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Sun Brannan No. 10 Flows 458 Barrels During 24-Hr. Test

Sun No. 10 J. N. Brannan, southwest of Silver, flowed 458.16 barrels of high gravity oil during its official 24-hour test completed Feb. 2. Gauge was through quarter inch choke with tubing pressure of 950 and casing pressure of 1,200 pounds. Gas-oil ratio was 1,246 l.

No. 10 Brannan, one of the highest producing wells in Sun's Jameson field at Silver, topped the reef at 6,022 feet and was completed in open hole bottomed at 6,314 feet.

Sun No. 12 Mathers, southwest of Silver, was drilling Thursday at 5,540 feet in sand and shale.

Sun No. 4 Allen Jameson at Silver was in shale at 2,231 feet.

West and north of Edith Sun No. 3 G. W. Davidson was drilling in shale at a depth of 2,701 feet.

Sun Oil Notes

H. D. Smith, area manager for Sun Oil Co. at Silver, reports a new pumpjack's residence is being constructed on the Mathers lease. Contract for the structure was let to Cragin Lumber & Supply Co. and John H. Brown of Robert Lee. Work started the first of the week.

In compliance with a recent Railroad Commission order production during the month of February will be limited to 15 days, the lowest figure since full time production was started to be curtailed early last year.

Sun now has more than 90 producers in Coke county. In the Jameson field near Silver the daily allowable for each well is 111 barrels. For its ten producers in the Millican field west of Edith, Sun has a daily allowable of 120 barrels.

Strawn Show At Adams Wildcat

Interest of local oil development this week is focused on the Skinny Adams wildcat, two miles south of Robert Lee, where a good oil show is reported in the Strawn lime just above 5,500 feet.

A drillstem test last Thursday night recovered 1,000 feet of salt water after drilling 30 feet into the Ellenburger, bottomed at 6,392 feet. This was followed by a Schlumberger survey which revealed a pay section of 130 feet in Pennsylvanian lime.

George Callhan's rotary rig was moving off Thursday and a smaller unit will come in Friday to perforate 5 1/2 inch casing which was cemented to a depth of 5,500 feet.

Oil experts say the electrical log indicates a good section of pay, and it is almost a certainty that some kind of a well will be completed. The section corresponds with the formation which is producing for Sun in the excellent fields near Silver and Edith.

Owners of the wildcat test are Providence Oil Co. and A. C. Sorrelle, Jr. of Houston and Morris & Scherk of San Angelo. Their lease block includes 2,200.

Mrs. Ethel Green returned recently from Clayton, New Mex., where she had been helping her son, Garlan, operate a coffee shop.



B. C. Goodwin

Supt. B. C. Goodwin Re-elected for 3 Years

At a meeting of trustees Monday night B. C. Goodwin was re-elected superintendent of the Robert Lee schools, and was given a new 3-year contract.

He is completing his second year in the position and many fine improvements have been made under his guidance.

Supt. Goodwin came to Robert Lee from Seagraves. He has a Master's degree and 25 years of teaching experience. Mrs. Goodwin is a member of the teaching staff and she also has a Master's Degree.

The Goodwins built a new home when they came here two years ago. They have a daughter, Sue.

Mrs. Melvin Childress underwent major surgery at Shannon hospital in San Angelo last Friday. She is reported to be making a good recovery.

Thirty members of the Baptist Fellowship group were entertained at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Ernest Stewart following church services Sunday night. Cake, coffee and cocoa were served following a period of games, songs and prayer.

Postmaster H. S. Lewis, Jr. has been confined to his home the past couple of days with the flu. Mrs. Roy Taylor is helping in the post office.

Mrs. S. M. Conner is reported quite ill this week at her home in Robert Lee. She is being cared for by her daughters, Mrs. Ed Gray and Mrs. Ethel Green.

The Senior 4-H girls club of Robert Lee met Feb. 1 with nine members present. Miss Gladys Waldrop led the discussion on attaching zippers in garments.—Olean Millican, Reporter.

The Rev. Ross Welch is attending the annual Ministers Week held at SMU in Dallas. He accompanied the Rev. W. O. Shulze of Trinity Methodist church in San Angelo.

Oil Leases Bring \$20

Ten year commercial leases on 600 acres of land a few miles southeast of Robert Lee were recently purchased by R. A. Welch for the Fidelity Oil & Royalty Co. of Houston. A bonus of \$20 per acre was paid. Included in the block is a half section owned by Cleve Casey, 214 acres owned by Bryan Yarbrough and 60 acres of the Lem Cowley ranch. Bob and Joe Cannon, San Angelo geologists, handled the deal.

