

# Robert Lee Observer

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## Sixty-eight Teams Participate In Two-Man Partnership Tourney

It was a big weekend at the local golf course as a total of 68 two-man teams paid to play in the annual Partnership Golf Tournament. Temperatures were in the low 90's for the 2-day meet

## Observer In Error In Running Ad

A small ad in last week's Observer boosting the candidacy of Aubrey Denman for county judge contained some misleading information that needs to be cleared up.

The pertinent part of the ad follows:

"School, city and county use the same value on each property, but the county judge and commissioners set rates, which is their duty. The rate in 1981 caused property taxes to jump 2, 3 and 4 times taxes paid in 1980."

While it is true that the same basic valuations are being used for county, school and city property (except when special exemptions have been approved such as the homestead exemption by the county) it is not true that Coke County Commissioners Court sets all the tax rates, only the county rate. The schools and cities set their own rates at a figure which will bring in enough revenue to fill their budgeted needs. The valuations were set last year by the McMorries Co. for all taxing units in the county.

When McMorries re-valuated local surface properties, not valuated as minerals by Thomas Y. Pickett Co., the proportionate rise for surface valuation increases was greater than those properties in the mineral "pool", hence, the tax increase was from higher values rather than higher rates. The fact is Coke County's rate was lowered from \$1.07 to 34 cents by law in order for the county not to receive the same budgeted amounts of money for 1981 as received in 1980 (not to exceed 3% increase without published notice).

### AN APOLOGY

The Observer feels responsible for allowing this ad to go in last week's paper. The publisher was in the hospital and the rest of the staff members were having to make unfamiliar decisions. In addition to allowing incorrect information be printed, we did not enforce the rules laid down before the May Primary—that no new material be issued before the election could be used against an opponent, making it impossible for him to reply.

We apologize to Judge D.W. Sims for not enforcing our rules.

If you're on a sodium-restricted diet, read processed food labels for sodium compounds and salt content, advises Mary K. Sweeten, a food and nutrition specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Pickles products, such as pickles or relishes, are high in sodium. Spices, such as garlic and celery salt have salt added, she notes.

with a strong south wind blowing on Sunday, but it didn't seem to affect the crowd's spirit. Lots of visiting and hooraying went on and Saturday was topped by the serving of the club's barbecue supper for the players.

The golf club received lots of comments and compliments on the supper, tourney, and condition of the course. Spokesmen for the club gave credit for the fine shape of the greens and fairways to the hard work of Lendy Devoll and Johnny Torres. They also extended thanks to all club members and others who assisted in any way with the tournament.

Prizes in each flight were irons for first place, woods for second place, bags for third place, and balls for fourth place.

Championship Flight  
1st-Lee Snead and Mike Snead; 2nd-J. Argote and G. Gallegas; 3rd-J. Tidwell and C. Bach; and 4th-F. Cantu and J. Oranles.

1st Flight  
1st-P. Brown and R. Digsby; 2nd-J. Yarbrough and J. Gleitman; 3rd-S. Soto and R. Vallarreal and 4th-J. Edward and Charlie Brown.

2nd Flight  
1st-C. Muntzel and L. Dortch; 2nd-Allan Rowaldt and Bill Rowaldt; 3rd-R. Bailey and G. Stakley and 4th-F. Meadows and G. Womaek.

3rd Flight  
1st-Nelson Coulter and Jim D. Raughton; 2nd-A.J. Roe and John T. Stewart; 3rd-Lopez and Martinez and 4th-B. Morgan and Ed Martin.

## Special Services This Weekend At Northside

The Northside Church of Christ is planning special services this weekend, June 11 thru June 13, and extend an invitation to all to attend.

Speaker at each service will be Gaylon Wright of Houston, Texas.

Bro. Wright has preached here a number of times and is a capable gospel preacher, loved and respected throughout the brotherhood.

He serves as minister for Little York Church of Christ in Houston, and is a professor of English at the University of Houston, having taught there since 1974.

Bro. Wright is currently editor of Gospel Tidings, a monthly publication of religious teachings and news of the Churches of Christ.

Services will be held at 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday and at 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. on Sunday.

Mrs. Jack Raymond and Mitch of Houston spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Davis. She also spent her time in visiting with her sister, Mrs. Maurine Vosburg, who has been a patient several days in Shannon Hospital, San Angelo.

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## Denman Tops Sims In County Judges' Race

Voters of Coke County, along with the rest of Texas counties, went to the polls to vote in the Democratic Primary election, June 5. A heavy turnout gave Aubrey Denman a win over incumbent County Judge D.W. Sims and James A. Tidwell ousted Willie Carper in their race for commissioner of Precinct 4. Denman defeated Sims 621 to 509 and Tidwell took a 191 to 133 win over Carper.

Vote by boxes for county judge follow:

	Denman	Sims
Prec. 1	156	92
Prec. 2	137	121
Prec. 3	100	61
Prec. 4	29	52
Prec. 5	89	125
Prec. 9	34	7
Absentee	76	51
TOTAL	621	509

Votes for county Commissioner:

	Carper	Tidwell
Prec. 4	55	27
Prec. 5	65	152
Absentee	13	12
TOTAL	133	191

Other races, on a state or district level showed the following results from Coke County:

Attorney General--  
Jim Mattox 432; John Hannah 557.

Commissioner Land Office--  
Snelson 727; Mauro 287.

Judge Criminal Appeal, Place 1--Charles F. "Chuck" Campbell Jr. 499; John E. Humphreys 338.  
Judge Criminal Appeals, Place 2--Bill Black 479; Chuck Miller 369.

Associate Justice, Court of Appeals, Dist. 3. Place 2--Dick Criss 504; Bob Gammage 391.

**BAD FOR INCUMBENTS**  
It was a bad year in Coke County as all those running for another term and had opponents were defeated.

In addition to Denman's victory over Sims in the Second

Primary, Billy Joe Luckett took a clear victory in Commissioner Precinct 2 in the First Primary over incumbent Bobby Vaughn and third candidate I.B. "Ike" Pate. Precinct 4 Commissioner Jerry Parker was also removed from the running in Precinct 2 by Tidwell and Carper.

Running for reelection unopposed in the First Primary, and having no problems were: District and County Clerk Ettie Hubbard; County Treasurer Jerry Thomason; and Justice of the Peace Opal Jacoby of Precinct 1; Cecil Kemp of Precinct 2, Cova Sparks of Precinct 3, and Earl D. "Pete" Nutter of Precinct 4.

## Commissioners Court Meets In Regular Session

Coke County commissioners met in a regular meeting Monday, June 7, to attend to business.

First on the agenda was reading of the minutes of the previous meeting.

J.T. Henry and Noel Perciful met with commissioners to request a permit in order that they might construct a golf club house at the Bronte park. Commissioners voted to grant the permit.

Motion was made to publish notice of revenue sharing funds use.

Members of the Historical Committee met with the commissioners court to request funds for renovation of the old county jail in Robert Lee which is now the county museum. The commissioners voted to appoint Commissioner Finis Millican and Commissioner George Newby to work with the committee and to study the problem.

Paid bills.

County Democratic Chairman, Martin Lee, said he was extremely pleased with the large turnout of slightly more than 52 per cent cast their ballots. The percentage was not quite as high as in the May Primary when 61.3 per cent voted.

## Rabies Cases Confirmed For Coke County

Two cases of rabies have been confirmed in the county recently. We do not wish to alarm anyone, but we felt you should be alerted to the fact that rabies has been confirmed in the western half of Coke County.

