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Bronte, Miles Play Off League Tie

Bronte's victory over Robert Lee last Sunday resulted in Bronte and Miles winding up the Concho Basin league in a tie for first place, each having 7 victories and 3 defeats. Robert Lee took third with 6 wins and 4 losses, while Veribest is fourth with 5 and 5.

Bronte and Miles will play off the tie next Sunday on the Miles diamond and will divide the gate receipts on a 60-40 basis.

A playoff between the top four clubs will begin July 31, with the teams paired No. 1 vs. No. 4 and No. 2 vs. No. 3. In other words Robert Lee will engage the loser of the Bronte-Miles tilt next Sunday, while the winner takes on Veribest.

The playoffs are for two games out of three. Only single games will be played July 31, but if necessary two games will be played August 7 to decide which teams go into the final playoff series.

Nathan's Jewelers have been booked for a game in Robert Lee next Sunday at 3 o'clock. The Jewelers have strengthened their lineup and a good game is anticipated.

Robert Lee fans still believe their club is capable of winning the league playoff. The players need to keep hustling and they are due to get some better breaks than came their way last Sunday at Bronte.

You folks who like base ball should show the team that you are backing them all way. Come on out to the game next Sunday.

Sun Completes Two Producers

Sun Oil Company completed two new wells the past week in their Jameson field south of Silver. They are No. 7. J. B. Walker and No. 2 H. L. Bloodworth.

No. 2 Bloodworth flowed naturally 417.3 barrels of 48 gravity oil during its official 24-hour test. Gas-oil ratio was 1,395-1. Production was through a quarter inch tubing choke and open hole from 5,986 to 6,271 feet.

Contractors were Ray-Harris Drilling Co., who moved their rotary equipment to Sun Jewell Brannan No. 9. They were drilling Thursday morning at 1,064 feet in shale and redbeds.

No. 7. J. B. Walker, just south of the river at Silver, was finished for a daily flow of 113 barrels. Gas-oil ratio was 1,485 to 1. The well was treated with 5,000 and later with 10,000 gallons of acid.

Sun No. 6 J. B. Walker, south of the river, was drilling Thursday at 3,975 feet in sand and shale. Baker-Taylor has the contract.

In Sun's Millican field west and north of Edith No. 5 Annie Cummings was waiting on cement to harden Thursday after setting casing. Top of the reef is 5,889 feet. Paul F. Rutledge is the drilling contractor.

Editor Has New Grandson

Editor and Mrs. A. J. Kirkpatrick have been advised of the birth of their third grandson. Young Mike, weighing 7 pounds, 13 ounces, was born last Friday night to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph A. Dausch of Pittsburgh, Pa. The baby's brothers are Peter and Tommy. Mrs. Dausch is the former Mary Jane Kirkpatrick. Tommy Kirkpatrick of Robert Lee is in the east now and will visit his sister and family.

Bronte Oil Play Has New Interest

Oil play is back in the limelight at Bronte this week. After being worked over Placid No. 1 Robert Forman, 1 mile west of Bronte, is said to have been completed as a big gas producer. Negotiations are now under way to sell the output to Lone Star Gas Co.

Humble No. 2 Nannie Ash, 2 miles southwest of Bronte, was drilling this week below 3,000 feet. Humble plugged and abandoned its No. 1 James L. Brunson test last week.

Interest is being directed to Rice Bros. Stephenson wildcat test, 4 miles south of Bronte. It was drilling in blue shale at 2,050 feet Thursday morning, and is reported running high in comparison with other tests in the Bronte area.

Grocery Remodeled

The Earl Roberts Grocery presents a fine appearance after a complete remodeling program. A new refrigerated display case for dairy products is an important addition, while a new fruit and vegetable display case was also installed. New display floats have replaced the old fixtures, making more room for shoppers and at the same time allowing a greater amount of merchandise to be displayed. The Roberts store now ranks among the most modern in West Texas.

Fred McDonald, Jr. and family returned a week ago from a vacation trip to California. They visited relatives in the Los Angeles area and stopped at many places of interest enroute to the Golden State and on their way back to Texas. They enjoyed a few days at Ruidoso before continuing to Robert Lee.

Vincent Hanna and wife returned last week from a two weeks' vacation trip. Mrs. Hanna, the former Ava Lou Tubb, visited in Festus, Mo., with her sister-in-law, Mrs. John Schneider, while Vincent went on to Elmira, New York.

Paul Isbell and wife returned the first of the week from a vacation trip through the Rocky Mountain states. They visited at Colorado Springs and Canon City, Colo., Casper, Wyo., Yellowstone National Park and Salt Lake City. During the absence their little son, Robert, was left with his grandparents at Idabell, Okla.

Fred Henson is back at his store this week after receiving hospital treatment at Dallas. Fred's many friends are glad to know of his recovery.

Mrs. Sam Williams was admitted Monday to the hospital at Bronte where she is undergoing treatment.

Mrs. Lee Latham and daughter Monnette, left Tuesday for Gatesville to visit the former's sister, Mrs. W. F. Pharis, and family.

Varnadore Oil Co. Victim Of Robbery

Varnadore Oil Company's filling station was burglarized Wednesday night, when thieves made off with a \$350 McCaskey cash register containing over \$300 in currency and several checks.

Entrance to the new station, which was completed only three months ago, was made by prying up a window in the men's wash room.