Brief Illness Fatal To Jim Robertson, A Leading Citizen

The community was shocked this week by the death of J. B. (Jim) Robertson, well known farmer and civic leader. His passing occurred at 5:45 p. m. Tuesday, Feb. 7, at his home in Friendship, a few miles northwest of Robert Lee.

He was ill only a week and his condition was not considered critical until Monday. He passed away following a brief coughing spell, and cause of death was attributed to a heart ailment and hemorrhage.

Funeral services were held Thursday afternoon from the Edith Tabernacle at 2 o'clock in charge of Bro. Mark Hendricks of Ballinger. Burial was in Paint Creek cemetery under the direction of Clift Funeral Home.

James Brantley Robertson was born July 26, 1883, in Jack county, Texas, and came to Coke county in 1901. He worked as a ranch hand and soon bought a place of his own in Friendship community.

Jim Robertson was a community leader. He served more than 20 years as a trustee of Friendship School and was one of the founders of the Edith Tabernacle. He continued as a trustee of the Tabernacle until his death.

He was a member of the Emmanuel Pentecostal church of Robert Lee and an active member of the Odd Fellow lodge in Bronte.

Mr. Robertson married Miss Arizona Cain, Dec. 3, 1903. To this union were born 13 children, nine of whom survive. They are Mrs. Effie Page, Odessa, Mrs. Gertrude King, Edith, Mrs. Nealia Mae Boon, Mrs. Annie B. Mitchell, J. W. B. and Waymon Robertson of Robert Lee, Clifford and Jesse Ray Robertson of Odessa, and Fred Robertson of Rotan.

He was preceded in death by a son, Wilfred, who died in 1933, and a daughter, Mrs. Callie Smith, who passed away Jan. 25, 1950. Two sons died in infancy.

Mrs. Arizona Robertson died May 3, 1928. He married Mrs. Bonetia Landers, Dec. 25, 1932. They were the parents of five children, Wilton, Bonetia, Charlene, Connie and Elaine, all of whom survive.

He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Robertson, both of whom preceded him in death. Other survivors are two sisters, Mrs. Alice Crossman of Pampa and Mrs. Minnie Moore of Jacksboro, and one brother, Dink Robertson of Frederick, Okla. Five brothers and sisters preceded him in death.

Four step-daughters also survive. They are Mrs. Gertrude Bloodworth, Ima Faye Landers, Mrs. Billie Talley and Lonnell Landers. Also surviving are 21 grandchildren and two great grandchildren, and a number of nieces and nephews.

Mrs. Dan Campbell motored to Big Spring Wednesday to visit a niece, Mrs. Floyd White, who is seriously ill in a hospital.

Notice

All persons interested in furnishing a room in the Coke County Memorial Hospital, please be present or have a representative present at a meeting to be held in the County Judge's Office in the Court House at 3 P. M. Wednesday afternoon, February 15th. We need to have the wording that you wish to put on the plaque and there are several other details that we need to work on.

W. D. McAdams and family now occupy the rock house owned by E. E. Bussey of Silver, two blocks southeast of the school house. Harold Sheppard and wife have moved into the Delmir Sheppard apartment vacated by the McAdams family.

New Addition Will Double Capacity Of Sun Gas Plant

Work started in earnest last week enlarging Sun's gas plant at Silver. J. F. Pritchard & Co. of Kansas City, who built the new plant last year, has the contract for the addition. Floyd Lawrence is superintendent of construction and more than 40 men were at work this week.

H. O. Evinger, resident manager of the plant, says the project should be completed within three months, and during the period the plant will be kept in operation.

Main feature of the enlargement program will be the installation of two additional compressors. They are now on the site, having been hauled by truck from Colorado City where they were unloaded by the Texas Pacific.

The huge compressors, weighing over 100,000 pounds each, were manufactured by the Cooper-Bessmer Co. at Mt. Vernon, Ohio. They will be located alongside three similar compressors installed with the original plant.

Work this week is directed to constructing bases for the new compressors. Each will be set on a concrete block 5 feet wide, 6 feet deep and 24 feet long. Underneath the huge block seven feet in the ground will be a concrete slab 15 inches thick, 9 feet wide and 24 feet long.

Evinger states the improvement is expected to double the present capacity of the plant which handles 10 million cubic feet of gas daily. Two more gasoline tanks of 45,000 gallon capacity are also to be installed.