Recently, Mrs. Jay Service was attacked by a family kitten that was confirmed as being rabid and she was forced to undergo painful rabies treatment. Last week, the James Pentecost family submitted the head of a skunk for testing that was pronounced rabid. At least one other strange acting skunk was killed north of Robert Lee that well may have been rabid.

Everyone should be watchful for strange acting varmints and even pets. A thin, wobbly, matty-eyed varmint that responds to sounds and movements should be destroyed. If anyone or any pet has been exposed to a suspected rabid animal, then the suspected animal's head should be sent to Austin for testing. The head should be refrigerated immediately after death and taken to a veterinarian or the County Health office in San Angelo for submission for testing.

## Lupe Munoz Competes In Run In The Sun

Lupe Munoz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Munoz, competed last Saturday in the 10th Annual Run in the Sunn 8,000-meter run in San Angelo. She finished second in the women's 15-19 age group with a time of 37:23. More than 240 runners participated in various age groups for both women and men.

Lupe has been a long distance runner as a student in Robert Lee schools since her junior high years and has garnered many honors during her athletic career.

Parents, know more about accident-prevention to protect your children from mishaps, advises Diane Welch, a family life education specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Be aware of--and alert for--factors that may cause accidents, such as improper storage of matches and lighters. Aware and alert parents are a major force in preventing child injuries due to accidents, she says.

## Pageant Assn. Getting Things Ready For "Ole Coke County"

Work on the annual pageant "Ole Coke County--Home of the Rabbit Twisters" has begun and the Coke County Pageant Association has been getting everything ready for the July production.

It is time for memberships to be renewed, and a good time for new members to join. All who are interested in preserving Coke County's heritage are needed as members of the Association. The objective of the Association is to produce and promote a pageant based on historical events in the history of Coke County, and to create an interest in the development of community life and culture through working together in a county wide endeavor. Memberships are needed to carry on the business, planning, and decision making of the Association, and are not restricted to residents of Coke County. Voting privileges and seating preference

for the pageant go with a membership which is comparable to paying dues in a club or lodge.

Money received from the sale of memberships have been, and will continue to be used for financing the production of the pageant and improving the amphitheater. Many improvements have been made, but there are still more needed.

The price for Patron Memberships are \$15 singles, and \$25 for families. Other categories of memberships are available for \$100, \$250, and \$500, and may be purchased from Mrs. Robert Reese chrm. of membership committee, and her committee members: Alice Wallace, Irene Newell, Mary Ivey, and Thelma Jo Hinnard. They may also be paid to Edna Havins, Wilson and Lucile Bryan, Pauline Vaughan, Les and Bonita Copeland and Dee McCleskey, officers of the Association.



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Per Year Outside Texas .....	\$12.00

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WHEN THE FREEZER FAILS---

When the freezer fails or power goes off, first try to find out how long it will be before your freezer is working again. A fully loaded freezer will stay cold enough to keep food frozen for two days while one half-full will only keep food cold for a day, notes a food technologist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas A&M University System. The main thing is to keep the freezer closed and not to check food regularly. If the delay will be longer than the times mentioned, put dry ice in the freezer. Twenty-five pounds will keep the temperature below freezing three to four days for a 10-cubic-foot freezer that is full.

RANCHERS ROUNDUP IS AUG. 10-12---

More than 100 of the ranching industry's best noted experts and policy makers will present their expertise at the 2nd annual International Ranchers Roundup (IRR) Aug. 10-12 at the Civic Center in Del Rio. Tours of progressive Southwest Texas ranches are scheduled Aug. 9 and Mexico ranch tours are planned Aug. 13. Deadline for tour registration and the \$50 registration fee discount is July 15. Registration material is available by writing IRR, P.O. Box 1849, Uvalde, Tex. 78801. Concurrent sessions will be featured on effective management of beef cattle, sheep and Angora goats, meat goat production, range resources and wildlife.

More than 98 percent of American homes have television sets, including some that don't have indoor toilet facilities, says Cindy Wilson, a family life education specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Rites Held For Mrs. Watson

Myrtle May Watson, 89, died Sunday, June 6, in a Wichita Falls nursing home.

Services under the direction of Shaffer Funeral Home of Robert Lee, Texas were held Tuesday, June 8 at Robert Lee Methodist Church at 2:00 p.m., with burial in the Robert Lee Cemetery. The Rev. John Reynolds officiated.

Mrs. Watson was born April 10, 1893 in Lavaca County, Texas, the oldest of fourteen children of Mr. and Mrs. W.B. Bessent, pioneer settlers of Coke County, Texas. She lived in Robert Lee, Texas almost 80 years before moving to Wichita Falls in 1973.

She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. John Conley of Wichita Falls; four grandchildren, Gayle Bolding of Robert Lee, Tx.; Quinn Conley of Baird, Tx.; Jackie Grace of Wichita Falls, Tx.; and Mike Conley of San Angelo, Tx. and four great-grandchildren.

Also surviving is one brother, Roy Bessent of Texas City, Tx. and two sisters, Ethel Lofton of Blythe, Calif. and Ruby Wheatley of Kerrville, Tx.

She was predeceased by her husband, Wesley Watson, and son Jimmie Watson.

Pallbearers for the services were Frank Casey, Ben Bessent, Jesse Eads, Zeddie Beal, Les Copeland, and Douglas Gartman, all of Robert Lee.

Guests last week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Haley were Mr. and Mrs. Charles McBride of Duncan, Oklahoma and Mr. and Mrs. L.L. Stopps of Casper, Wyoming. The ladies are Mr. Haley's sisters and a nice visit was enjoyed by all.

McCabes Are Honored On Anniversary

Following the close of the recent revival meeting at Pecan Baptist Church on June 4, Mr. and Mrs. Fred McCabe, Sr. were honored on the occasion of their 60th Wedding Anniversary. The reception was held in the church annex by the pastor of the church and his wife, Bro. and Mrs. Jimmy Rogers, and other members of the congregation.

Homemade ice cream and cake were served to church members and a number of guests. A beautifully decorated cake noting "Leora and Fred" and "60", was flanked by a white bride's cake and a chocolate groom's cake.

Among those attending were Bro. Robert Isaccs, evangelist from Lubbock, Bro. and Mrs. Dewey Hines, pastor of Central Baptist Church of Bronte, and several guests from Robert Lee.

The couple were married June 4, 1922 in the home of the bride's parents, Judge and Mrs. B.F. Brown of Sterling City.

July 4 Bar-B-Q Being Planned

The July 4 Barbeque planned by the Robert Lee-Silver Lions club has been moved to Monday, July 5 at the County park from 5 p.m. until ????. Our recipe is our own!

Delicious barbeque with pinto beans, potato salad, cold slaw, and drink will be served at a cost of \$4.00 per plate for adults, and \$3.00 for children 10 and under.

There will be live music for entertainment, Tall Tale Contest with trophy for first place. Also, on this Fun Day will be a Goat pill Roll Off with a trophy for first place. The public is invited to come and join in these festivities.

FEEDING YOUNG HORSES--- Feeding young horses for maximum growth and sound skeletal structure is important, particularly when the horse is being developed for strenuous events such as racing, jumping, cutting, roping or polo, says the horse program leader in Texas A&M University's Department of Ani-

mal Science. Ration formulation and feeding management should be designed for sound skeletal development because without adequate development, horses will never become desirable performance athletes. Skeletal disorders can result from genetic predisposition, nutrient imbalance and excessive forced exercise.