The robbery was discovered by Wilton Scott, one of the owners of the business, when he came to work at 6 o'clock Thursday morning. He saw through the window that the cash register was gone from the front desk, and immediately called Sheriff Good.

The sheriff phoned to San Angelo for Ray Jackson, finger print expert, who was rushed to Robert Lee by the Highway Patrol. He is reported to have obtained some excellent prints.

The robbery was broadcast at intervals Thursday over state police radio, and officers report they may have some clues which are beneficial.

Mrs. S. R. Young, who lives across east from the station, said she was awakened by a noise between midnight and morning.

A few weeks ago jewelry consisting of two rings and a watch and a purse were stolen from the James Thompson home at the east edge of town.

Mrs. Kate Good, 79, Enjoyed Plane Ride

Mrs. Kate Good, well known Bronte resident, enjoyed her first airplane ride on Monday when she flew with her son-in-law, Capt. Ben Meyer, from Shreveport, La., to Dallas. At the Baker Hotel in Dallas she had a surprise reunion with all her children except a son, Homer, of Ozona. Paul Good and wife were in Dallas for the sheriffs convention, as were Sheriff Charlie Baker and wife of Ft. Stockton. Walker Good and daughter came from Weatherford, and Mrs. Meyer accompanied her husband and her mother from Shreveport. Mrs. Good has been in Shreveport the past month taking treatments at a hospital where Mrs. Meyer is now employed. She suffered a fractured hip several months ago. Mrs. Good is 79 years of age and is reported to have enjoyed the plane trip very much.

Mrs. Jarvis Littlefield and infant son, Jerry Dee, were brought home from Shannon hospital where the baby was born July 10. Jarvis and his family are now occupying their new home in the south part of town.

Mrs. A. E. Latham and her mother, Mrs. W. M. Summers, returned Monday from Marlow, Okla., where they visited their uncle, J. E. Horton, who is ill. They also spent a couple of days at the Sulpur Springs resort in southern Oklahoma.

Keith Hood received a badly bruised foot on July 10 when a section of drillpipe fell on him. He is working with an oil well drilling crew at Silver and will be off duty for three weeks.

Hospital Bond Vote

	For	Against
Robert Lee	475	2
Bronte	21	252
Ft. Chadbourne	2	29
Tennyson	2	39
Divide	18	0
Sanco	52	3
Silver	46	2
Edith	59	0
Wildcat	28	0
Olga	1	14
Walnut	5	6
Lometa	6	5
Hayrick	12	1
Juniper	1	27
	728	380

West Side Of County Carries Hospital Vote

Canvass of returns of hospital bond election showed the above results. The majority for the bonds is 348, compared with 162 in last year's vote.

In the previous election Bronte voted against the hospital 380 to 17. Lometa had a change of heart, having voted against the proposition 6 to 1 a year ago.

Many people were ineligible to cast a ballot this year because they had not paid a poll tax. Last year 1,326 votes were cast in the hospital election, while the total vote last Saturday was 1,108.

The election result reveals that the west side of the county voted fully as strong in favor of the proposition as they did before, while smaller majorities against were registered in the voting boxes on the east side.

Funeral Home Improved

Extensive improvements have been made recently at the Cliff Funeral Home in Robert Lee. The main room was enlarged by the removal of a partition, and changes have been made in the slumber room, stock, preparation and supply rooms. The entire place has been redecorated. Owner W. B. Clift is to be congratulated upon the outstanding improvements he has made.

Fred Blake Resigns As Baptist Minister

Rev. Fred D. Blake, pastor of the Robert Lee Baptist church the past five years, tendered his resignation at services last Sunday. He has accepted a call to the Belle Plain Baptist Church in Brownwood.

He will preach his last sermon here July 24 and plans to move to Brownwood next week and take over his pastorate there immediately.

Rev. Blake accepted the Robert Lee pastorate in September 1944. He has been very successful in building up the church and he and his family have been popular both inside and outside their congregation.

His new charge will be an advancement as it has a larger membership, and Rev. Blake also plans to take some advanced work at Howard Payne college which is located in Brownwood.

A committee named to select a new minister for the Robert Lee Church includes H. E. Ivey, Melvin Childress, T. W. Farris, Mrs. H. C. Allen and Mrs. S. R. Young.

Mrs. C. S. Schooley has been a patient the past ten days in Shannon hospital where she is being treated for pneumonia.

Voters Approve County Hospital By Big Majority

At a special election last Saturday voters approved a bond issue for the construction of a Coke county hospital by nearly a 2 to 1 majority. The proposition authorizes a bond issue of not to exceed \$75,000 for the purpose.

It is expected the decisive result of Saturday's election will definitely settle the county hospital question which originated a year and a half ago.

At a special meeting of the commissioners court Monday it was voted to award a contract to Joe Tharpe of San Angelo, who submitted the low bid of \$73,388.

Previously the commissioners contracted with the Columbian Securities Corp. to handle the bond issue. Gordon Charlton, representative of the investment concern, was present Monday and advised the county authorities that the bonds would carry less than 2 1-2 per cent interest. The bonds will mature in 11 years. Interest and principal can be retired with 10c to be set aside from the present 25 cent levy for permanent improvements.

A wait of 30 days will be required to obtain the attorney general's approval of the bonds, and final approval of Mr. Tharpe's contract. It is thought actual construction work will be under way by Sept. 1.

