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Will King, Former Edith Man, Is Dead

Coke county folks were shocked last weekend to learn of the passing of Will S. King, 57, last Friday, July 8, at his home near Stanley, New Mex. His death occurred suddenly at 2 p. m. following a stroke of apoplexy. He had been in poor health for some time, but had been out in the field supervising farm work a few hours prior to his death.

Mr. King was the second son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Sam King, Coke county pioneer family who settled in the Edith community 60 years ago. He was born July 5, 1892. Will went to New Mexico 25 years ago and made a fine success of his farming and ranch operations. He kept in touch with home ties in Coke county and was an occasional visitor here.

He married Molly Schooley of Big Lake. They were the parents of a daughter, Leota, and three sons, Sam, Bruce and Don, all of Stanley.

Besides the widow and four children he is survived by two sisters, Mrs. S. B. Plumlee and Mrs. R. Gaines of Robert Lee, and five brothers, Tom of Petersburg, Frank of Magdalena and George of Stanley, New Mex., Dave King of Edith and R. B. King of El Paso. Two sisters preceding him in death were Beulah Gaines and May Blair.

Funeral services were conducted Monday afternoon by the Baptist minister at the high school auditorium in Stanley. All of the immediate family were present, including 18 nieces and nephews.

Mrs. Crum Injured Again

Mrs. R. S. Crum suffered a bone fracture of her left limb just above the knee last Friday about 11 a. m. when she fell on the steps of her back porch. She had not fully recovered from a fracture below the left hip sustained last Thanksgiving and was still walking with one crutch. Mrs. Crum lay helpless on the ground until a neighbor was attracted by barking of the Crum's pet dog. She was removed to Shannon hospital in the Cliff ambulance and the injured limb was placed in a cast. Mrs. Crum is reported to be resting quite comfortably now. She has the sympathy of her many friends in her misfortune.

School Officials To Discuss New Law

County Supt. Jeff Dean has called a meeting for next Monday night, July 18, at 8 o'clock in the district court room, for the purpose of discussing the new school law.

Recently passed by the legislature the Gilmer-Akin law brings about a number of changes which affect all the schools of Coke county, Judge Dean says. The entire school system of the state is changed to some extent.

All school trustees and administrators of the county have been urged to attend the meeting next Monday night, and any other persons interested may attend.

Mrs. Martin Casey underwent a major surgical operation last Thursday at St. John's hospital in San Angelo. She is making a good recovery and expects to return home the last of this week.

Harvey Chevrolet Co. of Robert Lee reports the sale of a new 2-door Chevrolet sedan to Alf Harmon, and a new pickup to Commissioner T. R. Harmon.



Coke County Mourns Death of Gov. Jester

The State of Texas and the entire nation was shocked to learn of the sudden death of Gov. Beauford Jester Monday morning.

His untimely passing removes one of the state's leading political figures. Beauford Jester had made a fine record in public office and was honest and capable.

He will be succeeded by Lt. Gov. Allan Shivers, who takes the oath of office Saturday.

Gov. Jester had a number of close friends in Coke county. Leaders of the Upper Colorado River Authority, L. T. Youngblood and G. C. Allen, say he was deeply interested in the UCRA project and had given it every possible support.

Readers of the Observer will recall the Governor's letter in our recent anniversary edition, in which he sent personal congratulations for the continued happiness and prosperity for the people of Coke county.

Sun Begins New J. B. Walker Test

Sun No. 7. J. B. Walker was re-treated with 10,000 gallons of acid Wednesday and operators were hoping to increase the flow considerably.

After using 5,000 gallons of acid a week ago the well flowed 85 barrels daily which is short of the 111 barrel allowable. The hole was bottomed at 6,269 feet in tight lime. Location is just south of the Colorado River at Silver.

Baker-Taylor's rotary equipment was moved last week to No. 6 J. B. Walker, a west offset to his No. 3, a top producer south of the river. No. 6 Walker was drilling Thursday morning at 1,875 feet in shale and anhydrite.

Sun No. 2 H. L. Bloodworth, on the north side of the river, was coring in lime Thursday at 6,170 feet and is expected to be completed in the next day or two.

West of Edith Sun No. 5 Annie Cummings was drilling at 5,543 feet in shale.

J. T. Hightower is in charge of area operations for Sun at Silver while Supt. H. D. Smith is on vacation for the next three weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Norfleet of San Diego, Calif., and Mrs. Marion Alzugary of Carlsbad, New Mex., were guests here part of last week of his sister, Mrs. S. M. Conner. They also went to Cisco to visit Mrs. Norfleet's sister, Mrs. Tom Whitt.

Robert F. Laws of Dallas was a guest over the weekend in the home of his brother, Phil Laws, manager of the Adams Abstract Co.

Fish In River Here Die By Thousands

Thousands of fish in the Colorado River below Robert Lee were killed last week, due to drugs being placed in the water.

Charges have been filed against Jack Looney, Robert Lee hardware store owner, and H. R. Cooper, who has been employed here several months on construction of the gas plant at Silver.

The men have posted \$300 bonds and are due to come up for trial in county court here in September.