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Tuesday June 22 Coke County Pharmacy

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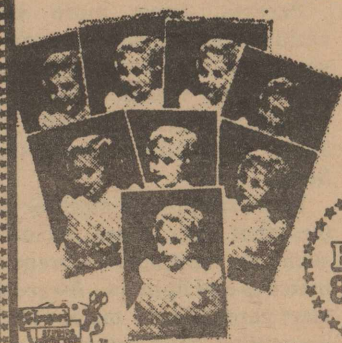
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## Annual Sanco Homecoming To Kickoff With A Special Service

Tomorrow, Saturday, June 12, as the sun goes down, there will be vesper music in the oldest church building now standing in Coke County. After that there will be singing of some old songs followed by a question and answer period about Sanco, past, present, and future. With report of the treasurer, Mrs. Josephine

Bird.

Ulmer Bird will lead the Saturday night meeting and James B. Pentecost will lead the main gathering which opens Sunday morning at 10:30. The noon meal will be under the tabernacle at 12:30 with meat and iced tea furnished by the Sanco Village. The invitation is an open one to all.

Around the Sanco Village this week: Considering characters, and chronic characteristics--there is Ulmer Bird, who writes these nice stories, including this one (poetry too) who has (barring occasional relapses, quit ranching) and quotes the cowboy cartoonist Ace Reid.

Ace said he tried being a cowboy for a good while--then started drawing pictures of cowhands and found out it was easier making pictures of cowhands than it was to be one. Ulmer says he wants to write poetry about Indians and cowhands and let somebody else do the work.

One of the steady hands at the Sanco Homecoming is T.C. (Tennis) Creighton of Christoval. He is the oldest person, walking or riding, who was born at Sanco. The son of Cliff and Cora Creighton, he was born and grew up at their ranch house, now the present Arledge Ranch headquarters on Yellow Wolf Creek, north of Sanco about five miles.

Tennis later ranched alongside the Slonsberry's south of Christoval. Then he ranched a wide piece of Arizona, with home near Wilcos, and served as cattle inspector over a lot more of Arizona. When they started putting down water wells all around him, Tennis moved back close home to Christoval, but hasn't quit ranching and still counts Sanco as "home."

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Kidam came in from Bethany, Oklahoma Sunday afternoon with their two daughters and three sons, son-in-law, daughter-in-law and their sons to spend the week in whatever work needs to be done to prepare buildings, grounds, and cemetery for the Sanco Homecoming.

## 50 YEARS AGO

An article by the senior class reporter last week started with the friendly greeting "Hello, Folks". In setting up the write-up, we simply ruined everything by omitting the final "o" in "Hello". It was our error and we beg the pardon of the reporter.

Beal Ditmore is visiting his parents here this week. He is a radio-telegraph operator in the state of Honduras, South America. He had a good trip, is looking well, and his parents were happy to see him again after an absence of a year or two.

About the nicest thing that's been brought to our attention in several moons is that out here west of town, two neighbors gave the right of way for the Butterfield Trail. It will take 3 or 4 acres off each of their fields so they agreed to swap the little pieces of land. They said it didn't matter if one or the other lost an acre or 2. Don't you wish everybody was that way? Won't give their names but their initials are Charlie Roe and Ed Roane.

The child of Scrib Smith, Jr. of Edith was bitten on the hand by a rattlesnake last Friday afternoon. Good judgement was used in sucking the wound and bathing it in coal oil. The child was brought to town by Luther Bruton for medical attention and at last report was doing nicely.

Elliott Pruitt who works on State Highway 70 and on the state highway between Bronte and Robert Lee was held up at the point of a pistol Tuesday. He was forced to sign a check for \$12.00 and moreover the robber took all the gasoline he had.

Mrs. Joe George Wilkins (nee Miss Lucile Autt) who lived on the Williams place 5 miles north of town, was dragged to death Tuesday morning by the horse she was riding. No one was with her when it happened but the consensus of opinion is that her foot was caught in a string hanging from the saddle horn. She was dragged about 40 yards through the bushes by her circling horse. Death in any form is sad but especially when it snatches away in such a cruel manner a young bride only 17 years of age.

We deeply sympathize with the young husband and all who are bereaved because of the tragic death.

## Hood-Hughes Wedding Set For August 14

Hillcrest Baptist Church in San Angelo will be the setting for the August 14 wedding of Melinda Joyce Hood and Dennis Wayne Hughes of Houston.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bobby G. Hood of 102 N. Garrett. She is the grand-daughter of Mrs. Ruth Hood of Robert Lee. The prospective bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Collmorgen of Lufkin.

Miss Hood is a graduate of Texas A&M University with a bachelor of science degree in food science and technology/nutrition. Her fiance graduated from Texas A&M University with a bachelor of science degree in engineering.

# Ice Cream

Gandys 5 Qt. Bucket **\$4.39**

CALIFORNIA CARROTS 1 lb. bag 29c  
 CALIFORNIA AVOCADOS 3 for 89c  
 CALIFORNIA RED ONIONS lb. 59c



Russet **POTATOES**  
 10 lb. bag **\$1.79**

RANCH STYLE BEANS, 300 size can 2/89c  
 VIP CUT GREEN BEANS 303 size can 39c  
 KAL KAN CAT FOOD flat can 29c



# Gladiola Flour

5 Lb. Bag **89c**

Sour Cream White Frosting Betty Crocker 14.3 oz. box **\$1.19**

ZEE TOWELS large roll **69c**

Nice & Soft Toilet Tissue 4 roll pkg. **\$1.19**

# Facial Tissue

Nice & Soft 200 Ct. Box **79c**

GOOCH COUNTRY SAUSAGE 1 lb. roll **\$1.19**

GOOCH GERMAN SAUSAGE ring **\$1.39**

GOOCH FRANKS 12 oz. pkg. **\$1.19**

# Steak

Family (For Outside Cookouts) Lb. **\$1.99**

Best Maid Pickles Dill & Dill Slices 16 oz. jar **99c**

KRAFT OLEO SPREAD 2 lb. pkg. **\$1.49**



# Crisco

Shortening 3 Lb. Can (Limit 1) **\$2.29**

Prices Effective June 11 & 12



# West Way Grocery



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**LIONS CLUB MEETING**

1st & 3rd Tuesday of Each Month - 7 p.m.

LIONS CLUB COMMUNITY CENTER

WORSHIP WITH US AT

**Southside Church of Christ**

BIBLE STUDY...10:00 a.m. EVENING WORSHIP...6 p.m.  
 WORSHIP.....11:00 a.m. WED. BIBLE STUDY...7 p.m.

-THE FRIENDLY CHURCH-  
 WHERE THE BIBLE IS TAUGHT





T.K. WHITESIDE, who ranches in the Divide and Sanco areas, was a winner of the Coke County Soil & Water Conservation District "Conservationist of the

Year" award. Whiteside's participation in GPCP helped to re-establish his rangeland and raise it into a much higher production level.

## The Great Plains Conservation Program Assists Landowners

In 1957 a law was enacted which was designed to assist landowners in the Great Plains region of the U.S., which ranges from the Canadian border to the Rio Grande Valley of Texas. This law set up what is known as the Great Plains Conservation Program (GPCP) and is a voluntary, long-term contract between the producer and the Soil Conservation Service (SCS). Through technical assistance and an increased cost share level ranging from 50% to 80%, enduring conservation practices are installed and a long term management plan is developed by the operator. The operator is then responsible for carrying out his plan as scheduled.

