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GARTMAN BROTHERS AND SISTERS



Three brothers and five sisters, the oldest 85 and the youngest 62, represent a combined age as great or greater than any other Coke family.

The surviving members of the Joe Gartman family, mostly reared at Sanco, they are, front row, left to right, in the order of their ages, H. J. Gartman of Grand Prairie, Mrs. Lura Reid of Sanco, Mrs. Mary Crocker of Brownwood, Mrs. Fonie Scarborough of Abilene, Bryan Gartman of Sanco, Mrs. Alice Preslar of Sanco, Mrs. Velma Denman of Sanco, and Dewey Gartman of Robert Lee.

The above Observer photo was taken at the Sanco Tabernacle on the occasion of the annual Gartman reunion, Easter Sunday.

PTA Officers Installed In Final Meeting Of School Year Thursday

The Robert Lee Parent Teachers Association held its final meeting of this school year last Thursday night.

During the business meeting, the unit voted to buy 16 - 4000 BTU and one (1) - 5000 BTU air conditioning units for the class rooms. These are Paramount Air Conditioners and are being purchased from West Texas Utilities Co. here in Robert Lee.

Installation of these units started last Friday and will probably

Steers Go Into District Games

While missing Curtis Higginbotham's ball twirling at the mound, the Robert Lee High School Steers went into district play with a lively club, Coach Malone said Tuesday, as he took the Steers to Wall for what he considered one of the tough games of the district.

Terry Thetford is pitching. Hallmark and Dodson by turns wear the catcher's mit; Taylor Jones and Carl Hatch at first; Lynn White and Robert Wink at second; Phil Lowder and Robert Wink at short stop; Pistol Hood and Charlie Askins, third; C. L. Sparks, Dennis Gartman, and Clark Godwin in the outfield.

Comie Hallmark, who had been in the hospital with an infected hand, was booked to play at Wall.

One Act Play Wins Second Place In Regional Contest

Robert Lee High School presented its one-act play in Regional V-B competition and placed second in a field of eight entries.

Linda Jacoby and Derwood Coalson were selected to the All-Star cast of six. Other cast members were: Anne White, Phil Lowder, Mike Malone and Rusty Dodson.

Menard High School, 1962 state winner, won the contest. Robert Lee will be the state meet alternate play.

be finished by this weekend. The work is being done by fathers of the community.

The P.T.A. is asking for donations of 17 covers for the Air Conditioners each costing \$5.10. Anyone wishing to donate may contact Mr. Lewis Heuvel, Mrs. Sterling Lindsey or Mrs. W. E. Jacoby.

The Legislative vote was discussed and it was voted that each member study the material and have their vote in Mr. Douglas Dean's office by Thursday — in order for them to reach the State office by May 1st.

The program on Physical Fitness was presented by Mr. Dean and Coach John Malone. The program was well received with a question and answer session after the presentation of the President's program and what this school is doing. This same program should reach down into the lower grades but the lack of facilities prevents this being done here.

New officers were installed by outgoing president, Mrs. Jacoby. New officers being elected in an earlier meeting were —

President—Mrs. R. L. Flanagan. Vice President—Mrs. Cumbie Ivey Jr.

Secretary — Mrs. Sterling Lindsey

Treasurer — Mrs. Edna Havins. Parliamentarian — Mrs. Bernard Petty

Historian — Mrs. Bill Beaty. Publications — Mrs. Ava Lou Hanna

The third grade won the room award for having the largest number of parents present. Refreshments were served by the Hospitality Committee.

SAM POWELL REMAINS SERIOUSLY ILL HERE

Sam Powell of Robert Lee continues seriously ill at Coke Memorial Hospital from strokes suffered at his home early Wednesday morning, March 27, and later that day after admission to the hospital. Up to Tuesday afternoon, no change was reported in his condition.

Mrs. Powell teaches in the Robert Lee schools, and they operate a ranch north of Robert Lee.

Twisters To Play At Ballinger In Shaping Up Club

The Robert Lee Rabbit Twisters, getting organized for the season, will return the visit of the Ballinger Indians, going to Ballinger Sunday.

The Indians, already lined up with several games behind them, took the game here in the last two innings Sunday 7-3. Four high school boys played with the Twisters — Pistol Hood on third, Rusty Dodson catching, Phil Lowder at short stop, and Robert Wink in right field.

Richard Dumas pitched most of the game, with Dale Wojtek relieving him in the last inning.

Ronnie Baker, manager of the Twisters, said that the local camp of the Woodman of the World, has voted to sponsor the Twisters as well as the Little League this summer — a full summer sports program here.

Outlook now is that some of the high school boys will be on the regular line-up this summer.