The alleged offense was committed during the night of July 5. First report of the dead fish was made by Sam Spruell of Bronte, who notified Sheriff Paul Good State Game Warden Jim White of San Angelo was immediately summoned and began an investigation.

White told The Observer that dead fish were found for a distance of 4 miles below Big Rock. Analysis of the water showed that rotenone powder had been used. White said the drug affects the fins causing the fish to drown.

The Colorado River was full of fish this summer due to the big rises earlier in the year. A number of large catfish were taken from the water by hand. Charlie Besent brought in a big yellow cat that weighed 32 pounds, while J. F. McCabe, Jr. said he pulled out one larger than that. The game warden advised people to take the fish which has been affected by the drug.

Literally thousands of small fish were killed White stated that all fish within a distance of 1-2 miles were dead.

Drilling At Bronte

Rotary equipment has been moved in for the Rice Bros. wildcat south of Bronte on the Stephenson lease. Humble is still working on its No. 1 James Brunson south of Bronte, but has moved drilling rig back to the Ash lease where two producers have been drilled.

Scattered Showers

Parts of Coke county received rain Wednesday afternoon, and the entire section obtained relief from a week of torrid dry weather. An inch of moisture fell at Hayrick, while more than two inches is reported up in Graham Valley and around Sanco. Robert Lee received a fourth of an inch.

Youths Will Compete In Rodeo At Bronte

A youth's Rodeo, for boys and girls under 19, will be held under the lights at Bronte Friday night, July 22. A parade will take place at 7 p. m.

Events will include calf roping, clover leaf race, mail hack race and jackpot roping.

C. E. Arrott, chairman of the Bronte Athletic committee which is sponsoring the affair, states trophies will be awarded to the outstanding boy and girl performer. Trophies, merchandise and cash prizes will be given for the various events.

Mr. and Mrs. Jarvis Littlefield are parents of a son, Jerry Dee, born at 4:15 p. m. July 10 at Shannon hospital. The baby weighed 8 pounds, 3 ounces. Mrs. Littlefield is the former Jo Ann Bilbo. Grandparents are Mrs. Mayme Littlefield and Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Bilbo.

Travis Roberts, wife and daughter, Brenda Sue, came over from San Angelo for a Sunday visit in the parental Ed Roberts home.

Editorial

We have repeatedly asked why shouldn't a portion of our tax money be used in providing medical service for a large community that now has neither a doctor nor a hospital.

No person has answered this question in a satisfactory manner. The Bronte editor, with the backing of Commission Otis Smith, says we need roads. They say we can't have good schools and a hospital, too. They even had the gall to suggest we might build a court house instead of a hospital.

Coming from over that way it sounds like more hooey because everyone knows that the court house issue submitted less than two years ago got exactly five votes in the Bronte voting box.

The last time I talked to Dr. John Harris at Bronte, he was very eager to tell me that he wanted to see the county hospital built. I'm sure he is still of the same opinion. He has more work than he can handle alone and with another hospital in the county, the doctors could work together advantageously to themselves as well as their patients.

I don't think a county unit will put the Bronte hospital out of business. It isn't half large enough to take care of Coke county's needs. Mac Rippetoe built the hospital with his own money and he must have thought he would make a profit from it because he isn't a rich man. We understand he's drawing \$700 per month rental, so why shouldn't a county hospital pay its way?

They talk about the \$60,000 cost of the hospital (\$30,000 more will come from the government) making such a terrible debt around our necks, but they don't mention the great service in relieving human illness and suffering that will be provided with a county medical center. All things of value in this world aren't measured by dollars and cents.—A. J. Kirkpatrick.

Robert Lee Plays At Bronte Sunday

Robert Lee plays at Bronte next Sunday and the winner will be tied with Miles for first place in the Concho Basin league. The regular loop schedule ended last Sunday, with Miles defeating Sonora 7 to 4, Bronte knocking off Nathan's 23 to 10, and Robert Lee winning from Veribest 10 to 5.

Following next Sunday's game the first four teams will engage in a playoff, but details will have to be worked out at a manager's meeting in San Angelo next week.

A tie is certain for the No. 1 position, but it is likely positions in the playoff will be decided by a flip of a coin in order that the post season games can get started July 24. Definite word has not been given out how the teams will be paired.

Robert Lee is anxious to win the Bronte game to even up for the licking here several weeks ago when Bronte came from behind in the ninth inning to win by a 9-4 score.

Concho Basin standing:			
	W	L	Pct
Miles	7	3	.700
Robert Lee	6	3	.667
Bronte	6	3	.667
Veribest	5	5	.500
Sonora	4	6	.400
Nathan's	1	9	.100

Ed Gray returned Saturday from San Antonio where he spent a few weeks with his daughter, who is ill.

Special Election Saturday For County Hospital

Coke county voters will go to the polls Saturday to again express themselves on the county hospital proposition. In an election 15 months ago voters favored the hospital by a majority of 162 votes.

Tomorrow the same proposition is to be settled, except that bonds are to be voted this time, while last year the commissioners court was authorized to issue time warrants for the project.

It makes no difference since the cost of the hospital must be paid out of the Permanent Improvement Fund whether time warrants or bonds are issued. This fund is now and has for many years carried the maximum levy of 25 cents per \$100 valuation.