Sun's gas department at Silver now has 30 permanent employees. New men are Harry Schilling, formerly of Phillips, Tex., Bobby Davis, transferred from the Production Dept. at Henderson, and Grant L. Snedden, transferred from the Kilgore area. All three men are married and will reside in Robert Lee, since housing is not available in the Sun camps at Silver. Mr. and Mrs. Davis have one small child.

J. L. Carwile, Sr. of Sanco will enter Shannon hospital next Monday where he is scheduled for another surgical operation.

Robert Lee Future Depends on Feb. 11 Water Bond Vote

Most communities in West Texas are short of water. Fortunate, indeed, is any town that has an abundant source of water and a good distribution system.

At this time Robert Lee has the opportunity to really fix itself up with a fine water system that should satisfy our needs for many years, unless the town should have more than its expected normal growth.

On Saturday of this week a \$65,000 bond issue will be presented to the voters, and The Observer can see but one choice—Vote FOR The Bonds.

Construction is starting this week on the big dam across Mountain Creek, just above the north edge of the city. It will provide a reservoir impounding four times as much water as we use in a year.

The dam and reservoir are being built by the Upper Colorado River Authority for the sole purpose of providing Robert Lee with an ample supply of water. The old reservoir east of town is too small—it's a quagmire today—and the city wells are weakening.

UCRA is spending upwards of \$80,000 cash on the project, and the city will pay it off during the next 20 years. But there will be no interest, and that means a great deal as in an ordinary debt of that kind the interest over such a period of years will amount to as much as the principal.

Now, if we want to use the Mountain Creek water we must erect a new filtering plant and install mains to connect up with our present water system. That calls for a considerable expenditure, so city officials decided to go all the way and submit a bond issue that will provide for additional water lines to all sections of town.

Both the UCRA and the proposed bond issue will be paid off from water works funds. The sale of water will bring in sufficient money to take care of the payments. All we need to do is keep good men on the city commission.

It will be a sorry day for Robert Lee if the bonds fail to carry.

Banquet Friday Night To Honor Footballers

The Robert Lee high school football boys and girls pep squad will be honored at a banquet Friday night at the high school gym. This is to be a community-wide affair and attendance is expected to reach 300. Tickets are being sold by the BCD.

Main speaker will be Max Bumgardner, new coach at San Angelo junior college. George Taylor and others have been invited.

Highlight of the evening will be presentation of jackets and awards to the football squad.

Miss Virginia Gav'n has returned from San Angelo and is again employed in the City Cafe.

Annual Report Of County HD Agent

Some highly interesting facts are revealed in the Annual Report filed by Coke county's home demonstration agent, Mrs. James Barron, who took over her duties here March 1, 1949. The report states that 142 days were devoted to adult work and 102 days to the 4-H program.

Coke county had six 4-H girls clubs with a total enrollment of 121. Program of work during the year included clothing construction and food preparation. The clothing program was climaxed by a county dress revue in May. Seventy-eight garments were modeled with Eula Faye Smith winning top honors. Eddy Sue McAuley was second and Nelda Ann Sheppard, third. Pins were also awarded to Esther Allen, Zona Mae King and Doris Cooper.

Miss Smith modeled her garment in the state 4-H dress revue at College Station in June. Number of garments made by 4 H girls during the year totaled 333, with 12 old garments being remodeled.

As a continuation of the study of gardens and production of the family food supply, the 1949 program stressed the use of fresh vegetables and preservation of tomatoes. The report indicates 54 quarts of tomatoes were canned, 152 meals were planned and 78 meals prepared and served, 520 salads were made and 198 fresh vegetables were cooked by 4-H girls.

Highlight of the club year was the annual 4 H Club Banquet, attended by more than 200 boys

and girls.

HD Club Activities

Home demonstration club activities included clothing construction, landscaping and work simplification. There were eight HD clubs in the county with a membership of 119 women.

The report indicates 1,221 garments were made, 26 pairs of gloves, 56 dozen buckles and 621 yards of belting was used in making belts and buckles, and 32 childrens garments were made with block printed designs on them.

Highly important was a study of basic principles of landscape, yard plans, shrub identification, pasture terracing and yard leveling. These demonstrations were begun in 1949 and will continue through 1951.

During Mrs. Barron's ten months of work in Coke county she visited 147 farms and homes, conducted 102 demonstrations with 1,827 persons in attendance, conducted 89 training meetings with 1,533 persons present and held two Achievement Days attended by 309 persons.

The 1950 year's work is now in progress and indications are that the club members will accomplish much toward the Texas Home Demonstration Association's motto: "Better Living for a Better World."

