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Sun Oil Gets 26th Producing Well In Coke County Field

Sun Oil Company's completion of No. 9 Homer Jameson and No. 4 C. E. Mathers the past week were the 25th and 26th producing oil wells for Coke county.

No. 9 Homer Jameson flowed 383 barrels of 47.1 gravity oil in the official 24-hour test through a quarter inch choke. Gas-oil ration was 1,350-1.

Ray-Harris rotary equipment was moved Sunday to No. 10 Homer Jameson, a south offset to No. 9. Drilling was resumed Thursday after setting surface pipe to 660 feet.

No. 4 Mathers flowed 328 barrels of 47.5 gravity oil during its official 24-hour test, with a ratio of 1,435-1.

Baker-Taylor's rotary rig was released at 8 a. m. Sunday and moved to No. 2 J. S. Walker, an east offset to No. 3 Mathers. Surface pipe was set to 770 feet and drilling was resumed Thursday.

In the Arledge field northwest of Sanco No. 1 Arledge ran a new potential 24-hour test and flowed 93.4 barrels from the Marble Falls. The discovery well had recently been treated with 8,000 gallons of acid.

No. 2 Arledge, a northwest offset to the discovery, swabbed 11 60 barrels of oil and 9 8 barrels of water on Tuesday. A pump is being installed. No. 3 Arledge, a south offset to No. 1, was drilling in shale Thursday at 4,800 feet.

In Sun's South Jameson field, across the Colorado River, a depth of 7,518 feet had been reached Wednesday in No. 1 Central National Bank, trustee of the W. C. Blanks estate. The test found the Ellenburger at 7,100 feet but no oil shows have been recovered in the deep formation. A core from 7,472-87 feet recovered brown and gray dolomite with a strong sulphur odor.

No. 2 Central National Bank topped the lime reef at 6,261 feet and failed to recover any oil on a test from 6,265 to 6,359 feet.

No. 8 Homer Jameson was drilling in shale at 5,385 feet.

No. 1 H. L. Bloodwood was drilling at 3,889 feet in shale.

No. 1 Ellwood Estate on Spade ranch in Mitchell county had reached a depth of 6,427 in shale and sand streaks.

Sanco and Robert Lee Schools Vote Saturday

Sanco and Robert Lee vote again Saturday of this week on the question of consolidating the two districts. When the matter was submitted at an election three months ago the result was a tie, 35 to 35.

Elections will be held both at Sanco and in Robert Lee and the proposition must carry in each district to become effective.

During recent years Sanco has sent its pupils to Robert Lee on a contract. The district has 52 scholastics and an area of 55 square miles. However, the tax levy of \$1.00 on the \$198,000 valuation is not sufficient to operate a school.

In case the consolidation with Sanco carries, a similar move is expected on the part of the Wildcat district and possibly Green Mountain.

Mrs. A. E. Latham returned home Wednesday from the Bronte hospital where she had been a medical patient the past week.

Death of O. R. Bearden

Sympathy is extended to Miss Mary Pearl Bearden, Coke county home demonstration agent, in the death of her father, O. R. Bearden, of Lamesa. His death occurred at 8 a. m. Sunday from pneumonia following a two weeks' illness of the heart. Mr. Bearden, 62, was a prominent farmer and ranchman of the Grandview community near Lamesa. Survivors include his widow, a son, Roy, and the daughter, Mary Pearl. Miss LaVerne Darter of Robert Lee attended the funeral at the Church of Christ in Lamesa Monday afternoon.

Notice, School Taxpayers

Will be in school tax office Friday and Saturday, May 7 and 8, for your convenience in rendering your property for school taxes.—J. L. Ross, Collector.

New Oil Discovery Welcomed in Coke

M. G. (Gray) Reed, owner of the land southeast of Robert Lee where an oil strike in the Ellenburger was discovered this week, is an old time Coke county resident. He followed his father in the mercantile business in Robert Lee and also operated a store at Edith and Bronte. For the past 25 years he has resided at Lawn where he has also operated a store. Reed owns three sections of the old Wylie place, and it was on the northeast section of his holdings that the successful oil test was made.

Reed is said to have sold half of his royalty some time ago on the section where the well was drilled and a number of royalty sales have been made by owners of adjacent land. Among those who own property nearby are Robert and J. C. Harwell, to the north and west, L. E. Smith with 2 adjacent sections to the east, and Bill and Laura Martin the next section south of Reed.