The election last week was the second time the hospital proposition had been approved. A special election in March of last year authorized the county to issue \$50,000 in time warrants for the project. The vote was 744 to 582. It was impossible to get a contract for that figure and nothing more was done until early this year.

Approval was secured on a federal grant of 30 per cent, new plans were drawn up and bids were opened on June 18. At that time, however, a petition was presented requesting a bond election, which was set for July 16.

Steers Face Tough Gridiron Schedule

A ten-game football schedule has been announced by the Robert Lee high school, as follows:

- Sept. 9, Baird, there.
- Sept. 16, Bronte, here.
- Sept. 23, Menard, there.
- Oct. 7, Big Lake, here.
- Oct. 13, Big Spring B, here.
- Oct. 21, Loraine, here, conf.
- Oct. 27, Hermleigh, there, conf.
- Nov. 11, Stanton, there, conf.
- Nov. 18, Coahoma, here, conf.
- Nov. 24, Bronte, there, conf.

Geophysical Crew Here

Research, Inc., a geophysical concern of Coffeyville, Kans., began doing some work northwest of Robert Lee this week. M. T. Baer is in charge of operations.

Mr and Mrs. Dave King and two daughters and Mrs. S. B. Plumlee and Mrs. R. Gaines returned last Thursday night from Stanley, New Mex., where they had been called by the death of Will S. King.

County Ag Agents News Column

Cotton Insect Control

This year we have toxaphene insecticide that is recommended for control of flea hoppers, army worms, boll weevils, boll worms, cotton aphids and the green stink bug. This insecticide may be dusted or sprayed.

If the farmer wishes to dust we recommend a toxaphene and dusting sulphur mixture. It can be bought already mixed in correct proportions, about 10 pounds per acre will do the job.

For spraying outfits farmers may use a solution of toxaphene mixed in water, the amount of water depending on the spray outfit. Anyway, about 1 1-2 pounds toxaphene per acre is recommended.

See your County Agent for further information on cotton in-

sect control.

Farmers who wish to get fish this fall must get their names in to the County Agent's office by August 1st in order to get delivery this fall. August 1st is the deadline.

CARD OF THANKS

I wish to take this method of thanking all who came to see me, sent letters, cards and flowers while I was in the hospital, and I especially want to thank Dr. Griffith for his prompt and efficient service, and all my neighbors for their kind assistance at the time of my accident; and Mr. Clift for the prompt ambulance service; the W. S. C. S. for the lovely sunshine box I'm getting so much pleasure out of; my dear Sunday School Class for the very lovely and useful gifts, and all who came to see me or sent cards or letters since I came home. May God bless you each and every one.—Mrs. R. S. Crum.

Visit From Clyde Warrens

Renewing old friendships in Robert Lee last week were Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Warren of Los Angeles, Calif. Both are natives of this community. Clyde is a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Warren and years ago he followed his father as a mail carrier. Mrs. Warren is the former Corabell Wilkins, a daughter of Sam Wilkins, one of the early day Robert Lee editors. The Warrens are taking a month's trip. They will visit their son, Claud, in Houston and with relatives in Dallas and other points.

Joe Long Snead of Stanton was a Sunday guest in the parental J. C. Snead home.

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Obituary



Mrs. S. C. Savage

A precious one from us is gone;
A voice we love is still;
A vacant place in our home
Which never can be filled.

Sarah Collins Reed was born to Rev. Isaac and Rebecca Ann Reed July 15, 1856, in the state of Alabama. Her father was sent by the Southern Baptist Convention as a home missionary to the Cherokee Nation (now the eastern part of Oklahoma) when she was only a small child. He was preaching to the Indians when the Civil War broke out.

The family refugee to Texas, where they lived until after the war, then they moved to Ozark, Ark., where they stayed until Sarah (my mother) was nearly grown, then they moved back to Grayson county, Texas, where she afterwards met my father, Sam B. Savage. They were married Feb. 5, 1882, at Bells, Grayson county.

They moved to Coleman county in 1883 or 1884 and preempted a homestead on the open range five miles west of Coleman City. My father hauled lumber with a wagon and team from Baird, Tex., to build their one-room house.

Father went to his reward Jan 12, 1894, leaving mother with six children, the oldest a girl of 11 and the youngest a baby boy, four months and four days old. With the help of my father's brother and family and mother's many friends and her unshaken faith in God's promise, we stayed there on our little farm until mother's father moved us to his home at Silver, Coke county, another newly settled country. We traveled in covered wagons and drove our horses and cattle through. We were nearly a week on the road.

When we finally got to our new home, we unloaded our wagons and were made as comfortable as possible. Then grandpa took the two older boys, two wagons and teams and their axes and started for Colorado City for lumber to build our apartment. They drove until they found a good place to camp, then they cut stove wood and loaded their wagons and went on to town the next day.

That was the way they bought our groceries and what few clothes we just had to have until we gathered our cotton crop the next year. Grandpa died in 1901, but he had helped her get some cheap land for a little home.

Mother learned early in life that sorrows and joys have the same Lord, so she would just gather the thorns with the roses and lay them together at the Master's feet and go on about her daily work rejoicing in His name.

She passed away June 20, 1949. She was 92 years, 11 months and four days old.

She leaves four children: Mrs. Lena Stokes, Brownfield, whose home she stayed in during her last illness of several months; John of Clyde, Lula of Denver City, and Sam, now of Lovington, N. M., with whom she made her home; also ten grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. Two children and one grandchild preceded her in death.