Store Change at Bronte

Irv Cumbie, prominent Bronte merchant for the past 30 years, last month sold his grocery store to Holmes Bros. of Abilene. Last week the Bronte Enterprise stated the new owners had sold out to T. F. Sims, Jr. Mr. Cumbie said he was going into the real estate and ranching business.

If you don't get The Observer
You don't get The News!

1950 State Fair To Be Salute To Mid-Century

The 1950 State Fair of Texas will be a gigantic Mid-Century Exposition, a hats-off salute to the first half century and an eye-popping preview of the second, State Fair President R. L. Thornton has announced. Dates of the 1950 fair will be Oct. 7-22.

"Since the 1950 fair takes place at very nearly the end of the first half century, this will be a good time to pause and take a refreshing look at what has been accomplished and appraise the challenge of what lies ahead," Thornton said.

"We have arrived at a fascinating moment in history, and the 1950 fair will provide an unsurpassed view of the achievements of the Twentieth Century, as much of it as we can see at this time."

To support the mid century theme, the grounds will be given an extensive job of face-lifting plans reveal. The front entrance will be rebuilt as a "pylon of time" and a "court of the decades," with an outdoor "lobby" extending into the Esplanade.

Decorations on the Esplanade will include dramatic theme stanchions suggested by various types of time instruments used down the centuries.

Already announced for the 1950 fair are South Pacific as the Auditorium attraction, and the All-American Jersey Show, America's largest cattle show.

X-Disease

A survey conducted by a special committee of the American Veterinary Medical association disclosed that at least 30 states sustained cattle losses from X disease in 1948.

CONTRACTOR'S NOTICE OF TEXAS HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Sealed proposals for constructing 0.183 miles of Bridges from 2 miles west of Robert Lee to 2.6 mi. East of Edith on Highway No. FM 387, covered by R 406-2-4, in Coke County, will be received at the Highway Department, Austin, until 9:00 A. M., Feb. 15, 1950, 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.

In accordance with provisions of said 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 2 for each craft or type of "Laborer," "Workman," or "Mechanic" employed on this project.

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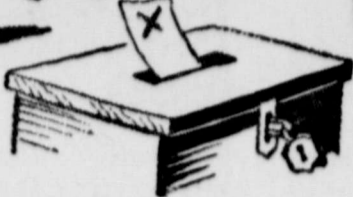
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**Saturday, Feb. 11, is the day
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Future WATER SUPPLY**

NO INCREASE IN TAXES--

Voters are advised that the proposed \$65,000 Bond Issue will not become a lien on property, since both principal and interest are to be paid solely from revenues of the City's Waterworks System.

A recent published statement of city finances shows the Water Department is now taking in more than \$12,000 per year. With extended water lines more water will be used and revenues of the Water Dept. should increase to \$16,000 annually.

City officials have set a new schedule of rates to go into effect when the new water system is finished. A minimum of \$2.50 for 3,000 gallons will be charged instead of the present \$1.75 minimum permitting the use of 2,000 gallons.

OPPORTUNITY IS AT OUR DOOR--

Robert Lee has made much progress the past few years, and at this time we have the opportunity to complete a water system that will take of our needs for many years to come.

Construction of the Mountain Creek dam will give us an abundant supply of good water, even through the worst periods of drouth. We are fortunate indeed to have this excellent project financed entirely by the UCRA without an interest charge.

It is now up to the citizens of Robert Lee to take advantage of the opportunity which is offered them. We must have a filtering plant and pipelines to connect up the new reservoir. More water lines are needed throughout the city, and by carrying the bond issue next Saturday we can be assured of an adequate and dependable water supply for everyone.

This Space Is Being Paid For By The
Robert Lee Board of Community Development

The STEERING WHEEL
(By Joyce McCutchen)

Senior Play

The senior play will be given Friday, February 17, 1950. The money goes to the Senior Trip.

Chapter Mother Chosen

Mrs. Chester Harwell has accepted the position as chapter mother for the Robert Lee Home-making Chapter. The organization is well under way, as the new officers have been elected.

Canasta

Canasta players Friday night were: Janet and Barbara vs. Gerald and John L. Now suppose who won? The score was 2320-1475. In favor of the girls!!!

Basketball Over

Basketball season is over. The season ended for R. L. last Monday night, in a triple header with Bronte. Volleyball and track will start next week.

Seventeenth Summer

"Seventeenth Summer" will be presented by the Senior Class, Friday, February 17.

