jaycees then took over the speakers stand and John Boyles, speaking for the group, drew a loud round of applause when he announced that Mrs. S. A. Kiker, 90, had been selected as Bronte's Queen Mother for 1964. Mrs. Kiker is a long time resident, having come here in the early 1900s with her late husband and family.

Lee then introduced Mrs. Bryan Yarbrough of Robert Lee, president of the Coke County Historical Survey Committee, who made some remarks about the indomitable spirit of Bronte citizens down through the years in maintaining their schools and making other civic improvements. Mrs. Yarbrough introduced John Ben Sheppard of Odessa, who dedicated a historical marker which is to be erected at the junction of Highways 277 and 158 near Bronte Hospital.

Sheppard said the marker, known as the "Connally Marker", because Governor John Connally "thought up the idea," is the second of its kind to be dedicated and erected in Texas. Sheppard prais-

ed Bronte and Coke County for their interest in preservation of history and for the fine celebration which was held to commemorate the county's 75th birthday.

Sen. Dorsey Hardeman of San Angelo also congratulated Coke countians on their spirit and initiative and cited some of the highlights of Coke County history, saying that the deeds of Coke County pioneers are something of which all present day citizens can be proud.

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Washington Newsletter

By O. C. FISHER

Main reason why the Congress is still in session, following recess for the Democratic Convention, is to consider apportionment legislation. The House passed a bill to prohibit the Supreme Court from exercising jurisdiction over apportionment relating to the state legislatures, and it is now pending in the Senate, where it may be sidetracked.

Senators Dirksen and Mansfield are sponsoring an amendment to another bill, now pending in the Senate, to suspend the effect of the Supreme Court's decision of last June 15 which makes it mandatory that all state legislative districts, both House and Senate, be apportioned on the sole basis of population. The Dirksen-Mansfield amendment would postpone the effect of that decision for at least two years, and give the Congress and the state legislatures some time to try to work out a solution and avoid the chaos that will result otherwise.

Our trouble is that the radical-liberals, headed by Senator Douglas of Chicago, are fighting this, and they have considerable support, including that of vice-presidential nominee Hubert Humphrey. The liberals have been trying to talk the Dirksen-Mansfield amendment to death by preventing the Senate from having a chance to vote on it. Right now it is a toss-up as to what the ultimate outcome of the issue will be.

All sorts of witticisms and wisecracks are springing up on the wage of the national conventions. One barb on Goldwater has it that the Senator said he was definitely going to take 10 states — and that he would concede the other three to Lyndon!

Another one, in the form of an interview with Bull Conner, the colorful Alabama delegate to the convention, who when asked for his comments on the selection of Hubert Humphrey for vice-president quipped: "Johnson knew what he was doing; he was taking out an insurance policy on his life. He knew that if Hubert is elected vice-president, no one would be so stupid as to assassinate the President, with Hubert next in line to succeed him!"

Heard At Sanco

By Zoeline Reid

Mr. and Mrs. Alferd Otte and children, James Charles and Lillie Ann of Brady were weekend visitors of Mrs. Lura Reid and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Walker, also visiting the Walkers last week was Miss Luvina Frizzell of Sweetwater.

Mr. and Mrs. John Cole with their daughter, Nellie and son-in-law, W. F. Longwood from Austin visited Mrs. Fannie Carwile and Henry and also Mr. and Mrs. Ulmer Bird. Mr. Cole left some more paintings on display at the Sanco store. They had been to Abilene to visit Mrs. Maurice Cole and family. They also visited Mrs. Lela Cole Robertson in Abilene on Saturday night, and were going to visit Mrs. Cole's sister, Elsa Goss Davis in San Angelo.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rorex of Lubbock visited Mr. and Mrs. Ulmer Bird Sunday. He is Mrs. Bird's brother.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Tomlinson of Sterling City visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Foy Askins over the week end.

