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Loses Baby

Tuesday afternoon at 2:10 p. m. little Feral Gene Bilbo, two year old baby of Mr. and Mrs. Allie Bilbo died at the home of Mrs. Bilbos parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Bell, with bronchial pneumonia developed from a case of the croup.

Mrs. W. H. Bell arrived from a visit with her daughter Mrs. Floyd Sterman in New Mexico Wednesday morning at 8 o'clock. Funeral services were held Wednesday at 2:30 at the home of W. H. Bell, by Rev. Roy L. Crawford after which time the funeral took place at the Robert Lee cemetery Wednesday.

The Observer joins their many friends in extending sympathy in this sad hour.

The Shepards Vision.

The pagant given at the Methodist church Sunday night December 20th was a success in every way. A large audience that filled the house enjoyed the program. The Manger scene portraying the young babe and the Madonna was beautiful, and as the Shepards and Wise Men came and placed their gifts at the manger we were all reminded that we too should place gifts at the foot of the Cross for the use of Him who was born in a manger and suffered on the cross. The scene changed and there was a cross where the manger had been. The gift bearers came with their gifts from the various classes of the Sunday School and placed them at the foot of the Cross. An opportunity was given for everyone to make a gift. These gifts all went to the Methodist Orphans' Home at Waco. A large sum was sent to the Home.

The lesson from the pagant will have an abiding place in many a heart for years to come.



As another year has just rolled by we again find ourselves turning to the pages of the past. Old Father Time has given us another year for which we are thankful to the creator of all things. And during the days gone by, our records show an ever increasing number of friends, and to each of these friends we owe our happiness over our splendid growth in business for all your liberal patronage we thank you, and at the same time wish for you during the coming year an abundance of happiness and prosperity.

Lets forget the personal differences and individual selfishness and during the year upon which we are now entering, all pull for the common good of all and we will be surprised at our accomplishments.

The Editor.

Reward for Outlaw

A \$800.00 reward is offered for Odie Benton, age twenty-seven, alleged of having criminally assaulting a fifteen year old girl in the Silver community Christmas-eve night. He fled to Bronte with the officers after him, and abandoned his car there.

Several citizens of Robert Lee and surrounding country helped make up the reward.

Lammers - Carlile.

Thursday afternoon of last week Mr. Vernon Lammers and Miss Nettie Carlile, both of Bronte, came over with four of their friends and after purchasing the necessary credentials, made their way to the Methodist parsonage. There Rev. Roy L. Crawford, pronounced the words that made them man and wife. These young people are well known here and have many friends who wish them a happy voyage over the sea of matrimony.

Some people are born with a silver spoon in their mouth. The rest of us have to stir for ourselves.

Miss Feraline Gernes spent Christmas with

Sam Russell

We are authorized to announce Mr. Sam Russell for Sheriff. Sam, as every body knows is our present efficient Deputy Sheriff here. He is a Democrat and asks the people of Coke County for their support in the Democratic Primaries next summer.

G. A. Harmon

Mr. G. A. Harmon announces his candidacy for reelection to the office of Tax Assessor. Mr. Harmon has served us one year already with satisfaction all the way around, and comes with clean hands, asking the people for their support in the Democratic Primaries next summer.

The political pot has been spewing for several days already and old Santa Clause has had everybody so busy lately they let the fire die down. Now these two fellows have gone and stuck a chunk under it and made it bite, but let her bite boys, we'll be sticking around the corner somewhere when she bites over.

Married

Leroy Keenan and Miss Iva Cook were happily married Saturday December 19th at the home of W. H. Bell. Mr. Bell tied the knot.

This young couple is well known here and has many

Cotton Seed

Five hundred bushels of mebane cotton seed that has stood the test of purity, is in the hands of the McCallum Reed Co. here ready for distribution to the farmers. These seed was purchased by W. B. B. Overall at \$2.10 a bushel laid down in Robert Lee. A saving of about a dollar a bushel to the farmers. All who want to join in and plant a certified seed get them and join in this progressive move if you believe in progress, for it is indeed a good move, and remember you don't have to belong to the Farm Bureau to get in it. If every farmer will get him a few bushel and raise enough seed next year to plant his entire crop in the one kind of cotton another year, it will be the best move Coke County farmers have made in a long time. Do it.

friends. Miss Iva is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gus Cook of Edith.

They will make their home on the Landers farm seven miles west of here. The Observer joins their many friends in wishing them a long happy and prosperous life.

More Progress.