Benefits of the GPCP are numerous. Priority is placed on areas subject to severe wind and water erosion and on areas where a change in land use is needed. Once approved, the contract guarantees the producer that funds are available to carry out the needed conservation practices over the three to ten year time period. The GPCP has proven to be very effective in establishing

much needed and expensive conservation practices and long-range management planning in Coke County and elsewhere in the designated region.

Any producer is eligible to file an application for participation in GPCP with any USDA agency. Applications taken by other agencies will be sent to the SCS field office in that area.

## Pageant Assn. Seeking Bids On Concession

The Pageant Association is advertising for bids for concession stand operators.

Bids are to give information as to what is to be served as food and drink, and what percent is to be given to the association.

Bids shall be mailed to COKE COUNTY PAGEANT ASSOCIATION P.O. Box 26, Robert Lee, Texas 76945.

Bids should be received by 5:00 p.m., June 25.

## General Tel Increases Rates

General Telephone Company of the Southwest placed rate changes in effect June 4 under statutory authority subject to refund to reduce revenue losses in excess of \$4 million a month.

E.L. Langley, president of General Telephone, said, "The revenue deficiency under consideration in Austin is based upon financial data as of Sept. 30, 1981. This means whatever the commission grants in the way of new revenue in a final order later this summer is to cover deficiencies existing since last September.

"In other words, we have lost eight months of badly needed revenues as we go through the lengthy process of assembling data, filing the paperwork, preparing testimony, holding hearings, allowing time for the parties involved to study all the information, the hearings examiner to issue a report, and the commissioners to issue a final order."

Langley said the losses amount to over \$30 million under the PUC staff's recommendation for new revenues and over \$70 million under the company's request.

"To delay placing rates in effect until a final order is issued, probably in August, would mean we would not begin collecting any new revenues until September, resulting in even greater losses."

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**TOM LOEFFLER**  
Congressman  
21st District - Texas

## Reports from Washington

### The Budget: Yet Another Battle

Prior to the Memorial Day recess the House of Representatives rejected both a budget plan endorsed by the President and several alternative liberal proposals.

It was a long week of late nights and I was deeply disturbed that the House seemed incapable of accomplishing what every American family and business requires — the formulation of an operating budget.

One point can be made about this process, however. The failure of Congress to adopt any of the proposals before it was a major defeat for the uncontrolled spending policies of the past. The Congress failed to pass a budget calling for a \$100-plus billion dollar deficit, high spending levels, and billions of dollars in new taxes. In that, there is a blessing in "failure."

Those of us in the leadership who worked hour after hour to develop a budget that represented some fiscally responsible measures have returned to work. Based on the critical votes of the various proposals, indications are that any budget which passes the House will be more conservative than the ones presented before Memorial Day.

I am absolutely convinced that we must consider budgets which address real spending reductions and reflect the lowest levels of taxation. We must pass a budget that meets the priorities of the American people and high taxes and huge deficits are not among those priorities.

The country needs and demands a sound budget and a sound budget is key to bringing down interest rates and producing a strong, enduring, economic recovery.

As we proceed toward achieving a budget that will pass the House, we must concentrate on policies that will restore jobs and provide for our national security. Those proposals which play politics and which seek to undermine the nation's security must be defeated again.

Responsible Members on both sides of the aisle must set aside partisan goals and work toward getting a budget which can secure the votes of 218 Members and which will continue the program for economic recovery initiated last year. Personally, I shall be devoting every hour of my time and every ounce of my energy to that goal.

## THANKS FRIENDS & NEIGHBORS

Although I did not win my re-election bid, words alone can never express my deep appreciation for the votes and support I received. I do not feel like a loser in that I am satisfied with my stands on the issues as a whole. I believe I maintained my integrity and did not resort to last minute political tricks, and I feel I have gained a personal experience and education.

I further feel that I have at least 509 friends in Coke County and that in itself is worth more to me than money in a bank.

Once Again  
I Sincerely Say  
THANKS

**D.W. "Dub" SIMS**

Pol. Adv. Paid for by D.W. "Dub" Sims

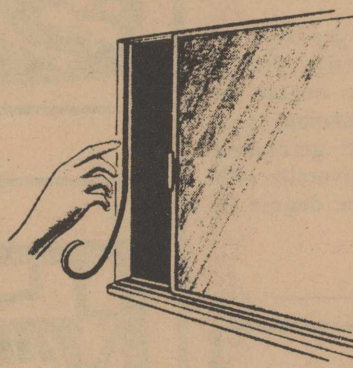
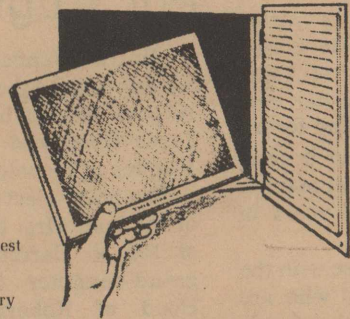
## YOU can control your use of electricity and your bill by using energy wisely.

Higher fuel prices and inflation have pushed electric costs higher in recent years.

But YOU still are a key factor in determining the size of your electric bill. Because only you can control the amount of electricity you use, a large part of the control over your bill is in your hands.

We offer these wise-use suggestions as a guide for getting the most out of every dollar you spend for electricity:

- Make sure your house has insulation equal to at least an R-19 rating in the ceiling and R-11 in the walls. Insulation pays for itself within a few years in reduced heating and cooling costs.
- Weatherstrip windows and doors, then keep them closed.
- Eliminate excess heat with draperies, storm windows, reflective films, window shades and overhangs.
- Set air conditioning thermostat at the highest comfortable setting, around 78 degrees.
- Clean or replace air conditioner filters every month or—even better—every two weeks.
- Have leaky hot water faucets repaired immediately; they waste both water and the energy used to heat it.



- Check the temperature control on your water heater. For most needs, the correct setting is 135 degrees; water heaters used for baths only may be set at 110 to 120 degrees.

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## REP. LARRY DON SHAW REPORTS FROM AUSTIN

All's well that ends well, and the 1982 special session of the Texas Legislature ended well despite a questionable beginning.

When Governor Clements called the special session, the only item on his agenda was a constitutional amendment repealing the state ad valorem property tax. Although I favor the repeal and voted for it, the urgency of the matter was questionable, and several members facing runoff elections on June 5th implied political motivations behind the Governor's apparent haste to deal with the issue with an expensive special session.

The tax was effectively (but not technically) eliminated by the 66th Legislature in 1979 when the tax rate was reduced to a nearly-nonexistent .001 percent. And since no one is required to pay if their tax bill falls below that, under the new miniscule rate, effectively exempts everyone, the tax is already a thing of the past for all intents and purposes. The only lingering problem with it is a lawsuit on the constitutionality of reducing the tax to that level and, in doing so, robbing 17 state-supported colleges and universities of their constitutionally-mandated source of building construction funds. The suit, brought by Midwestern University in Wichita Falls, is believed to have a good chance, but the final judgement on the question apparently had been postponed pending action on the funding question by the next Legislature.

Still, the Governor initially limited the special session agenda to the property tax repeal and for a while resisted demands that the agenda be expanded to

include such true emergency matters as our prison crisis and the college construction fund problem.

Fortunately, we dealt quickly with the tax repeal and the Governor was persuaded to open the session to other issues.

Those, too, were handled with dispatch and thus my judgement that the session ended well and productively after only five short days.

Briefly, here's what we accomplished:

\*We approved the constitutional amendment placing the ad valorem property tax repeal on the November ballot for passage by the voters.