(Contributed by Mrs. S. C. Savage and her daughter, Lula, who cared for her during the last days of her life.)

Birthdays Honored

On Sunday, July 10, a dinner honoring Mrs. R. C. Roberts and her grandson, Norman, was served at the Llen Roberts home. The occasion marked the 75th birthday

of Mrs. Roberts, while Norman was 14 years old. A special table was set for Norman and a group of his friends.

Mrs. W. J. Garrett and Jamie Bilbo of Big Spring were Robert Lee visitors over the weekend.

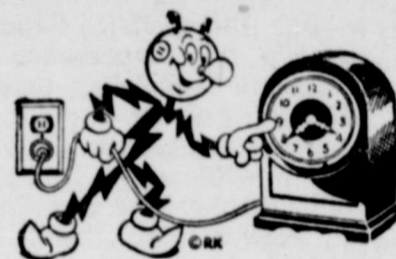


Engineers Give Answer to Problem of Texas Weather

Faced with the ups and downs of Texas weather, engineers have produced a new motor oil that stays thin for easy flowing in cold weather, yet stays full-bodied and tough on hot days. The new product, Humble Esso Extra Motor Oil, has the highest resistance to temperature changes of any motor oil in Texas, or any-

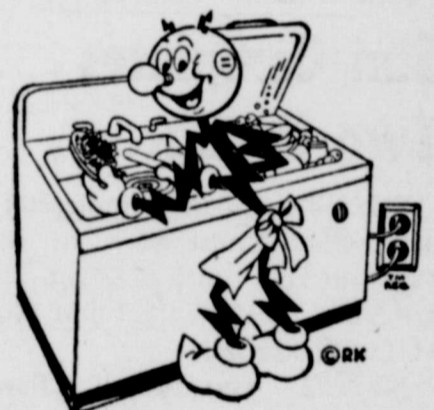
where else, according to Humble Company technicians. The technical name for this quality is high viscosity index; Humble scientists add that high viscosity index is a good guide to high motor oil quality. Humble station salesmen are urging customers to drain dirty, diluted oil and refill with new Esso Extra Motor Oil for extra protection. Adv.

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SILVER NEWS

Miss Geneva Owens of Leonard, Texas, is here for a few days visit in the Jack Mowbray home.

The V. T. McCabe family returned last week from a two weeks stay in Ruidoso, N. Mex.

Bobby Hugh Odom and cousin, Travis Glyn Allen of Vancourt, left Monday for Saltillo to visit Bobby's grandparents, the B. H. Odoms.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Preston and family and Glen Wilkes have returned from a vacation trip to Colorado.

At Colorado Springs the travelers viewed the Garden of the Gods, Cave of the Winds and went up on Pike's Peak.

After leaving Colorado Springs they went over the Continental Divide at Monarch Divide, then on to Cedaredge, where Mr. Preston's brother lives. There Mr. Preston and boys went fishing upon Grand Mesa, the world's largest flat top mountain. They also visited an underground museum of natural history, where dinosaur bones and tracks were found in a coal mine.

They returned home by way of the Royal Gorge at Canon City.

Mr. and Mrs. Rex Green and Terry and Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Delcamp of Albuquerque, N. Mex. stopped here last week for a visit with the J. Jamesons. They were enroute home from a trip to Ohio. Other visitors in the Jameson home were the Bill Green and G. N. Gentry families of Colorado City.

Mrs. C. G. Walker and LaRue spent the weekend here and returned to Commerce Monday where Mrs. Walker resumed her studies in E. T. S. T. C.

Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Miller visited on the weekend in Lockney with their daughter, Mrs. Chester Mitchell, and family. Their little 18 months old grandson came home with them and will remain here until his parents return from a vacation trip to the western states.

Mrs. J. B. Hamilton and son, Joe, of Midland and Mr. and Mrs. H. C. "Chubby" DeWhitt of Dallas were recent visitors of the Jack Mowbrays.

Returning Sunday afternoon from a two week's vacation were Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Gunn. They visited relatives and friends in Oklahoma and continued on to Fort Smith and Hot Springs, Ark. for a sight seeing trip. As they were returning home, they stopped over in Abilene for a visit with the J. B. Bevins family and to attend an ice cream social given for the Halliburton employees.

Jimmie Pettit of New London is here visiting with Colleen Sole.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Jameson, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Will Womack, returned last week from a trip to N. Mex. They visited the Carlsbad Caverns and spent several days at Ruidoso.

Family Reunion

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Eaton and their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Service, Jr. attended a reunion of Mrs. Eaton's relatives, the Cox family, at Lake Brownwood last Sunday. Seven of the eight surviving children of the late Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Cox were in attendance with their families. The event is to be held each year on the third Sunday in July.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Nixon of San Antonio are the parents of a daughter, Nicki Gray, born last Friday. Mrs. Nixon is the former Leatrice Gray, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Gray

Pinwheel Biscuits Will Brighten Table

Homemakers looking for something new to brighten the breakfast table will find biscuits in pinwheels just the thing, writes Marjorie Griffin, Rural Home editor of nationally circulated Capper's Farmer.

Flavorsome topping combines raisins, corn sirup and cloves, she points out in the magazine read by 1,250,000 farm families. Just divide dough into eight pieces and shape into strips. Rolling and cutting aren't necessary.