The well is located a half mile northeast of the Lometa school house, and is 7 miles west and two miles north of Tennyson. It is in the Robert Lee school district, since Lometa consolidated with Robert Lee a number of years ago.

Gartman Family Reunion

A reunion of the Gartman family was held Sunday at the tabernacle in Sanco. It was the first time the relatives had been together since the death of Mrs. Joe Gartman in August 1946 and they plan to make it an annual affair. Those present were H. J. Gartman and wife, T. A. Gartman and family, Mrs. L. J. Gartman, J. L. Reid and wife, Harvey Reid and family, Robert Walker and family, Mrs. Louie Frizelle and family, G. H. Denman and wife, J. M. Gartman and wife, of Sanco.

Also W. F. Scarborough and wife of Moriarity, N. Mex.; T. K. White-side and family, J. Evans and family and Mrs. Green Preslar of Merkel; Mrs. Vertna Gartman, Mrs. Mary Overall and Mrs. Priscilla Buchanan of Snyder; Jim L. Reid and family of Robert Lee; Lerlene Reid of San Angelo; Bryan Gartman and family and the Douglas Gartmans of Sanco, and Mr. and Mrs. Teddy Pitcock of Mertzon.

Mrs. A. J. Roberts of Comanche, Tex., and her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Stan Starinsky, of Chicago, Ill., visited here this week with their daughter and sister, Mrs. Coke Austin, and family. Mrs. Austin accompanied them to Lubbock Thursday to visit relatives, among them being Jack Austin, who is employed in a bakery there.

There will be a program at the Silver school house Friday night of this week, and the public is invited to attend.

Down Sonora 15-2 In League Opener

Last week's results:
Robert Lee 15, Sonora 2.
Bronte 32, Miles 9.
Ozona 8, Maverick 2.
Lowake 15, Veribest 3.

Next Sunday's schedule:
Veribest at Robert Lee.
Bronte at Ozona.
Sonora at Lowake.
Maverick at Miles.

Robert Lee's Oilers opened the Concho Basin league Sunday with a 15-2 victory over Sonora on the latter's diamond. The Oilers ran in 11 scores during the first three innings.

They drove Mefford from the mound early and were finally stopped when a pitcher from the Mexican team took over the mound duties.

Clarence Tinkler did the hurling for Robert Lee and had things under control all the way except for a brief period of wildness. Dee Ballew was again behind the bat and did a good job. Johnson played in left field and Bond held down third. Several of the boys did some swell hitting, but a box score of the game is not available.

Next Sunday a red hot game is in prospect for the home grounds when Veribest crosses bats with the Oilers. The Veribest club got off to a poor start last week, but they will be tough from now on.

Robert Lee is showing up as one of the top teams in the circuit, with Bowman, Bond, Johnson and Ballew proving themselves as fine assets to this year's lineup. See you Sunday afternoon.

Bronte made 8 runs in the first inning in their slugfest against Miles last Sunday. Twelve men went to bat before the side was retired. The Longhorns had even a bigger inning in the seventh when they pushed over ten scores.

Marvin Corley pitched three frames for Bronte, with Bon Spoons catching. From then on Spoons did the hurling with Jack Corley behind the bat. Miles touched old Bon for several hits in the fifth and ran in 4 scores before the side was retired.

Miles looked pretty sorry, although they hit the ball fairly well. Brandy Ray, Miles resident and former manager of the Giants, played short for Bronte. It seems the boys didn't like Brandy's management, although he had a pretty tough outfit in past years. One of the Jeschke boys has also signed with Bronte, but he wasn't on hand Sunday.

Another big asset to the Bronte club is Joe Hedges, who has been with Maverick previously. Joe is a good third sacker and a fine hitter. He slammed a homer, three singles and drew a walk in his first four trips to the plate against Miles.

The Observer writer lasted only seven innings and at that time the score was 27 to 7. Old Leroy Scott was at first base until he gave way to Billy Bob Herron in the seventh. Leroy had a perfect day at bat with two triples, a single and a walk. Jack Corley had two doubles and a pair of singles in six trips. Spoons started teeing off in the latter stages of the game and banged out two triples and a single.

Bronte looked good against the Miles outfit, and they will be materially strengthened with Ray, Jeschke and Hedges. All others are home boys. They will have a tough go at Ozona next Sunday.

