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Royce Smith Out Of Loraine Game

Coach Mike Hughes isn't too optimistic over prospects of a Steer victory at Loraine Friday night. While Loraine isn't such of a standout this season, the Robert Lee squad has been weakened by injuries.

Royce Smith, quarterback and No. 1 passer and kicker, is out for at least another week because of a knee injury received in scrimmage early this week. He won't even be in uniform Friday night. Donald Mauldin, first string reserve end, is also still on the sideline with a broken finger.

The Steers have been going along with their 12 "iron men" all year, and completed half the scheduled before beset with injuries. Some of the inexperienced players are sure to see action this week. Joe Thetford and Bobby Hood will likely be used to replace Smith in the backfield.

Menard comes here next week and the game has been set up to Thursday night because of the Halloween Carnival on Friday. Eldorado defeated Menard right handily a short time ago, but the Yellow Jackets bounced back last week and downed Ozona 41 to 0.

Bronte found Eldorado a sturdy foe last week and the Coke county boys took an 18-0 licking.

Between halves of the Hermleigh contest here last week Dixie Taylor was crowned 1948 football queen. She was escorted to the center of the field, accompanied by members of her court, and accepted the crown from Bill Blair and Raymond McGallian, co-captains of the Steer squad.

Hill's Harris Well Flows 358 Barrels

Flowing naturally 358 barrels of 48.4 gravity oil in 24 hours, Al G. Hill of Dallas No. 2 Ralph Harris Estate has become the first Coke county well completed in the Strawn sand.

The well, for which a new field designation and discovery allowable will be asked, is four miles southeast of Silver on the south side of the Colorado River. Pay section was from 5,808 to 5,848 feet. It is a quarter mile east of No. 1 Harris which is pumping 30 barrels daily from the same section. No. 1 failed in the Ellenburger and plugged back.

The property joins Sun's block on the east and the new producer is about a mile southeast of No. 1 J. B. Walker, a 450-barreler which is producing in the Pennsylvanian.

Hill, who operates this field as the Chapel Hill Gas System, moved the rig a quarter mile east and the same distance north where drilling operations on No. 3 Harris will start today.

Buys City Cafe

Henry Childress has purchased the City Cafe from Keith and Roy Hood. He completely redecorated the interior and made numerous improvements before reopening for business Wednesday morning. Henry is an old restaurant man and knows how to conduct a good eating place. Mr. and Mrs. Childress are being assisted by Jack Shaw, Dot Childress and Mrs. Jeff Blair.

Mrs. S. G. Danford, in company with her brother, Clyde Biggs, and his wife of San Angelo enjoyed a trip to Dallas last week and took in the big state fair. They also visited their aunt at Wiley.

Esther Allen Modeled Dress at State Fair

Esther Allen returned home Sunday afternoon after spending four days at the State Fair.

She was first place winner in the Coke county Dress Revue in June, which entitled her to a free trip to the fair. She made the blue wool



dress, shown in the picture, and modeled it at the Hall of States in Dallas.

On Saturday morning Esther attended the "Early Birds" broadcast over radio station WFAA. To her surprise the announcer asked her to say a few words on the program. Having traveled the greatest distance of anyone in the audience, the "Early Bird" orchestra directed by Bill Mayo played and sang a song and dedicated it to her.

Esther has been a member of the 4-H club for the past six years and has done some outstanding work. In 1944 she won a trip to Ruidoso, N. Mex., and in 1945 a trip to A & M college, and also won three trips to the Fat Stock Show in Fort Worth. She now has 27 ribbons besides the prizes and prize money she has won during these years.

Esther, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Allen of Silver, is a senior in the Robert Lee high school and is also a cheer leader for the girls pep squad.

Pecan Crop Short

J. C. Hale reports his pecan crop is short this year because of the drouth, although quality is excellent. He expects to harvest about 20 per cent of a normal crop and wants to take care of the local demand before shipping. Hale thinks his 280 trees will yield about 1,000 pounds of pecans.

BCD Luncheon

Members of the Board of Community Development will hold their next meeting as a luncheon next Monday noon at the Methodist church, to start promptly at 12:15. Ladies of the church will serve the meal and tickets will be \$1. Tickets may be purchased by Saturday night at the Buchanan barber shop. Some very interesting matters will be brought up at the luncheon and a good turnout is requested.

Notice

We wish to make an apology to Mrs. A. W. Littlefield of Robert Lee for the error we made in filing an a check, which we failed to change from the First National Bank of San Angelo to the First National Bank of Bronte. We sincerely regret we have caused Mrs. Littlefield any embarrassment.—Franklin's Dress Shop, San Angelo, Texas.

Notes from the Oil Field



C. W. Sharp's No. 1 B. D. Gartman was swabbing Thursday following perforation of the Ellenburger section.

Allen Guiberson's No. 2 Jack Lassiter is shut in, awaiting a workover crew. The test was treated with 15,000 gallons of acid last week, but has failed to flow naturally.

No. 1 Gartman is a west offset to No. 1 Lassiter, discovery well 3 miles northwest of Sanco. No. 2 Lassiter is a northeast diagonal offset to the discovery.

Longhorn Drilling company attempted to move its rotary rig a half mile south to No. 1 Marvin Simpson, but the derrick toppled over and was completely demolished. Latest word is that Longhorn will move its rig now on the Gartman location to Simpsons.

Southern Minerals No. 1 Fred McCabe, wildcat 10 miles southwest of Robert Lee, was drilling Thursday at 5,770 feet in shale.

Seaboard and Southern Minerals No. 3 M. G. Reed, 11 miles southeast of Robert Lee, was drilling below 6,000 feet yesterday.

High officials of the Southern Minerals Corp. visited the Coke county locations on Wednesday.

Announcement . . .

We have purchased the City Cafe from the Hood brothers and reopened for business Wednesday. Come here for GOOD food and prompt friendly service at all times. We're going to keep the place clean, too. Make The City Cafe your headquarters. Your business will be appreciated.—Henry Childress.