Doug Thetford Is Improved, Recovering From Severe Burns

Douglas Thetford, son of County Judge and Mrs. W. W. Thetford, is in Clinic Hospital, San Angelo, for more specialized treatment after being treated at Coke Memorial for second and third degree burns. He received the burns when gasoline from the tank on his motor scooter caught fire from a spark from the motor.

The fourteen-year-old boy, who wears leg braces from a polio attack suffered in early infancy, had to disengage himself from the little vehicle and roll in the grass to extinguish the flames, with both the scooter and clothing on his back blazing fiercely.

Judge Thetford said his son is showing improvement, some infection which had appeared being checked and that he might be able to return home next week.

Steers Wallop Wall In Second District Baseball Of Season

The Robert Lee Steers, according to their mentor, Coach John Malone, used good teamwork to make their 8 to 5 win over the baseball-playing Wall squad Tuesday afternoon.

Terry Thetford shut Wall out from the mound until the fifth, then tired enough so they got hits in the 5th, 6th, and 7th.

Comie Hallmark squeezed the first play to make third, then Robert Wink got a double and cleared the bases. Lynn White starred at bat in 2 singles and a triple hit, Wink with a walk, a single, and a double, while Taylor Jones made a sensational running catch to add a thrill in the fielding.

The Steers, now with two district victories, head to Talpa tomorrow, Friday, April 26. April 30 they go to Paint Rock, May 7 Talpa comes here, and May 10, Melvin here. Also Wall is due for a make-up game here.

Mary Wojtek, who was second in ready writing at the district contest, won 4th at the regional, and Ranelle Bloodworth, 2nd in typing at the district was 4th at the regional contest at Odessa.

Contract Details For Nursing Home Shaped

A letter from Richard S. Perkins, Executive Vice-President of Golden Heritage, Inc. accepts suggested changes in a first draft of the contract between them and S. E. Adams as trustee acting for the Board of Community Development.

"I think this might be more workable from our point of view and I sincerely appreciate your

help and understanding," wrote Mr. Perkins.

He enclosed a second draft of the contract, which Mr. Dickey said is acceptable in his opinion.

Deed and title policy on the land is to be delivered to Golden Heritage without cost to them. Golden Heritage "agrees to construct on said premises a modern, attractive, fire-proof building having an area of about 6,500 square feet, and operate the same as a nursing home, the said nursing home to be constructed in Robert Lee, Texas, to be of 30 bed capacity, costing First Party (Golden Heritage) approximately \$75,000.00 more or less, and to have sufficient operating staff to pass state regulations.

"First party agrees that construction of said nursing home will be commenced within ninety (90) days from date said title insurance policy is delivered to first party, and said construction shall be completed within one hundred and eighty days (180) days from such date of delivery of title insurance policy barring Acts of God or those other occurrences beyond the control of the builder or First Party."

(The above is the latest information on the home. The following was written earlier.)

Frank C. Dickey, who handled the title work on the site to be used by Golden Heritage Homes here, told the BCD at their noon meeting Tuesday that Golden Heritage has submitted an acceptable contract, which provides for work to begin within sixty days after the contract is signed.

It is understood that when the nursing home has signed the contract, the preliminary paper details will have been completed for the construction of the building to cost somewhere between \$40,000 and \$60,000.

The site, just east of the hospital grounds, would be graded and prepared for the building with funds included in the \$1,000 raised by local people.

When they were here several weeks ago, officials of the company said they planned a brick-vener to house thirty people, two beds to the room, with six of these beds of a hospital type that may be used for those living at the home who may be ill.

A nurse is to be on the staff of the home.

Robert McBroom At Region Meet, Was District Winner

Competing in a written test on science, covering physics, chemistry and biology, Robert McBroom won first at the district meet in San Angelo recently and represented Robert Lee at Odessa.

The team at the district consisted of Robert, Dwain Walker, and Clark Godwin, both of whom placed.

Robert, who has done shop work in printing connected with high school journalism, is planning to work in the Observer print shop this summer.

TAKE A LOOK AT THE ADS. A little time spent in reading them is time well spent.

Coalson, Ellis To Run In State Track At Austin May 3-4

Derwood Coalson and Don Ellis, local track standouts, have qualified to run in the Texas State Track Meet at Austin, May 3-4.

In the regional meet at Odessa the past weekend, Coalson placed first in the 180 yard low hurdles race with the best mark of the season, 19.9 seconds. Coalson also placed third in the 120 yard high hurdles in a very close finish.

Ellis won the 880 yard dash in 2:07.5 seconds.

Mike Ledbetter gained a fifth place tie in the pole vault, with a jump of 10 ft 3 inches. Rusty Dodson threw the shot put 41 feet 1 inch and Dennis Gartman ran a 440 yard dash in 54.7 seconds.