RAISIN PINWHEELS

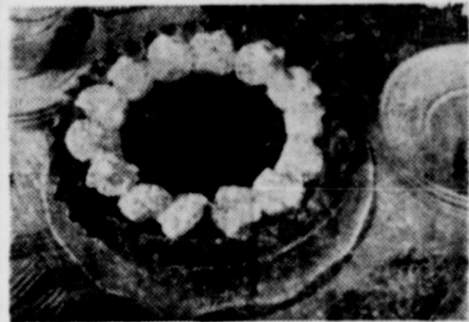
2 C. flour 1/4 to 1 C. milk
2 tsp. baking powder 1/2 C. seedless raisins
1/2 tsp. salt 2 tsp. corn sirup
1/4 C. shortening 1/2 tsp. cloves

Sift together flour, baking powder and salt. Cut in shortening. Add enough of the milk to make a soft dough. Divide dough into 7 or 8 pieces; shape each piece into a strip. Roll strips into pinwheels and place them in a greased pan. Mix together raisins, corn sirup and cloves. Sprinkle mixture on biscuits, pressing raisins into dough. Bake biscuits in hot oven (425° F.) 15 to 20 minutes. Makes 7 or 8 large biscuits.

Peanut Pie Has High Taste Appeal

For a sweet, crunchy dessert that is delightfully different, try Peanut Pie, advises Marjorie Griffin, Rural Home editor of Capper's Farmer. The nutty flavor from chopped peanuts has high taste appeal, she writes in the nationally circulated farm magazine.

Just before serving the pie, top it lavishly with whipped cream. Arrange it around the edge of the dark filling in a ring of snowy peaks.



PEANUT PIE

2 tbsp. flour 3 eggs
1/4 C. sugar 2 tsp. shortening
1/2 tsp. salt 1 C. peanuts
1/2 C. cold water 1 unbaked pie shell
1 C. dark corn sirup

Combine flour, sugar and salt; add water and corn sirup and blend well. Boil gently for 3 to 5 minutes. Then slowly pour mixture into slightly beaten eggs, stirring continuously. Add shortening. Spread chopped peanuts over bottom of 9-inch pie shell. Pour filling into crust. Bake in hot oven (425° F.) for 10 minutes; reduce heat to 350° F. and continue baking 35 minutes. When silver knife inserted in center of filling comes out clean, pie is done. Before serving, top with whipped cream. Serves 6.

SANCO NEWS

By Mrs. Sam Fowler

Sanco got a good rain last week on Wednesday afternoon. Bryan Gartman, Sam Fowler and Henry Carwile all reported 1 1-2 inches, Roy Wyatt 1 1-4 inches and Aubrey McKinley 3 inches. Sure was fine. Hope those who missed out will get some soon.

The John Allens have returned from Corsicana where they visited a few days with relatives and friends. Billie Dove remained and is spending a few days with her sister at Conroe.

Mrs. W. H. Campbell is spending a few days with relatives in Robert Lee.

A minister was here from Georgia Sunday and filled the pulpit at the Evangelical Methodist church. He was extended a call to the local church and has gone home to move his family to Sanco. They have a pair of twins and a small baby. Everybody will be glad to welcome them to Sanco.

Ralph Gibbs of Dallas is here this week installing a new parts department and stock control system at the Ivey Motor Co., local Ford sales agency. Gibbs represents Service Associates who have been in this business 21 years.

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

Lost—Skirt guarding rear wheel 1949 Pontiac, painted brown. Reward if returned to C. C. Millican

For Sale—5-burner New Perfection kerosene range. Mrs. Frank Smith.

For Sale—Good 5-room house, with space for bath. See Artell Roberts. p

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THIS WEEK'S SPECIALS

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49c

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Pound
39c

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Bronte Rough On Robert Lee Club; Win 13 To 4 Game

Robert Lee took a bad licking on Bronte's base ball diamond last Sunday, the final count being 13 to 4. The contest postponed from earlier in the season gave Bronte a tie with Miles for the Concho league championship, with Robert Lee winding up in third place. The two Coke county clubs were tied previous to Sunday's tilt.

Bronte took an early lead. Bowman scored from third on a passed ball in the first frame, and three errors and one hit accounted for two tallies in the second inning. Robert Lee ran in a pair of scores in the fourth on a double by Chilly Tinkler, a single by Millican and Pete Hickman's three-bagger. They tied the count in the next stanza on hits by Conley and Chilly Tinkler.

Bronte added a marker in the fifth, then sewed up the ball game in the sixth inning by scoring six runs on a walk, three errors and three safe hits. They banged away for two more tallies in the seventh and one in the eighth. Robert Lee scored again in their last turn at bat. Hickman doubled and came

SAD AND BAD!										
ROB'T LEE	AB	R	H	PO	A	E				
Bond, lf.....	4	0	0	0	0	0				
Ivey, lf.....	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Conley, ss.....	5	1	3	2	6	4				
J. L. Tinkler, 3b..	5	1	3	2	0	0				
McKinney, 2b.....	4	0	1	5	0	0				
Lowenstein, cf....	4	0	1	1	0	0				
Millican, 1b.....	4	1	1	8	0	1				
Hickman, rf.....	4	1	2	0	0	1				
C. Tinkler, p.....	4	0	1	0	0	0				
Gotcher, c.....	3	0	0	6	0	0				
	37	4	12	24	6	6				