Folks You Know

John E. Adkins of La Jolla, Calif., was back last week visiting among Coke county relatives and old time friends.

Happy parents of a daughter, their first child, are Mr. and Mrs. Raymond McCutchen. Rhea Jean was born at 4 p. m. Wednesday Oct. 20, at Clinic hospital in San Angelo and weighed 8 pounds, five ounces. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Jim McCutchen of Robert Lee and Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Olsen of Odessa.

The Observer has been requested to announce that there is a deficit in the soft ball fund. If a few of the folks who enjoyed the games last summer will help with small donations it will mean that no individual is compelled to pay the entire amount. Contributions may be left with Doodad Davis.

Randle Harmon, son of Commissioner and Mrs. T. R. Harmon, recently enlisted in the Coast Guard and has left for his training base at Cape May, New Jersey.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Craddock are parents of a son born early Tuesday, Oct. 19, at Root hospital in Colorado City. The baby weighed 7 pounds, thirteen ounces and has been named Billy Frank. The Craddocks have a small daughter, Robbie Ann. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Craddock of Colorado City and Mr. and Mrs. Freeman Clark of Robert Lee.

Bill, 6 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Mundell, was broken hearted Sunday when his pet dog was poisoned.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. C. McDonald of Gatesville visited here last week with their daughter, Mrs. Jim Mauldin, and family.

New Street Lights

Three additional street lights have been installed in Robert Lee by the West Texas Utilities Co. They are located near the water tower at the northeast corner of the court house, the alley back of Ivey Motor Co. and the alley back of the Banner ice house.

Halloween Party

There will be a Halloween Party at the Green Mountain school house Wednesday night, Oct. 27. Entertainment will include bingo, forty-two and other games and stunts. The event is being sponsored by the Green Mountain P. T. A. Everybody be sure and come!

Robert Lee To Sponsor New Boy Scout Troop

Boy Scouting is to be revived in Robert Lee and from all indications this great youth program will have live backing from the entire community. At a meeting of the Board of Community Development last Friday night, members voted unanimously and enthusiastically to support the Boy Scouts in every possible manner.

Joe Galbrith of San Angelo, field executive, attended the meeting and was highly pleased with the response. T. Whitehead, prominent in Boy Scout activities at Ballinger, was also present to help start things off.

A troop is to be organized this week and it is expected to have close to 20 members. The troop will be sponsored by the Robert Lee Independent school district and a meeting place will be provided by the school.

H. E. (Buck) Ivey will again head the Scout committee, other members being Supt. B. C. Goodwin, Mike Hughes, Fred McDonald, Jr., Jim Reid, Jr. and Hugh Lewis, Jr. Rev. Fred Blake will be scoutmaster, with Jerald Ivey, assistant.

Buck Ivey, Rev. Fred Blake, Jim Reid and Jeff Dean attended a Boy Scout training meeting at Ballinger Tuesday night.

Boys between the ages of 12 and 18 are eligible to become Scouts.

Junior Gridders Win

Robert Lee's 7th and 8th graders defeated the Miles juniors 28 to 0 here Tuesday night. The score was 20-0 at the half and subs played the remainder of the game. The juniors are coached by J. O. McLeod, elementary principal.

Pecans—Paper shells, well filled, dried and culled. Extra fancy. Send me your order early. J. C. Hale. p

Merchants Plan Trade Day Event

Robert Lee merchants have announced a series of Profit-Sharing Trade Days for the next nine weeks, in which \$1,000 will be distributed in merchandise gifts to their customers. Practically every business firm in Robert Lee is participating in the good-will event.

The first big award day will be next Wednesday, Oct. 27, and they will be held each alternate Wednesday until Dec. 22. On the latter date a gala community Christmas program will be presented.

Profit-sharing coupons will be distributed beginning Saturday morning of this week.

The project is sponsored by the Board of Community Development. Among those serving on the committee to get the big trades event under way are Cumbe Ivey, Fred McDonald, Jr., Frank D. Bryan, N. C. Caffey and others.

2 More Producers Indicated For Sun In Jameson Field

Two more producing wells in Sun Oil company's field at Silver is indicated this week. They are No. 1 Beatrice Anderson, in the northeast corner of the rapidly growing field, and No. 1 Jewell Brannen, in the southwest corner.

The Anderson location, a half mile north of Silver school house, had drilled to a depth of 6,417 feet in lime. The well flowed 57.9 barrels of oil and 7 barrels of water and mud during a 7-hour test Thursday morning. The test was through a quarter inch choke and a tubing pressure of 460 pounds was reported. Gas-oil ratio was 1,575-1.

The Brannen location, south offset to one of the C. E. Mathers producers, topped the reef high at 5,810 feet. A drillstem test in lime from 6,040-80 feet Thursday recovered 300 feet of heavily oil-cut mud and 125 feet of clean oil. Bottom hole pressure closed was 2,400 pounds and mud weight 3,300. Operators were considering setting pipe to the present depth.

No. 9 C. E. Mathers was drilling Thursday at 5,807 feet in sand.

No. 4 J. B. Walker, south of the river was in shale and sand at 5,735 feet.

No. 13 Homer Jameson was drilling in shale at 6,149 feet.

No. 7. Fred Jameson was drilling at 3,940.

No. 1 Mary Haney, Sun's wildcat near Maryneal, had reached a depth of 6,980 feet in shale.

Encouraging reports come from No. 1 P. W. Millican, Sun's wildcat test 3 miles west of Edith. Contractors have recovered stuck drill collars and were running 7 inch casing to bottom to shut off slipping hole. Total depth is now 5,848 feet. Drilling will be continued with a 6 1/2 inch bit.

Crudoil Drilling Co. has the contract and moved onto the location late in June. They were forced to plug back because of a crooked hole and then lost several weeks because of stuck tools.