In the past three years Coke county's valuation has doubled from 4 1-2 to about 9 million dollars. That means the Permanent Improvement Fund will collect \$22,500 the coming year. The increase of more than \$11,000 is well sufficient to take care of the cost of building a hospital. That's what we mean by the statement that it won't raise taxes.

There isn't much use in taking space to argue further in behalf of the hospital. The west half the county doesn't even have a doctor, and they are not going to get one unless he has some kind of a hospital in which to take care of his patients.

The Bronte newspaper spread some vicious propaganda last week in stating that if the hospital is turned down Saturday there will be a hospital built in Robert Lee by individuals with private money. There is no such movement in sight anywhere, although we wish there was. It's a lying attempt to persuade voters.

We still maintain the county hospital plan is entirely equitable as all property will pay its just share, and about 80 per cent of the taxable property of the county is owned by non-residents.

From all indications the hospital question tomorrow will carry by a larger majority than it did last year.

No New Polio Cases In County This Week

No new cases of polio either in Robert Lee or Bronte have been reported during the past week, which comes as highly encouraging news to Coke county.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Wink brought their 16-months-old son, Robert, home from Clinic hospital on Tuesday. The baby was treated for polio ten days and seems to be fully recovered.

Betty Tinkler, 5-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chilly Tinkler, is reported to be responding nicely to treatment at the same hospital. She was admitted as a polio patient Wednesday of last week.

Sarah Nell, 5-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Foy Askins, has been taken to Gonzales Warm Springs for treatment.

Zelda Caraway is enjoying a vacation this week and will visit in Christoval, Austin, Waco and San Antonio and with her parents in Blackwell. Her sister, Glo Caraway, is helping in the Farris drug store this week.

T. W. Farris and wife returned Monday from a weekend visit with the W. E. Millams at Midland.

John L. Ross went to Lubbock last week for a visit with his son, John L., Jr. He also stopped in Big Spring to visit his sisters, Mrs. G. J. Couch and Mrs. Chas. A. Jones.

Want Ads

Lost—At ball park last week man's ring with diamonds on each side of ruby setting Reward for return Gerald Ivey. w2p

For Rent—Nice 3-room house and bath. See Earl Roberts.

For Sale—1929 model Dodge, perfect running condition, new tires, good motor and body. Arlyn Simpson. p

For Sale—35 nice pullets. See Calvin Wallace at Roberts Grocery.

For Rent—Unfurnished house, 3 rooms and bath. Phone 95 or see Mrs. E. T. Sparks. p

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JULY

- 16—District of Columbia established, 1790.
- 17—John Paul Jones born, 1747.
- 18—America declared war on England, 1812.
- 19—National Cherry Festival in Michigan.
- 20—German officers failed in attempt to kill Hitler, 1944.
- 21—Battle of Wisconsin Heights, 1832.
- 22—Puritans sailed from Holland, 1620.

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SILVER NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ford of Eunice, N. Mex. were recent visitors in her brother's home, F. C. Asher and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Miles and Roger are spending a week's vacation with relatives in Arkansas.

The J. L. Legg family arrived home Sunday afternoon from a three week's vacation. Ten days were spent fishing at Lake Texhoma. They also visited Mrs. Legg's mother, Mrs. J. H. Duckworth at Navasota. She returned home with them for an extended visit in the Legg home.

Mrs. W. H. Carr accompanied her sister, Mrs. Nell Lloyd of Orient, to Austin recently where they visited Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lloyd who are parents of a daughter born June 24th. She weighed seven pounds and four ounces and was named Linda Sue. Bill who formerly lived here is now a senior student at the University and will take his degree in Pharmacy.

The sisters returned here last week and Mrs. Lloyd remained here for several day's visit in the Carr home.

Returning home last Saturday from Root Memorial Hospital in Colorado City were Mrs. J. W. Maxwell and infant daughter, Carla Jean. The baby arrived at 3:50 A. M. and weighed 7 pounds. Her little brother and sister are Mike, 2, and Linda, 4.

Leaving Monday P. M. for their home in San Antonio were Mrs. Leslie Brown and children and her mother, Mrs. Murgatrod, who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Brown.

Visitors in the F. A. Whitt home recently were Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Otts of Dallas, the T. A. Whitts of Cisco, Mrs. Mona Alzugary of Carlsbad, N. Mex and the Tom Norfleets of San Diego, Calif.

Mrs. A. E. Rose and Syble will return Saturday from a ten day visit at Hereford with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Shore and a sister Mrs. D. C. Laird of Kilgore who is also visiting in her parents home.

Norma Jo Fant is in Colorado Springs, Colo. where she joined her aunts, Mrs. Kenneth Brown and Mrs. Charles Shelton and children of San Angelo who are spending the summer months there.

Attending a family reunion Sunday in the home of Mrs. Addie Gaston at Tennyson, were Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Allen and Mrs. Bob Odom. Mrs. Allen remained for a

longer visit in her mother's home.

Mrs. B. O. Patterson from Ontario California, Mrs. Millie Jones and grandson, Curtis Dutiell of Tucson visited with their niece, Mrs. J. Jameson and family.