Bill Roach is leaving this week for Texas Christian University, with classes scheduled to start there Sept. 17, and to start working out for the Horned Frogs.

Silver All Around The Peak

By MRS. GEORGE FUGATE

Silver Peak Grid Schedule for 1964

- Sept. 10 — Robert Lee at Silver
 - Sept. 17 — Coahoma at Coahoma
 - Sept. 24 — Open
 - Oct. 1 — Colorado City at Colorado City.
 - Oct. 8 — Sterling City at Sterling City
 - Oct. 15 — Robert Lee at Robert Lee
 - Oct. 22 — Sterling City at Silver
 - Oct. 29 — Colorado City at Silver
 - Nov. 5 — Coahoma at Silver
- 9th graders — Gene Kincaid, Mike Post, Rickie Whitaker, Jack Herring, Lloyd Cone, Lonnie Bloodworth and Ronnie Dunlap.
- 8th graders — Terry Hines, Robert Fugate, Quinn Conley, Teddy Millican, Mike Parish, Lynn Beal, and Larry Sockwell.
- 7th graders — Lane Beaty, Scott Jones, Charles Bloodworth, Tony Kinnard, Rusty Jameson, Steve Hargis, Junior Faught, Donald Herring and Jimmy Weatherbee.

Executive Committee Meets

Mrs. Fred Beaty, president of the Silver P-TA, presided at the Executive Committee's first meeting of the year, Thursday evening

at the Silver Peak School. All committee plans were approved by the members present.

The P-TA will hold their meeting at 7 p.m. the second Tuesday of each month. The Executive committee will meet the preceding evening at 7 p.m.

The elected officers for the 1964-65 years are Mrs. Beaty, president; Mrs. Charlie Davis, vice-president; Mrs. Jim Herford, secretary; Mrs. Leland Moore, treasurer; Mrs. Walte Paul, parliamentarian; Mrs. Lawrence Feaster, membership chairman; Mrs. Jerry Eubanks, finance chairman; and Mrs. Billy Jones, health chairman.

The Silver P-TA will meet Sept. 29 at 7:00 p.m. to honor the school personnel.

SILVER NEWS BRIEFS

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Goodwyn of Waco were the weekend guests of their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Goodwyn, Craig & Gayle.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Bowman and Michelle of Lubbock were the weekend guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Clifton.

Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Bradham and daughter, Rosalind, spent the holidays in Coleman, working on their house. They were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. V. N. Dale.

Mr. and Mrs. Hale Kincaid and children spent the holidays at their Lake Phantom cabin in Abilene.

Holiday guests in the home of the Jahew Jamesons were Mr. and Mrs. Buzz Thorp and Jahew of Throckmorton and Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Wilson, Kenneth and Edwin of Rankin.

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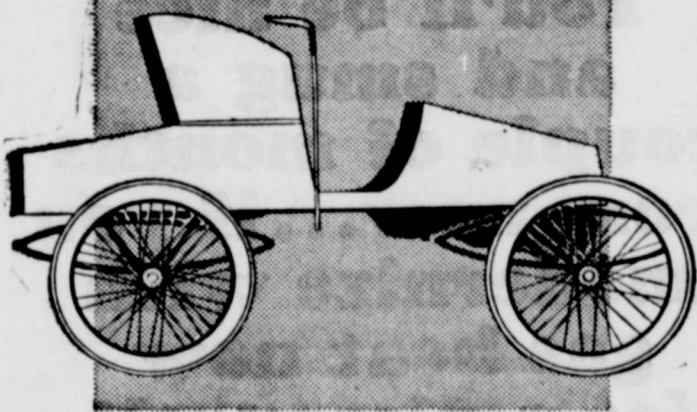
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Visitors in the A. J. Roe, Jr. home during the Labor Day weekend were Mr. and Mrs. Bill West Lloyd of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Roe and children, Abilene, and Mr. and Mrs. Billy Wayne Roe and Kevan of Robert Lee.