The first of the fleet of 199 ships purchased by Henry Ford from the United States Shipping Board to be scrapped for the manufacture of Ford products, reached the River Rouge plant of the Ford Motor Co. Thursday, December 17th. Hitched to a snorting tug, the big steel freighter slowly breasted the choppy water of the Detroit River and finally dropped in the Rouge slip, its last voyage completed.

The ship Lake Fondulac barely escaped the grip of winter all the way along the route to Detroit. In the St. Lawrence it was necessary to plow lanes through ice fields already formed and the ship with its tug passed through the Welland Canal on December 15th the day before the canal was closed for the winter. On the high sea gales buffeted the staunch tug passed through the winter. On three occasions all wireless communication was destroyed and the Balicamp one of seven sea going tugs also purchased by Mr. Ford was forced to seek the protection of Atlantic harbors for its charge.

Eleven men were carried by the Lake Fondulac on its trip to the River Rouge and the tug was manned by a crew of twenty-five. The vessel is scrapped on 200 tons cargo capacity, 251 feet long with a beam of 43.5 feet. Upon its arrival at the Rouge plant it will be dismantled and its pumps and other usable equipment salvaged. The remainder of the ship will be scrapped its steel to be used in the manufacture of Ford cars and trucks and Fordson tractors.

Although the vessel is incapable of motion under its own power, one boiler was kept fired all the way to Detroit to provide steam for operating winches windlasses and for steering. Built in Cleveland during the heroic era of the world war, the appearance of the Lake Fondulac as it rolls at anchor or passively responds to the power of the tug is one of pathetic helplessness. Its keel has laid during the final months of the war when the energy of thousands of men and millions of dollars were being spent to build more ships. By the time it had been launched and equipped to play its part in the grim game of war, however, the war ended.

Created on the Great Lake for service on the high seas, the Lake Fondulac comes back to the Great Lake to be scrapped for its steel its longest ocean voyage probably having been made at the end of a tug's tow line. All winter, cutting torches will be busy at the River Rouge in an experiment by the Ford Motor Company to determine the best manner in which to dispose of the remaining ships of the fleet.

Greetings

To those who have stood by us during the past year and made our success possible, we extend our most heart felt thanks and wish for you in the year upon which we are just entering an abundance of health, wealth, happiness and prosperity.

We are pleased to tell you that we have some

Bargains In Merchandise

That will pay you to buy, the winter has just started as has also out bargaing in winter merchandise. We can fit you out from head to foot cheaper than ever before, come in and look through our stock we have several Bargains in our

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A. W. PUETT Editor and Business Manager

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Landars-Wilson

Last Saturday December 13 Mr. Claude Landars and Miss Ethel Wilson were married at the home of the Rev. W. K. Simpson. A number of friends were present to witness the ceremony.

Claude was reared here and his many friends wish he and bride much happiness.

Announcements.

The rates for announcements will be as follows: For district offices, \$15.00; for county offices; \$10.00 for precinct offices, \$7.50.

We are authorized to announce the following candidates subject to the action of the Democratic Primaries of 1926.

For Sheriff and Tax Collector

SAM RUSSELL

For Tax Assessor

G. A. HARMON (re-election)

New Shop

Bring me your shoes, Harness and Saddles for repair. My charges are reasonable. My shop is in Taylors Market building.

Jim Greer.

At the Churches

AT THE METHODIST CHURCH
Sunday School every Sunday 10:00 a. m.

Preaching every Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:00 p. m.

Sanco Sunday school every Sunday 8:00 p. m. Preaching every 1st and 3rd Sundays following Sunday school

Edith Sunday school every Sunday 8:00 p. m. Preaching every 2nd and 4th Sundays following Sunday school.

Rev. Roy L. Crawford

ROBERT LEE BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School every Sunday a 10 a. m.

Preaching every first and third Sunday.

You have a cordial welcome at our church every time we have services.

Rev. Milan Pastor.

AT THE CHURCH OF CHRIST
Bible Study every Friday

night. Everybody come Regular services every Sunday at 11 a. m.

AT THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

The First Baptist Sunday School meets each Sunday a 10:00 a. m.

AT THE PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH.

Preaching every first Sunday and Saturday before in each month Preaching Saturday at three o'clock. In the afternoon and Sunday at 1 a. m. Everybody invited to attend our meetings.

Eld. F. Richardson, Pastor

An ounce of life is worth a pound of load.

It's a good thing we didn't live a hundred years ago. It so had we would probably be dead now.