\*We approved a \$56 million emergency appropriation to help relieve overcrowding in our state prison. This is less than the \$85 million requested by the Department of Corrections for the construction of 13 new prisons and, in fact, the \$56 million cannot be spent for construction but instead will be used to provide 4,400 new beds and 500 more guards and to beef up our overloaded parole and probation agencies. Meanwhile, a committee appointed by the Governor will study the situation and develop a longrange program to alleviate the overcrowding problem through increased use of supervised probation, halfway houses, work release programs and other forms of so-called community-based correction.

\*We appropriated \$151.4 million--\$134.4 million from general revenue funds and \$17 million from previously-collected ad valorem taxes--to fund construction at the 17 state colleges and universities not included in the

University of Texas or Texas A&M systems.

\*We approved a constitutional amendment exempting "implementations of husbandry" (the machinery and equipment used in the production of farm and ranch products) from property taxes. I co-sponsored this amendment, which clears up some technical problems in the Property Tax Code revisions passed last session. If approved by the voters in November, the amendment will totally exempt farm and ranch equipment and machinery from property taxes, not just the first \$30,000 of value the Attorney General says last year's revision allowed. Also, the revisions applied only to families or individuals but not to corporations or partnerships. The new amendment includes all implements of husbandry, an important change since many family farms are operated as corporations or partnerships for tax purposes.

\*I co-sponsored a constitutional amendment raising from 10% to 12% the interest rate the state can offer on state bonds, a move necessary to make water bonds more marketable in today's bond market.

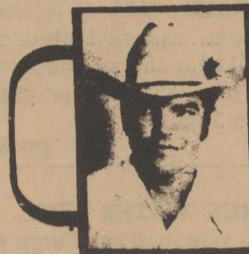
\*We passed a resolution revising and improving the language of a constitutional amendment approved last year for submission to the voters this November. The amendment (as reworded this year) will limit state welfare spending to one percent of the state budget and changes the wording from a reference to "needy children" to include "all needy persons," including the aged, the blind and disabled.

All in all, the college and prison appropriations totaled more than \$190 million, just \$2 million short of the constitutional spending limit based on the level of state revenues as reported by the State Comptroller.

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## Jerry Lackey's Country Folk

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Still the diamond fiber, mohair clip went on sale at warehouses across the state following spring shearing and by early June was mostly sold and on the way to mills. In comparison, wool tonnage movement has been slower, especially for the short wool.

In visiting with Bevie DeMotive, buyer for A.C. Wood & Sons, Ltd., and Wm. Bussey Ltd., I learned most of the Texas mohair has been cleaned out. "There is probably less than one million pounds left in the entire state." With the Texas production around 25 million pounds annually, that means there is only a pocket full left in warehouses.

A mohair sale in Uvalde recently cleared about two-thirds of roughly 150,000 pounds offered. Average and plain adult brought \$2.40, young goat \$2.80 to \$3.70, kid hair \$4.40 to \$5.88. Bids on better adult hair were turned down.

The U.S. produces 60 percent of the world's mohair, and 97 percent of the U.S. clip is produced in Texas. Having grown up on an Angora ranch in the Hill Country, I can say first hand that the 97 percent is pretty much located on the Edwards Plateau.

Now that summer has arrived, registered Angora buck sales will take place in the Junction and Rocksprings areas. Kimble County Goat Breeders Sale and the Stanley Lackey Dispersal Sale is scheduled for July 24 at the Lackey Ranch, 16 miles west of Junction.

Robert and Jean Ebeling will offer 100 registered Angora goats in a Sale July 19 at Junction Stockyards. The Second Annual Performance Tested Angora Sale will be July 8 at the Sonora

Experiment Station.

The Texas Angora Goat Raisers' Association will sponsor an Angora Kid & Yearling Club sale in Rocksprings July 10. Long-time Breeder Brooks Sweeten of Rocksprings is offering some kids and commercial does for sale at the ranch.

In August the annual Texas Angora Goat Raisers' Association Sale and Show will be presented in Rocksprings. It will be followed by the annual Angora buck sale in Junction on the second weekend.

With the coming of the annual sales, I always recall with a great deal of nostalgia the many pioneers of the industry. Names like Mrs. M. Armer, Judge Bob Davis and Arthur Davis, C.A. Pepper, Sr., J.A. Ward, Sr., Jack Turner, J.L. Gulley, Pete Gulley, B.M. Halbert, Sam Cooper, F.O. Landrum, Len Clark, Fred Earwood, S.F. Lackey, Carlton Godbold and Mrs. Vera Burrows... Their work is carried on today through the bloodlines they established.

Well, it goes back to 1849 when the first goats arrived on American soil from Turkey. Dr. James D. Davis was credited with bringing them here.

The American Angora Goat Breeders' Association is headquartered in Rocksprings, known as the Angora Goat Capital of the World. The organization was established as a registry service in 1900 and has since registered over 400,000 goats.

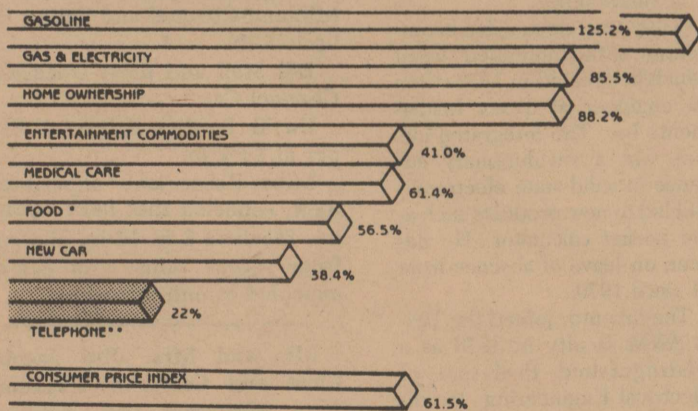
Mohair was one of the primary textile fibers of early mankind and was used in the times of Moses. So, I would say the industry has come a long way and now, more than ever, mohair is the diamond fiber.

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## EXTENSION EXTRAS

by Mary Anne Lackey

For certain products, food manufacturers must follow a set of standards established by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration to identify those products.

One of these foods is chocolate.

Federal standards of identity specify the key ingredients which must be present in chocolate products in order for them to be called "chocolate." One of these ingredients is "chocolate liquor."

Chocolate liquor, which contains no alcohol, is a traditional term used in manufacturing chocolate. When the roasted and shelled cocoa bean is finely ground, it liquefies and becomes chocolate liquor. According to federal requirements, to be labeled "chocolate," the chocolate flavor of a product must be substantially derived from chocolate liquor.

The term "white chocolate" is a misnomer since the product it describes contains absolutely no chocolate liquor, the substance which gives chocolate its characteristic flavor.

Store leftovers immediately after eating, and certainly don't leave them at room temperature more than two hours, cautions Mary K. Sweeten, a food and nutrition specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Leaving them longer poses food-spoilage threats.

Bacteria which cause foodborne illness grow rapidly at temperatures between 40-140 degrees F.--or room temperature. If in doubt about the safety of food, throw it away, she says.

## TO ALL CITIZENS OF COKE COUNTY:

It is with humble and grateful hearts that we express our thanks for the election of me as your new county judge - as of January 1983, and thank you for the privilege during the campaign to meet many of you for the first time and to renew many acquaintances. It is my desire to know each of you better and to serve in the capacity to which you have elected me - as we all strive for harmony and advancement in the business of our county.