New Oil Discovery In South Part of County

Reed Test Indicates 500 Barrell Producer From the Ellenburger

Garden Club Dinner

Members of El Valle Garden Club enjoyed a picnic dinner last Thursday night at the Methodist church basement, with the husbands as guests. Mrs. H. C. Allen, president of the club, presided over the program which was featured by movies of the Alcan Highway shown by County Agent Travis Hicks.

Mrs. S. M. Conner observed her 81st birthday Sunday at her home in Robert Lee. Dinner guests for the occasion were Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Shropshire, Mr. and Mrs. Russ Mathers and Mrs. Ethel Green. She received telephone calls from three sons, Latham, of Bakersfield, Calif., Harney, of Glenrock, Wyo., and Roy of Ft. Stockton, Tex. Mrs. Conner is enjoying very good health.

Wildcat Tests

Shamrock Oil company's wildcat on the H. G. Wendland ranch, 9 miles southeast of Robert Lee, was drilling at 5,400 feet. Geologists have checked their log with the Reed discovery, 2 1-2 miles southeast, and find the structure is running very similar, with the Shamrock test about 50 feet low.

Al Hill No. 1 Ralph Harris estate was drilling ahead Wednesday at 2,580 feet. Location is at the upper end of the old Saul Ranch south of the river. J. Cecil Watson, pusher for Delaney Drilling Co., says he has had considerable trouble with the old rotary drilling rig. Mr. Watson and his wife are living in San Angelo and would like to rent a small furnished apartment in Robert Lee.

Algord's No. 1 Jack Lassiter, 3 miles northwest of Sanco, was drilling at 4,875 feet in hard shale.

Dan Auld No. 1 Rawlings, just west of Bronte, encountered a heavy artesian flow of sulphur water at 2,250 feet last Saturday. Several hundred sacks of cement have been used to cut off the water and drilling is still held up.

County Audit Starts

Two representatives of the Neimer Auditing firm of Lubbock began a check of Coke county records Monday. The audit will start with 1945 and carry through to 1948. It is the first audit of records in this county for many years.

Mrs. Ella Hammond of El Centro, Calif., is enjoying a two week's visit among relatives and friends in Coke county and nearby localities. She is the former Ella Manuel. Mrs. Hammond has lived in California since 1914.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Allen departed by auto last week for a visit in the home of his parents at New Haven, Conn. Dick has been employed here by the Stanolind Oil Co. exploration crew as electric well log operator. He has been succeeded by T. Hugh Elder, who came in from New Mexico.

The condition of Mrs. Elmo Bell remains very serious. She is a patient at Shannon hospital where she underwent a kidney operation two weeks ago. Mrs. Bell is the former Berniece Davis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Davis.

Discovery of oil in the Ellenburger at the M. G. Reed wildcat, 10 miles southeast of Robert Lee, this week put Coke county in the oil news spotlight all over this section of the Southwest.

The well brought in early Wednesday indicates, it will probably produce 500 barrels daily. Operators are Seaboard Oil Co. of Delaware and Southern Minerals Corp. of Corpus Christi, who own jointly a leased block of 10,000 acres.

The hole was bottomed at even 6,200 feet after penetrating 16 feet into the Ellenburger. When the drillstem was broken down 400 feet of free oil was recovered. Gas came to the surface in one minute and 45 seconds and oil in 6 minutes. Surface pressure was 275 pounds. The oil tested 48 gravity and will likely be corrected to 50.

Operators ran an electrical test Wednesday night and were preparing to complete the well without going deeper. There was no water in the oil. The drillpipe unloaded for 45 minutes.

No. 1 Reed was spudded March 8 with Arrow Drilling Co. as the contractors. Bob Sheppard is the tool pusher in charge. The test was logged by the Hammack brothers, Gregory and Joe, of the Hughes Engineering company. No shows of importance were discovered in sections above the Ellenburger. The Hammacks left Thursday for an assignment near Ballinger.

The Reed discovery is of great importance since it is indicated as the only Ellenburger production on the northeast side of the West Texas Permian Basin. Production from the Ellenburger is particularly desirable since it indicates a greater oil reservoir with high gravity.

Silver to Vote On School Bond Issue

A special election has been set for May 29 when citizens of the Silver Peak school district will vote on a \$31,000 bond issue to be used in remodeling the school house.

At the same election the matter of raising the school tax levy from \$1.00 to \$1.50 per \$100 valuation will be submitted to the voters.

Sun Oil company holdings are expected to raise the district's valuation to 2 million dollars this year.