Mrs. J. Jameson, Donna, Susie and Billie Fred attended a family reunion at Christoval, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. N. Gentry and Jerry of Colorado City and Jerry's guest, Sadie Nugent of Midland spent Sunday with the Fred Jamesons.

Donna Jameson and Mrs. J. Jameson were radio guests of Mrs. John Drummon recently. They told of their trip to A. & M. This program is sponsored by the City National Bank on Tuesday and Thursday over KXOX 8:15-8:30. Known as the Farm and Home Hour.

Mrs. Ramey Jameson was hostess to a Stanley Party Wednesday at the home of Mrs. H. H. Jameson. Attending were Mrs. J. P. Jameson, Mrs. Adam Sole, Jacqueline Sole, Mesdames Curtis Walker, Upton Mathers, Allen Jameson, H. R. Gassiot, M. N. Bassett, J. Jameson, H. H. Jameson, Myrl Jameson, Velma Traylor and Misses Elna, Donna and Billie Jameson.

Notice to Hunters

Jim White, state game warden, advised The Observer this week that Coke county will be closed the next four years for hunting deer, turkey and quail. A special bill was passed by the legislature and signed by the governor in May relating to Coke county after a game preserve had been set up here. The measure was introduced by Rep. W. H. Rampy. While an open season on quail has existed here for many years, most persons were not aware that it was also legal to shoot deer and turkey.

A little want ad will sell it.

Elect H-D Delegates

Representatives of six home demonstration clubs of Coke county met at the county agent's office in Robert Lee July 6 for the purpose of electing delegates to the state convention in Mineral Wells. Delegates chosen were Mrs. T. M. Wylie, Jr., Miss Gladys Waldrop and Mrs. R. B. Allen. Alternates are Mrs. C. E. Bruton, Mrs. Taylor Emerson and Mrs. Lowell Roane. Committees gave reports concerning plans for the annual encampment at Christoval August 3-4.

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Dana Pettis of Andrews spent Sunday in the Clyde Stayton home. He was accompanied home by his grandmother, Mrs. J. A. Pettis.

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smaller than the smallest clearance in an automobile engine, so that the materials cleaned out of the engine by the new Esso Extra Motor Oil cannot damage moving parts. Humble station salesmen are urging customers to drain dirty, diluted oil and refill with new Esso Extra Motor Oil for extra protection. Adv.

THIS WEEK'S SPECIALS

MISSION BRAND COFFEE	Pound	49c
MIXED CANDY	12 Ounce Bag	10c
FLOUR	Aunt Jemima 25 lb. Bag	1.69
PURE FIG PRESERVES	1 Pound Jar	29c
CUT GREEN BEANS	2 No. 2 cans	29c
HOMINY	No. 2 1/2 can 2 for	25c

Maple SYRUP
Pint
15¢

Blue Bonnet
Salad Dressing
Pint 15¢

Pickles
Sour or Dill
Full Quart
23¢

Pork & Beans Jack Sprat 2 cans 25c

Spinach No. 2 1-2 can 19c

Apple Butter Full Qt. 19c

We will be closed Sunday

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School Has New Ag Instructor

Carl V. Maddoux, a native son of Concho county, has been elected vocational agriculture instructor in the Robert Lee public schools, and began his work here the first of the month.

He is a graduate of Sam Houston state teachers college in Huntsville, and previously studied two years at Sul Ross. Prof. Maddoux is now working on his master's degree at Texas Tech. He taught in Big Spring the first half of this year.

Vocational ag is being put back in the local schools after several years, and is made possible by the new Gilmer-Akin law. The course provides manual training and shop work, crop and livestock instruction for high school youths.

Soon after returning home from more than five years of service in the Navy, Maddoux married Miss Waldene Gifford of Eden. They have a daughter, Lana Jeanett, 2 1/2 years of age. The Maddoux family reside in one of the Orville Childress properties in the north part of town.

Maddoux enlisted in the Navy prior to the start of the war and was stationed at Pearl Harbor when it was bombed by the Japs. He was in submarine service more than three years and later went on a destroyer, taking part in many of the Pacific campaigns.

B. C. Goodwin, Jr. Weds

Miss Mary Louise Bryant and B. C. Goodwin, Jr., of Dallas were married recently at Shreveport, La. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold J. Bryant of Shreveport and graduated from Southern Methodist University in Dallas, with a sociology major. The bridegroom is the elder son of Supt. B. C. Goodwin of Robert Lee. He has a BS degree from SMU and is now studying theology. The couple will reside in Dallas where he plans to continue his studies.

Myrtle and Ada Hurley returned the first of the week from a month's visit with relatives and friends at Junction.

Hayrick HD Club

Mrs. E. B. Fletcher was hostess to the Hayrick Home Demonstration club on July 7, with five members and two visitors present. HD Agent Vernemma Freeman gave the lesson on General Plans of Landscaping. Also visiting at this meeting was the District 7 agent, Miss Thelma Casey of San Angelo. The next meeting will be July 21 with Gladys Waldrop.

Sells Angus Bulls

Marvin Simpson's Back Gold Angus Farm delivered 4 good young registered Angus bulls to J. Pat O'Daniel of Tulia, Monday. Mr. O'Daniel is a former resident of Coke county and San Angelo. Four other bulls were recently delivered to Sol Kelly of Sonora.