To Our Friends and Patrons

There are days for sending merchandise And days to send a bill, But this one day of all the year We send you just "Good Will!"

Yes, 'tis the first of the year again—and we want to take this opportunity of wishing you the compliments of the season—a Prosperous and Happy New Year.

We've appreciated the business sent our way during 1925—we have tried mighty hard to please you—and we hope to number you as a friend and customer in the years to come.

So here's a hearty "Thank you" for your good will in the past, and the best of wishes for your prosperity, health and happiness in 1926

Sincerely yours,

W. M. Simpson

Auction Sale

Will sell at Public Auction at 1:30 at

Bronte, Thursday January 7th.
Robert Lee, Friday January 8th.

The following goods, consisting of Harness, Saddles, Work Bridles, Riding Bridles, Whips, Collars, Halters, Halter Leads, Halter Chains and all parts of harness, Horse covers, Horse blankets and all horse equipment, Blankets, Rain Coats, Coats, Slickers, Shoes, Sox, Gloves and Overcoats.

Will guarantee every man to be pleased with goods he may buy. Here is a chance to buy what you want at your own price. We have the goods and will offer them to the highest bidder. Be at the sale on time and name your price. The goods are the best and the assortment is large.

The largest sale of its kind and probably the the last chance you will ever have to buy goods at auction.

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San Angelo, Texas

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To break up a cold overnight or to cut short an attack of grippe, influenza, sore throat or tonsillitis, physicians and druggists are now recommending Calotabs, the purified and refined calomel compound tablet that gives you the effects of calomel and salts combined, without the unpleasant effects of either.

One or two Calotabs at bed-time with a swallow of water,—that's all. No salts, no nausea nor the slightest interference with your eating, work or pleasure. Next morning your cold has vanished, your system is thoroughly purified and you are feeling fine with a hearty appetite for breakfast. Eat what you please,—no danger.

Get a family package, containing full directions, only 55 cents. At any drug store. (adv)

Three large turnips over two feet long and weighing eight pounds was left in the office last week while we were out we don't know where they came from, but thanks call again. The largest weighed three and half pounds.

Church Notes

"God's Traffic Signals Stop, Look, Listen Turn to Right and Keep Straight Ahead". Hear it Sunday night at the Methodist Church. Sunday morning a ten minute sermon for children. The subject will be, "Clocks and Watches How They Resemble People." This sermon precedes the regular sermon.

"Jonah in the Shade of the Gourd Vine" will be the subject of the sermon at Sanco Methodist Church Sunday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

POSTED

All persons are warned not to haul wood, Hunt, Fish, gather pecans, drive stock or otherwise trespass in the Walling, Little Snyder and Yellow Wolf pastures west of town. If caught you will be prosecuted.

FRED ROE
Robert Lee, Tex., May 1, 1926

To Greet You

Most cherished, cherished among the gifts bestowed by the passing year is the pleasant relations with those whom we have been privileged to serve. So it is most Sincerely that we wish you a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Cumbie Bros.

GHOST SEEN TO HAVE LAST LAUGH

Decorations of Grave Made Leader "Reform."

The story was told by the Rhode Islander to show that ghosts, like the father of unhappy Hamlet, sometimes stalk the earth to right a wrong. In this case the ghost was Big Bear, chieftain of the Narragansett, who, until he was disturbed by a pompous relic hunter, had slept peacefully since the days of Roger Williams and the wooded heights of a quiet New England village, and the village of Pardon Pilbeck, the village ne'er-do-well, according to the New York Times.

"Our village," said a Rhode Islander, "must have been a stamping ground for the aborigines. You could pick up stone arrowheads everywhere, but we did not think they possessed any intrinsic value until an archaeologist collected several bushel and sold them at a handsome profit. We set out to emulate him. Unfortunately, he had gone over the ground thoroughly and the only place left was the Indian burying ground. But none of us thought of disturbing these ancient remains.

"Pardon Pilbeck had lived for 45 years on the bounty of relatives. He looked upon work as drudgery, but enlisted in the search for the Indian relics with boyish enthusiasm. One night while we were discussing the possibilities of finding arrowheads, the door was darkened by his unaccustomed presence. We did not have to be told that he had met with a stroke of good fortune. He was chuckling gleefully to himself. Surveying us triumphantly, he fished from his pocket an arrowhead after arrowhead. They were beautiful beyond description. Last he brought to light a handsomely carved tomahawk.