Tonie Wojtek, 13 months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Wojtek of Dallas, is visiting here with her grandparents. Mr. and Mrs. V. V. Wojtek, while her mother is recovering from a surgical operation.

Fred Henson's wife and children joined him here this week and now occupy their home two blocks southwest of the store. The Hensons formerly resided at Eola and recently purchased the Black grocery in Robert Lee.

Archie Weeler and Kenneth Pickett and their wives of Pyote visited over the weekend in the parental Ernest Lowrance home. On Sunday they attended the 53rd wedding anniversary of their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Lowrance.

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(From files of The Coke County Rustler, April 27, 1898)

McKinley promised to open the factories—and he did it, the cannon factories. By his pusillanimous action has made war with Spain inevitable, and the people foot the bills.

W. C. Barron delivered to Bill Williams of San Angelo this week 500 head of yearling steers at \$16 per head.

Lee J. Good, one of Coke's most prominent stockmen, was in attendance at district court here the past week. He said he had shipped all his cattle to Elgin, Kans., and will go up himself the first of June.

After a lingering illness of several months Mrs. R. B. Higgins died Wednesday night. She leaves a devoted husband and three little children, two boys and one girl.

The war situation is still alarming, and before another week has passed grim war may be raging. Both houses of congress have agreed to a set of resolutions which declare for hostilities to cease in Cuba and for the Spanish forces to leave the island.

The citizens of Robert Lee are very anxious to have the Colorado River Valley Railroad Co. build their road on through Robert Lee. The town is situated on a beautiful site and as Warren Reed says: Robert Lee is one of the grandest names in history." We hope that Robert Lee citizens will realize their expectations and before many moons the "iron horse" will be a familiar visitor to that city.—Sweetwater Reporter.

G. C. Arnett carried 400 head of cows to Sweetwater last week where they were sold to R. T. Davenport, who shipped them to the Indian Territory.

Geo. F. Fair wrote from Lometa: "My son Ellis left home the last of January and I have not heard from him since. If any of your readers know of his whereabouts, please let me know. And to cap the climax Mrs. Fair and I passed a few words yesterday afternoon and she left. She took passage on the Sante Fe for San Angelo. Some of your readers may see her, if so, tell her I know a little of how a grass widower feels. With this difference I expect her to return in three or four weeks. She will visit our daughters in Coke county, Mrs. Hallmark, Mrs. Key, Mrs. Boykin and Mrs. Robertson."

We are sorry to report the sudden death of Ike Reed, son of Rev. and Mrs. John Reed. He was 16 years of age.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Price of Rotan visited here Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. V. P. Byrne. Mrs. Price is a niece of Mr. Byrne. Ed says it is pretty dry around Rotan as they have had no rain lately, and everything is much greener in Coke county.

Political Announcements

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The Robert Lee Observer is authorized to announce the candidacy of the following persons, subject to the 1948 Democratic primaries:

For Congress, 21st District:

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For State Representative

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For County Judge and School Supt.:

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JEFF DEAN

For County Treasurer:

RUBY L. PETTIT

For District and County Clerk:

WILLIS SMITH

For Sheriff, Tax Collector and Assessor:

PAUL GOOD

For County Attorney

FRANK C. DICKEY

For Commissioner, Precinct No. 1

H. C. VARNADORE
J. C. STRICKLAND
J. W. SERVICE

For Commissioner, Precinct No. 2

OTIS SMITH

For Commissioner, Precinct No. 3

T. R. HARMON
A. B. SHEPPARD
RALPH GARVIN

Red Cross Campaign Exceeds County Quota

Coke county exceeded its quota of \$862 by raising \$931.73 in the recent Red Cross fund campaign. H. A. Springer, campaign chairman, says Robert Lee, Edith and Silver contributed \$445, while Bronte and other parts of the east side of the county raised \$486.

Mr. Springer states that 65 per cent of the money will remain in the county to be used for local needs. Each year the Red Cross handles a number of relief cases here at home.

Because of its fine showing the Coke county chapter has received a Certificate of Honor, and the chairman was also cited for his fine work by the Red Cross national chairman, Basil O'Connor.

Union WHD Club

The Union Home Demonstration club met Friday, April 23, in the home of Mrs. F. S. Higginbotham, with Mrs. John Coalson as co-hostess. Sixteen members answered roll call with selected subjects. Mrs. Higginbotham had charge of the opening exercise.

