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## Robert Lee Plans Crack Ball Team Again This Year

Coke county base ball fans and players are beginning to discuss prospects for this year's team. Plenty of interest is apparent, and it looks like there would be sufficient backing for another top-notch Robert Lee club.

Last year the Rabbit Twisters won the Concho Basin League championship for the second straight season. At present the Concho loop status is unknown and it is doubtful if there will be enough teams to form a strong semi-pro circuit. In that case Robert Lee would play

### BASE BALL NOTICE

Players and fans interested in the Robert Lee base ball club are urged to meet at the ball grounds Sunday, March 18. Players will have a workout at that time and a business meeting to elect officers and make plans to back this year's team will be held at 3 p.m. Everybody is invited to come and take part.

independent ball. Lefty Shelton and his Forsan Oilers have been booked for a game here April 1 to open the season, and the Skyhawks of Goodfellow Field have requested some games.

Clarence Tinkler, local pitching ace, has signed a contract with the San Angelo Colts and leaves this week for the spring training camp at Mercedes, Texas.

Dutch Funderburk, new Colt manager, was impressed with Tinkler's pitching for Ballinger near the close of the 1950 season, and he believes the Robert Lee twirler can make the grade as a Colt regular.

If Tinkler remains with the San Angelo club, a new pitcher will have to be secured for the Rabbit Twisters. Some of the Bronte boys have signified they will play with Robert Lee and an effort will be made to sign Everett Coalson, who is a good left hand hurler and all around player.

Lew Heuvel, former shortstop with Forsan, will also be in the local lineup. He moved his family to Edith last fall and is stationed there as a pumper for Sun Oil Co. Heuvel is a crack infielder. He's fast and a dangerous batter.

No doubt R. W. Bowman and Joe Dean Phillips will be signed again this season. Local players who are being counted upon include John Conley, star outfielder, Royce Smith, Chilly Tinkler and Frank Percifull.

### FARM BUREAU MEETING

There will be a Farm Bureau meeting of the entire membership Friday, March 16, at 7:30 p.m. at the court house. There will be a discussion of 1951 membership dues and interesting speaking.

### LETTER FOR BUD AUSTIN

Through an oversight The Observer failed to state last week that Alfred (Bud) Austin was among the group who lettered in football and received a jacket. Bud played a fine game at end for the Steers.

## Births

### GREEN

Mr. and Mrs. Garlan Green of Robert Lee are parents of a daughter born at 4:40 a.m. March 14 at Coke County Memorial Hospital. The infant weighed 6 pounds, six ounces and has been named Nan Louise. She has two brothers, Gerogie, 3, and Bobby, 2 years old. Grandparents are Mrs. Ethel Green of Robert Lee and Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence George of Dallas. Mr. Green is an employee of Sun Oil Co. at Silver.

### ESCUE

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Escue, Jr., 123 N. Van Buren, San Angelo, are parents of a son born at 11:15 p.m. March 7, in a San Angelo hospital. The Escues have a daughter, Janice Lee, 4 years old. The family formerly resided in Robert Lee.

### HOSPITAL REPORT

Attention is called to a financial statement of Coke County Memorial Hospital published in this issue. The institution is performing a wonderful service to the community, and the statement shows it has done well financially, considering it has been in operation less than a year. Hospital board members and the staff are to be congratulated.

### HAWLEY ALLEN IMPROVES

H. C. (Hawley) Allen, well known Robert Lee resident, is reported as doing nicely at Shannon hospital. He was taken there last week and on Friday underwent an operation on his hip which was fractured the previous Monday.

## Sun Runs Pipe In Fred Jameson No. 10

Sun No. 10 Fred Jameson, on the east side of the Jameson field at Silver, topped the lime reef at 6,280 feet and cemented 5½ inch casing at 6,296 feet. The hole was bottomed at 6,464 feet. Swabbing was due to start yesterday.

Sun No. 2 H. L. Bloodworth, two miles southeast of the producing field at Silver, was drilling at 6,372 feet in shale and lime streaks. A good pay section was encountered in Strawn sand above 5,700 feet.