Daphne Roe Blue Ribbon Winner in 4-H Club Contest

Daphne Roe, 15 year old 4-H Club member from Silver, was a winner in the District Seven Favorite Food Show held Saturday in San Angelo. Daphne exhibited a Cracker Tart Pie in the Milk Group of the show. She was blue ribbon winner of the district in her group. This entitled Daphne to enter the state contest during 4-H Round-Up on June 5 at A & M College. Daphne is enrolled in Unit III Foods. She has been a 4-H Club member for six years. Her parents are Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Roe Jr. of Silver, and she is a sophomore in Colorado City High School.

The other senior participant from Coke County was Jo Alice Evans, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Evans. Jo Alice, president of the Robert Lee 4-H Club, entered the Meat Group.

Junior entries were Marilyn Wallace, daughter of the J. C. Wallace of Robert Lee, who exhibited a chocolate cake in the Bread and Cereal Group; Kathy Service, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Service Jr. of Robert Lee, who exhibited a Lima Bean Casserole in the Vegetable Group.

The girls were accompanied to San Angelo by Mmes. J. B. Evans, Truman Parker, J. O. Rudd, and A. J. Kirkpatrick; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Service Jr.; J. C. Wallace; and Mrs. Fay C. Roe, County Home Demonstration Agent.

JP RECORDS SEVENTY TWO ROOSTER FIGHTING FINES

Fines continued to be paid throughout last week and into this week, as 72 chicken fighters had pled guilty up to Tuesday afternoon, with only four more to report at the office of Justice of the Peace Roy Ross.

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TRICKS OF THE MONGOLS IS SERIES GOING INTO FACTS NOT OFTEN TOLD

Considerable study and personal experiences has gone into a series of frank but friendly articles under the general heading, "Tricks of the Mongols," beginning this week.

It deals with some of the strange things that have happened during the past 50 years inside religious organizations and educational circles and in government during the years the writer was in public school, college, university, and graduate studies, as well as in public life.

HOSPITAL NEWS

- April 17 — Mrs. John Walker, Douglas Thetford dismissed.
- April 18 — Mr. O. Faries dismissed.
- April 19 — Mrs. Gene Hinnard admitted.
- April 20 — Mrs. T. E. Matlock, Mrs. Henry Briscoe, Mrs. R. C. Russell admitted.
- April 21 — Mrs. Lee Hallmark, Mrs. W. E. Casey admitted. Mrs. Lizzie McCutchen dismissed.
- April 22 — Mrs. D. M. Millican, Hugh Lewis, Sr. admitted.

TAKE A LOOK AT THE ADS.

Observations

(A Personal Word By The Editor)

Ever since I can remember there has been two notions around, one in the town and the other in the country.

Maybe not so much now as it once was, but too often farmers and ranchmen have had the idea that their home town retailer was getting rich at the customer's expense—a sort of a parasite living off of his dollar.

On the other hand too many working men and some business men have had the notion back in their minds that the landowner was a sort of bloated capitalist, especially if he had enough land to make a fair living. He ought to have it taxed out of him.

We ought to get away from both ideas.

Where one home town merchant is making money, two are just barely getting by, and another is going out of business—just like it is out on the stock farm. What's wrong about the merchant making a little money, if he's a good business man? He will need it to expand his business and give you the service you want. He has got to make some money if he can stand to give anybody credit for thirty, sixty, or 700 days like he is often asked to do.

On the other hand, what's wrong with the landowner making a little money too? He'll need it when the next drought comes, and it may be here already. He will need it to pay taxes with the two, three, four, five, or maybe more years he won't make enough out of his livestock to pay interest and taxes, net.

When oil companies ask for their valuations to be lowered, they do it on the basis that their wells are being depleted, their income is less.

When they ask that the landowners taxes be raised, they never bring that up. For the landowner, the valuation does not depend on income. For the oil company, it does. Who ever thought up that sort of a double standard?

Coke County landowners have always been faithful to pay their taxes. They have borrowed money through many a year to pay their taxes. They have kept the county going on that borrowed money in years when there were no oil operations within a hundred miles of here.

Land valuations are theoretically low. But that has been taken care of. Enough levy has been made on these low valuations to bring the total tax take up to what the traffic will bear.

A piece of land that brings in \$750 in grass lease pays \$110 per year in state, county and school taxes. If the tax levy continues to rise, then the man who is leasing that land and trying to make a living off of livestock is going to have to pay more for his lease.

The time has come when a good many citizens in Robert Lee who ranch on leased grass will be paying any tax increase levied on the land they lease, through higher leases. But they are already paying as much as the business will bear.

The stock argument around the land is, "Get into another business, then. That one isn't paying."

But where will they go to get into another business? Not likely around here. Want to lose them as customers in your grocery store, dry goods store, garage, drug store, filling station.

The county has a tax levy of \$227,000 per year, and 99 per cent of it is paid. The commissioners court for several years now has followed a policy of pay-as-you-go,

and the bonded indebtedness is being cut down, and the warranted indebtedness is practically nil.