Plans were made to observe national Home Demonstration Week with a picnic supper to be held in the park at a future date. Arrangements were made to sponsor a bake sale on May 8th in the city hall.

Those present were Mesdames John Walker, Marshall Stephenson, Luther McCutchen, Claude Beaver, Allen Butner, Vernon Lammers, Oilie Eubanks, W. W. Ivey, Everett Bruton, Susie Jackson, Artur Wrinkle and Everett Best.

The next meeting will be in the home of Mrs. John Walker with Mrs. Truman Parker as co-hostess on May 14—Reporter.

Members of the eighth grade of the Robert Lee schools enjoyed a class party one night recently at the Melvin Childress home on the R. C. Russell ranch northwest of town. Room mothers who sponsored the affair were Mrs. Coke Austin, Mrs. Wilson Bryan and Mrs. Cole. Refreshments of sandwiches, cake and cold drinks were served. Hill climbing was enjoyed by the young folks.

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SILVER NEWS

By Juanice Jameson

Weather hot and dry or did you know that?

It's good to see a part of the sick people out. Bro. H. L. Bloodworth was back on the job Sunday as S. S. Superintendent at the Baptist church. Also Mrs. G. B. Gebhart, assistant superintendent and junior teacher in the S. S. Mrs. John Walker, primary teacher, is in San Angelo for physical check-up.

Bro. Bill Arnett, district 8 missionary of Big Spring preached at both morning and evening service Sunday school attendance was 44. Goal for next Sunday is 75. Help our boys and girls reach that goal. Sunday school at 10 A. M. Church services at 11:00. Bro Roy Stuckey will preach.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Jameson entertained her Sunday school class with a picnic at Seven Wells Sunday afternoon. Those enjoying the swimming and supper were Gene Garner, Freddie Sam Snowden, Roger Bussey, Bobbie Kenneth Walker, Clayton Bloodworth, Donna, Susie and Billie Jameson. Pat Preston, Syble Rose, Wanda Walker, Mesdames Curtis Walker, A. E. Rose, J. Jameson, Bro. Arnett, J. C. Wallace, Jewel Bloodworth and Mr. and Mrs. Jameson.

After supper the group returned to church services at the Silver Baptist church.

Mr. and Mrs. Bunyan Millican spent Saturday and Sunday at Spade with the Francis Millicans.

Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Pierce are guests of their daughter, Mrs. Jay Thompson of Loraine. Mr. Pierce recently underwent surgery at the Young hospital, Roscoe.

Ball game—Silver school boys 7

—outside team 22.

Green Mt. and Silver will play at Silver Friday afternoon.

J. H. Moore is dressing tools for Guy Anderson and is living in Colorado City.

That long promised or talked of road from the highway west to Sun Camp is under construction. Henry Varnadore was in the community looking after the construction Monday.

Visiting with Susie Jameson Thursday were Lynn Doris Varnadore and Bobbie Davidson.

Letha Mathers is expected home to stay soon. She has been employed at Booker in watch repair work.

Regular church services were held Sunday at the Church of Christ Friday the foundation for a new church will be started just back of Tex's cafe. Congratulations and if you are a Church of Christ member and haven't been attending services help your people build by pulling your part of the load.

The small son of the Rass Moores is in the Shannon hospital. His condition reported not so good.

New residents of the Baker-Taylor camp are Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Harris from Robert Lee. Mr. Harris drives a truck for Baker-Taylor.

Leon Johnson of Escondido, Calif. is visiting his sister, Mrs. E. E. Bussey.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Holden of Chillicothe, Tex. are parents of a baby girl, Karyl Dianne, born April 23. Roger is the son of Bus Holden.

School—Oh yes I guess you've noticed in last weeks paper that Silver school was to be remodeled and to date the bond issue petition is supposed to be in circulation. At a recent meeting the patrons

voted to vote the limit on bonds for school purposes. More news later on full plans.

The Sherm Andersons expect to get started very soon on remodeling their home.

First Reunion in 41 Years for Stewarts

Mrs. C. D. Stewart, past 82 years old and a Coke county resident since 1883, was happy to have all her living children together the past week for the first time in 41 years. The reunion was climaxed with a barbecue at the Edith Tabernacle Sunday.