BRONTE											
AB	R	H	PO	A	E						
Coalson, rf.....	5	1	1	1	1	0					
Bowman, ss.....	5	3	3	4	4	0					
Proctor, 2b.....	3	1	2	1	1	0					
Percifull, 2b.....	1	1	0	0	0	1					
Mabry, 1b.....	5	0	0	10	0	0					
Corley, c.....	4	2	2	6	0	0					
Herron, cf.....	5	1	2	2	0	0					
Bagwell, 3b.....	5	1	1	1	0	0					
Sandusky, lf.....	4	1	0	2	0	0					
Spoons, p.....	5	2	2	0	2	0					
	42	13	13	27	8	1					

Score by innings:
 Robert Lee.....000 210 001—4
 Bronte.....120 016 210—13

Summary: Two base hits, J. L. Tinkler, Hickman, Corley, Coalson, Bowman. Three base hit, Hickman. Home run, Bowman. Double play, Bowman to Mabry. Hit by pitched ball, Corley, Ivey. Struck out, by Tinkler, 6, by Spoons 6

home on Conley's single to right.

Robert Lee didn't play the brand of ball they have been showing the past month. Conley had a bad day, but he had a busy spot to cover and some of the grounders out his way were sizzling hot.

Some brilliant defensive play also went against the Lees. Ike Lowenstein banged one far and wide in the fourth, but Billie Bob Herron raced far back and to his right to make a sensational one hand catch. He made another great shoe string grab against Chilly Tinkler. Judge Sandusky robbed Clarence Tinkler of a double in the sixth.

Nice Words From Silver

Dear Mr. Kirkpatrick:
 I am rather slow in writing you in regard to the splendid job you and your staff did in getting out the 60th anniversary edition of The Observer. But I wanted you to know I enjoyed it very much and appreciate the hard work and extra effort required in getting it all done so splendidly.

In fact, I have put it away in my chest of souvenirs to keep for my children and grandchildren. I know they will get pleasure from reading it over and looking at the pictures of the once old timers of Robert Lee. Time passes quickly and it will not be many years before new faces will take the place of the ones we know so well.

And may I add just a line in appreciation of the fight you and Frank Dickey have put up for the benefit of the hospital. We need more men of your calibre.—Sincerely, Mrs. C. E. Mathers, Silver, Texas.

CARD OF THANKS

I wish to express my thanks and appreciation to the friends and neighbors for their visits and kind words, for the flowers and cards and other kindnesses shown during my recent illness.—Mrs. F. C. Wojtek.

To Repair River Bridge

The State Highway Commission has appropriated \$28,800 to recondition, strengthen, and paint the Colorado River Bridge at Robert Lee. Traffic over the bridge has increased substantially with opening of the pavement to Colorado City and oil development in Coke county the past two years.

Soil Conservation District News

Wheat following sweetclover doubled the production of wheat following wheat, is the statement made by W. C. Shamblin, secretary of the board of supervisors, who farms and ranches four miles southwest of Blackwell. I plowed all of my land the same and seeded the wheat at the same time, and doubled my production when I grew a crop of sweetclover in 1947, as where the land had been seeded to wheat for several years, Shamblin went on. I am convinced that sweetclover will add organic matter and build up the soil fertility of our land. I can seed half of my cropland to sweet clover and one-half to wheat and will harvest as much wheat as I have been producing, Shamblin said.

The board of supervisors met last Tuesday, July 12, and approved applications for thirty land owners in a group north of Bronte and around Fort Chadbourne. The land owners requested assistance in the development of their plans and then applying the plans on the ground.

C. N. Webb, vice chairman of the board of supervisors, is plowing his oat land with a chisel sweep type sub-surface tiller to open up the soil and still leave the oat straw on the surface of the soil to increase water intake during rainfall, control soil temperature, and reduce the rate of evaporation. The straw will also add organic matter to the soil.

The week of July 24 thru 30th, 1949 has been proclaimed as National Safety Week by the President of the United States. The board of supervisors of the Coke County Soil Conservation District urge that all farm people check their houses and equipment to cor-

rect any hazard that might cause an accident. Farm accidents cost farm people more than \$36,000,000 in 1948 for medical and hospital care alone, R. B. Allen, chairman of the board of supervisors, points out.

Fine Watermelons

Robert Lee stores this week are offering some of the nicest watermelons ever seen here. The Black Diamonds weigh from 40 to 60 pounds and one specimen tipped the scales at 78 ppunds. The supply was brought here by a grower in Parker county.

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About The Smiths and Uncle Screven

In 1884 J. J. S. Smith found the end of the rainbow, or decided to give up the quest, in West Texas. The end of his journey was the sheep camp of Stilson Carter & Case in the southwest part of Runnels County.

His first job was herding sheep and his last job was herding sheep. He has sold his sheep and leased his ranch recently, BUT he hasn't retired.

He and his wife, Lura, have gone into real estate business and are as busy as cranberry merchants, collecting rent and looking after their several houses here and at San Angelo.

Mrs. Smith came here in 1884 also. She is a daughter of Levi and Adeline Vowell, who homesteaded the old Collett place at Valley View.

The Vowell family deserve to be, and probably will be, the subject of an article dealing primarily with them. They are a distinct part of Coke County history.

Uncle Screven was ninety on the 12th of this month, his good wife had a birthday on the 13th. Some of Uncle Screven's kinfolks and Mrs. Smith's six children seem to be about the only ones that took note of the occasion. They slipped in and fixed a big dinner on the 10th and really gave the Smiths a happy day.