It is a story of Angie Morrow, who has just turned seventeen, and her family life. Angie is a typical teen-age American girl, who is a trifle serious minded for her age. This part will be played by Lurlyne Pettit.

KITTY, her little sister, Olene Cole, is an impish girl of ten, fun loving, and likeable.

MARGARET, Joyce McCutchen, Angie's older sister, a poised girl of about twenty-one completely sincere and natural.

LORRAINE, Joyce Littlefield, is another of Angie's sisters. She is 19 and pretty, but lacks Margaret's sincerity and air of assured happiness. Lorraine is uncertain of her own charm and tries to hide her uncertainty with affectation and little mannerisms.

MRS. MORROW, Janet Bilbo, is a pretty woman in her forties with a genuinely sweet, agreeable manner. She is devoted to her home and children.

MR. MORROW, Royce Smith, is good looking man in his forties. His hair graying and he wears glasses. He grumbles a great deal, but underneath he is kindly and lovable and deeply attached to his family.

JACK, Raymond McGallion, is a tall good looking boy of about eighteen, friendly and sincere.

ART, John L. Bruton, is engaged to Margaret, a good natured young fellow of about twenty-five, tall and a little plump.

MARTIN, Foy Dell Smith, is a sober young man of about twenty-

six. He has a superior manner and completely lacks any warmth of personality.

MARGIE, Jean Hurley, is an attractive but rather selfish gossipy girl of about seven teen.

JANE, Dixie Taylor, is a pretty, but shallow, kind of girl who goes after a man when she wants him.

FITZ, Victor Wojtek, is a fellow of about nineteen with very little personality.

TONY, Don Joel Schooler, is also nineteen, smooth and handsome.

F. F. A. NEWS

By Milburn Wink

The Robert Lee F. F. A. Chapter gave a good account of itself last Saturday, Feb 4, when they took part in the Area II Leadership contest at Colorado City.

Robert Lee represented the Concho Valley district, having previously earned the right to participate by winning the district

elimination at Bronte on Dec. 9.

Allen Sparks, Roy Clawson and Don Schooler were the first place winners in the Future Farmer Quiz. It consisted of 100 questions on activities concerning vocational agriculture. The boys had an average grade of 92 out of a possible 180.

John L. Bruton, Jerome Shepard and Victor Wojtek entered the Farm Demonstration Skill, pertaining to skill which the average farmer needs in everyday living. The team did not win a first place, but made a very good showing.

All first place winners are eligible to enter the State Leadership contest March 18. The event takes place at Huntsville and is to be sponsored by Sam Houston State Teachers College.

We are looking forward to the Huntsville trip and our members are going to work hard to make a good showing in the the state meet.

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AMERICAN

FEBRUARY

12—Abraham Lincoln born, 1809.

SPORT OF THE MONTH
13—Battle of Blooming Gap, 1862.

14—Arizona (1912) and Oregon (1859) admitted to Union.

15—Susan B. Anthony day.

16—Spanish rebellion, under Franco, begins, 1936.

17—PTA organized, 1897.

18—Golden Gate exposition opens in San Francisco, 1919.

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To Launch Drive Against Wildcats

A movement to employ a government trapper to eradicate wildcats and other predatory animals in this area was launched here Tuesday at a meeting called by County Agent T. B. Hicks.

A number of interested land owners were on hand to hear the plan presented by Carl R. Baker, representative of the U. S. Dept. of Interior, Division of Fish and Wildlife, which group is cooperating with the State Livestock Sanitary Commission in making the service available.

Baker said the service had been conducted successfully the past year in Sterling and a portion of west Coke county, and that the services of C. B. Burrows, a government trapper, were immediately available if Coke county ranchmen were interested.

A portion of the expense is made up from state and federal funds, but \$150 per month of the trapper's wages must be paid locally. Since the project carried on the past year overlapped into Coke county, the commissioners courts of each county paid \$25 per month to the project.

Riley King, who operates the Blanks ranch of 10,000 acres in Coke and Sterling counties, said he was well pleased with the work the past year and was anxious to see it continued in Coke. King stated ranchers participating in the trapping service contributed \$1.50 per section per month.

Burrows is reported to have trapped 26 wildcats during the year and a larger number of foxes and raccoons.

Need of stamping out the predatory animals is becoming more serious in this area, ranchmen reported. A wildcat can be expected to kill two animals a week and that means a big loss over a year. Their chief victims are small goats and lambs. King said the cats put ranchmen in his section

out of the goat business.