The children include Ernest Stewart and wife of Sacramento, Calif., who made his first trip back to Coke county since he left 41 years ago; Ray Stewart, Prescott, Ariz., Curtis Stewart and wife of Albuquerque, New Mex., Mrs. Pearl Duncan, Austin, Tex., V. B. Duncan and wife, Big Lake, Tex., and Marvin Stewart of Robert Lee.

Grandchildren present included G. C. Creech and wife, Eldorado, Bert Elkins, wife and son of Coleman, J. B. Duncan and wife, San Angelo and Weldon Fikes and wife of Robert Lee.

Other relatives in attendance were L. C. Robbins and Wesley Labenske and their wives of Bronte.

Approximately 125 relatives and friends of the family were present for the delicious barbecue dinner prepared by Harve Wallace.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our friends and neighbors for their many acts of kindness and for the sympathy extended during our recent bereavement; also for the beautiful flowers.—G. A. Brown and Family.

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Bronte Hospital News

April 28—Mrs. James Preston and daughter dismissed.

April 29—J. C. Stewart dismissed. Binds McCutchen dismissed. Mary Dean Cresap admitted for surgery.

April 30—Mrs. W. J. Scott admitted and son, Jerry Morris, was born Mrs. W. C. Hedges admitted.

May 1—Mrs. Roy Casey of Robert Lee admitted. Binds McCutchen dismissed.

May 2—Mrs. H. C. Hedges dismissed.

May 3—Mrs. Roy Casey dismissed. Mrs. E. A. Johnson admitted.

May 4—Mrs. Earl Booth dismissed. Mrs. Bob Fields of Robert Lee admitted and dismissed later in the day. Mrs. C. R. Blake dismissed. Mrs. W. J. Scott and son dismissed.

WHD Bake Sale

The county WHD Council will sponsor bake sales in Robert Lee and Bronte next Saturday, May 8. Proceeds will be used in carrying out the WHD and 4-H club programs during the year.

Juanell Jay Marries Lake View Young Man

Miss Juanell Jay and Bobby Richardson were married Friday night at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Jay in Lake View. The double ring ceremony performed by Claude Lawrence of the Church of Christ.

The bride wore a two-piece white linen street length dress with white accessories. She carried a white Bible and a bouquet of pink carnations. A reception was held after the wedding.

Mrs. Richardson is a former Robert Lee girl and a granddaughter of Mrs. Mabel Williams. She is a graduate of Lake View high school and is a student at San Angelo junior college. Juanell has had special voice training and attended the Stamps college in Fort Worth.

Mr. Richardson, the son of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Richardson, was graduated from Lake View high school and is now employed at Wenland's metal works. The couple will live in San Angelo.

Mothers Day Sunday, May 9

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Directed by Jessie Newton Yarbrough

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Virginia Allen, from Chicago.....	Patty Taylor
George Allen, her dad.....	Vaughan Davis
Laura Allen, her mother.....	Joy Millican
Lester Allen, her brother.....	Preston Ross
Professor Barton, the principal.....	Stroud Roberts
Frances Barton, his Daughter.....	Maudie Watson
Beef, Captain of the football team.....	Ralph Walker
Molly Woods, a girl with a bass drum.....	June Duncan
Foggy Ryan, drum major of the band.....	Charles Bessent
Miss Bigby, a teacher.....	Wanda Jones
Scaffold)	James Jackson
Steve) members of the team.....	Paul Burns
Bubbles)	Floyd Sheppard
Betty)	Betty Jo Mauldin
Dot) cheerleaders.....	Billie Roberts
Mitzi)	Evelyn Caston
Barbara, a majorette.....	Ida Belle Eaton
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Former Pastor At Sanco Sends In Mothers Day Poem

Dear Editor:

I am writing you because I once lived here, and am enclosing a copy of a poem of mine you might use for Mothers Day.

Wife and I lived at Sanco in 1917-18, taught the school there, and pastored the Baptist churches at Sanco and Robert Lee. I am sure there are a few people who still remember us. Some of the Gartmans were still there in 1939. Back in those days I knew the Greens at Robert Lee. Miss Green was a county officer while we were there.

This poem was written in France in 1919, one year after my mother's death which occurred in April 1918 while we were teaching at Sanco.

I was overseas as a chaplain and used the poem in our Mothers Day service. It has been published nearly every Mother's Day since 1919 in the seven states and several communities where we have worked. I am offering it to all news-

Mother and Heaven

It seems to me I can often hear
A familiar voice from o'er the tides;
It calls me now and I do not fear
The rugged waves the darkness hides.