William Jones and S. T. Jones and wife of Los Angeles, Calif., are here for a visit with their father, S. T. Jones, Sr., and their brothers, Marvin and Bud.

SANCO NEWS

By Mrs. Sam Fowler

The Baptist meeting closed Sunday night with good attendance during the entire week. Children baptized Sunday evening were Joy Adkins and Jane and Nettie Gartman.

Bro. Shanahan, who was pastor of the Baptist church five years, did the preaching until Sunday evening. Bro. Fike, present pastor, preached afternoon and night Sunday to close the meeting.

Basket lunch was served both Sundays and enjoyed by many.

There will be a preacher from Georgia speaking at the Methodist church Wednesday night and Sunday of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Horton Devoll and Junior and Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Jackson returned Sunday from a five day trip through Oklahoma, Arkansas and East Texas. They visited a twin brother of the late Ike Devoll.

Harvey Reid has been overhauling Henry Carwile's tractor.

Bennie Helen Wyatt spent the past week in San Angelo caring for her aunt, who is recovering from an operation.

County Ag Agents News Column

Agricultural Outlook

The average profits for both farm and business enterprises likely will be some lower in the twelve months ahead. Farm profits probably will show greater decline, but no sharp dive in profits is anticipated. This all adds up to the need for the farmer to get his business in shape to take some price drops and possibly lower income. Lower farm prices will probably catch the farmer in the squeeze because the things farmers buy will not likely come down as fast. Remember a farmer's production is regulated by rain or lack of rain while the manufacturer has only to make fewer articles in order to hold prices up. Special sales are getting merchants inventories in good shape. Livestock and crops may go down to government support prices, but even government support prices can't guarantee that demand will be high. If industry cuts back there will be fewer people to buy things farmers produce.

All this brings us to this conclusion: 1. Go slow on extensive expansion at the expense of credit. 2. Cut down loans while dollars are still cheap. 3. Be satisfied to make a good living now.

From Mrs. Neill

Dear Editor:

Sorry to neglect sending in my subscription as we can't do without The Observer. Hope Coke county has as fine a crop this year as we have here, especially fine wheat. Still having good rains. I love the cooler climate here but still enjoy visits to old Coke and old friends. Enclose \$2 for the paper—Respectfully, Mrs. J. J. Neill, Sunray, Tex.

Tee Green And Son Here From Arizona

Tee Green, a good old Coke county boy who was raised near Sanco, is back this week for a visit. He is accompanied by one of his sons, Garland Tee, a graduate of Tempe college where he majored in music and has a master's degree.

Tee has been living in Arizona the past 30 years and operates a barber shop at Tempe, site of Arizona state college near Phoenix. He devotes a lot of time to music and has the champion square

dance band in the state of Arizona. Tee also held the state fiddlers championship, and was beat out in a recent contest of 3 points.

The Greens went over to Brownwood Tuesday to help Aunt Lou Bullion celebrate her 93rd birthday. She is an old pioneer of Red Top ranch, east of Sanco, now owned by the Coke Austins.

Tee and his son brought their musical instruments with them and folks here have enjoyed some mighty good music this week. Mrs. Green, who did not make the trip to Texas, was formerly Bennie Posey, and is a niece of Mrs. W. H. Bell.

Permanent Wave Mid - July Specials

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Regular \$7.50	Permanents for	6.00
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Regular \$15.00	Cold Wave Permanents for	12.50
Regular \$20.00	Cold Wave Permanents for	17.50

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PINTO BEANS 2 lb. cello pkg. 25c

Baked Beans Heinz Oven tall can 10c

POST TOASTIES large 18 oz pkg 25c

Paper Towels, pkg 19c Kleenex, 300's, 25c

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Robert Lee Wins From Veribest

Robert Lee defeated Veribest 10 to 5 in a Concho Basin league game here last Sunday. It was a bitter pill for Manager Redbird Weatherford and his Cultivator Jockeys, who were at the top of the heap three weeks ago and suddenly dropped down to a poor fourth.

The home club was powerful at bat, banging out 15 hits for a total of 29 bases off Oscar Peebles, who was taken out of the box in the seventh inning. Hamburger Feist of Lowake finished the game.

Again John Conley had a big day in the field and with the stick. He was credited with a triple and two singles out of five trips to the plate. In the first inning as lead off man he sent a long fly between center and left field. The center-fielder got his hands on the ball, but some scorers might have called it a hit instead of an error. In the fourth frame Conley dragged a bunt toward first and beat out the throw, but the visiting umpire called him out.

Pete Hickman rapped a home run and a single, Troy McKinney touched old Oscar for a homer, a triple and a single, Ng Millican clouted three singles and Clarence Tinkler was good for a triple and a single. Royce Smith, Robert Lee third sacker in place of Chilly Tinkler, laced out a long three-bagger to start the sixth inning.

Sapp Johnson, Veribest catcher, split a finger open on a foul tip in the sixth inning, and Red undertook the backstopping job himself.

Clarence Tinkler went the route for the home team, allowing eight hits. Nolan Gotcher was behind the bat.