District Court Term Winds Up Its Work

The fall term of district court in Coke county was adjourned Monday by Judge John F. Sutton, with several important civil cases continued until next term.

Last Thursday Ed Trimble, charged with theft of sheep from Claud Dean, was given a five-year suspended sentence after he entered a plea of guilty.

Victor Bermudez, Negro, was sentenced to seven years in prison for burglarizing the E. L. Caperton home in Bronte. He was a second offender. The two cases cleared the criminal docket.

Lawsuits of Mrs. Lou Whiteside involving title to land in the northeastern part of the county were continued, after Jerome Ragsdale, Dallas attorney was called home by illness of his wife.

Working on Highway

Work is well under way on construction of 18 1/2 miles of new right of way fencing from Edith west to the Sterling county line. A contract for the project was recently let by the county commissioners to L. E. Smith and D. O. King at a bid of \$5,550. The state will pave this stretch of road the coming year and a contract for necessary bridges will be let at Austin next Tuesday.

Hermleigh Wins Over Steers, 20-0

The Hermleigh Cardinals defeated our Robert Lee Steers on the local field last Friday night by a score of 20 to 0. The visitors demonstrated beyond all doubt that they are the top club in the 9-B conference.

They are a well balanced outfit and about as good a gridiron team as you will see any time coming out of a small school.

However, the contest was far from one-sided and the Steers and Cardinals were tied in nine first down apiece. Hermleigh accounted for two of its touchdowns on long passes, and the other scoring opportunity came after they recovered a fumble deep in Robert Lee territory.

First Quarter

Hermleigh kicked off, with Percifull running the ball back 15 yards to his 27. Tinkler gained 4 and Percifull added 4 more in line plays. Percifull went to the 37 for a 1st down. Havins rammed thru for 5 yards and Tinkler went for 6 more and a 1st down on the Steer 48. Percifull gained 3 yards in a line play and Hermleigh recovered a fumble in midfield.

Wright gained a yard and Hermleigh was penalized 15 yards for clipping. Stuart picked up 5 yards and Roemisch gained 8. Roemisch caught a pass for a short gain and on the next play the visitors punted to Havins on the Robert Lee 15 yard line.

Tinkler got thru for 8 yards and Percifull made it 1st down on the

27. The Steers picked up only 3 yards in three plays and Smith punted out of bounds on the Cardinal 41 yard line.

Fritz gained 3 at left tackle and then picked up 4 more. Wright circled his right end for 12 yards and 1st down on the Steer 42. Wright got thru left tackle for a 1st down on the 31. Stuard's plunge was good for 2 yards and Wright gained 7 at right guard. Fritz went to the Steer 11 for a 1st down.

Second Quarter

Wright went off tackle for 9 but Hermleigh was penalized 15 yards for clipping. Roemisch gained 8. Three pass attempts failed and Robert Lee took the ball on their 19.

Hermleigh recovered a fumble on the next play on the 22. Wright got thru for a 1st down on the 7. Roemisch gained 5 yards and Wright went over for a touchdown, then converted the extra point. Score: Hermleigh 7, Robert Lee 0.

Tinkler carried the kickoff back 20 yards to his 39. Two line plays netted small yardage and a pass was incomplete. Smith's punt was partially blocked and the Cardinals took over on the 50. The Steer defense held during the next four plays and Robert Lee took possession on their 40. The Steers failed to make their required yardage and Smith punted on the fourth down to the Hermleigh 33.

Roemisch and Wright each gained 3 yards and Roemisch added 3 more. Williams caught a pass between two Robert Lee defensive players and ran 25 yards for a touchdown. Williams carried over for the conversion. Score: Hermleigh 14, Robert Lee 0.

Third Quarter

Stuard brought the kickoff back to the Cardinal 31. Fritz gained 6 and Wright added 3. Wright was shaken up and Henderson replaced him. Stuard went for a 1st down on his 45. Roemisch gained 6 and Robinson went around left end for a 1st down on the Steer 45.

Roemisch gained 4 off tackle and Fritz made it 1st down on the 28. Roemisch got thru right tackle for a 1st down on the Steer 13. Fritz made a yard and Roemisch gained 8. McGallian dropped Robinson for a 3 yard loss and Blair broke up a pass attempt. The ball went over to Robert Lee on their own 7.

Smith picked up 3 yards and Tinkler added 6. Percifull went to the 20 for a 1st down. Smith cut thru right tackle for a 1st down on the 33. The Steer offense was stopped and Smith punted to the visitors 29. Roemisch gained 6 yards.

Fourth Quarter

Roemisch then made it 1st down on his 41. Fritz gained 2 yards and Stuard added 3. Stuard lost 4 and Hermleigh punted to the Robert Lee 33.

Smith gained 3 around end. Two pass attempts were incomplete and Smith punted to the Cardinal 32. Robinson made 3 around end. He then grabbed a pass and raced 50 yards for a touchdown. A line play failed to convert the extra point. Score: Hermleigh 20, Robert Lee 0.

Havins brought the kickoff to his 40. Percifull went around right end for 7 yards and Smith carried for a 1st down on the Hermleigh 49. Smith connected with a pass to Thetford for a 1st down on the 38. A pass was incomplete. Havins went around end for 10 yards but the play was called back and a 5 yard offside penalty went against the Steers. A pass to Havins was good for 5 yards and a pass to Blair was too long. On the fourth down Smith tried his left end and

got to the 30 but the ball went over to Hermleigh.

Roemisch was stopped without gain. A pass failed and Stuard gained 2 yards when Hood hit him. A punt carried to the Steer 42.

A long pass to Thetford failed to connect. Smith then hit Blair with an aerial which was good for a 1st down on the visitors 46. Blair caught another pass and went to the 30 yard line as the game ended.

Starting lineups:

Hermleigh—Ends, Robinson and Williams; tackles, Lewis and Talley; guards, D. Fritz and Robertson; center, Lockett; quarterback, Stuard; halfbacks, J. Fritz and Wright; fullback, Roemisch.