That familiar voice, that kindly face,
Both have a charm for you and me;
They're out there now, it's only a pace;
The voice, the face--do you hear and see?

Her life was a blessing to one and all,
A great benediction it left behind;
Where'er she was and heard the call,
Someone to help she could always find.
She struggled on and her family fed,
Through days of toil and sickness too;
Five sons and a daughter to Christ she led,
And to His Church we'll all be true.

Since that sainted one from us has gone
To a better country in Heaven above,
So let us, dear comrades, watch and long
For that fond land of light and love.

May we the lessons our mothers taught,
Propagate and send around the world;
Let's do it now while time is fraught
With the banners of God to be unfurled.

Together, in camp and home and school,
We'll work and pray till Heaven above
Shall some glad day be each man's rule,
In the Temple of God, the Land of Love.
--Will Muston, McCook, Nebr.

papers in these places at this time in the hopes that they can find space to use it.

All I ask in return is a copy of the issue in which it appears, if convenient to send it.

I know somebody in that area will remember us. My time was cut to a year as I entered the chaplaincy in 1918. I do remember a family there, a Mrs. Savage, and others.—Sincerely, Will H. Muston, Pastor First Baptist Church, 507 West First St., McCook, Nebraska.

Class Party

The Sophomore class of the Robert Lee high school enjoyed a picnic in San Angelo last Monday. The group went swimming, had a picnic spread at the city park and attended a movie. Chaperones were Mrs. Jessie Yarbrough, Mrs. Willis Smith, Mrs. Chester Harwell, Mrs. Gene Wojtek and Mrs. J. Jameson.

Court House Filings

Warranty Deeds

John and Ruth Brown to Bob L. Davis, lot 3, blk 1, River View Drive addition to Robert Lee, \$5,500.

S E and Elsie Adams to Clell and Morris Varnadore, lot 6, blk 20, Robert Lee, \$900.

W M Summers to Fern Havins, lot 3, blk 14, Robert Lee, \$650.

Heirs of T A Brown to Clifford Hageman, lots 2-3, blk 8, Bronte, \$2,059.

W W Millikin to J W Anderson, lots 11-12, blk 60, Bronte, \$400.

S R Young to Ila M Adkins, W half lot 2, blk 18, Austin N L & C addn, Robert Lee, \$250.

Otha Dean and Clyde Biggs and Jimmie Ligon to Lee Ligon, 338 acres in W half of Sec 458, blk 1-A H&TC Ry survey.

Royalty Deeds

Central National Bank of San Angelo, trustee of W C Blanks estate, to J J Perkins of Wichita Falls, one-third interest in 8,524.75 acres, \$135,670.40.

Also one-sixth interest in same to Howard Green and others in trade for 38,916 acre Gilmore Morris ranch in Brewster county.

B D and Sallie Gartman to Alford Oil Co, one-fourth interest in 302.9 acres in Section 308. \$4.95 Internal Revenue Stamps.

L E and Fennell Smith to Phil Lane, one-eighth interest in 477 acres. \$4,000.

Oil, Gas Leases

Ira M Bird and Helen Ann to Shell Oil Co, 260 acres, \$5,200.

Walker and Lucile McCutchen to Lloyd Davidson, Jr, and half interest in 320 acres in Sec 417 1-A H&TC. \$2.20 IRS.

O G Hamilton to Paul L Davis, 960 acres Sec 284 and S half 275, 1-A H&TC. 1.10 IRS.

Ulmer S and Josephine Bird to Shell, 80 acres 1.10 IRS.

Oscar and Elva Collett to C L Echols, 94.6 acres.

A V and Daisy Hughes to C L Echols, 160 acres.

T M Wylie, Jr to C L Echols, south 453.85 acres Sec 412 1-A H&TC. \$10.45 IRS.

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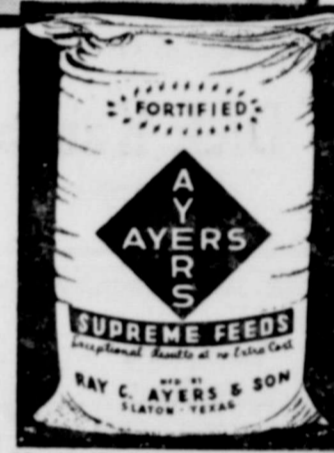
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Folks You Know

Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Pierce returned Monday from Greenville where they visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Pierce. Buster's father has been in ill health and they spent two weeks there.