Sun No. 14 Jewell Brannan, southwest of Silver, recovered 30 feet of gas-cut mud and no oil or water on a drillstem test from 5,850-60 feet. It will drill deeper.

Sun No. A-2 J. B. Walker, southwest of Silver, was drilling in shale Wednesday at 3,480 feet.

A northwest outpost of the Millican field west of Edith, Sun A-4 Foster S. Price, recovered 95 feet of salt water below 6,200 feet in Strawn lime.

The hole will be plugged back to 4,500 feet where a whipstock will be installed, and diagonal drilling will follow.

## Walter Jay, 50, Dies After Long Illness

Sam Jay, city water superintendent, Raymond Jay of San Angelo and Mrs. Kate Foster of Abilene were called to Van Alstyne Sunday by the death of their brother, Walter Jay.

He was 50 years of age and had been ill two years. Walter spent several months in Robert Lee and used his truck on building the new road to San Angelo.

Survivors include his wife and four children, his parents, four brothers and four sisters.

Local relatives attended the funeral Monday afternoon and returned home that night.

### WILL GO TO JAPAN

Bert Sheppard left Sunday for Camp Cook, Calif., after enjoying a ten-days visit in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Delmir Sheppard. It was his first trip home since his induction last September.

Bert is in a Reconnaissance Company of the 40th Infantry Division. It was a former California National Guard division and was brought up to war strength by the addition of 4,000 new soldiers.

The division is scheduled to leave soon for occupational duty in Japan.

The many friends of Mrs. Curtis Byrd, north of Robert Lee, will be glad to learn that she is much improved at Shannon hospital where she has been a patient the past three weeks.

Mrs. M. E. Cook of Oklahoma City visited here over the weekend with her sister-in-law, Mrs. Mattie Bell Campbell.

The Javan Vosburgs are now occupying their new modern home, two blocks east of the court house.

## No Hydrant Water Available For Lawns or Gardens

Residents of Robert Lee face a serious water shortage, and the City Commission requests that no water be used for lawns and gardens.

If people are saving it is possible the supply may be sufficient for ordinary household needs.

The situation is this: Two city wells east of town are now furnishing most of the water, and they are becoming weaker as the drouth continues.

Some water has been taken from the new Mountain Creek reservoir, but it is about all gone and what is left may not be fit for drinking purposes.

A big rain, if and when it comes, will solve the problem as the new city water plant is ready for operation.

City officials don't feel justified in spending an estimated \$1,500 which would be required to complete another well. And then there is no assurance that any large amount of water would be provided.

Everyone is urged to cooperate in this matter. It would be a serious situation indeed if we ran completely out of water—and that very thing could happen.

## New Grocery-Mkt. Opens For Business

Robert Lee's new store, the B & F Grocery & Market, opened for business this week in the building formerly occupied by Frank Bryan's Food Market.

Owners are Carl Bates of Coahoma and Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Farris, who moved here from Menard. Mr. Farris is a son of Druggist T. W. Farris and wife. He is an experienced butcher and groceryman, and will be assisted by his wife in operating the store.

Fixtures, including refrigerated equipment, was leased from Mr. Bryan. The stock is all brand new and shipment on some items has been delayed.

The store is now open for business and a formal opening day will be announced in the near future.

### VISIT BOYS IN WYOMING

Mrs. Mattie Tinkler and son, J. L. (Chilly) Tinkler, and Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Walker returned Monday night from a motor trip to Cheyenne, Wyo., where they visited Roy Tinkler and Ralph Walker.

The Robert Lee youths enlisted in the Air Force a few months ago and are now stationed at F. E. Warren AFB at the edge of Cheyenne. Both are in good health and at present are studying the operation of teletypes.

The Robert Lee folks arrived in Cheyenne Saturday morning and left for home early Monday. They made the 1,800-mile trip without mishap.

### AT CAMP RUCKER

Vaughan Stanley Davis, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Davis, is now stationed at Camp Rucker, Alabama. He was inducted into service a month ago and spent a few days at Fort Sill before being sent east. Vaughan has been assigned to a Tank Battalion of the 47th Infantry Division.