Another important angle is that Coke county has been organized into a game and wildlife preserve. It will be impossible to get deer and turkeys started in territory where wildcats are on the loose, experts reported.

Mr. Hicks said a number of ranchmen have been contacted in the matter and the movement seems to have solid backing. He stated more than 100,000 acres had already been signed up. It is hoped that at least 150,000 acres will be included in the trapping territory, so that the assessment can be held down to \$1 per section or less per month.

Outcome of the meeting was that the matter will be referred to the County Game Management Ass'n. Harry Weaver, president of the group, was unable to attend the meeting Tuesday but expressed a definite interest in the plan. Other officers of the association are Ern Mathers, vice president, and Judge Jeff Dean, secretary.

Death of J. C. McDonald

Mrs. Jim Mauldin mourns the death of her father, J. C. McDonald, who died suddenly Monday night of last week at his home near Jonesboro. His death came a short time after midnight and was due to a heart attack.

The Mauldin family were notified and departed immediately for Jonesboro where they remained until after the funeral. Mrs. Mauldin is still there, while other members of the family returned to Robert Lee on Friday.

Mr. McDonald, 75, was a native of Mississippi, and had resided in Texas forty years. He retired from active farming a number of years ago and seemed to enjoy good health. Mr. and Mrs. McDonald visited their daughter and her family here just a week prior to his death.

Surviving are his wife, six sons and three daughters.

For That Dented Fender

As soon as a batch of automobile lacquer is approved, a large part of it is drawn off into big containers for shipment to the great assembly lines. A portion of every batch, however, is put into small containers for use in the nation's refinishing shops.

MEAD'S BAKERY

This popular bakery is located in San Angelo in modern quarters at 18 North Main Street, and maintains many trucks which efficiently serve the stores of this area with that always good Mead's Fine Bread which always pleases.

The directing head and personnel are all good boosters for the independent merchant.

This is one of the most widely known bakeries, not only because they maintain a modern scientifically equipped plant, which is under expert management, but also because the fame of this famous Mead's Fine Bread has spread far and wide.

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J. M. LEA WOOL WAREHOUSES

PROMINENT AND DEPENDABLE WOOL BUYERS

This place is well known in the wool business, located in San Angelo at 108-112 West Third, under the management of Mr. J. M. Lea who is known to many West Texas wool growers for his efficient, square-dealing and highest market prices. Phone No. 4542.

The J. M. Lea Wool Warehouses are preferred by many ranchers and wool growers because they are not only old and reliable, but because this is the best place for good cash prices, courteous and friendly, personal service.

From the time they started in business, they have placed their experience and facilities at the disposal of all patrons. They en-

more of it. Their bread is always crisp and fresh. It supplies strength and energy and is protected by a sanitary wrapper.

As a consequence Mead's Fine Bread Company finds their business increasing and spreading far and wide over this part of the state.

See that you try a loaf or two of this delicious and satisfying Mead's Fine Bread, which is tested for finer flavor. It contains a high percentage of nutritive elements and is the best food in the world for the kiddies—at lunch or meals and we herein wish to publicly commend Mead's Fine Bread Company and to say they are good boosters for all Tom Green and Coke County civic and industrial movements.

Remember Mead's Fine Bread is Fresher-ized.

able the grower to have a reliable marketing service and the advantage of securing the highest market prices prevailing. Then, too, if so desired, liberal advances will be made on your wool or mohair.

In making this annual Goodwill San Angelo Farm and Trade Review we mention this firm to all and especially to those who have never tried the J. M. Lea Wool Warehouses in marketing their products. They are progressive and efficient and will be pleased to serve you.

Consign your next shipment of wool and mohair to their warehouses and you will be pleased with the returns. It is also a place which has the interest of the wool grower at heart.

Water Board Hearing On Mountain Cr. Dam

Officials of the Upper Colorado River Authority will be in Austin next Monday when the State Board of Water Engineers will conduct a hearing on the application for a permit to construct the proposed Mountain Creek dam at Robert Lee.

Chairman L. T. Youngblood and Secretary G. C. Allen will head the delegation which will also include Directors Cumbie Ivey of Robert Lee and Frank Cannon of San Angelo. The Robert Lee City Commission and Board of Community Development are also expected to be represented.

Mr. Allen said this week that no serious objections to granting the permit are expected, since authority was previously given the UCRA to impound a much greater body of water in the Colorado River or its tributaries.

The Mountain Creek Dam will impound a reservoir of about 950 acre feet of water, but only 250 acre feet will be needed annually for Robert Lee's municipal water supply.