They have studied how to find a way to get new fire trucks without new debt, and have done it. Other improvements have been studied, with the same idea in view.

We believe that policy is working, they are to be commended for following it, and that under it other needed improvements can be made without new debt and without new taxes. It will take a little longer, maybe, but the money will go farther, for it will all go to the improvement and not to interest, and it can be done

without levying any new tax, or raising valuations, and home people will get more of the work and more of the benefit.

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biggest of them all; the 570-foot San Jacinto Monument, commemorating decisive battle of Texas history; Gulf Coast Beaches, some of the finest in the world; the Alamo, "Cradle of Texas Liberty," and in the center of the state, Texas Longhorn Cavern, biggest cave in the state and third largest in the world, one of Texas' most spectacular natural wonders. Sightseeing is fun in Texas.

TRICKS OF THE MONGOLS

By Ulmer Bird

(First of a Series)

There was once an ancient city in what is now Russia.

Like other cities of the middle ages, it had a strong stone wall around it for protection against surprise attack by night.

Heavy gates by which people came and left the city were closed and bolted at nightfall, to keep that city free.

One day a caravan came in sight, and camped well outside the city gates. When city dwellers went out to see who it was, they found attractive merchandise already exhibited, and they received a courteous and friendly greeting.

The newcomers stayed for weeks and traded with the people of the city. Finally leaders among the townsmen began to say, "This is a good thing for our city. Let's invite them to come in and set up shop inside the city gates.

So they did, and as time went on the intelligent newcomers had answers to their questions, joined in their society, and became lead-

ing citizens of the city.

Then one night while most of the people slept, the Mongol Army of Genghis Khan arrived silently outside the gates. The merchants who by that time were in places of authority, unbolted the gates.

That night the soldiers of Genghis Kahn killed every male inhabitant of the city, except those of the "merchants" who actually were spies of Genghis Kahn.

This true story is from one of the books by the famous historian, Charles Lamb. The Mongol conquerer, wherever he didn't have the military power to take a city or a country, devised some such trick to take it. He also took China by a psychological trick.

Then, 700 years later, the modern Mongols took China again, by trickery adapted to our time. And took a lot more of the world the same way.

How this Mongol trickery confused and diverted church boards, educational movements, and government policy is a strange and to many, an unbelievable story.

TWIN BUTTES RESERVOIR RECEIVES 235,000 BASS FRY FROM SAN MARCOS

San Angelo—Almost one-quarter million bass fry from the San Marcos hatchery of the Game and Fish Commission have been stocked in Twin Buttes Reservoir, according to Henry Burkett, Region I Director.

In the fall of 1962, when Twin Buttes Reservoir began storing water, 150,000 bass, catfish and sunfish between 2 and 6 inches long were released to establish a fishery as soon as possible. If rainfall continues as expected the Twin Buttes Reservoir will provide excellent fishing by 1964.

Jerry Dean Will Tour With McMurry College "Indian" Band

Jerry Dean of Robert Lee, a member of the McMurry College Indian Band, will be with the group on their annual spring tour when they perform in six towns in West Texas April 21 through April 24.

Dean is the son of Mrs. Jeff Dean of Robert Lee. He is a senior student whose major courses of study are music and education. He is a member of Alpha Chi Honorary Society and Kiva Social Club.

While on tour the McMurry students will perform in churches and high schools in San Angelo, Ft. Stockton, Colorado City, Monahans, Andrews, and Lubbock.

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Trend Is Seen In Tourists, Business To Country Towns

Tourists are being attracted to the open country.

Rural communities can keep alive.

Small industries and home builders are on the move toward places that have more room.

The so-called country towns in West Texas have growth opportunities.

These points, along with stressing that community development comes mostly from what each community does for itself, have been themes in meetings recently at Robert Lee and last Friday at San Angelo.

W. D. McAdams, who attended the dinner and program sponsored by General Telephone Company at Town House in San Angelo Friday, said that what he considered most applicable to Robert Lee was the fact brought out by Frank Hildebrand, Superintendent of Travel Promotion for the State Highway Department,—that tourist travel is looking for open country.

"A nice motel here would help," Mr. McAdams said, and we need to advertise the points of interest we do have in a suitable brochure that the Highway Department would send out to prospective tourists along with other literature they have.

A riding club to develop trail rides out into the ranch country might in time bring considerable tourist attraction. At any rate, we should take advantage of the Highway Departments offer to pass on information as to what we do have to offer."

Mr. and Mrs. Houston Hill and their granddaughter, Mary Lee Hill, of Midland were guests of the Bryan Yarboroughs Sunday.

Mrs. Bryan Yarborough attended the Tom Green Historical Association meeting Sunday, 4 p.m. at the residence of Mrs. Clara Martin in San Angelo.