In this last election we were touched deeply by your concern and efforts, and we really appreciate it. May God bless each of you and through your prayers and God's help "all things are possible".

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## Political Announcements

The Observer has been authorized to announce the candidacy of persons listed below for the offices and in the elections indicated:

### NOVEMBER GENERAL ELECTION

**For Congress, 17th District--**  
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## RL Elementary Honor Rolls

Robert Lee Elementary School Principal William Hood has announced the following honor rolls for the sixth six week of the 1981-82 school term and also the honor roll for the entire year. They are as follows:

### Sixth Six Weeks

3rd Grade: Sheree Burns, Stephen Epperson, Emily King, Brent McPeck, Janet Pentecost and Vivian Ybarra.

4th Grade: Warren Brasher, Tiffany Jameson and Dawn Kleiber.

5th Grade: Cody Anthony, Lisa Bower, Ericka Clendenen and Scott Ray.

6th Grade: Stevie Ebenstein, Randy Gartman, Jason Herring, Wes Hood, Robert Runnion, Kelly Tomlinson and Claudette Walker.

### Year Honor Roll

3rd Grade: Emily King and Janet Pentecost.

4th Grade: Dawn Kleiber and Tiffany Jameson.

5th Grade: Cody Anthony and Lisa Bower.

6th Grade: Randy Gartman, Jason Herring and Robert Runnion.

To remove odors in a microwave, boil one cup of water and several tablespoons of lemon juice in the oven for five to seven minutes, suggests Bonnie Piernot, a family resource management specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.



## LOOK WHO'S NEW

Patrick and Deborah Riley of Zephyr, are parents of a son, Kyle Duane, born Wednesday, May 19 at Brownwood Regional Hospital. He weighed 5 pounds 10 ounces and was 18½ inches long.

He has a sister Amanda Cheri who was 6 years old May 18.

The grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Frank Duane Conger of Zephyr and Rev. and Mrs. Bob Riley of Brownwood. Mrs. Fred Conger of Llano (formerly of Tennyson) is the great-grandmother.

## West Coke Hospital News

The following admissions and dismissals have been reported by the West Coke County Hospital District:

June 1: No admissions. Edith Stout dismissed.

June 2: No admissions. Vera Harris and A.L. Lafon dismissed.

June 3: Claud Beavers admitted. Mildred Wojtek and Maurine Vosburg dismissed.

June 4: No admissions. No dismissals.

June 5: No admissions. No dismissals.

June 6: Santos Gloria admitted. No dismissals.

June 7: No admissions. No dismissals.

## Aggie inventor inducted into Hall of Fame

**COLLEGE STATION** — The inventor of the integrated circuit and the hand-held calculator—a Texas A&M University electrical engineer—has been chosen for induction into the National Inventors Hall of Fame.

Jack S. Kilby of Dallas will join Thomas Edison, Alexander Graham Bell, the Wright Brothers and other legendary inventors already named to the distinguished group. Kilby is one of five inventors named this year to the honor coordinated by the U.S. Patent and Trademark office.

Kilby was elected for his invention of the integrated circuit which he created in 1958 when an engineer at Texas Instruments Inc. The integrated circuit was a revolutionary advance in solid-state electronics and led to new products such as the pocket calculator. He has been on leave of absence from TI since 1970.

The inventor joined the Texas A&M faculty in 1978 as a Distinguished Professor of Electrical Engineering. He divides his time between Texas A&M programs and his other research activities.

## Lake Spence Fishing News

Paint Creek Marina  
Clyde Lewis and Cliff Godfrey-Robert Lee-15 catfish (25 lbs. total).

E.J. Kitchens-Odessa-Several channel catfish (approx. 30 lbs. dressed).

Ronnie Kanovedski (12 year old)-Big Spring-1 Black Bass 3½ lbs.

Larry Wallace and Donny Moore-Sterling City-14 lbs. and 6 oz. of catfish (yellow, blue and channel).

Bob and Joyce Roach-Odessa-14 Stripers from 7 to 10 lbs. (two days).

Wildcat Fish-A-Rama  
Jerry McKenzie-Loop-34 White Bass to 1¼ lb.

Bill Dawkin-Midland-20 channel cat to 3½ lbs. and 10 Croppie to ¾ lb.

Mr. and Mrs. W.J. Mashburn-Abilene-16 Stripers from 4 lb. to 10 lb. (two days).

Vernon Wood and party-Kermit-51 Channel cat up to 4½ lbs.

Mr. and Mrs. W.J. Mashburn-Abilene-10 Stripers up to 8 lbs. Skinny's Hillside

Cecil Suddth and Gary Tedford-Winters-4 Stripers-8 lb., 10½ lb., 13 lbs. and 17 lbs.

N.S. Sloan-30 Channel Cat on rod and reel.

John Blair-Merkel-142 Catfish and 1 Striper 9½ lbs.

Wayne Brown-Odessa-60 Channel Cat.

Bill Burns-Robert Lee-1 Blue Cat 20 lbs. and 75 lbs. catfish all together.

Dallas and Vallery Johnson-Robert Lee-8 Channel Cat and 1 Yellow Cat at 6 lbs.

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Robert Settles and party-Midland-40 Croppie.

Terry Joiner and party-Odessa-6 channel cat up to 4 lbs., 30 Croppie, 6 Black Bass to 2½ lbs. and several White Bass.

Paul Powers and party-Odessa-12 Channel Cat to 1½ lbs., 4 White Bass, and 8 Croppie.

Jody Wallace-Odessa-2 Stripers up to 4 lbs, 4 Channel Cat to 2 lbs., and 6 Black Bass to 2 lbs.

Joe Phillips-Odessa-2 Stripers 5 lb. and 8 lb.

Allen Abbott-Odessa-1 Black Bass 3½ lbs.

Mr. and Mrs. Meloin Price-Odessa-Several catfish and croppie.

Don Warren and family-Odessa-90 croppie.

Steve Nelson-Eldorado, Tx.-1 Striper 17¼ lb.

Greg Moore and David Peance-Midland-Channel and Yellow Cat up to 7 lbs.

Bill Stell and party-Odessa-30 Channel Cat.

David Sterling-Odessa-1 Striper at 13¾ lb.

Mike Ross, lake superintendent, reported that Lake Spence has received 2 ft. 10 in. of water from recent rains with run-off expected to end this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Jacobs, Chad and Carrie of Pasadena were Memorial Day weekend guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. O.B. Jacobs, and V.M. Box and other relatives.

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## McBrooms Living In Argentina; Write About Interesting Trip

(Editor's Note--

Mrs. McBroom and her daughter, Marilyn, are living in Argentina and have written about their trip. Mrs. McBroom will be teaching the children of the missionaries living there. She is a former, long time first grade teacher in the Robert Lee Schools.

Marilyn will be doing work for the Churches of Christ. They are on an extended stay and due to the unrest in the country the Observer thought their story would be of interest to our readers.)

Marilyn and I left Robert Lee on March 31, going on to Abilene where Marilyn met with the elders of the University Church of Christ to plan with them her schedule of work.

We spent the night with Bettye Blav and Bert Ashe.

April 1 & 2

While Marilyn ran around finishing her business in Abilene, I spent the morning visiting Claire and Leon Butts and their daughter, Allison. Claire is the daughter of my niece, Chanda Kellam, who made the trips with me to the Bahamas and the Northwest. It was afternoon before we got away to Junction, where we visited my sister, Inez Sullivan, in the home of her daughter, Prestene Gorman, and her husband, Bill. Inez lives in the nursing home, strong of mind but weak of body.