Everett Hale, Robert Lee high school senior, is recovering at Shannon hospital from a hernia operation.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Neill and daughter, Doris of Dumas and Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Bradley of Odessa were weekend guests in the Homer Garvin home near Edith.

James Thomason and wife spent Sunday with the J. E. Mitchell family at Bronte.

Pete Rampy and wife of Mertzon spent the weekend with Robert Lee relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilton Scott are the happy parents of their first child, a son born at noon April 30 at the Bronte hospital. The baby weighed 8 1-2 pounds and has been named Jerry Morris. Mrs. Scott is the former Nita Varnadore daughter of Commissioner and Mrs. H. C. Varnadore. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Scott of Lampasas.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Taylor and children, Judy and Bucky, of San Angelo were Sunday guests in the Frank Smith home.

Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Turner and sons, Jerry and Phil, of Norton and Virginia Clark of Bronte visited with the Marcus Turners Sunday afternoon.

John Steakley and Mr. and Mrs. Alex McWharter of Oplin were weekend guests of their daughter and sister, Mrs. Walter Mathews, and husband, Walter's mother, Mrs. Will Mathews, of Goldsboro was also a visitor here last week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Coward are the parents of a daughter, Cynthia, born April 30 at the Winters hospital. The baby weighed 8 pounds. Mr. Coward is employed by Helmerich & Payne on the Jack Lassiter oil well. They have an apartment at the Allie Bilbo home.

CARD OF THANKS

I want to express to my many friends my deep appreciation and gratitude for every kind thought and deed toward me during my illness and stay in the hospital; for the flowers sent, visits made and prayers offered. May God's blessings be yours, and friendships dear all down the uneven journey of life.—Your friend, Rev. H. L. Bloodworth.

Fine School Program

A capacity audience attended the grade school program here last Friday night, and everyone was high in their praise of the entertainment. Program numbers included rhythm band selections, songs and choruses. The second half was an operetta, "The Maid and the Golden Slipper," with pupils from the first six grades taking part. School patrons are hoping that more emphasis may be placed on programs of this nature another year. Much credit is due the teachers and their pupils.

New Welfare Worker

Mrs. J. E. Harrell is the new representative of the State Department of Public Welfare, succeeding Thos. Bledsoe, who resigned. She will serve Tom Green and Coke counties and a part of the city of San Angelo, and will make regular visits to Robert Lee each first and third Monday mornings. Mrs. Harrell's home is at Stephenville, and she was transferred to San Angelo from Henderson county.

Pink and Blue Shower

Mrs. Weldon Fikes was honored with a pink and blue shower at the home of Mrs. Victor Wojtek Friday afternoon of last week. Hostesses for the affair were Mmes. Ira M. Bird, J. L. Carwile, T. G. Sexton, Arno'd Samuelson and Mrs. Wojtek. After games and the opening of the gift packages a dessert course was served to 24 guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Homer Carwile and Cecil and Billy Glen spent the weekend at Iraan with the Smith's daughter Mrs. A. D. Williams, and family.

Miss Edith Walker recently resigned an office position with A. C. Pratt & Son at Abilene, where she had been employed the past six years. She will enjoy an extended visit here in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Walker.

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We're Too Busy To Write an Ad

Because momma and the children moved over to Robert Lee this week and we are helping them to get settled. Mighty glad to have them here with me, too.

I told Kirk I wanted to keep this space in The Observer, so all you old and new customers are invited to come by and we'll have some good hot Specials posted for this weekend.

We will be closed Sunday, May 9

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46 oz can 15c

Paper Plates, each 1c Hector Dog Food, 2 cans 19c

Hearts Delight
DICED PEARS No. 2 1-2 can 23c

Jack Sprat
Pork & Beans, 2 cans 25c

Thrift
Mex. Style Beans, 2 cans 19c

COFFEE Red & White
Vac. Packed lb. 49c

Hunts
Peaches, No. 1 can 19c

Red & White
Prune Juice, qt. 29c

WASHO Granulated
Soap large 33c

Quart Mason Jar
Vinegar, qt. 10c

Sliced
Pineapple, No. 2 1/2 can 39c

SALAD DRESSING, Bluebonnet - quart 39c

Trellis
Corn, 2 cans 27c

Tak-A-Taste, Peach or Apricot
Preserves, 2 lbs. 45c

Sweet Pickles, Brice Brand, Small, Crisp qt. 45c