"He had opened the Indian graves and then clumsily rifled them. Naturally, feeling against Pardon ran high. I think he might have been lynched if he had been found. But he had disappeared completely. Weeks passed without so much as an inkling of him, and the story grew and persisted that the ghost of Big Bear had risen up, pursued and slain him. Years passed and still he fled of the luckless fellow.

"Some fifteen years later business took me to a small town in western Pennsylvania. After supper I strolled down the main street. In the center of the square a big man with flowing gray hair was extolling from an elevated platform the medicinal qualities of a remedy for all ills. Beside him stood a bulky Indian in the full regalia of his tribe. As I drew nearer I recognized beneath the war paint of the doctor's companion the sodden features of Pardon Pilbeck.

"Later he told me the story. He had indeed desecrated the grave of Big Bear, the Narragansett chieftain. Returning to his home with his ill-gotten spoils, he had encountered the ghost of the chieftain. The ghost had forced him to don the habiliments of his tribe and become the slave of a fake Indian medicine man."

CLASSIFIED ADS

If you've lost anything, found anything, want to buy anything or sell anything place an ad in this column and get results

For Sale—All kinds of auto mobile accessories for Ford cars gas and oil. When in San Angelo stop by and see us. Service with a smile, just across the track from Santa Fe depot
W. J. Powell
Service Station

Wanted—Second hand safes for cash. Also have the best line of new safes at right prices.
Hill Printing Co.
San Angelo, Texas.

Picture Show every Saturday afternoon 3:00 o'clock and 7:45 at night.

Dr. Jones Dentist over First National bank.
San Angelo, Texas.

Weak In Back and Sides

"Before the birth of my little girl," says Mrs. Lena Stinson, of R. F. D. 2, Matthews, Mo., "I was so weak in my back and sides I could not go about. I was too weak to stand up or do any work. I felt like my back was coming in two. I lost weight. I didn't eat anything much and was so restless I couldn't sleep nights. My mother used to take

CARDUI For Female Troubles

so I sent to get it. I improved after my first bottle. Cardui is certainly a great help for nervousness and weak back. I took six bottles of Cardui and by then I was well and strong, just did fine from then on. Cardui helped me so much."

Thousands of weak, suffering women have taken Cardui, knowing that it had helped their mothers or their friends, and soon gained strength and got rid of their pains.

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Sam Hearrell of Lubbock spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Jess Buchanan.
Mr. and Mrs. Fred O. Green and Miss Mozell Turner spent Saturday and Sunday here the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Craddock.

Messrs. W. B. Cobb, H. C. Allen and T. E. Puett are driving new Fords, each receiving them as Christmas presents.
Robert Lee had three Christmas trees one at the School house Friday the 19th and one at the Methodist and Baptist churches. A very nice time was enjoyed by all.

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WHO SAID

"The truest self-respect is not to think of self."

IT WAS natural that Henry Ward Beecher, author of the words quoted, should take an uncompromising stand for what he felt to be right in the great moral issues of the day, for Beecher was a direct descendant of Puritan stock which sacrificed all personal matters to the practicing of its professed creed.
Beecher was the son of Lyman Beecher, a famous American clergyman, and a sister of Harriet Beecher Stowe, famous in American literary annals as the author of "Uncle Tom's Cabin." Henry Ward was born in Litchfield, Conn., June 24, 1813, and graduated from Amherst college in 1834, following up his college work with a course in Lane Theological seminary, near Cincinnati, Ohio. After graduation he began his clerical duties as pastor of a church in Lawrenceburg, Ind. In 1839 he was called to a prominent church in Indianapolis.
As preacher, Beecher achieved his greatest renown as pastor of the Plymouth Congregational church in Brooklyn, N. Y. Here he occupied the pulpit from 1847 until his death, March 4, 1887.
Supplementing his work as a clergyman, Beecher was prominent as a journalist. He was one of the founders of the Independent and of the Christian Union (now known as the Outlook.) Beecher was also known throughout the nation as an anti-slavery campaigner.—Wayne D. McMurtry.
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Your druggist sells them at pre-war prices—25 doses 25 cents. Economy package, 125 doses \$1.00.

KODAKERS LOOK READ!

Clip this ad send it to us with one roll of films and 25 cents and we will develop and finish six prints for you.

Send us your films once and you will send them again.

HAWKINS STUDIO Box 733 Sweetwater, Texas

Harlan and Misses Mammie and Sudei Draper of Abilene spent the Holidays with friends here.

Mrs. Lamont Scott of Bronte spent a few days with her parents Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Umbie this week.