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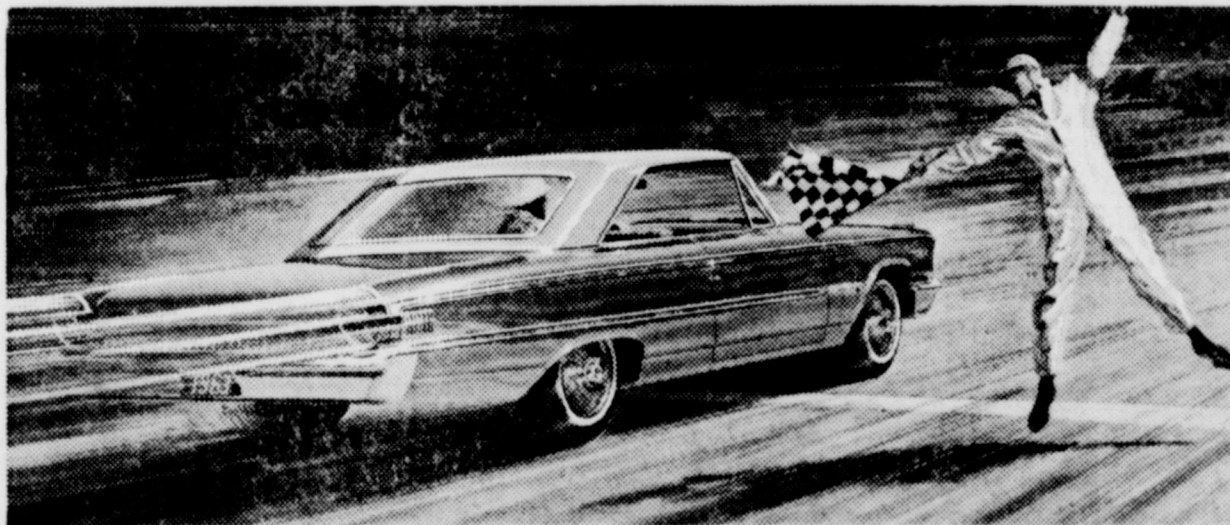
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Countryside

By STERLING LINDSEY

The feed lot and pasture tour the livestock committ sponsored last week was one of the more interesting tours I have been on. Both subjects are receiving considerable discussion now and I think we say some good examples, secured some basic information that will be helpful to a person interested in either program.

Mr. Simpson, Marvin and Bill, showed the 15 men present through their efficient, well managed feeding operations. They answered questions asked that pointed out the need for efficiency and good management if a feeding operation is to be successful. Efficient gains, the labor efficiency and a good knowledge of the quality of feeds and animals were evident in their operation.

D. K. Glenn gave the group a verbal picture of his pasture management program. Again efficiency was evident as Mr. Glenn discussed his management, rotation and use of the land he has available. He pointed out that his place is divided into 14 pastures. He rotates as needed to conserve and or make maximum use of his permanent and temporary pastures.

The groups interest centered on a blue panic field. Mr. Glenn stated that the field has been a great relief to his permanent pastures.

Our next stop, at the Walston feed lots gave us information on a custom feeding operation. They were, according to the results given, obtaining one pound gain on from 7 lbs. to 7.8 lbs. of feed. Or one pound of gain at a cost of from \$.17 to \$.18 They feed up to 60 animals per lot and had the feed placed in self feeders directly from the feed mill.

We went from Winters to Sweet-

water to see a feed lot under construction. Tom Porter took us through his plant and explained why it was so planned and designed. It will be very similar to the Walston feed yards in Winters and will also do custom feeding.

Roy Boathe, also of Sweetwater, took us on a tour of his bermuda pastures which he irrigates with effluent from the City of Sweetwater. He has three varieties—Coastal, Midland and NK-37—in his operation. All are producing well. The NK 37, he stated, produced the finest quality hay. Mr. Boathe received a yield of approximately 400 bales (60 lbs per bale) per acre of hay last year. He stated that he waters and fertilizes (100 lbs. per acre nitrogen) about every 3-4 weeks. He primarily green chops and hauls the feed to his cattle.

Several 4-H club members participated in the District Contests held in San Angelo last Saturday. Our Senior livestock team placed 8th, the junior team placed 5th. Both groups made good scores but were in rough competition. The junior team was only 28 points behind the 2nd place team.

Only two soil judging teams were entered. Both teams were certified for the State Contest. Our group will attend the contests held during the State 4-H Club Round-Up on June 5-7.

Wheat Program Meetings

Two meetings will be held in the County to give information on the up-coming wheat referendum. One will be held in the Courthouse in Robert Lee on Tuesday night, April 30. A second one will be held at the Vocational Agriculture Building in Bronte on Thursday night, May 2. Both meetings will start at 8:00 p.m. We will provide information that we hope will help the wheat producers decide the way they wish to vote.