Robert Lee—Ends, McGallian and Thetford; tackles, Blair and Bruton; guards, Hood and Roe; center, Snepard; backfield, Smith, Percifull, Havins and Tinkler. Substitute; Lofton for Roe.

Officials—Tom Gregg, Earl English, W. T. Roach.

J. C. Hale Married

J. C. (Shorty) Hale returned to Robert Lee recently with his new bride, the former Una Taylor Crissman. Their marriage took place July 17 at Reno, Nevada. The couple were old acquaintances. Mrs. Hale formerly lived at Abilene, but in recent years has resided at Merced, Calif. The Hales are now at home at the pecan mott east of Robert Lee.

C. W. Modgling and wife departed the first of the week for their home at Pomona, Calif., after a visit among Coke county relatives and friends. The last of the week they were guests in the Bob Patterson home at Robert Lee. The Modglings formerly ranched out on Indian Creek and have been in California the past 15 years.

Mrs. Varnadore Honored

A layette gift tea honoring Mrs. Morris Varnadore was given Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. F. McCabe, Jr., with Miss Martha Smith the co-hostess. Mrs. Billy Green presided at the guest register. Twenty guests enjoyed the refreshments of punch and white cake ornamented with blue storks. Mrs. Varnadore received many nice gifts.

Vincent Hanna had the ring finger of his left hand badly smashed Sunday afternoon. He was treated at the Bronte hospital. Hanna is a member of the Baker-Taylor drilling crew on the Jewell Brannen location southwest of Silver.

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SILVER NEWS

W. L. Carr attended a Farm Bureau district meeting at Snyder last week. He was accompanied by four other representatives of Coke. Thirteen counties were represented at the meeting which was the largest of its kind ever held in this district.

Mrs. Ed Snowden who was quite ill for a time, has returned home after a stay in Colorado City. She is much improved.

Mr. and Mrs. Maxwell of Pawnee, Okla. are here for an extended visit in their son's home, the Jack Maxwells.

Mr. and Mrs. Oren Carpenter of Buford and Mrs. Thelma Conner and daughter, Neva Rue, of Colorado City were Silver visitors last Sunday.

Estner Louise Allen returned home Sunday night from a trip to Dallas where she participated in a 4 H club contest and attended the fair.

Charlotte Wayne McCabe underwent a tonsilectomy last Friday and is reported to be recovering.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Powell, who moved to Roscoe a short time ago in order that Mr Powell might be nearer his work, have moved back to Silver to make their home.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Allen spent last Thursday in Ozona with Mr and Mrs. Harrison. Bro. Harrison is the minister for the Church of Christ there.

Mr and Mrs. Russ Mathers have purchased a nice rock home at 3229 Carlsbad Road in San Angelo. They and Letha will move there soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Brown of Van Court were recent visitors of the Allen Jamesons.

Mrs. Bill Archer and Lanny Bill of San Angelo spent two days this week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Allen.

Don't Miss This

The film "Seeds of Destiny" will be shown at the Silver Baptist church next Wednesday night, Oct. 27 at 7:30 o'clock and is free of charge.

This is not a pretty picture at all but it is real. It was produced by the U. S. Army Signal Corps

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The so-called loyalty pledge does not apply to the election on November 2. It is a GENERAL ELECTION all over the United States. It is NOT a state primary.

This has been so held by our courts and by the Texas Attorney General's Department for years past.

(Pol. Adv. paid for by Porter for Senate Committee, Lloyd Wheelock, Chairman)

for the War Department and won the 1946 Academy Award for Documentary Films but was withheld from theatrical use because it was "too hard" for the public to see. Church leaders who have used it say it is a must for every American and that no one of conscience can view it with dry eyes.

It is the grim and tragic story of hunger and destitution which followed our recent war. It is tomorrow's threat to a world seeking peace.

Some suggest that children under ten years of age should not be encouraged to see it.

The Womans Missionary Union of Silver is sponsoring the film and invite all to attend.

W. M. U. Meeting

Mrs. Jack Mowbray was hostess at her home in Sun Camp Monday afternoon for members of Womans Missionary Union of Silver for a period of Bible Study.

The meeting was called to order by the president who read a few lines of verse entitled "Just Suppose" followed by prayer of thanks for W. M. U.

Minutes were read and the treasurer's report given by the secretary, Mrs. Mowbray.

Mrs. Powell was welcomed as a new member.

One of the items under unfinished business was the decision to show the film "Seeds of Destiny" at the Silver Baptist church on Wednesday night, October 27.

After all other business had been attended to, Mrs. Homer Jameson led in a very interesting Bible Study on first 4 chapters of Genesis by asking questions and letting members answer with scripture.

Next meeting will be with Mrs. Rose Nov. 1 for a Royal Service Program presented by the Women of W. M. U. of Robert Lee.

Cake and coffee were served to the following eight ladies:

Mrs. J. L. Legg, Mrs. G. B. Gebhart, Mrs. Bill Preston, Mrs. Aaron Rose, Mrs. Fred Jones, Mrs. Walter Powell, Mrs. Homer Jameson and the hostess, Mrs. Jack Mowbray.

Farm Bureau Makes Drive For Members

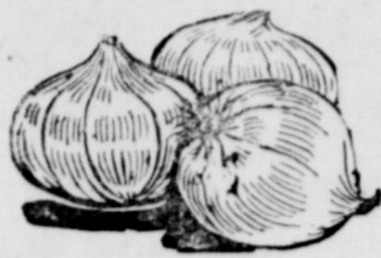
Annual membership campaign sponsored by the Coke County Farm Bureau will be conducted Oct. 21 to 28, according to C. E. Arrott, county president.

Membership captains include Will Carr, Silver, Bryan Gartman, Sanco, D. O. King, Edith, W. D. Markham and A. V. Hughes, Robert Lee, Frank Keeney and C. E. Arrott, Bronte, and Otto Finch and James Arrott of Tennyson.