A party was enjoyed at the Marcus Turner home last Friday night in honor of Mr. Turner's birthday. Guests included Messrs. and Mmes. W. T. Roach, Dick Kannady, E. C. Davis, H. S. Lewis, Jr., J. C. Strickland and Eddie Patterson.

Gaston Family Gathering

Mrs. S. W. Gaston of Tennyson had as her guests over the weekend nine of her 11 children and members of their families. They were Mrs. Frank Farmer and Eugenia of Copperas Cove, Mrs. William Roy Dickens of San Antonio, Mr. and Mrs. Claud Cotten of San Angelo, William Gaston and children of Moran, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Allen of Silver, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Gaston and children of San Angelo, Mr. and Mrs. Grady Gaston and children and Sam and John Gaston of Tennyson.

Also present were her grandchildren, R. D. Allen and children of Vancourt, Mr. and Mrs. William Archer and Lanny of San Angelo and Mrs. Bob Odum of Silver.

Water Board Hearing

G. C. Allen and Cumbie Ivey of Robert Lee and L. T. Youngblood of Bronte were in Austin Monday where they attended a hearing before the State Water Board. At the session the Upper Colorado River Authority was given rights to the water which will be impounded by the Concho River dam now under construction at San Angelo. The men report that everyone in the capital city was stunned by the sudden death of Gov. Beauford Jester.

Gets Practice Teaching

COMMERCE, Texas—The old saying that you should practice what you preach just about fits some 97 students at East Texas State College here this summer. However these students are practicing what they teach as they are enrolled in practice teaching courses.

According to E. H. Watson, director of teacher training at the college, practice teaching courses are designed for college students who are preparing for the teaching profession. The student is usually assigned the subject of his choice and upon graduation is eligible for a Texas State Teacher's Certificate.

Among those doing practice teaching is Mrs. Zelah A. Walker of Silver, who teaches in the Robert Lee schools.

To the Voters Of Coke County

The coming election will determine the fate of the county hospital. The purpose of the petition which required the election to be called is the business of the petitioners. It was their lawful privilege.

A stranger to the proceedings would be led to believe that a group of enterprising citizens had gotten up a petition for the purpose of building a county hospital. He would never guess that the building of a hospital had already been authorized by popular vote; that grounds has been bought and paid for; that Federal aid had been granted; that plans had been drawn; that generous donations had been made and, that a contract was about to be made. He would never think that the purpose of the petition was to do away with the hospital.

The issue has taken a peculiar turn. It is being discussed as though it had never been voted upon. Yet, it has been voted upon, and, if the previous election was fair, some of the issues now involved, democratically speaking, has been settled.

No one contends that the election held last year was not fair and legal; nor, does anyone contend that the election was petitioned for to determine whether bonds or warrants would be used as a medium of payment. Is it unreasonable to assume that the election is being forced to hamper, retard and destroy the proposed hospital after it had been authorized by a majority of the voters voting in Coke County in an election called for that purpose.

If the hospital were an evil thing; or, if it were an amusement project like a park, playground or swimming pool which had been authorized by a vote of the people the repudiation of it would be nearer justified.

There are some grounds for argument about the increased amount of the costs over the original amount authorized; but these grounds are not being asserted. Perhaps the fact that such increase is justified and required in order to meet the requirements for Federal aid is obvious to every one is the reason that this point is not being urged.

Statements that the debt will place a mortgage on your home; that it will take money that we should use to build a new courthouse; that we won't be able to build needed roads, if we build the hospital, and so on are being used in argument to defeat the hospital. None of these statements are based on facts. Particularly is it absurd to raise the question about building a "New Courthouse".

There is a lot of animosity and antagonism involved in this election and it is not all on one side.

Harmony is what we need in our county most of all. We need to pull together for the common good.

We may need each other some day. None of us are going to profit by pulling against each other.

Let us compromise our differences as friends.

Sons of Coke County are planted around the world where they fought and died in two wars that Democracy might live. They glorified our nation, state and country by valor unexcelled. Men from Bronte, Robert Lee, and from all parts of Coke County, side by side, backing each other up, fighting, dying together like brothers.

May God forbid that we, the object of their pride and love, shall distrust, spitefully use and hate each other.

Written By Frank C. Dickey and paid for by contributions of friends supporting the hospital.

Reserve District No. 11

State No. 1684

Report of Condition of

Robert Lee State Bank

of Robert Lee, Texas, at the close of business June 30, 1949

A state banking institution organized and operating under the banking laws of this State and a member of the Federal Reserve System. Published in accordance with a call made by the State Banking Authorities and by Federal Reserve Bank of this district.

ASSETS

Cash, balances with other banks, including reserve balance, and cash items in process of collection.	344,541.36
U. S. Government obligations, direct and guaranteed	136,012.10
Obligations of states and political subdivisions	75,421.96
Corporate stocks (including \$1,500.00 stock of Federal Reserve Bank)	1,500.00
Loans and discounts (including \$1,018.33 overdrafts)	376,451.47
Bank premises owned \$250.00; furniture and fixtures \$2,290.00	2,540.00
Other assets	2,510.16
Total Assets	938,977.05

LIABILITIES

Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships and corporations	787,163.62
Deposits of United States Government (including postal savings)	8,668.75
Deposits of states and political subdivisions	71,197.77
Deposits of banks	10,000.00
Other deposits (certified and officers' checks, etc.)	351.10
Total Deposits	\$877,381.24
Total Liabilities	877,381.24

(Not including subordinated obligations shown below)

CAPITAL ACCOUNTS

Capital	25,000.00
Surplus	30,000.00
Undivided profits	6,595.81
Total Capital Accounts	61,595.81
Total Liabilities and Capital Accounts	938,977.05

This bank's capital consists of: Common stock with total par value of \$25,000.00.