Take a Look at the Ads.

Our Home Circle

By FAY C. ROE

I am hoping to have a large number of ladies turn out for the 4-H Clothing Leader Training on Friday, April 26. The Clothing Units I and II, judging of County Dress Revue, and garments to be made will be discussed. Leaders for girls ages 9 through 12 should attend these meetings. The meetings are to be a 9 a.m. in the Dittmore Recreation Hall for mothers and leaders from the Bronte area and at 1:30 p.m. in my office for the Robert Lee area. Persons may attend the more convenient meeting no matter where they live.

Delegates from the Coke County Home Demonstration Council will attend the District Seven THDA meeting on May 1. The meeting will be in Fredericksburg. Mrs. Glenn Waldrop, Green Mt.

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president, will give the invocation and Mrs. Dale Wojtek will serve on the resolutions committee. Mrs. Wojtek is Coke County THDA chairman. Others expected to attend from Coke County are Mrs. R. L. Page, Council chairman, Mrs. Bob Duncan, president Silver HD Club, and Mrs. Bobby Roberts, Robert Lee Club.

The recipe I am giving you this week is Lima Bean Casserole. This dish was entered in the District Seven Favorite Food Show by Kathy Service of the Robert Lee 4-H Club.

Lima Bean Casserole
2 cups green or dry Lima beans
2 cups cooked carrots
1 medium onion, minced
1 Lb. ground meat
1 tablespoon barbecue sauce
½ cup top milk
1 tablespoon butter
salt and pepper to taste
1 medium green pepper, chopped

Cook onion and green pepper in butter until tender. Add meat, stir to keep separated and cook until red color is lost. Stir in barbecue sauce and add remaining ingredients, turn into casserole. Bake in moderate oven, 375 degrees, for 30-45 minutes.

Schedule

Thursday, April 25: Office
Friday, April 26: Bronte 9 a.m.; Robert Lee 1:30 p.m.
Saturday, April 27: Mitchell County 4-H Foods Show
Monday, April 29: Office
Tuesday, April 30: Office
Wednesday, May 1: Fredericksburg THDA Meeting.

MARVIN B. SIMPSON SELLS REGISTERED ANGUS BULLS

Marvin B. Simpson, Robert Lee, recently sold two Aberdeen-Angus bulls to Kay Beach, Post, Texas.

THERE'S HOME TOWN NEWS IN THE HOME TOWN ADS.