Mr. Arrott says "It's time for farmers and ranches to wake up. Industry and Labor are strongly organized and pressure groups are influencing legislation contrary to our interests. The Farm Bureau maintains legislative directors in Austin and Washington for our protection. Farmers must organize for self protection."

The annual membership fee is \$5. Leaders point out that Farm Bureau members get the advantage of qualifying for the Blue Cross hospital insurance, as well as life and auto insurance.

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Peanut Butter	Peter Pan	12 oz. tin	29c
Gum, Asst. Flavored	Wrigleys	pkg	3 for 13c

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Mexicorn	12 oz. tin	21c
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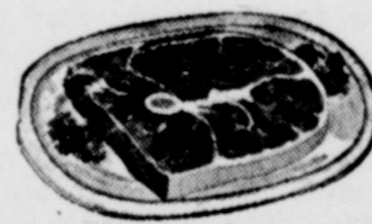
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The youth and virility of our American way of life is typified to a startling degree by the amazing development and growth of this country's petroleum industry. We have become so accustomed to saying "fill 'er up" at the nearest service station that it comes as a shock when we realize that the modern history of oil really started in 1901—the same year that Marconi sent his first wireless message across the Atlantic.

It was on January 10, 1901, that the Spindletop discovery well near Beaumont, Texas, let loose with a deep-throated roar and started hurling skyward 100,000 barrels of crude petroleum daily.

From that time petroleum became increasingly important. In 1900 it supplied only eight per cent of the power and heat requirements of the United States. True, adventurous men had explored the eastern part of the nation for 40 years, but they worked on a hit or miss basis and their shallow wells had comparatively small yields.

Then came Spindletop and the country went wild. Here is what the Beaumont newspaper had to say about it:

"The Beaumont oil boom will eclipse in significance, extent and human interest the Indian stocks, the Mississippi Bubble, the gold fields of '49 and even that pathetic melodrama of the Klondike."

That prediction came true to the letter. The new abundance of oil came just in time, the next decade saw the introduction of the Tin Lizzy and an almost limitless variety of oil-powered, labor-saving equipment. The oil age had begun, and it continues today, when petroleum and natural gas supply almost half of our heat and power needs.

Methods of developing new fields, as well those of drilling and storage, have been greatly improved since Spindletop due to the intense competition among oil producing companies. Gone are the wild boom towns where staid business men toted revolvers and where their buggies sank knee deep in mud of unpaved streets. Gone, too, are the mad scramble for leases and locations; the well derricks crowd shoulder to shoulder like trees in some monster forest; the roaring, untamed, often blazing gushers and the wasteful open-air storage basins.

Today Beaumont and other oil towns are eminently respectable, with wide paved streets and soaring skyscrapers. Leases are drawn as carefully and equitably as life insurance policies. Conservation techniques have made it possible to space wells efficiently; to prorate their production so that excessive flow does not exhaust the underground gas and water pressure which pushes oil toward them through porous rock formations. Fields are even re-pressured by pumping gas and water back into them so that much oil which previously had to be left underground can now be recovered.

Gushers have been tamed by means of complicated arrangements of pipes and valves called Christmas trees. Wells which no longer flow are pumped, or "stripped" of their maximum recoverable oil. Fields are not opened for production until steel storage tank "farms" have been built and pipelines run to the nearest refinery or shipping center.

Perhaps the most interesting de-

velopments have come in drilling.

In the early days most wells were put down by the percussion method. That has been largely superseded by rotary drilling, in which a bit revolves auger-fashion until it reaches great depths. Picture the difficulties of this operation in view of the fact that hundreds of holes more than 8,000 feet deep have been drilled. (The average well depth drilled in the United States last year was 3,593 feet.)

At 8,000 feet the drill is on the end of a pipe composed of 400 twenty-foot sections. Whenever a bit has to be sharpened or replaced—and this happens frequently—the entire pipe must be hauled up, unjointed and stacked. This becomes doubly difficult and expensive when a well has been curved in order to strike oil deposits lying under a mountain, swamp or offshore in the ocean.

Some wells go as much as three miles deep and present even more complicated problems. Hunting for the needle in a haystack is easy compared to fishing a broken bit out of such a hole. Sometime the task cannot be accomplished. Then the well has to be abandoned, even though it may have cost hundreds of thousands of dollars. (It should be added that four out of every five wells drilled in exploring for new petroleum have to be abandoned anyway because they turn out to be dry holes.)

The bottom of a hole gets one degree hotter for each 60 feet of depth (In one three-mile well a thermometer registered 380 degrees—160 degrees hotter than boiling water.) To lubricate and cool deep-going drills—as well as to plaster up the sides of holes so they will not cave in or blow out, and to carry out rock cuttings—force pumps circulate thick, gooey, specially-compounded mud in and out of wells. Oil drillers spend \$10,000,000 a year—just for mud!

It is by the use of such progressive methods that America's 13,000 competitive production companies manage to meet a demand for oil products which is running 18 per cent higher than in 1945, at the peak of the war, and 45 per cent above 1941, the last pre-war year. It is also the way in which they have pushed out reserves of discovered petroleum to the record high of almost 25 billion barrels despite that unprecedented demand. This year they plan to drill 40,000 wells, of which more than 7,000 will be exploration wells in search of new oil sources. These will reach an aggregate depth of more than one hundred thirty million feet—a distance equal to two and a half times the earth's diameter at the Equator.

Contractors' Notice Of Texas Highway Construction

Sealed proposals for constructing 0.098 miles of Bridges from 8.5 mi. West of Robert Lee to 4.5 miles east of Sterling County Line on Highway No. FM 387, covered by S 1063 (3), in Coke County, will be received at the Highway Department, Austin, until 9:00 A. M., Oct. 26, 1948, and then publicly opened and read.