Glenn Waldrop stopped in to renew his Observer subscription last Saturday. He also ordered the paper sent to J. M. Nail of Tuscola and J. M. Modrall of Sweetwater, former neighbors of the Waldrop family at Hayrick. Glenn is foreman of the Foster Sims Price ranch west of Edith.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Savage and Miss Lula Savage of Lovington, New Mex., visited Coke County relatives and friends a few days last week. Sam says they had had a little more moisture than Coke county but it is not enough to plant on.



## Baptist Church To Hold Revival

Rev. Vernon Shaw, Field Secretary for the Texas Baptist Children's Home at Round Rock, Texas, will be the Evangelist during a revival at the Robert Lee Baptist Church, March 18-25, 1951. A great spiritual time is expected and everyone is invited to attend. Services at 10:30 A.M. and 7:15 P.M.

There will be a service March 18 at 3:00 P.M. for the men. It is hoped that all the men of the community will attend.

## Auto Registrations Coming In Faster

A brisk demand for new auto licenses is apparent this week in the office of Tax Collector Paul Good.

However, a mad rush is forecast for the next couple of weeks Tuesday morning only 308 passenger car licenses for 1951 had been issued. Last year's total of more than 1,400, so there will be much scurrying to get under the wire by April 1st.

No motor vehicles are allowed on the highways after that date unless they display new registration tags.

## No Cases In Sight For Pettit Jurymen

No jury trials are in prospect for the spring term of district court which is now in session here, according to District Clerk Weldon Fikes.

Three men indicted last week on saddle theft charges, have announced they will plead guilty when brought before Judge John Sutton next Monday. The forty men selected for jury duty will not be called.

At a hearing Tuesday the court granted adoption papers to Mr. and Mrs. L. Y. Harrell of Tenyson, in the matter of their grandchild, Sybil Irene Lawrence, 3 years old.

The court upheld the state's action to confiscate 1,320 cans of beer seized last summer from George Oliver May. The Elks Lodge of Sweetwater claimed the suds belonged to that organization, but their lawyers failed to appear when the case was called up this week.

### RAINFALL IS SLIGHT

This community received a half inch rain last Friday night, and it was hoped the long drouth might be broken. However, skies cleared over the weekend and no additional moisture is in prospect for the present. A cold spell arrived the fore part of the week and temperatures dropped well below freezing Tuesday morning.

## Seniors To Profit From Subscriptions

Members of the Senior Class of Robert Lee high school have been authorized to solicit subscriptions to The Observer up until Saturday, March 24.

The seniors will be given a commission on all subscriptions they turn in. They plan to use the funds for their trip to the Gulf Coast which is scheduled at the close of the school year.

## County Valuation May Reach Fifteen Million This Year

Coke county's taxable valuation for 1951 will be nearly 15 million, an increase of 2½ million over last year.

This information was presented to the Commissioners Court here Monday by Frank Eudy, representative of Thos. Y. Pickett & Co., evaluation engineers of Ft. Worth. The firm is hired to handle oil and utility assessments for the county on a percentage basis.

Mr. Eudy's early estimate shows an increase of \$2,400,000 on oil properties in the county, due to the completion of 53 new wells during the past year. Coke's total taxing valuation was \$12,358,940 in 1950.

### Boundary Dispute

Some litigation is in prospect concerning the county line boundary between Coke and Runnels in the C. H. Wylie and Odom Estate oil fields north and west of Bronte.

Both counties are claiming one or more new producers in the area and map makers and surveyors are not in agreement as to the exact boundary location.

### Radio for Sheriff

Sheriff Paul Good accompanied County Commissioners to San Angelo Monday afternoon when they made arrangements to purchase two-way radio equipment.

The sheriff's car and his office will have the new service which is to be tuned in with the Highway Patrol station in San Angelo. A receiving and sending antenna will be installed on top of the water tower in the court house square.

### Road Bill Again

Judge Jeff Dean hurried to Austin Monday afternoon when he joined other county officers from over the state in opposing another form of the Graham Bill, up for hearing before a legislative committee.