MEMORANDA

Assets pledged or assigned to secure liabilities and for other purposes 105,000.00

I, T. A. Richardson, cashier of the above named bank, hereby certify that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

T. A. Richardson.

Correct--Attest: R.C. Russell, G.C. Allen, Victor Wojtek, Directors
State of Texas, County of Coke, ss: Sworn to and subscribed before me this 7th day of July, 1949.

Martha Smith Notary Public.

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July 7, 1949

Mr. A. J. Kirkpatrick, Publisher,
Robert Lee Observer,
Robert Lee, Texas.

My dear Mr. Kirkpatrick:

Congratulations upon both the format and content of your Sixtieth Anniversary Edition! As I read it I could not suppress a profound feeling of pride and satisfaction at the progress of the county of my childhood. Though for more than thirty years it has not been the place of my residence, I have never ceased to think of it as most truly home.

My earliest memory is of the beautiful mountains which surrounded our valley home fifteen miles northeast of Robert Lee. Our family was one of the very early of Coke County's settlers. Indeed,

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old Coke became my home the very year that Coke became a county. Its lovely old landscape is indelibly stamped upon my memory and I love every acre of it and shall as long as life shall last. The deepest things in my soul were planted there while Coke County was home,—the lessons of the little one room school house, the earliest prayers of childhood, the Gospel of Jesus Christ, the dear old neighbors many of whose names appear upon your pages.

And now that the tide of fortune has turned old Coke comes into the limelight of the world as one of the great oil fields, representing one of the great industries upon which modern civilization rests. Coke has waited long for this great moment of its history. The old pioneers built more wisely than they knew when they broke the fertile prairies of Coke, built their simple homes and little school houses, not to speak of the old stone court house which stands in the heart of your town today as a monument to that law and order without which Coke would never have been the fine unit of civilization that it is today.

Great as are its now uncovered resources of wealth, I am sure that you must recognize the fact that its most abiding wealth is that fund of spiritual resource which resided in its first settlers and has been nurtured and maintained through the passing years. This is the resource that will abide and continue to make old Coke great when the oil pumps shall finally come to a stop.

Many happy wishes for all the years ahead in Robert Lee and Coke County! You have done a magnificent job in your special edition—James T. Ross, Ph.D., Professor, Religion-Philosophy, Huron College, Huron, South Dakota.

Home Demcnstration Department

Vernemma Freeman, H D Agent

Miss Esther Allen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Allen of Silver, was recently chosen to attend the state 4-H conservation camp at Trinidad, August 22 - 26.

Miss Allen was chosen as one of three girls to represent District 7, which include eighteen counties, at this state camp. Nelda Ann Sheppard of Robert Lee was chosen as Esther's alternate.

These two girls were chosen to attend the state camp because of outstanding work at the district camp in May. We are very proud of the girls and wish to congratulate them on their outstanding work.

Enjoy The Observer

Dear Mr. Kirkpatrick:

I am enclosing a check for two dollars, and hope we don't miss this week's issue. It is one paper all of us enjoy, the children especially.

We have certainly had a big harvest here in this locality. Wheat was poured on the ground in great piles because of lack of storage.

Best regards to Tommy and Mrs. Kirkpatrick.—Sincerely, Mrs. L. G. Campbell, Box 13, Happy, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Thetford and Elmer Lee Hurley and wife of San Angelo motored to Jayton Sunday for a visit with the W. W. Thetfords.

Robert Lee Observer

A. J. KIRKPATRICK, Publisher

Entered at the post office in Robert Lee, Texas as second class matter



Folks You Know

Henry Adkins and wife of Las Cruces, New Mex., were here last week visiting relatives and friends in their old home town. The former is a brother of Dave Adkins, and his wife is a sister of Bill Calvert. This was their first trip back to Coke county for several years.

Wilfred Rabb is enjoying a vacation from his position with Gulf Oil Co at Odessa. With his mother, Mrs. O. K. Rabb, he went to Ft. Worth to visit the Joe Rabbs. Later Wilfred and Hershall Halj went to Del Rio on a fishing trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lassiter and daughter, Janette, came out from Ft. Worth for a weekend visit with relatives and friends. They were accompanied home by their son and brother, Douglas, who spent the previous week here. Jack reports a good business at the washateria he is operating.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Braswell and Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Mitchell of Bronte returned Sunday night from a week's trip to western Texas and New Mexico points. They visited Johnny Mitchell and family at Martin, Texas, and the Sam Roach family at Clovis, New Mex. The Coke county group explored the Carlsbad Caverns while enroute home.