This is a "Public Works" Project, as defined in House Bill No. 54 of the 43rd Legislature of the State of Texas and House Bill No. 115 of the 44th Legislature of the State of Texas, and as such is subject to the provisions of said House Bills. No provisions herein are intended to be in conflict with the provisions of said Acts.

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aid House Bills, the State Highway Commission has ascertained the wage rates prevailing in the locality in which this work is to be done. The Contractor shall pay not less than the prevailing wage rates shown in the proposal for Group 3 for each craft or type of "Laborer," "Workman," or "Mechanic" employed on this project.

Legal holiday work shall be paid

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Warranty Deeds

J J Burroughs to Winnie Brookshier, 1,638.9 acres in Coke and Runnels counties.

Dovie E. Devoll to Zella M Hale, S E Devoll, Jodie F Devoll, Zulla L Baugh and Ocie Devoll, 970 acres.

Ragsdale Auto Co to Alvin E Bell, lots 12-13, blk 44, Bronte \$1,250.

Royalty Deeds

Annie B and C. B Mitchell to Sid Roberts, one-half interest in 120 acres. \$4.40 Internal Revenue Stamps.

Sallie G Rabb to A B Sheppard, one-fourth interest in NW quarter Sec 285, blk 2 H&TC.

Oil, Gas Leases

C T Mills to Howard Hill and Earl B Persons of Grand Saline,

Texas, lot 3, blk 58, Bronte, \$10. C M and Irma Lee McCutchen to Hill & Persons, lots 7 to 12, blk 13, Bronte, \$90.

L F McCutchen to Hill and Persons, tract in blk 34, Bronte, \$30.

R W Rees to Hill & Persons, lot 15, blk 50, Bronte, \$20.

J H Turner to Hill & Persons, lots 1-2-11-12, blk 14, Bronte, \$60.

Homer Vaughn to Hill & Persons, lots 1-2-3, blk 13, Bronte, \$45.

R S Walton to Hill & Persons, lots, 7-8, blk 43, Bronte, \$35.

C B Webb to Hill & Persons, lots 13-14, blk 29, and lots 10-11-12, blk 32, Bronte, \$55.

L L Webb to Hill and Persons, lot 6, blk 73, Bronte, \$15.

W A Tucker of Miles to J H McClure of Midland, 160 acres on Oak Creek in Coke and Tom

Green counties. \$1.10 IRS.

S B Plumlee to R L Moore and L V Hitt, lots 7-8-9-10-11, blk 50, Robert Lee, \$20.

Simon R Olivas to R L Moore, 1-2, blk 3, Maxwell addn, Bronte.

Mrs. Kate Cox to R L Moore, lots 7-8, blk 56, Bronte.

Robt Knierim to R L Moore, lot 14, blk 54, Bronte.

Mrs Fannie Ward to Taylor Emerson, undivided half interest in E half Section 338 1-A H&TC, 320 acres.

A L Rogers to Sid Roberts, lot 2, Deer addn Bronte, 2 acres, \$10.

Jessie Ellwood Chappell et al to C R Craig, 7,230 acres in Coke county and 7,865 acres in Sterling county. Filed Sept. 21, 1948, and assigned to Stanolind. \$80.00 Int Revenue Stamps.

L T Youngblood, gdn Dona Margaret Hendry, South 320 acres

of Survey 1 Blk A T&P Ry Survey. Assigned to Phillips Petroleum Co. \$5.50 IRS.

Sadie G Harris, Helen Weaver and Ralph Harris, Jr, to Paul Davis, 4,769.75 acres northwest of Robert Lee. (\$77.20 Stamps.) Also 5,347.6 acres northwest of Robert Lee (\$88.55 Stamps.)

Mrs. Dave Parker and little son, Davie, are visiting in the Monroe Parker home and will also spend some time with her parents at Mertzon. Dave is a sergeant with an infantry regiment at Fort Riley, Kans.

Mrs. A. T. Hughes is recovering from a major operation early last week at the Bronte hospital. Her condition was serious for some time and she was administered two transfusions. Mr. Hughes is a foreman for Hazlit & Hood oil well service company.

New Subscribers

Recent new subscribers to The Observer include Mrs. E. Menielle and Oscar Collett of Robert Lee; C. C. Hudson of San Angelo, Rankin Russell of Maryneal, Ray Miles and C. E. Bell of Robert Lee, Wilfred Rabb of Odessa, Mrs. Garland Morris of Abilene, Mrs. Claude Cotten of San Angelo, J. D. Harmon of Robert Lee, C. W. Modgling of Pomona, Calif., and Mrs. J. D. Davis of Mineral Wells.

Dr. Amos Buckner, wife and daughter, Vickadee, of San Antonio were guests one day last week of the former's aunt, Mrs. R. S. Crum and husband.

Curtis Byrd went to San Angelo the last of the week to join his wife who spent several days with relatives there. They returned Sunday to their ranch home north of Robert Lee.

You Can't Swim the Mississippi with a Million Head of Cattle

The Mississippi River always has been the "continental divide" in the geography of the livestock-meat industry. In the old days the great herds of longhorns trailing north from Texas had many rivers to cross. The Red. The Canadian. The Big Blue. The Platte . . . but there was never a trail that ended east of the Father of Waters. The Mississippi was, and is, one river you couldn't swim with a million head of cattle.

It's a staggering job to get the nation's meat from producer to consumer. Two-thirds of the meat animals are produced west of the Mississippi . . . two-thirds of the meat is eaten east of it. On the average, meat has to be transported more than 1,000 miles. It's a big job—a huge job. Just consider: in 1947 alone, this job of getting the nation's meat from the farm and range to the cooking range involved 32,158,000 beef animals, 24,044,000 sheep and lambs, 82,579,000 hogs!