The bill if enacted would deprive Coke county of \$15,000 state funds annually now being used in connection with county road and bridge work. Judge Dean said the bill has widespread opposition, but the committee seemed determined.

## Five Coke Youths Called To Service

Five young men from Coke county are included in the next draft call set for Tuesday, March 20. They are Fred H. McCabe, Jr., Garland H. Austin and Robert Ellis, all of Robert Lee, and Joseph L. Alexander and Johnny Joe Butner of Bronte.

Thirty-six will be inducted by the local board composed of Coke, Irion and Tom Green counties.

Also on next Tuesday 72 registrants will report for pre-induction physical examinations, according to Mrs. Ed Cole, secretary of the board.

Mrs. Cole announces 30 men will be inducted on April 20 and on the same day 50 will be called for physicals.

### Coke County

## Hospital News

March 8—Mrs. M. B. Meek admitted. Mrs. Dave Adkins dismissed.

March 9—Mrs. Alvin Lara dismissed.

March 10—Freddie McDonald, Mrs. M. B. Meek dismissed.

March 11—Gypsy Blalock, Annelle Simpson admitted. Evan Quinn Conley, infant son of John Conley, dismissed.

March 12—Mrs. Frank Wojtek and infant son, and W. R. Masey dismissed.

March 14—Mrs. Garlan Green admitted, and gave birth to a 6-pound daughter at 4:40 a.m. Annelle Simpson dismissed.



## Sun To Increase Gas Plant Capacity

Sun Oil Co. is making alterations and improvements to its gas plant at Silver to take care of a rapidly increasing supply of gas.

John Shimer, plant manager, says a new gathering system is being installed throughout the field, which will bring gas into the plant at 200 pounds pressure. Old lines will also continue to be used.

Two of the five enormous compressors will be converted to handle the higher pressure gas, and it will be easier to reach the 2,600 pound maximum

## Soil Conservation District News

spring. C. N. Webb, Vernon Haggerton and C. J. Henry have seeded 121 acres. Foster S. Price is seeding 122 acres. Finnell Smith, H. G. Wendland, O. T. Colvin, W. E. Burns, N. J. Taylor and Tyler & Jones have made plans and secured their seed to seed about 140 acres, Sheppard pointed out.

Grasses being seeded now are native Side Oats Grama and Blue Grama, and introduced King Ranch Bluestem. Side Oats and Blue Grama are native high forage producing grasses that grow well in this country. The King Ranch Bluestem is an introduced grass that is capable of the seedlings standing the dry weather and becoming established. All of the grasses will tie down the soil, control erosion, and produce high pounds of good feed per acre, Sheppard pointed out.

C. N. Webb completed a coordinated ranch conservation plan on his ranch last week. The plan was developed to treat each acre according to its needs. Range improvement, seeding of range grasses, contour farming, development of livestock water, and terracing are some of the practices included in the plan. This ranch was recently purchased by Mr. Webb.

### Elevator Grader Purchased

The Board of Supervisors of the Coke County Soil Conservation District has purchased an elevating grader and a wheatland type tractor to build terraces with, W. C. Shamblin, Secretary of the Board, has announced. The equipment was purchased with funds made available to the Board of Supervisors by the Texas Legislature in 1950. The equipment was purchased to provide needed terracing equipment to land owners and operators in the Coke County Soil Conservation District, Shamblin explained.

B. A. Boykin has developed a complete Soil and Water Conservation plan on his farm located four miles west of Robert Lee, with the aid of Soil Conservation Service personnel assisting the Coke County Soil Conservation District.

District cooperators are taking steps to return many acres of cropland and abandoned cropland to native and introduced grasses, is the statement made by A. V. Sheppard, work unit conservationist, with the Soil Conservation Service. Plans have been made to seed about 400 acres of grass this

pressure. The plant's present capacity is 16 million cubic feet daily. When the project is completed the capacity will be increased to 22 million feet.

Holder Construction Co. of Snyder is laying the new gathering lines.