March Test Plugged

A workover crew last week tested a shallow section of Amerada No. 1 March Ranch, 15 miles southwest of Robert Lee.

After treating with 1,000 gallons of acid a 50-foot dolomite section bottomed at 830 feet swabbed 8 gallons of oil per hour. Treatment with 3,000 gallons was then given a sand section from 730 to 760 feet. No increase in oil was noted and the test was plugged and abandoned.

Amerada March No. 1 failed in the Ellenburger at a total depth of 7,453 feet.

Noble Drilling Co. rotary equipment was moved to March No. 2 where a second test is being made.

Dollar Day Saturday, 11th

Look What \$1.00 Will Buy!

Rack of Ladies Dresses, each	\$1.00
Bleached Domestic 5 yds	\$1.00
Outing, colored, 36' wide, 4 yds	\$1.00
Prints, Cotton 80 sq. 3 yds	\$1.00
Cotton Sheet Blankets each 80 x 99—white Limit 2 pairs	\$2.00
WASH CLOTHS 15 for	\$1.00
TOWELS, Huck 3 for	\$1.00
Ladies Rayon Briefs 2 for	\$1.00
Jersey Petticoats each	\$1.00
Mens Hats, felt, corduroy ea.	\$1.00
Table of Shoes pair	\$1.00
SWEATERS as low as	50c
Other Values	Cash Please

ROACH'S

THIS WEEK'S SPECIALS

Jergens Toilet Soap 3 bars 25c

Super Suds large box 25c

CORN Mission wh. kernel 2 cans 25c

Tomatoes No. 1 can 3 cans 25c

MAYFIELD CORN white, cream style 2 cans 25c

CROWN FACIAL TISSUE 200 count 2 boxes 25c

KIMBELL GREEN LIMA BEANS can 25c

CARNATION MILK 2 large cans 25c

Baked Beans, Heinz can 15c

Fresh Ground Meat Lb 43c

Sirloin Steak Cut From AA Beef Lb 69c

Budget Sliced Bacon Lb 19c

We will be closed Sunday, Feb. 12

BAKER'S Groc. & Mkt.

Your Paper Is Worth Reading!

Each week The Observer comes to you for your pleasure, profit, information or for whatever other use you want to make of it.

But before you can use it for any of these purposes, a good many hours of thought, planning and work have to be put into it.

Your front page, containing the bulk of the week's news that happened in Robert Lee and the surrounding area, is the product of considerable effort by people in The Observer office and our correspondents. As a result, you know pretty well what's going on around our neck of the woods.

Because most weekly newspaper subscribers take a distinct satisfaction in being able to read in their home town publication about subjects of national or international scope—happenings beyond the limits of their particular town—The Observer tries to anticipate that demand by bringing its readers the excellent selection of columns, features and pictures provided by Western Newspaper Union's Printed Syndicate Service.

There is interpretive reporting in the form of columns commenting on the political, social and economic scene, written by highly trained, facile reporters. Other articles, strictly on the feature side, appeal to the ladies—housewives

or career girls—while still others are of interest to virtually anyone who will open a newspaper in the first place.

The pictures, you'll find, cover a wide range of human action that has made news in recent days. You'll enjoy them—and they're exclusive in The Observer.

These features, as most of you already have discovered, are intended to inform and entertain. The Observer believes they achieve that aim as well or better than comparative material in any of the large metropolitan papers.

Take a look at the inside pages of your newspaper now. The Observer is proud to have you do so.

County PTA Council Meeting At Silver

The Coke county PTA Council held its final meeting of the year on Tuesday at Silver. Guests were entertained at a noon luncheon served in the Odom Drug Store dining room. Committees in charge of the meeting and luncheon included Mesdames John Shimer, C. E. Butcher, J. E. Payne, H. R. Gassiot, Fred Asher and Fred Jones.

The session opened at 10:30 a.m. in the school auditorium with singing and prayer. The subject "Why We Have PTA County Councils" was explained in an able manner by Mrs. Holland Holt of Abilene, district chairman. Another feature was the "Four Cornerstones" presented by members of the Silver PTA.

The afternoon session was featured by a review of the book, "Get Thee Behind Me," by Hartzell Pence, given by Mrs. Ross Welch of Robert Lee. Other numbers were the Pledge and Song of the Brownie Scout Troop, and Bavarian Dance numbers in costume by Carolyn Shimer and Wayne Smith.

Guest badges and place cards at the luncheon carried the Bavarian motif.