Harvesting any national crop—from wheat to meat—is a big job. Big machines are needed. Who uses binders when combines are more efficient? Similarly, in the processing and nationwide distribution of meat it takes large-scale, efficient "machinery." There's a need for all of us—producers and meat packers; shippers and marketing people; transportation lines; wholesalers and retailers. We all play a part—whether we are individuals or companies, whether we operate locally or on a nationwide basis.

Over the years, we at Swift have worked to perfect our nationwide system of marketing. We, and 26,000 other commercial slaughterers, provide a competitive cash market for your livestock. We buy your animals and dress them. We process and refrigerate them. Then, we distribute the meat to retail store men everywhere. (Our earnings for all these essential services are only a fraction of a cent a pound.) Because this big job is done efficiently, you producers are assured of markets . . . consumers everywhere are assured of meat. We at Swift & Company are proud of our part in building the "1,000-mile bridge"; the "bridge" which carries meat from the point of surplus production to the point of consumption. So long as all America wants meat it will take efficient nationwide organizations to bridge that 1,000-mile gap.

Soda Bill Sez:

Time counts unless you're counting time. Some people will do almost anything for money—except work for it. Generally it's better to have PUSH than PULL.



Clair E. Terrill

Tally and Cull "Newcomers" in Breeding Ewe Flocks

by Clair E. Terrill

United States Department of Agriculture

As you swing the cut gate, you can increase total salable lamb weight—your margin of profit. For here you can cull ewes that are barren in their first lambing season. You can also cut out those unable to raise singles in their first lambing year. These ewes often get by on their appearance alone. For frequently they are heavier woolled and in better condition than nursing ewes. But they do not always pay their way.

Recent research has proved that subsequent market lamb production from such dry ewes may not justify keeping them in efficient commercial breeding bands. Experiments with Columbia range ewes at the U. S. Sheep Experiment Station, Dubois, Idaho, established this fact. There is a definite relationship between the total weaning weight of lambs produced in the first year and in the three following years of lambing.

All ewes that twinned the first year, regardless of whether the lambs were raised, weaned 19 pounds more lamb weight in the three years of study than ewes that failed to lamb—five pounds more than ewes which did not rear their first single lamb. Ewes that dropped and raised singles had 16 pounds greater annual lamb yield thereafter than ewes which did not lamb. And ewes that did not rear their first lamb later produced 14 pounds more lamb weight yearly than ewes which were barren their first lambing season.

So, to increase efficiency in market lamb production, tally "newcomers" in ewe herds at breeding time. Then mark barren low-producing ewes for culling after the lambing season.



All That Glitters Isn't Profit



J. F. Brandt

Government reports tell of farm and ranch income from livestock that totals more than 17 billion dollars. Many folks read those reports and say—"No wonder meat is so high. Livestock producers must be coining money."

That is a thoughtless comment, based on misunderstanding. That 17 billion dollars is *not* profit—it is *gross income*. Many expenses must come out of your gross livestock income before you can make any profit on it. There's the cost of breeding-stock and feeding-stock . . . of your hired labor . . . of feed, machinery, equipment. All these costs are at all-time high levels. Out of your gross income also must come property and income taxes, interest; insurance premiums; repairs; new buildings; fences; death losses, etc. After you've paid all those necessary business expenses, you're lucky if you end up with 10 or 15 per cent profit.

A lot of people are just as wrong about Swift's profit as they are about yours. They look at our total sales of 2¼ billion dollars last year and say—"That's a barrel of money. No wonder meat is high!" But the fact is that competition in both buying and selling is so keen that from those 2¼ billion sales dollars an average of 79¢ went to pay you for your livestock. 10¢ for pay to our employes. 6½¢ for supplies and other necessary business costs. 3¢ for taxes and transportation. All we had left as earnings was 1½¢.

Yes, in our business, as in yours, there's a big difference between gross income and net profit!



J. F. Brandt
Vice President and Comptroller
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Martha Logan's Recipe for CHICKEN À LA MARYLAND

Cut a cleaned hen into serving pieces. Season. Dip into egg diluted with milk, then roll in sifted cracker crumbs. Brown in a ½-inch layer of shortening. Add a 1-inch layer of rich milk. Cover. Bake in a moderate oven (350°F.) 2 hours. Remove the cover and bake 15 minutes. Make a gravy, using the liquid in the pan, to serve with the chicken. Serve with Pickled Orange Slices.

PICKLED ORANGE SLICES

1 orange ¼ cup vinegar
½ cup brown sugar 6 cloves for each orange slice
Boil orange 1 hour. Cut in slices ½-inch thick. Stick cloves on rind of each slice. Boil together sugar and vinegar 5 minutes. Add orange slices. Simmer 15 minutes. Serve hot or cold.

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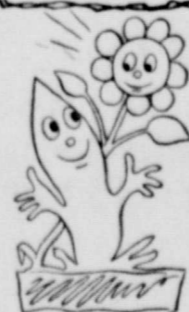
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Editorial

Does the Majority Rule?

Although Coke county is still without a county judge, legal affairs in the office will probably not be affected too much if the vacancy is filled soon. One important matter, however, that cannot afford to wait is the county hospital.

The need for more medical and hospital service in Coke county is increasing every day. The privately owned hospital at Bronte, under the efficient management of Dr. Harris, does not have facilities to care for the entire county. Hence many persons are forced to go long distances to city hospitals where crowded conditions are extremely critical.

Because of the recent oil development in Coke county which brought in many new families, a movement was started early last spring to get a county-owned hospital. The committee sponsoring the idea was honest and laid its cards face up on the table. They were informed that the county could legally issue time warrants against the present 25 cent Permanent Improvement Fund. By such a method there would be no need for additional taxes as the county's valuation is being rapidly increased by oil properties. If a bond issue were voted, however, it would mean a special levy and a tax increase for every property owner.

At a special election the county hospital question was approved and the commissioners court was authorized to issue \$50,000 for building and equipping a county hospital. A site was donated for the hospital and local organizations and individuals pledged themselves to furnish a number of rooms.