Dr. Don D. Smith

wishes to announce the opening of his office for the practice of General Dentistry in the same location as the former dental office in Robert Lee.

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By Fay C. Roe
Home Demonstration Agent

The fall fashion picture for clothes for the ladies has two faces in 1964 — the practical side and the "pretty is as pretty does" side. The practical side consists of comfortable maneuverable clothes, change about separates, and jumpers to combine with blouses or

sweaters. The "pretty is as pretty does" aspect of fashion is the side with soft necklines, gentle blousing, fuller sleeves, and a ruffle at the wrist or neck. The silhouette is headed by the A-line, but with the shift still scoring high. Watch for a change to more curvy lines and lines that cling to the body.

Colors are important — yet color with color — mix them! You will see red or pink or orange with purple — yellow with bright green. High fashion is purple in many shades and intensities — "Chutney" tones as terra cotta and burnt orange. Everybody's fashion is red in berry and wine shades — blue with an oriental cast — greens that are bluish and browns from camel to the blackened brown.

Fabrics are rich and warm — corduroy is tops — the wide wale being the favorite. Corduroys come in all fall colors as well as prints and stretch. Prints in all fabrics are perfect. Some are enlarged calico and patchwork designs — yet some are exotic. Twill weaves, tweeds, loopy mohair, and cords are good. Checks, plaids, pin stripe all are on the high fashion list.

Schedule

Thursday, Sept. 10 — Office, 2 p.m. Friendship H.D. Club.
Friday, Sept. 11 — Office
Monday, Sept. 14 A.m. Bronte Jr. HD Club
Tuesday, Sept. 15 — H.D. agent's training, San Angelo.
Wednesday, Sept. 16 — H.D. agents training, San Angelo.

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Observations

(A Personal Word
By The Editor)

Life Magazine of August 21, 1964 told a story that has been printed often — How government agencies in Washington harassed the Austin TV station until it could be bought for a fraction of its value, and Lyndon Johnson, who exerted so much influence over those Washington agencies was ready to step in and take it as a bargain. After that, came the Waco station. A story not being printed is what can happen now to the independent newspapers in Texas.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Tulia, Texas
619 B. N. Armstrong St.
9-5-1964

Dear Ulmer,

This is to let you know I have moved from Happy to Tulia, Texas and would very much appreciate you send My Observer to my new address.

I noticed in the Observer that there had been spotted rains in that part — sincerely hope every one has had rains there by now.

We are having nice fall weather. Crops are beginning to show promise of good harvest. Rains have been very local and everyone has depended on irrigation this year.

I wouldn't want to miss the Observer. Thanks to you,
Mrs. George Cope

Lunchroom Menus

For week beginning Mon., Sept. 14 and ending Friday, Sept. 18.

Monday, Sept. 14

Bar-B-cue weiners, dry black-eyed peas, spinach and eggs, corn bread and butter, milk, peach upside down cake.

Tuesday, September 15

Meat balls and spaghetti, corn, fruit jello on lettuce, hot rolls and butter, milk, banana pudding.

Wednesday, Sept. 16

Meat and cheese sandwiches, vegetable soup and crackers, sliced tomatoes, lettuce, milk, chocolate chip cookies.

Thursday, Sept. 17

Baked ham, candied sweet potatoes, green beans, celery sticks, hot rolls and butter, milk, pink applesauce.

Friday, Sept. 18

Fish sticks and tartar sauce, buttered potatoes, garden salad, hot rolls and butter, milk, apple cobbler.

Labor Day weekend visitors in the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Turney Casey, were Mr. and Mrs. B. N. Chesney and girls, Burleson, Mr. and Mrs. Grady Coulter and boys, San Angelo, and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Casey, Robert Lee; also Mrs. Casey's mother, Mrs. Pearl Schooley, Robert Lee.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Casey visited Mr. and Mrs. Snooky Herring and family, near Junction.