New Chevrolets

Harvey Chevrolet Co. of Robert Lee reports the sale of several new 1950 Chevrolet units during the past ten days. R. S. Anderson of Silver is the owner of a new 2-door DeLuxe sedan, and a special 2 door went to T. Roy Ainsworth, architect on the new county hospital. Joe Hedges of near Bronte bought a 4 door sedan, while the Rust Ranch toward San Angelo purchased a pickup.

Dr. and Mrs. J. K. Griffith left Sunday for a visit in the ranch home of their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Walling, near Artesia, New Mex.



Valentine CANDY

You just can't go wrong when you give candy to your Valentine especially when it is selected here. Heart shaped boxes of delicious chocolate as well as a large assortment of other attractive packages are here for your choosing.

BILBO DRUG



Designs and colors that sing are the thing for the bright new season that's coming—and you'll find both in our new spring shipments of wallpaper. The colors are bright and gay and designs are modern enough to suit even the most discriminating decorator. Put spring in your home now by selecting our wallpaper for your home.

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Among Our Subscribers

Mrs. Burl Childress has ordered The Observer for her uncle, Oda Benton, who is a patient at a Veterans hospital in Los Angeles, Calif. Mr. Benton, former well known Robert Lee resident, has been making his home at Marysville, Calif. He is being treated for arthritis of the spine.

In remitting for a renewal of her subscription the first of the year, Addie Fish of Austin wrote: "Hello to Chrys if she is still with you." (Chrys has a new job keeping house for Lawrence Higgins. She's making good and happy as a lark.)

Mrs. Lois Ator writes from

Political Announcements

Rates:

Congressional.....	\$30
District Offices.....	\$25
Legislative.....	\$20
County Offices.....	\$20

The Observer is authorized to announce the candidacy of the following persons, subject to Democratic Primary Election on July 22, 1950:

For County Judge & School Supt.:

JEFF DEAN

For County Treasurer:

MRS. RUBY L. PETTIT

For County and District Clerk:

WILLIS SMITH

For Sheriff, Tax Assessor and Collector

PAUL GOOD

For County Commissioner, Precinct 1

J. W. SERVICE

Ingram, Texas: "I enjoy The Observer very much as I lived there years ago. There are many names I do not know, but still lots of them I remember. I sent \$2 for my renewal but you have not changed the date on the wrapper. Did you get the money order? If not we had better do something about it." (Yes, the money order arrived. All new expiration dates have been brought up to date this week.)

Mark Chumley last week signed a contract for the purchase of 205 acres of ranch land owned by heirs of the late E. E. Millican. The tract, southwest of Robert Lee, joins the Chumley ranch on the north. T. T. Millican of Paducah, administrator of the estate, came here to complete the deal.

Fifteen Robert Lee youngsters were present for children's and young people's Tuesday night services in the Paul Killam home at Sanco this week. There are two groups in these services, the Juniors and Intermediates. There were 24 present in both groups. After the services the crowd enjoyed games and cookies before the ride back to town.

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SUNDAY-MONDAY-TUESDAY, FEB. 12-13-14

Sunday Matinees at 1:30 and 3:20

The laugh Riot of the Season **Cary Grant-Ann Sheridan** In **I WAS A MALE WAR BRIDE** Also Cartoon

WEDNESDAY-THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15-16

Richard Widmark-Linda Darnell-Veronica Lake in **SLATTERY'S HURRICANE** Also Cartoon

Bisquick
lge 47c

Soft a Silk
CAKE FLOUR

Lge. Box 37c

Merrimac
PRUNE PLUMS
Packed in Syrup

No. 2½ Can 17c

TIDE
lge 25c

Primrose
PURE RED TOMATO
PRESERVES

12 oz. Tumbler 29c

Lindale
PURE RIBBON
CANE SYRUP

1 gal. 55c

California **Lima Beans,** 2 lbs. **29c**

Mission **Corn,** 2 No. 1 cans **15c**

for a Velvet Blend

Carnation Milk



2 tall cans 23c

Swifts Pard **Dog Food** Per case, 48 cans **5.95**

Charmin Toilet **Tissue,** 4 rolls **33c**

Armours "99" Colored **Margarine,** lb. **45c**

Skinner's **EGG NOODLES** 14 oz. cello. **17c**

Pillsbury **HOT ROLL MIX** pkg. **25c**

Granny's **MIXED FRUIT** No. 2½ tin **29c**

Krafts Kay Natural **CHEDDAR CHEESE,** 8 oz. pkg. **29c**

Dixie Sugar Cured **BACON SQUARES** lb. **25c**

Frank's Food Store