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Clark, Mrs. W. H. Bell and the Marcus Turners visited the Bill Craddocks in Colorado City Sunday. The occasion was Robbie Ann Craddock's second birthday.

W. D. Powers was down from Paducah over the weekend on a combined business and pleasure trip.

The contracting firm of A. L. Lofton, Linzy McDorman and Bill Tom Roach recently completed a new 26 x 46 frame dwelling on the Burgess Dunn ranch southeast of Tennyson.

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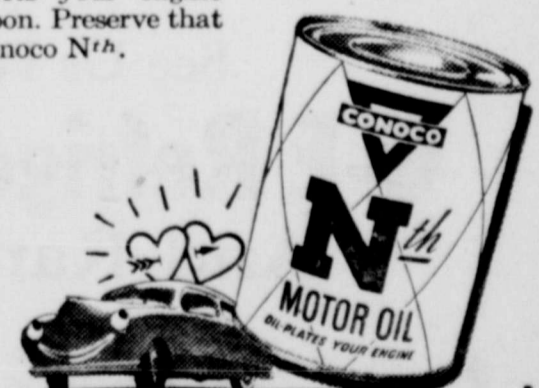


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Conoco Dealers in Robert Lee, Texas

Mrs. W. H. Bell returned Friday from a visit with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Brown, in San Angelo. The Browns brought her home, this being Mrs. Brown's first auto ride since she was seriously injured several months ago.

Mrs. David Key returned Monday night from Stanley, New Mex., where she attended the funeral of her uncle, Will S. King. She accompanied her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Jim King of Wingate, and Clara Bell and Lucile Gaines of San Angelo.

Folks You Know

A 4-year-old gelding, owned by H. C. and G. C. Allen, won first in a half mile race at the recent Brady Jubilee. This was the first time the horse had been started and they plan to take in some of the other race meets this season.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Smith have returned to their home in Nogales, Ariz., after a week's visit with her father, J. I. Murtishaw. Mrs. Smith is the former Alma Murtishaw.

Mrs. T. M. Freeman has returned to her home at Edith after a visit in the home of her son, W. W. Thetford, Jr., at Jayton. The Thetfords are the parents of a son, Douglas Allen, born June 21. Mr. Thetford recently graduated from Texas Tech and is now teaching vocational ag at Jayton. His wife, whom he met while in the service, is the former Madeline Burk of Massachusetts.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Burch of Monahans visited relatives in Robert Lee over the weekend. Mrs. Burch is the former Sybil Simpson. Annette Simpson returned home with them for a week's visit.

Commissioner and Mrs. T. R. Harmon returned Sunday from a week's motor trip to points in western Texas and New Mexico. They visited relatives at a number of places and fished a couple of days in the Pecos below Red Bluff Dam.

Mr. and Mrs. Clell Varnadore and children returned Sunday from a ten days vacation trip to the Colorado mountains.

Mrs. J. S. Augustine and children, Brenda and Johnnie, of Sterling City spent the past two weeks here with the former's mother, Mrs. Ethel Green. Mr. Augustine came after his family over the weekend and they have gone to Carlsbad, New Mex., where he is selling advertising signs.

Jim L. Reid, Jr. and family returned last Friday from Harbor Island and Port Aransas where they enjoyed a week's outing.

Glenda Littlefield is visiting in Odessa at the home of her uncle, Ed Littlefield.

Notes from the Oil Field



The Schlumberger truck which has been stationed in Robert Lee the past year was moved to San Angelo this week. H. H. McReynolds is in charge of the equipment which is used in making electrical surveys in oil drilling. Coke county had 20 drilling rigs in operation the first of the year, but the number has been reduced to seven.

W. F. Tucker, pusher in charge of Ray-Harris Drilling Co. operations in this locality, returned last week from a two weeks vacation which he and his family enjoyed. They spent a few days at Ruidoso, New Mex., and then visited his mother at Ardmore, Okla. Later they vacationed at Hot Springs, Ark.

Ray-Harris expects to complete Hiawatha No. 1 Robert Curry Jones in southeastern Tom Green county this week. It is 3 miles west of the Susan Peak field. No 2 Jones has been staked two locations south and one location east of No. 1.

In Scurry county Ray-Harris is drilling Hiawatha No. 4 Wilson, and was below 4,892 feet Monday. It is their third well for Hiawatha in that field where good production was found in the Canyon lime around 6,800 feet.

Baker-Taylor Drilling Co. is drilling its second test for Hiawatha on the Wilson lease in Scurry county and was waiting on cement the first of the week after setting pipe at 1,855 feet.

A sixth location has been staked on the high priced 200-acre lease and application has been made to allow 20-acre spacing for the field.

Visiting Up North

Mrs. A. J. Kirkpatrick and son, Tommy, departed Saturday on a three weeks visit in the north and east. They went by plane to Ft. Worth, where they boarded the Rock Island Rocket, and arrived in northern Iowa early Sunday afternoon. They will visit at Allison, Iowa, with Mrs. Kirk-

patrick's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Owen, and her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. J. Shafer. Later this week Tommy will go east to visit his sisters, Mrs. J. E. Hillman, at Alexandria, Va., and Mrs. J. A. Dausch, in Pittsburgh, Pa.

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