M. A. Cox has been busy lately delivering starting pullets that he raises on his farm northeast of town. He made one delivery of 10,280 recently.

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SENIOR CLASS OFFICERS

Charles Askins was elected president of the senior class of the Robert Lee High School in a meeting held Tuesday.

Other officers elected were vice president, Ricky Hatch; secretary, Linda Heuvel; business manager, Raynelle Bloodworth; and reporter, Daphne Roe.

Garland Davis, high school principal, distributed class rings.

The class made plans for the concession stand and other activities that they are to have in the near future.

The Mountain Creek Golf Association has 82 charter members, and is working hard to get the course ready for playing, with prospects that the grass may be well enough sodded late in October.



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C. L. Sparks — Sr.	G	160
Terry Thetford — Sr.	QB	180
Ronnie Walker — Sr.	E	150
Robert Wink — Jr.	B-E	150
Mike Conner — Jr.	G	135
Carl Bloodworth — Soph.	G-T	140
Larry Brock — Soph.	B	110
Bob Lomas — Soph.	C	140
Gaylon Pitcock — Soph.	T	170
Glenn Roach — Soph.	C	215
Ray Don Roe — Soph.	B	115
Buddy Thomas — Soph.	G	160
Jimmy Varnadore — Soph.	E	120
Buddy Vosburg — Soph.	G	135
Lynsey White — Soph.	T	185
Alfred Blair — Fr.	T	180
Donnie Devoll — Fr.	E	125
Ronnie Devoll — Fr.	B	100
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Randy Hall — Fr.	E	100
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32	Roy Blair	FB	8
40	Ronnie Devoll	HB	9
50	Craig Thomason	C	9
61	Ed White	G	9
62	Tooter Fields	G	9
72	Smokey Blair	T	9
73	Bill Burns	T	8
81	Randy Hall	E	9
85	Darrell Pitcock	E	8
24	Eddie Meredith	B	9
31	Ronnie Varnadore	B	9
20	Steve Rives	B	8
41	David Roe	B	8
55	Bobby McClellan	C	8
60	Carroll Green	G	8
64	Bobby Ledbetter	G	8
65	Andy Cole	G	8
71	Perry Thomason	T	8
79	Leroy Casey	T	8
83	Mike Denman	E	8
88	Robert Thomason	E	8
11	Joe David Key	QB	7
12	Gary Jack Thomason	B	7
13	A. J. Roe	B	7
14	Vic Dodson	B	7
16	Luther Large	E	7
18	Doug Burns	E	7
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NOTICE OF HEARING TO APPROPRIATE PUBLIC WATERS OF THE STATE OF TEXAS

No. 2162-A

Notice is hereby given to whom concerned that the application of COLORADO RIVER MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT, P. O. Box 869, Big Spring, Texas, was received on the 17th day of July, 1964, in the office of the Texas Water Commission. Applicant seeks to amend its Application No. 2162, granted June 20, 1960, as follows:

(1) To change the location of the dam from the point proposed in Application No. 2162 on the Colorado River in Mitchell County, to a point on the Colorado River in Coke County. The new location sought for the dam is approximately 2 miles west of Robert Lee, Texas, with station 74+00 on the centerline of the proposed dam located S 1° 05' E 10,645 feet from the southeast corner of Section 412, H & TC RR Co. Survey, Block 1-A, A-1676, Coke County, Texas;

(2) To increase the storage capacity of the dam and reservoir by a total of 85,060 acre-feet (from 403,700 acre-feet at the original Mitchell County dam site to 488,760 acre-feet at the proposed Coke County dam site);

(3) To divert the water to be appropriated at a point which bears S 15° 10' W 2011 feet from the southwest corner of H & TC RR Co. Survey, Block 1-A, A-1676, Coke County, Texas, on the left bank of the Colorado River, approximately 3.2 miles northwesterly from Robert Lee, Texas, and to increase the rate of diversion by 30,000 gallons per minute (from 40,000 gallons per minute authorized under Application No. 2162 to 70,000 gallons per minute);