Mr. Shimer stated Sun is studying plans to take care of gas now being flared in the Millican field west of Edith. A definite announcement along this line is expected within the next month.

### More Pipeline Units

Two new units are being installed by Sun Pipeline in its pumping station at Silver. When completed the pipeline will have a capacity of carrying 17,000 barrels of oil daily out of the Silver and Edith oil fields, according to announcement made by Charles L. Price, pipeline superintendent.



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H. S. Lewis, Jr., Secretary

### HOSPITAL BOARD RE-ELECTS

At its monthly meeting here Tuesday the Board of Trustees of Coke County Memorial Hospital re-elected the following officers: B. A. Austin, president; Frank McCabe and Arnold Ball, vice presidents; C. N. Webb, secretary. C. S. Brown is the other member of the board.

### Airplanes for Seeding

Airplanes are being used to reseed vast areas in the United States, including rice fields in the South and Southwestern parts of the country.

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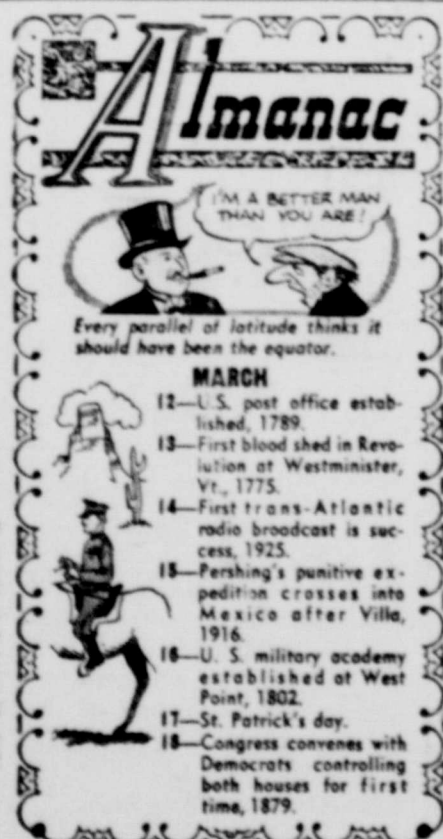
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## Announce Clinic On Price Controls

San Angelo, Texas, March 14—A representative from the District Office of Price Stabilization in Fort Worth will be in San Angelo March 21 to hold a clinic on Ceiling Price Regulation number seven.

OPS regulation seven requires merchants to file a pricing chart on certain clothing and household items. Deadline for the filing of such charts is March 29.

The meeting will be held at 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, March 21, on the Roof Garden of the St. Angelus Hotel. The public meeting is being held for merchants in the San Angelo area.

A member of the OPS board in Fort Worth will attend the meeting to explain the regulation and hold an open forum to answer any questions relative to the filing of OPS charts.

## J. B. Leddy Moves To Burnet County

J. B. Leddy recently moved to a 640-acre grass farm in northern Burnet county, which he recently purchased. The place has modern improvements and is located on the Lampasas-Georgetown highway.

Leddy recently sold his holdings southwest of Robert Lee to Otis Crook of Wall. The latter planned to operate the place, but two of his sons have been called for military duty. He leased the grass to H. L. Youngblood of San Angelo, and H. E. Thomas of Abilene has rented the farm land.

Mr. Leddy has fully recovered from injuries received Jan. 6 when a motorist ran into him north of Big Spring.

### FRIENDSHIP WHD CLUB

Mrs. O. B. Jacobs was hostess to the members of the Friendship Home Demonstration club March 8.

Mrs. Willis Smith was appointed parliamentarian for the remainder of the year by the president, Mrs. Jacobs.

Patterns to be used in textile painting were transferred and made ready for future meetings.

Mrs. Tom Rives, Jr. was in charge of the recreational period. Refreshments were served to nine members, five children and a new member, Mrs. Leon Byrne.

Capt. J. O. Umphries of Lubbock was a guest here the latter part of the week of Mrs. Fred Roe and family. He is interested in the oil development in this locality and has some royalty holdings. Capt. Umphries is a public information officer at Reese AFB.