Dick Smith, Coke County's

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second county clerk and Uncle Screven's double-cousin and former partner, came from Amarillo and is now visiting with the Smiths.

The Smith Brothers (Uncle Screven and J. R.) and Dick Smith ranched as partners here in Coke more than fifty years ago. (J. R. Smith, Dick Smith, and their fine families and their part in building this country will make a part of any good history that is ever written about Coke County.)

A detailed account of the things that should be perpetuated concerning the families of both Uncle Screven and Mrs. Smith would fill volumes. Therefore, Uncle Screven will have to take the rap for the rest of this writing.

An old shepherd and proud of it, too—What do you think about that? If all shepherders are like Uncle Screven, it is no wonder that Jesus was called the Good Shepherd.

A gentle, loving, generous neighbor; a Christian gentleman; a progressive and active citizen who is loved, honored and respected by all who know him. The Good Shepherd will surely provide happiness and good cheer on the rest of his journey to the rainbow's end and the Pot of Gold.

Long live this old shepherd, whose life is proof that the greatest honor lies in honest toil.—By Frank C. Dickey.

Mrs. R. S. Crum was brought home Saturday from Shannon hospital where she had been treated the past week with a fractured limb. She is resting comfortably at her home and is being cared for by her daughter, Mrs. R. F. Jones, of Nolan. Another daughter, Mrs. H. H. Davis, of Austin is expected next week.

The Ed Littlefields came down from Odessa Sunday, bringing Glenda Littlefield home after a week's visit there. Mrs. Mamie Littlefield returned with the Odessa relatives for a few days visit in their home.

Larkin Pruitt and daughter, Patsy, returned Monday to their home at Booneville, Ark., after a few days stay here. They visited at the Wilson Bryans and among other relatives and friends.

Folks You Know

Frank Bryan and wife and Wilson Bryan and family departed early Tuesday on a week's visit with relatives and old friends in East Texas and Louisiana.

Mrs. Carroll Russell and sons, Morgan and Byron, and Mrs. Otto Wojtek returned Monday from a motor trip to Riviera, Texas, near the Gulf. They were accompanied home by Mrs. Russell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Hallmark, who will spend a few weeks here.

C. S. and John Brown and their wives left Sunday on a ten days vacation trip to points in New Mexico and Colorado.

Ann Harvey and two girl friends spent Saturday night with the former's sister, Mrs. Billie Carroll Green, and husband. On Sunday the group went to Knickerbocker for a visit in the parental R. E. Bird home.

Mrs. Sam Jay was taken to St. John's hospital in San Angelo last Friday for treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Farris and son, Larry, were weekend guests at Menard with the former's brother, G. R. Farris, and family, Carolyn Farris, who is employed in the drug store here, accompanied them for a visit with her parents.

J. S. Ross returned Friday from a few weeks visit with his daughter, Mrs. E. E. Ayers, and family at Ravia, Okla.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Parker and son, Fred Bruce, came from Ozona for a weekend visit in the parental Paul Good home.

Mrs. Wojtek Honored

Mrs. Victor Wojtek was honored with a layette gift party last Thursday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Jack Looney, with Mrs. Arnold Samuelson as co-hostess. Cookies, cakes and iced drinks were served to 16 guests. Many nice gifts were presented to the honoree.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Brock spent the weekend at Austin with the Bill Lloyds and made the acquaintance of the new daughter, Linda Sue. Madine Burgess returned home with them after spending two weeks in the Lloyd home.

Mr. and Mrs. James Thompson spent the weekend with relatives at Hext in Menard county.

John Harvey, new owner of the Chevrolet agency in Robert Lee, attended a dealers meeting in Dallas last Friday.

Pink and Blue Shower

A Pink and Blue Shower honoring Mrs. J. F. McCabe, Jr., took place the afternoon of July 13 in the home of Mrs. Dan Campbell. Assisting hostesses were Mesdames B. A. Austin, Paul Good, F. C. Clark, H. C. Allen and Bob Fields. Refreshments of white cake and pink punch were served to 27 guests. Mrs. McCabe received many nice gifts.

Bill Lassiter and wife of Lubbock were here for a weekend visit with her mother, Mrs. Ruby Pettit. Lurlyne Pettit returned home with them for the week.



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Leaders Discuss New School Law

Coke county schools are expected to benefit materially from the new Gilmer-Akin law, according to information disclosed at a meeting of school officials here Monday night.

The law has completely reorganized the public school setup in Texas. It was drawn up after two years of study and passed the legislature after many weeks of debate. In the main, it guarantees better schools for the poorer and sparsely settled districts.

County Supt. Jeff Dean called the meeting which was attended by officials of the various independent and common school districts of the county. Here to explain the many provisions of the new law was Terrell Graves, Coleman school superintendent, who is assisting with reorganization work this summer.

One of the main changes is that smaller districts will be allowed to hire more teachers and they will also receive more for transportation. Robert Lee independent district will have 17 teachers the coming year, while under the old law they rated only 13. A salary boost of \$400 per year is also provided for teachers.

Angelo Sheep Show Scheduled July 26-27

Limited to Rambouillet entries, San Angelo's thirteenth annual Sheep Show and Sale will get underway at the San Angelo Fair Grounds July 26 - 27.