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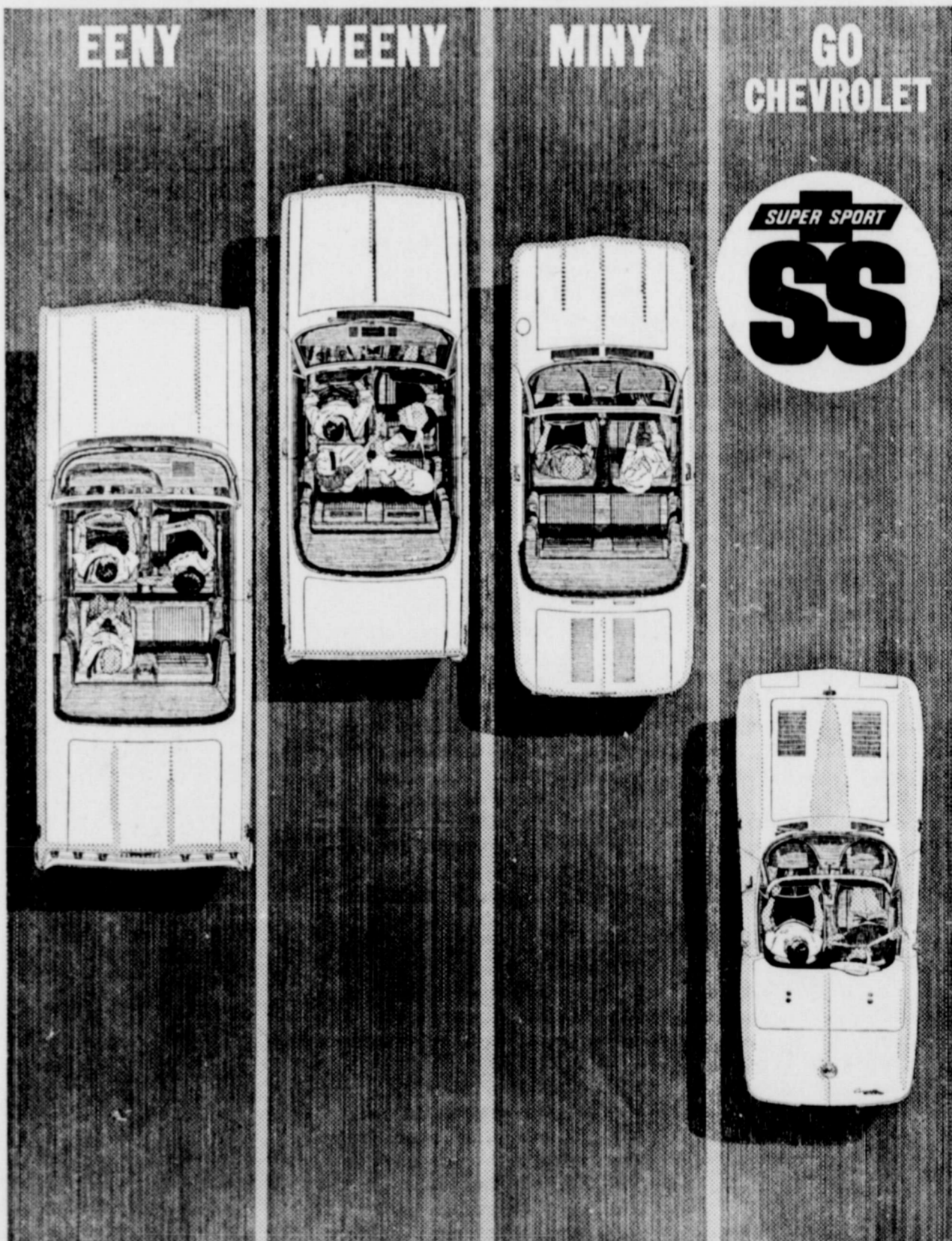
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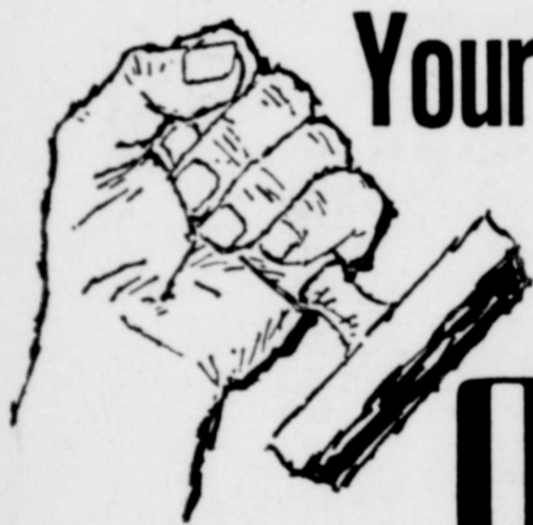
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**GIDEON REUNION
EASTER SUNDAY
IN ROBERT LEE**

Easter Sunday was the occasion for a family reunion at the Recreation Hall for the children and descendants of W. G. and Charlotte (Moses) Gideon. In all, 80 were present from League City, Houston, Dallas, Terrell, Lubbock, Ralls, Vernon, Midland, Fort Worth, Ozona, Bronte, San Angelo, and Robert Lee.

Mrs. C. T. Watson of Dallas, daughter, and Will Gideon of Bronte, son, are the only living children of the couple.

T. M. Wylie, Robert Lee, is the son of one of the daughters, Geneva, and the late T. M. Wylie Sr.

The oldest known relative attending was Perry Gideon, 87, a cousin, and the youngest was Tiffany Gideon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roger Gideon of Ft. Worth. The baby's father is a great grandson of W. G. Gideon.

Rev. Dempsey Salter, Methodist pastor, conducted a devotional service before the barbecue lunch.

**HIGH BLOODED MILLICAN
COLT SOLD TO T. SPARKS**

Will Millican recently sold a registered quarter horse stud colt to his neighbor Turney Sparks for \$750.00.

The colt is a grandson of Wimpy, Jr., one of the top stallions on the King Ranch. His sire, Wimpy, was given the honor of being No. 1 in the Quarter Horse Registry.

The colt has many noted quarter horses in his pedigree on both sides. The colt's dam goes back to Peppy, Silver King, Dodger etc. One of her half sisters sold for \$2,500.00.

**Think
On These Things**

Luke 16-15
15 And he said unto them, Ye are they which justify yourselves before men; but God knoweth your hearts: for that which is highly esteemed among men is abomination in the sight of God.

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**TWO FINED ON DWI CHARGES
IN COUNTY COURT MONDAY**

Two fines of fifty dollars each and costs were assessed for drunk driving in county court here Monday, Judge W. W. Thetford presiding.

A jury convicted Virgil Gilbert, while Sam Henry Matlock of Breckenridge pled guilty to the charge.

REBECCA ANN ARRIVES

Casey, Rebecca Ann, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Casey of Robert Lee, Texas, Born 4:19, 4-22-63 at Coke Memorial Hospital. Wt. 7 lbs. 4 oz. Family has seven other children, father runs Henry's Barbecue on highway.