Mrs. T. B. Copeland and son, Tal-mage, and the former's granddaughters, Nola and Elaine Stokes, motored from Sundown for a weekend visit with Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Copeland, north of San-co. They reported driving in rain throughout the entire trip Friday evening.

Sgt. and Mrs. James E. Rives and little son, Stephen, of Perrin AFB and Mrs. Billy Stamford of Odessa visited over the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Pat Rives and Melba.

### 80 POUND CALF

Ben Tubb reports one of his Durham heifers gave birth to a calf that weighed 80 pounds. It failed to live. Ben says it was the largest calf he had ever seen.

Silk shantung—44 inches wide, navy, red, lime, luggage, \$1.69 per yard. Roach's.

## Want Ads

For Sale—Lot, 100 x 140 ft., excellent building site. Has small house on it. A. J. Bilbo. 38tf

LOST—Registered Siamese cat with collar. Please notify Mrs. Earnest Varnadore.

Fishermen's Headquarters—From a 20-cent line to a 30-dollar casting outfit, and anything in between. Leeper Supply Co.

Building Materials—Cement and Paint. The right materials at the right price. McDonald Lumber Co., Robert Lee, Texas.

FOR SALE—Blond finish youth bed and inner spring mattress; in good condition. O. L. Snyder, Tubb Camp, Silver.

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FOR SALE—Pedigreed Cotton Seed—Paymaster No. 54 and Western Prolific, de-linted with oil mill saws. We are now taking orders for March and April deliveries.

Cotton Seed is sure to be scarce this season and we urge every farmer to get his requirements now. Our supply is limited, too—just a few hundred bushels. You will not be left with seed on your hands if it doesn't rain—somebody else will want it and pay you a profit. FRED McDONALD, JR.

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### NOTICE

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| Ties To Match                            | 1.50          |
| Ladies Bags, new assortment              | 2.95 to 4.95  |
| Black, navy, red, white                  |               |
| Ladies Gloves                            | 1.95          |
| Nylon, navy, pink, black, grey and beige |               |
| Corsages                                 | 69c to 98c    |
| Ladies Dresses, 12 to 22½                | 6.95 to 14.95 |
| Boys Suits, 2 to 6 years                 |               |
| Childrens Dresses, 1 to 12 yrs.          | 3.95 to 6.95  |
| Shoes for Men, Women and Children        |               |

# ROACH'S

## THIS WEEK'S SPECIALS

|                                    |                   |                 |
|------------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| <b>SPUDS</b>                       | 10 lbs mesh bag   | <b>39c</b>      |
| <b>Lettuce</b>                     | Nice, firm heads  | each <b>10c</b> |
| <b>Carrots</b>                     | plastic bag       | <b>17c</b>      |
| <b>Cabbage</b>                     | Small, firm heads | lb <b>5c</b>    |
| <b>Apple Butter</b>                | Quart             | <b>25c</b>      |
| <b>WESTEX SYRUP</b> , Maple Flavor | half gal          | <b>59c</b>      |
| <b>COFFEE</b>                      | Maxwell House     | lb <b>87c</b>   |
| <b>BEST-YET Salad Dressing</b>     | pint              | <b>35c</b>      |
| <b>POP CORN</b> , Black Beauty     | 2 cans            | <b>19c</b>      |
| <b>SALT PORK</b>                   | lb                | <b>27c</b>      |
| <b>SLICED BACON</b>                | lb                | <b>45c</b>      |
| <b>Pork Sausage</b>                | 2 lb bag          | <b>85c</b>      |
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SERVICE INSTALLATIONS



## SILVER NEWS

Mrs. E. E. Snowden has returned from a visit at Bridgeport, Texas. Her father, A. E. Moore, accompanied her home for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Brown and sons of Kempner, Texas, spent the weekend with Mrs. Brown's sister, Mrs. G. K. Beall, and family.