April 3

We arrive in San Antonio today for the most important thing in this portion of our journey--visiting with my 7-month-old grand daughter Amanda and her parents, Tom and SuAnne McBroom.

April 4-7

These days were spent just visiting, shopping, etc. Except for two important things for me, I was rudely introduced to fire ants--at least 15 of them on my left foot and 3 on my right, and I came down with the first cold I've had in two years and the first I remember that ever rattled deep in my chest. (As I write this April 10, I still have a deep cough, but no longer feel sick. Vicks and Listerine have helped.)

Jefferson Church of Christ had a reception for Marilyn and me after services Wednesday night. That we appreciate very much.

April 8 & 9

Tom took the afternoon off from work so he could see us off from the airport where we were joined by Kendall Coffman, a nephew.

There was a little excitement on this first leg of our flight. Marilyn laid our tickets in the seat while we settled our carry-on luggage and they disappeared. No amount of searching did any good in those cramped quarters, and not until we arrived at DFW did they appear--on the floor behind our seats. We entertained each other (and occupied our minds) by trying to identify the lakes we were passing. Probably the big ones were Travis, Whitney, and Possum Kingdom, but we aren't sure.

Ashes from the Mexican volcano had the air so polluted around San Antonio that it was impossible to get good pictures and it was still hazy at Dallas, but there were more drifting clouds as we left. Shreveport and the lakes on the Sabine River were visible, but soon after that the cloud cover became solid. Only rarely could we catch patches of ground, but I'm hoping for some

beautiful cloud pictures. One cloud bank was especially beautiful, appearing as bluffs beside a blue sea. The "rocks" were all white or covered with snow.

The captain told us when we passed over New Orleans, but the clouds were still solid.

There didn't seem to be electricity in any of the clouds we were flying over, but as we crossed the gulf there was one cloud bank far off to the left that kept up a beautiful display after sunset. It was really worth watching for the hour or more.

At one point, far below there appeared a big round yellow light. At first I thought it was a street light or some such, but in "travelled" with us. But I did recognize the moon before it was mentioned by others, else I'd have felt rather stupid.

We arrived in Miami about 8:00 p.m. and were scheduled to leave on a Pan Am 747 at 10:45. There were some moments of stress when another Pan Am arrived from New York with information (from the passengers) about the depth of snow in New York and their delay in taking off. It concerned me to think of arriving late in a foreign land and not knowing how to contact our friends. (I knew I needn't worry, but that didn't stop me.) Sure enough we were 15 minutes late, but of course that wasn't enough to matter.

My fatigue on Friday was due at all to jet lag. It was due entirely to lack of sleep. My cough and other problems (including excitement) kept me awake most of Wednesday night and Thursday night I slept not at all. It was my fervent hope that the clouds would dissipate and I could see South America by moonlight, especially when crossing the equator, but that desire was denied. It was after daylight before the clouds thinned at all. Marilyn thought she saw the Amazon, but wasn't sure, but not long after that the times we could see the ground became more frequent and the openings larger.

Marilyn got a picture of the sunrise in the clouds in the east, and I took shots from the window on the west. We're hoping.

The nearer we came to Buenos Aires the more excited Marilyn became. I had to hold her to keep her from jumping out the window when we passed in view of Castelar, the section of town where we will live! It was a real trial for her when they told us to fasten our seat belts to land and she had to sit down! We arrive on schedule and had collected our luggage and gone through customs in about 30 minutes. The only hitch came when I had to rescue the key to my suitcase from the bottom of my purse.

We were met at the airport by the entire team of missionaries for this section of Buenos Aires; George and Bertha Roggendorff and their children, Paul and Leahanna; Reese and Jacquie Mitchell and their children, Laura, Jeff, Marcus, and Karen; Jake and Marilyn Vincent and their children, Joel, Anni, and Benji, and Jay and Kathy Abels who had just arrived the day before. We and our luggage were loaded into their cars and brought to the Roggendorff's where we will stay until we can locate an apartment of our own. There were 20 of us who ate together at noon, then the other families scattered to their homes to prepare Easter eggs. Marilyn and I stayed at the Roggendorff's

and just rested.

This morning I awoke to the sound of dogs barking, roosters crowing and cars honking as they passed. Added to these familiar sounds was the whistle of a street vendor as he passed.

The weather here is beautiful, much like a warm spring day in Robert Lee, but it is the fall flowers that are in bloom, for in fact it is early fall.

This was a very exciting day. Alexander Haig arrived to try to bring peace between Argentina and England, to be met with a massive turnout of Argentines in the public plaza. It was on TV all day, but of course I understood nothing of what was said. I could catch words occasionally, but sentences never. However, the meeting appeared to be peaceable and under control. It took 4 hours for Bertha to watch Quo Vadis because of the interruptions.

Bertha made me a birthday cake and they gave me a book of pictures of Argentina and a writing pad (because they'd heard me tell Marilyn I needed one to use for a diary.)

In the afternoon Marilyn and I went with George to the office, talked to a real estate agent about a house or apartment for us, then went to the bus station to catch a bus to the Vincents'. After what seemed to be an hour of waiting for the right bus, we gave up and walked back to the Roggendorff's.

April 11

The missionaries in this area of Buenos Aires attend church in 3 different suburbs. We went to church this morning in Morris with the Roggendorffs, the went to the home of the Vincents for an "asado" or outdoor barbecue in their yard. The Mitchells met us there after their services in San Antonio de Padu. They had another birthday cake for me and gave me a little silver teapot called a pava, which is an essential in any Argentine home. They assure me it will be used daily. In any case I shall treasure it always.

It was interesting to attend church where I understood so little of what was being said, but I could understand the songs and most of the Bible readings.

It gives me a great deal of pleasure to see the reception Marilyn gets wherever we go among the Argentine Christians. She seems to be universally loved.

There was an Easter egg hunt at the Vincents' for all the children--or should I say a series of hunts. First the men hid the eggs for all the children, then the children took turns hiding them for each other. Everybody had a great time.

Marilyn went to church in Castelar with the Vincents tonight, but I came on home. One church service in Spanish was enough for one day. Besides, I'm still pampering the cold I got in San Antonio.

There was an unexpected treat tonight. Joe Littlejohn, a missionary to Capetown, South Africa, was passing through on his way home for a visit and stopped by here. George picked him up at the airport and brought him here for supper but has now taken him to the Mitchell's to spend the night. It was very interesting to hear him tell of his experiences with the apartheid situation in Capetown. By law the city is divided into White, Colored, Black and Indian sections. His work is primarily in colored sector. (The Coloreds are the intermediates or crossed between black and white, with colors shading all between.)

The Roggendorff children are supposed to be doing their homework now. I'm sort of anxious to

see what they are doing. They use the Calvert correspondence courses, which I've heard about but never seen.

April 14

So much has happened so fast I've really fallen behind in writing. Monday I tried to catch up on some sleep. Tuesday all the missionary women got together for a devotional and visit while the men had their planning session, and today we went house hunting. We think we have found the place, but have a week to make the final decision.

Ruel Lemons and Tom Callaghan came in from Austin last night. They're checking out sites to hold the Pan American lectures next fall. Buenos Aires seems to be at the top of the list so far as they are concerned. Marilyn and I are planning to go into Buenos Aires with George tomorrow and make the guided tour before coming back.

April 15

The last time I walked so far and climbed so many stairs was when I was in Chicago for Robert's wedding many years ago! After going to town via the "altapista", we climbed into and out of subways, buses, etc. until my legs are so sore I can hardly walk. George asked after we got home what had impressed me the most, but I didn't tell him!