Under the sponsorship of the San Angelo Chamber of Commerce and the American Rambouillet Sheep Breeders Association, the show and sale has 514 entries representing West Texas, Utah and New York.

In the show division, which will be held Tuesday, July 26, \$340 in premiums will be offered in six classes of judging. Classes are: light weight yearling ram, heavy weight yearling ram, four-tooth ram, champion ram, pen of five range rams and pen of ten range lambs. L. D. White, Rambouillet breeder of Ft. Stockton, will be the judge for the show.

Sheep entered in the show must

Editorial

Backers of the county hospital are to be congratulated upon their effective campaign which resulted in a sweeping victory. We feel the issues were fairly and ably presented by the committee in charge.

Residents of a wide section of the county are without medical service of any kind. Some very good physicians have come here to look over the field, but hesitated to locate because there was no hospital.

Hence, our people realized that if they expect to get a doctor they first must have a medical center where he can practice. The county hospital plan appears equitable because each property owner will contribute his proportionate share of the cost.

The Observer publisher is happy over the result of Saturday's election, but at the same time we are humble. We don't want the county hospital to become a political football, and we hope it will have the necessary support to soon become an institution that will make this community a much better place to live.

We realize some folks on the east side of the county refused to vote because they had kinfolks who were so vitally interested, and we respect them for it.

We admire the spirit of the communities of Wildcat, Green Mountain and Divide where not a single opposing vote was cast.

The Observer believes the proposed county medical center is the most important project that has ever been adopted by the people of Coke county.

Special Election Nov. 8

Before its adjournment a couple of weeks ago the legislature set Nov. 8 as date of a special election in Texas for voting on 10 constitutional amendments, and at the same time a new state board of education will be elected. Each congressional district will choose one member of the board. Previously the election to vote on the amendments was set for Sept. 24.

be offered for sale through the auction ring. Walter Britten of College Station will be the auctioneer for the sale which will be held Wednesday, July 27.

Folks You Know

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Lawrence and children, Judy and Kenny, Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Hall and sons, Hershel and Atha, and Catherine Rabb returned Sunday from a week's vacation. They visited Mr. Lawrence's parents at Mountain View, Ark., and Mr. Hall's parents in Dekalb, Texas.

The J. C. Slaughter Estate has recently purchased a grandson of an International Grand Champion bull, Envious Blackcap B. 6th, from Marvin Simpson. The young bull, Envious Black Gold, is by Simpson's senior herd sire.

Sheriff and Mrs Paul Good were in Dallas the fore part of the week attending the sheriffs state convention.

The Floyd Higgins, Irven Escue and J. H. Escue, Jr. families were Sunday guests in the parental J. H. Escue home in San Angelo.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Smith and Nancy Ellen, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Terry and Billie Higgins came over from San Angelo for a Sunday visit in the parental E. O. Higgins home.

Jake Davis and family have moved to Pecos where the former will operate a bakery truck. Mitchell and Pete Davis accompanied them to Pecos the last of the week and visited their brother, Bob L. Davis, and family.

The J. S. Craddocks of Colorado City were Sunday guests of their daughter, Mrs. T. M. Wylie, Jr., and family.

Otis Campbell underwent an appendectomy Tuesday morning at the Young hospital in Roscoe.

Mrs. H. L. Scott, Mrs. Mattie Bell Campbell and Mrs. Mark Chumley attended the funeral of Mrs. G. L. Bridges at Bronte Monday afternoon.

Lloyd Phelan recently purchased a new 4-door Chevrolet from the Harvey Chevrolet Co. of Robert Lee.

10 Years Ago

Items taken from files of The Observer during July, 1939.

J. J. S. Smith and Mrs. Lura Trimble were married July 5 by Rev. Hester.

Frank Dean Bryan succeeded Wylie Hillyer as manager of the M System grocery store.

The J. S. Craddocks are having their home remodeled.

Tommie Jo Kerley and her uncle, Ed McKinney, are visiting in San Diego, Calif., and will attend the world's fair at San Francisco.

Miss Jeffrey Bell, bookkeeper for J. C. Penny Co. at Big Spring, was home for a visit after spending part of her vacation in Kansas City.

Steve Devoll and Miss Helen Gramling were married July 16 by Rev. DeLashaw at the Baptist parsonage.

A marriage that has just come to light is that of O. B. Jacobs of Silver and Miss Vivian Roane, a valued employee of the Robert Lee State Bank. They were married July 1 at Abilene. The bridegroom is at present in the army.

Billie Ratliff and Eunice Danford were united in marriage July 22 by Rev. DeLashaw. They have apartments at the Mrs. J. J. S. Smith residence.

Judge Wylie and Commissioner Henry Varnadore visited San Antonio this week on business in connection with the WPA work in this district. Workers were pulled off the fencing job on the Robert Lee-Colorado City highway last week before completion of the work. They got permission to have the job completed.

Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Austin will go to Sterling City over the weekend to attend the annual Conger family reunion at the Foster Conger ranch. Mrs. Austin has three brothers, Foster, Finis and Fred, who will be present and a sister-in-law, Mrs. Floyd Conger of Uvalde.

Bert Duncan is here this week for a visit with his family, and has a two weeks vacation from his position as diesel locomotive engineer for the D & R G railroad out of Denver. Before coming to Robert Lee Mr. Duncan visited his mother and brother, Jack, at Flora Vista, New Mex.

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