Mrs. Paul Ryon of Winslow, Ariz., has been here the past week visiting her daughter, Mrs. U. D. Mathers, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Savage and his sister, Lou, of Lovington, New Mex., Mrs. Em Mathers and little daughter, Marcia, of Caprock, New Mex., and Olen Mathers of Denver City were here the past week visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Pennington and son, Dennis, of Colorado City were guests in the parental C. E. Mathers home and attended church at Silver last Sunday.

Charlotte Wayne McCabe spent the weekend with her grandparents, the W. D. Jamesons, near Colorado City.

Pat Preston began a bookkeeping position Feb. 26 with the Snyder Plumbing Co., in Snyder, Tex. A daughter of the W. A. Prestons, Pat graduated from Colorado City high school last year and attended San Angelo College until mid-term.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Preston left Sunday on a business trip to Dallas. They expect to be gone a week.

Mrs. R. B. Allen and daughter, Mrs. Bob Odom, were in San Angelo last Tuesday night to attend a bridal shower honoring Esther Louise Allen. The event took place at the Virginian Room of St. Angelus Hotel. Miss Allen will wed Walter Jones March 24th.

Mrs. Jack Mowbray left Saturday for a several weeks stay with Mr. and Mrs. R. Bunch and family at Premont, Tex.

Mrs. Edward Thielen and son, Edward, Jr., of Taft, Texas, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Smith for several days the past week.

Mrs. Nelson Sapp and son, Roger, of Odessa are guests in the Howard Robichaux home.

Mrs. Carl Grubenman, Sr. of Henderson and Mr. and Mrs. V. E. Smith and children of Gladewater spent the weekend in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Grubenman, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Hill, Jr. of Big Spring were weekend guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dave English. Mr. Hill is a brother of Mrs. English.

### BAPTIST CHURCH NOTES

On Sunday night, March 11th, we showed pictures of many fields where Southern Baptists are doing mission work in our southland. Stormy weather kept many away, but those present enjoyed

the service.

The Training Union of the Silver Baptist Church will sponsor a study course in soul winning, the week of March 18 thru 22. The books to be taught, and the teachers are as follows:

Elementary—Bible Stories No. 4, to be taught by Mrs. Aaron E. Rose.

Intermediates—Witnessing for Christ, teacher, Rev. H. T. Bloodworth.

Adults—How to Win to Christ, teacher, Rev. Ray M. Sparks.

Beginning Friday night, March 23, and extending thru the night of the 25, the Silver Baptist Training Union will sponsor a Youth Revival to be conducted by a group of young people from one of our colleges. Further information will be available next week. We invite all our friends to attend any of these services.

On Monday night of this week the Intermediate Training Union of the Silver Baptist Church was entertained with a social at the Educational Building by their leaders, Mrs. G. B. Gebhart, Mrs. J. B. Walker, Jr., and Mrs. H. T. Brookshire. There were 14 present.

Dr. O. H. Majors Dr. M. L. Majors

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## Coke County Memorial Hospital

ROBERT LEE, TEXAS

### BALANCE SHEET

DECEMBER 31, 1950

#### ASSETS

#### CURRENT ASSETS:

|                     |          |             |
|---------------------|----------|-------------|
| Cash on Hand        | \$ 75.30 |             |
| Cash in Bank        | 1,803.36 | \$ 1,878.66 |
| Accounts Receivable |          | 4,747.97    |

#### TOTAL

#### FIXED ASSETS:

|                    |             |            |
|--------------------|-------------|------------|
| Hospital           | \$77,796.28 |            |
| Lot                | 1,000.00    |            |
| Air Conditioner    | 5,153.00    |            |
| Hospital Equipment | 24,425.50   | 108,374.78 |

#### TOTAL ASSETS

\$115,001.41

#### LIABILITIES

|                |           |           |
|----------------|-----------|-----------|
| Pay Roll Tax   | \$ 118.70 |           |
| Hospital Bonds | 70,000.00 | 70,118.70 |
| Surplus        |           | 44,882.71 |