There was some delay in getting things under way, but a hospital board was set up according to law and an architect employed to draw plans and specifications. When bids were opened a few weeks ago, it was learned that the lowest bid for the building was \$65,000 and equipment might bring the entire cost to \$80,000.

The commissioners discussed cutting down the size of the building to get within the authorized \$50,000, but all of them agreed that a hospital adequate to meet the needs of the county could not be secured for that amount of money.

The matter of going ahead with the project, although additional funds would be required, was then approved by the commissioners court by a vote of 3 to 2. Commissioners Smith and Brooks from the east side of the county voted "No" and Commissioners Varnadore and Harmon from the west side voted "Yes." The tie vote favoring the action was cast by County Judge Bob Davis.

There are still some necessary steps to be taken to keep the project rolling. The state comptroller advised that bids must be re-advertised, etc. Application was

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made for federal aid and a grant was approved making it possible for Coke county to get a \$100,000 hospital by putting up two-thirds the money or about \$65,000. Then Judge Davis resigned, the office is still vacant because the commissioners can't agree on an appointment, and the hospital project is getting no where.

It is apparent that the two commissioners from the east part of the county would be highly satisfied to let the hospital issue die, since their people voted strongly against the plan. However, the question carried by a 200 majority over the county and these folks who voted for the hospital are determined to get it or know the reason why. They realize its great need and they have been honest in saying that the present plan will not increase anybody's taxes.

The commissioners court will have more decisions to make. Wouldn't it be justified in spending \$65,000 of the county's money to get a \$100,000 hospital? Why is it any more legal to vote bonds and require an additional levy on all property in the county? What is of more importance than health, yet what is the commissioners court doing to provide its citizens with any sign of medical and hospital facilities?

The way things stand we believe Jeff Dean should be appointed to fill the vacancy in the judge's office. He will be elected to take the office Jan. 1 and just as well start now. We don't believe the heat should be put on the new

judge to decide the hospital issue. The majority of the people spoke their minds six months ago.

Coke county has just started to grow. Oil men say their development is just beginning. Within another few weeks at least 15 new families will move into the Sun camp at Silver and hundreds of men will be employed to build the new gas plant. Some more oil drilling rigs are coming in, too, a couple of them just outside the city limits of Bronte.

Let's take a longer view of things, let's get together a little better than we've been doing. What's good for one part of Coke county is good for all of it. We hope they strike oil a l around Bronte and in town, too. We hope the commissioners buy them a new fire truck with white side wall tires and get Ed Nunnally back to drive it.

Church of Christ

East Side, Robert Lee
Regular Services each Sunday,
Bible Study at 10:15 a. m. Preaching and worship 11 to 12. Evening service at 4 p. m.—Idus England

A large group of relatives and friends gathered for a weekend visit in the Calvin Wallace home featured by a barbecue dinner on Sunday. Those present included Gilbert Wallace and family of Pecos, Mrs. Henry Payne of Clovis, N. Mex., Bro. Claude Lawrence and wife and Mrs. Dalton of San Angelo, E. C. Davis and Mrs. Mabel Williams, Willie Wallace and family and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Lowrance.

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Folks You Know

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Caston are the proud parents of an 8-pound son, Homer Lynn, born Oct. 16 at the Bronte hospital. This is their first child. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Cole and Mrs. J. C. Caston is the maternal grandmother.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Brownfield of Menard are the proud parents of a daughter born Oct. 9 in a San Angelo hospital. The baby weighed 7 pounds, two ounces and has been given the name of Mary Cereta. Mrs. Brownfield is the former Shirley Havins and is spending two weeks here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Havins.

Mrs. T. B. Hicks submitted to a kidney operation last Thursday at Shannon and is reported to be recovering nicely. During her absence Mrs. Carroll Russell is teaching her room in the Robert Lee schools.

Mrs. F. C. Clark was brought home Saturday from Shannon hospital. She is recovering satisfactorily from a recent operation. The Bill Craddock family of Colorado City were weekend guests in the Clark home.

The Victor McCabe family of Colorado City were over night guests Saturday in the Frank McCabe home. They went to Carlsbad Sunday to visit Mrs. Victor McCabe's father, Jack Mathews

Methodist News

The Pastor extends a special invitation to all those Methodists who do not habitually attend the services of the Church to be present Sunday morning when the message will be on the topic, "The Cost of Indifference."

Very few inactive church members ever stop to realize how much they cost the Church.

Dozens of persons have promised the past few months that they wanted to come to church "sometime" but they never have attended. Something very important has kept them away. Those who are physically able are invited to make good on those promises next Sunday.

October 25 to 31 will be observed as a Week of Prayer by members of the Women's Society of Christian Service everywhere.

The members of the local society will meet at the Church Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock to begin their week of prayer in a worship service led by Mrs. R. S. Crum.

Time of meeting for the evening services has been advanced. The young people will now meet at 5:30 o'clock for their fellowship hour. Evening worship will begin at 7 o'clock.

Dixie Taylor and Joe Thetford were elected delegates to the district youth rally to be held in conjunction with the District Conference at Miles, Nov. 3.

Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Douthit of Lubbock spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Brown.

Monroe Gaines of Levelland spent last week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Gaines.

A number of relatives and friends attended a picnic dinner at the Sanco Baptist church Sunday honoring Roby Scarborough, who is here on a visit from Moriarity, N. Mex.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Gray have moved to Robert Lee to make their home with Mrs. Gray's mother, Mrs. S. M. Conner.

WANT ADS

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Mrs. Inez Smith of Portales, N. Mex., is visiting here with her sister, Mrs. N. C. Brown.

Frank McCabe has purchased a new 2-door Fleetmaster Chevrolet from Casey Chevrolet Co. in Robert Lee.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Bradley and daughter of Odessa spent the weekend in the Homer Garvin home. Mr. Bradley is a brother of Mrs. Garvin.

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