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THE RANGE**

O, give me a home where the subsidies roam
Where the crop control hand-me-outs play,
Where never is heard a dissenting word,
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**Students to State
F. H. A. Meeting**

The Robert Lee High School Future Homemakers Chapter was well represented at the State F. H. A. meeting held in Dallas last weekend with three students in the ceremony for receiving State Degrees of Achievement. Ann Carwile, Bonnie Quisenberry and Marion Fikes received the Certificate of Award, the torch which is the symbol of this achievement and a red rose, the flower of the organization.

Farrell Jean Fikes sang in the state chorus, which was composed of 50 students. Kay Havins, local high point member, was designated as the voting delegate in the business session of the state meeting.

The students returned to Robert Lee Saturday night reporting a wonderful time at Hotel Adolphus, the State Fair Music Hall and Midway.

DIG!

Dig where you are. Gold
May lie beneath the spot whereon you stand.
Work where you are. Wealth,
Beauty may come forth upon that very land.
The soil, enriched there, responds whenever it has felt a loving, magic touch
Of one who gives it kindly care,
Works his heart into it, loves it much.
The very moonlight' gleam
Upon your cot tonight
May be a fairer thing
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**McDORMAN'S
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Hiram J. Gartman, 85 on March 18, and Mrs. Lura Reid, 81 last July 24, are believed to be the oldest brother-sister pair in Coke County.

He was born in Louisiana, came to Texas with his parents as an infant, and to Sanco in 1905.

Mrs. Reid lives on her farm, northeast of Sanco.

Silver All Around The Peak

By MRS. GEORGE FUGATE

School Board Elects New Officers

At the regular school board meeting, Monday evening, the following were elected to office:

President — Douglas Gartman
Vice-President — Raymon Bloodworth

Secretary — Perry Post
Asst. Sec. — Truman Hines

New members are Charlie Davis and Truman Hines, replacing Ernest Clendennon and Charles Green. Mr. Arch Mathers is the out-going president.

All the teachers contracts were renewed for one year by the board.

Ladies Night

Ladies night was held by the Silver Lions Club, Tuesday evening, at the Silver School Cafeteria.

President Bob Howell introduced the special guests, Dr. and Mrs. H. Jene Steakley of Colorado City. Dr. Steakley installed new member, Rev. Carl Smith.

Entertainment was provided by the "7-Teens", a 7-piece all-girl band from Colorado City. Mrs. James Payne is director of this group which includes Misses Linda Ross, Mary Montgomery, Jeanie Wood, Danna Hammans, Debbie Hunter, Jan Williams and Arla Jo Payne.

Fifty attended the dinner.

Sub-District Meet

The Silver MYF of the Methodist church were hosts to the sub-

district meeting, Sunday evening at the church.

Sue Ree Kennedy, program chairman, introduced the guest speaker, Suraiya Akhtar of Pakistan. Miss Akhtar, a Colorado City foreign exchange student, spoke on the religion and history of her people. She also explained some of the customs observed in her country.

New officers for the sub-district MYF were elected during the business session.

MYFers from Lakeview, Trinity, First Methodist, St. Luke's, Day Memorial, all of San Angelo; Miles, Robert Lee, Christoval, Veribest; Bronte and Silver were among the 75 young people and adults who attended the meeting.

1963 Scout Circus

Cub Scout Troops and Boy Scout Troop 446 were among the 2,000 Scouts who participated in the 1963 Scout Circus. This was presented by the Concho Valley Council at the San Angelo Coliseum, April 20.

The cubs were dressed as Knights of King Arthur's Roundtable in the Cub Scout Circus. Assisting them were Mmes. John Conley and Bob Howell, Durwood Mumford and Den Chiefs Larry Paul and Gene Kincaid. Frank Hearne is Denmaster.

The Boy Scout troop took part in the physical activities and the chariot race. The horses were

Scouts Robert Jameson and Donnie Higginbotham and the driver, Mike Parrish. Jim Herford is Scoutmaster.

Older People Invited To Write Stories For Robert Lee Observer

The older people who have been through early experiences in this country are invited to write those experiences. There will be space in the Observer for these accounts, with the understanding, of course, that the editor might trim a little here and there.

Especially would accounts of those who were here before the turn of the century be appreciated, and any old letters or pictures anyone has concerning the surveying and selling of lots in Robert Lee, or anything pertaining to establishment of the town.

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Jerry Lewis, Joan O'Brian, Zachary Scott in
"IT'S ONLY MONEY"

Jerry's a TV Repairman Also Cartoon
Pick these to pieces and if you find anything that would harm anyone in either I will eat your hat.



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CARROTS, Cello Bag - - - - 2 for 19c

SPUDS 10 lb. bag 45c

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160 acres near Blackwell, mostly in grass. 15 acres diverted in grain program for \$165 this year. Excellent well and windmill. It's listed at \$80.

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