Buenos Aires is a beautiful city, with parks and statues everywhere. In the center of downtown is one street about 20 blocks long where they enlarged it by razing all the buildings on the blocks between two existing streets.

There aren't many private cars compared to the States, but never have I seen so many taxis. They literally travel in flocks.

Our tour took us first to the rich section of town where one family occupies an entire floor of a high rise apartment house, and to the embassies of many nations, each of which displays its own style of architecture. Then we drove through the business section, where the streets are barely wide enough for cars to meet. Different sections show different influences even in architecture, such as the French section, the Spanish area, the Italian sector, the Greek, and the English. A replica of Big Ben in one park is an English tribute to Argentine independence; a statue of George Washington is part of America's tribute. Other statues etc. were gifts of France, Spain, Germany and others. After visiting these places we went to La Boca (the mouth), where the Riochuelo river runs into La Plata. This is not only where Aristotle Onassis got his start, but is the home of the world champion soccer team.

We were fortunate in the time of our tour, because we got to see the mothers marching in the Plaza de Mayo. Every Thursday from 3-4 PM, the mothers, wives, and sisters of men who disappeared in the coup several years ago, meet in silent protest and march in a circle in the plaza. The names of the missing men are written on white scarves which they wear, but nothing is said. They just walk slowly around and around.

Buenos Aires grew up on the pampas, or treeless plains, but now has many many trees, all imported. It seems that anything will grow here if given half a chance. There are rubber trees--the same kind we have in our houses at home--that are as big as any liveoak I have ever seen. And yes, I have seen some of those with historical markers. I took a picture of Marilyn half a block away from one, and the tree filled the viewfinder. Another tree called the barracho has beautiful pink blooms and a bottle-shaped trunk.

They have an interesting custom here. Instead of raking leaves in the fall, they prune the trees back to the trunk before the leaves fall. Of course they miss the beauty of fall leaves, but that seems to be the way they like it.

April 29

It looks like I got behind on my diary! Everything has been happening so fast!

Marilyn and I ended up renting the first apartment we saw. It is in a complex where visitors have to buzz us from the gate and we push a button to unlock it. This makes it much safer for 2 women alone. We have a large living-dining room, a kitchen, and a half bath downstairs. Upstairs are 3 bedrooms, a bath, and a (lavaderia) or washroom. The only trouble is that we're getting an American washer, which is too big to go through the door to the lavaderia and must be installed in my kitchen. We're having a lot of fun buying furniture etc.

We have set a record. We're the first missionaries to come here and have a place to live in less than 2 or 3 months.

Getting a house isn't all we've done. On Monday, April 19, Marilyn took me to town to meet a tutor, and get me set up for Spanish lessons. Now all the other women want to have lessons, too, as soon as I can take over the English teaching duties. I hope that will be next week.

Last week-end we all attended a retreat sponsored by the Morris congregation. The theme was (The Christian Family), with classes for men, women, and children. Amazingly I could understand a great deal. I think both the women who taught my classes took special pains to speak distinctly for my benefit, but of course that was good for others as well.

The retreat was at Betania, (Bethany), a beautiful camp with playgrounds, a gym, and a large swimming pool. The boys swam Saturday afternoon, but it was a little bit cool for the rest! (It's like late October there.) Saturday evening there was a talent show where the kids did skits to bring out some Bible theme.

Marilyn has gone to town with the Roggendorffs today. They are checking into passports and other papers to see about the prospects of going into Chile to help out in a campaign there next month. Presumably my tourist visa is all I'll need, but with the current political situation one never knows.

Jerry Hill, who recently had to leave Guatemala because of the unrest there, is directing the Chilean campaign. He plans to come here for a short time immediately afterward. Jerry is a brother-in-law to R.L. Roberts, who preached for the Church of Christ in Robert Lee for a number of years.

I have been doing some hand washing today. (Some things can't wait for that new washer to arrive). Trouble is, I can't get used to things not drying! Part of that stuff has been out at least 4 hours and still is almost dripping! Of course they have the same problem in East Texas and all the southern states. It sure makes you appreciate West Texas and New Mexico!

I don't think I'll ever learn to use Argentine money! Everything they have is in terms of thousands or even millions--and I only taught first grade! I can handle 1-100 fairly well, but 1000-1,000,000 gets me down!







Dorthea Wright, Quint Anthony and Steve Thomas

**Q. Anthony Attends Symposium**

Nineteen outstanding students and teachers from the area served by West Texas Utilities Company attended the 22nd Annual Energy Science Symposium at the University of Texas at Austin. The Conference got underway Tuesday, June 1st and ended Friday, June 4th.

Sponsored by WTU from this area, were Miss Dorothea Wright, Robert Lee High School Teacher, Quint Anthony, Robert Lee High School Student, and

Steve Thomas, WTU Representative.

The Symposium is jointly sponsored by the Texas Atomic Energy Research Foundation and the University of Texas. West Texas Utilities is one of the sponsoring companies.

The 500 selected high school science students and teachers who attend the session are offered the rare opportunity of hearing lectures by some of the nation's outstanding scientists.

The Foundation was formed for the primary purpose of conducting the world's first and largest privately financed research effort in the field of nuclear energy. Currently, the Foundation and University are sponsoring a program in nuclear fusion research aimed at controlling thermonuclear reactions for the production of electric power.

The goal of the Foundation and WTU is not research alone, but to also assist in the advancement of the knowledge of energy science in Texas schools. Of special interest to the sponsors is bringing to students and teachers a realization of the privileges, responsibilities and opportunities which scientific discoveries in the field of energy presents.

WTU paid all expenses for the 19 students and teachers attending from schools in the area served by the company. Lecturers at the Symposium were chosen from top men in their field.

There are over 1,000 accredited senior high schools in the state of Texas. Robert Lee can be justly proud of its high school for having been chosen as one of the 150 high schools in the state invited to send students and teachers to the Symposium.

Mrs. Henrietta Payne of Clovis, N.M. recently spent a nice long visit with her brothers and families, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Wallace and Mr. and Mrs. Gib Wallace. Also a guest in the Calvin Wallace home is Mrs. Wallace's grandson, Kerry Waddell, of San Angelo.

**BASEBALL UPDATE**

Things are getting tight in the bottom half of League play especially in the major boys race. Some great games are being played and you are missing grand entertainment if your missing it.

**Pee Wee**

In the 5-29 game against the Cards the RL team came up short 18-17 in a high scoring contest. On June 1st the RL bunch fell again, this time 9-2 was the final score. In the June 4 game with Bronte it was a good game with both teams scoring well. However the RL team surged at the end with the time running out at 10-8 Robert Lee.

**Little League**

The RL team came up short on May 29 against the Dodgers 5-4 leaving the tying run on third in the top of the 6th. On June 1 in the game with the Jets, it was a display of defense by both teams.

With the game only lasting 55 minutes it was a squeaker with the Jets upsetting RL with an error to score winning it 3-1. On June 4, the game between RL and Bronte, what started out to be a rout turned into a close exciting game. With RL leading 6-1 going into the top of the 6th, Bronte made a run to come with in 1 with two outs. Men on 1st and 3rd, catcher Jason Herring threw to 2nd baseman Robert Runnion to pick off the runner to end the game 6-5, Robert Lee.

Robert Lee has one more home game Friday, June 11, before play-offs begin. Your attendance and support is needed. Please attend.

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