Attention Friends

I have bought the L. E. Bruton market and will continue delivering meat to your door at eleven o'clock every morning. I will greatly appreciate the patronage of the people, and will do my best to give you first class service and the best meat that money can buy, and solicit a part of your business. Come give me a trial.

Gus Cook.

Greetings

In keeping with the good-old-fashioned custom of thanking friends for past favors, and wishing well for the future, we extend sincerest greetings.

May your efforts through the year to come bring unbounded success, may your friends prove true, and health and prosperity be yours.

Robert Lee Hdw. Co.

YOUR NAME IN PRINT

Miss Alma Sparks spent Christmas at her home in Eden.

Gus Cook bought out the Bruton market, read his ad.

Two nice rooms for rent at Mrs. J. W. Coulders.

Mrs. Irving Cumbie and children are spending this week with her parents.

Miss Vilena Russell who is a student at the Sate University spent Christmas with homefolks

Mrs. Ethel Nicholas daughter of J. C. Snead is visiting home folks here this week.

Mrs. A. B. Sheppard of Abilene spent the Holidays here with her son, Delmer.

Dewit Snead who is attending school at Stevensvill spent the holidays with home folks.

Rankin Pace, brother of Mrs. Roy L. Crawford spent Christmas here.

Johnnie Knight returned from Oklahoma Tuesday, and says he never had "nair" drink while he was away.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Abbott and Miss Vata Boland of Vernon are visiting Mrs. Abbotts mother Mrs. W. C. Redman.

Ollie Hux returned to Siloam Springs Arkansas, after spending the holidays here with his parents.

O. H. Clark has been appointed demonstrator of Nolan County and will move to Sweetwater in the near future.

Misses Mary Stubblefield and Mary Burleson are spending the holidays in Liberty Hill with home folks.

Walter Lester Leroy Keenan and wives spent the Holidays in Ft. Worth with the boys father, D. C. Keenan.

Mrs. H. O. Puett and two little girls, Loretta and Margaret of Slaton spent the Holidays with the Puetts here.

Ben Tubb is fencing his farm rabbit proof and building some more levies, good for them who's neat.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Overall and little son, of Texarkana spent Christmas with his parents Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Overall.

Dean Childress sold his place seven miles west of town to Rolly Page, he and Mrs. Childress expects to move to Arizona in the near future.

We are sorry to report that Frank McCabe of Sterling City stuck a nail in his foot last Tuesday, at his ranch eight miles west of here.

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Hearrell and baby and Mr. and Mrs. Less White all of Bronte spent Xmas with Mr. and Mrs. Jess Buchanan.

Dr. and Mrs. Eaton and Miss Vida Mae Coulson motored to Brownwood Christmas day spent the remainder of the day with Dr. Eatons mother. Mrs. Eaton and Miss Vida Mae went to Ft. Worth and spent a few days with Mrs. Eatons mother.

\$3,600 Job

"While clearing at \$25 a month, I took Draughon's Home-Study book keeping Course. On completing it I accepted a position as bookkeeper at \$100 a month. I have just accepted a position with a large manufacturing concern at a salary of \$300 a month and expenses. I never fail to boost Draughon's", writes B. H. Wilkinson. The Draughon Training will bring similar opportunities to you. Phone, call or mail the coupon to Draughon's College, Abilene, Texas, today.

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Your Dollars buy more

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TO GREET YOU

Some folks will tell you that "business is business," but I have found in dealing with my customers that business is pleasure. I hope the pleasure has been mutual during the past year. And upon entering of the New Year 1926, I want to thank my friends and customers for their past business and support. I am indeed proud that I have had the privilege of serving you in the past, and beginning the new year with renewed hope with the view of serving you better than ever before.

I want to turn aside from business for a moment and make the ever old, ever new wish of the New Year and send sincere and heart-felt Greetings to you. I thank you for the favors you have shown me during the past year for your part in making it a successful year with me. And I appreciate, fully as much, the pleasant relations I have had, and the real pleasure of doing business with you.

It is my hope that 1925 has been kind to you, and that you can look back over the year as time well spent. And wish for you during the coming year all that is good. May 1926 bring to you and yours perfect health, financial satisfaction, and spiritual peace

And hope that in the New Year, I will be able to serve you a little better and a little more faithfully than in the old.

As Cotton Weigher

I have bought your cotton and gave you the top price for it, and am always glad to help the farmers anyway I can, and at the same time extend to you a good old hand shake, without the drink, but I'll buy you a "coke". And may the New Year bring you all the Happiness and Prosperity one could wish for.

Enoch Sparks.