(4) To change the amount of water authorized to be appropriated under Application No. 2162 for industrial use from 5,000 acre-feet of water per annum to 2,000 acre-feet of water per annum, and for mining use from 5,000 acre-feet of water per annum to 8,000 acre-feet of water per annum, but not changing the amount of 40,000 acre-feet of water per annum authorized to be appropriated for municipal use nor the total amount of 50,000 acre-feet of water authorized to be appropriated annually under said Application No. 2162;

(5) To add as an additional authorized use, the use in place in the reservoir of the total amount of water impounded therein for the purpose of recreation.

The place of use of the waters used for municipal, industrial and mining purposes will be in the following counties in the Colorado River watershed, but only in those portions thereof within the watershed of the Colorado River: Coke Ector, Glascock, Howard, Martin, Midland, Mitchell, Nolan, Run-

nels, Scurry and Sterling Counties. Notice of this fact is hereby given to record appropriators in the Colorado River watershed, both within the watershed as a whole and within those portions of said watershed in the above-described counties in which the water is to be introduced and used.

Water which is diverted for municipal use but not consumed as a result thereof will be returned to the Colorado River and its tributaries at sites of the sewage treatment plants of cities served by the District within the above-named counties. Water which is diverted for industrial use or mining use but not consumed as a result thereof will be returned to the Colorado River or its tributaries within the above-named counties.

Applicant further proposes to construct a system of low-flow pollution control diversion works in the channel of the Colorado River in Scurry and Mitchell Counties, and to use as part of its appropriation for mining purposes polluted waters there occurring, consisting of the salt water, oil field brines and commingled salt and fresh water.

Said application was accepted for filing by the Texas Water Commission on the 17th day of August, 1964, as Application No. 2162-A, and a hearing thereon will be held by the Texas Water Commission, in the office of the Commission at Austin, Texas, on MONDAY, OCTOBER 19, 1964, beginning at ten o'clock a.m., at which time and place all parties interested may appear and be heard. Those opposing the granting of said application should file written protests with the Commission and the applicant at least five days prior to hearing date, giving their reasons therefor and such other information as is required by Commission Rule 305.2. Such hearing will be continued from time to time, and from place to place, if necessary, until such determination has been made relative to said application as the said Texas Water Commission may deem right, equitable and proper.

Given under and by virtue of an order of the Texas Water Commission, at the office of the said Commission at Austin, Texas, this the 17th day of August, 1964.

TEXAS WATER COMMISSION
Joe D. Carter, Chairman
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A contract for .3 mile of construction on State Highways 158 and 208 in Coke County has been awarded to a San Antonio firm, it was announced in Austin recently by the State Highway Commission.

H. L. Freeland, Inc. submitted the low bid of \$105,554 on the project. Widen bridges and approaches located between Robert Lee and Bronte and 1.2 and 2.4 miles north of Robert Lee is expected to take 100 working days, according to J. A. Snell, District Highway Engineer at San Angelo.

H. L. Bailey, Resident Engineer at Sterling City will be in active charge of the project while it is under construction.

Before coming to Coke county and getting started in the ranching business, W. E. Burns worked a good while on the Bar S, thirty miles from Mertzon.

This and That

Downtown with Mrs. Lem Cowley one day last week — Mrs. J. S. Bearfield and Mrs. Enoch Sparks.

Mrs. Lena Russell remembers her first time to appear musically in public in a recital at the Methodist church at the age of 9 or ten.

August was cool in the mountains, in that country north of Montana.

Mrs. Lois Williams and Mrs. Della Schooler returned Thursday of last week from a twenty-day vacation trip to Canada. They visited the Elton Millicans in Cheyenne, Wyoming, en route, and went to Banff, Alberta, spent some time at Lake Louise.

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