#### TOTAL LIABILITIES & SURPLUS

\$115,001.41

#### INCOME AND EXPENSES

June 1, 1950 to December 31, 1950

#### INCOME:

|                     |             |              |
|---------------------|-------------|--------------|
| Room Service        | \$5,532.60  |              |
| Operating Room      | 583.50      |              |
| Laboratory Tests    | 701.55      |              |
| Delivery Room       | 191.75      |              |
| Dressings           | 389.60      |              |
| Drugs               | 3,136.32    |              |
| X-Ray               | 1,350.50    |              |
| Sundries            | 637.72      |              |
| Staff Purchases     | 102.04      |              |
| General Fund Refund | 441.00      |              |
| Total Cash Sales    | \$13,066.58 |              |
| Accounts Receivable | 474.97      | \$ 17,814.55 |
| Coke County         |             | 3,761.02     |

#### TOTAL

#### EXPENSES:

|                        |            |              |
|------------------------|------------|--------------|
| Food                   | \$1,261.38 |              |
| Drugs                  | 3,192.89   |              |
| Lights, Water and Heat | 753.61     |              |
| Telephone              | 77.23      |              |
| Linen Replacements     | 213.83     |              |
| Repairs                | 328.97     |              |
| Laundry                | 674.28     |              |
| Office Supplies        | 169.88     |              |
| General Supplies       | 688.92     |              |
| Salaries               | 8,947.92   |              |
| Extra Salaries         | 531.09     |              |
| Anesthetics            | 250.00     |              |
| Replacements           | 248.95     |              |
| Traveling Expense      | 22.70      |              |
| Insurance Refunds      | 288.17     |              |
| Misc. Expense          | 40.21      | \$ 17,688.63 |

#### DIFFERENCE

\$ 3,886.94

MRS. GLADYS STRICKLAND

Acting Business Manager

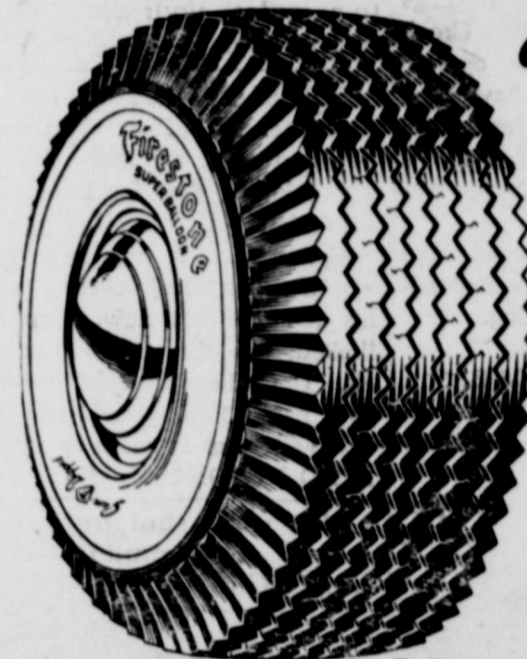


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Robert Lee, Texas



## Mrs. Bird Writes Of Interesting Trip Thru Deep South

Sanco, March 5, 1951

Dear Editor:

It is good to be back home again after three weeks' visit at Gulfport, Miss. I enjoyed visiting with my sister and seeing the old Southland again.

I once said that I didn't believe the South would ever get over the Civil War and the reconstruction period, but I'll have to take that back. It has already fully recovered. There is plenty of evidence of progress and prosperity. Work seems plentiful and trucks are busy hauling sand, gravel, pulp wood and timber.

In Gulfport traffic is so heavy that cars creep along at a snail's gait through the down town sections.

### Coast Is Beautiful

I enjoyed the drives along the Gulf Coast. There are many different kinds of buildings, as well as fine homes. The Edgewater Hotel caters to tourist trade. There is a girls college, veterans hospital and numerous other businesses on the water front.

In front of all buildings are groves of ancient liveoaks, flowering shrubs and spacious lawns. In many places just back of these buildings is to be seen the primeval forest, still as nature made it.

### Visit Jeff Davis Home

I visited Beauvoir, the old home of Jefferson Davis, president of the Confederacy. It all told a pathetic story of a proud land, a defeated people and a day that is forever gone.

There were many relics of great interest, to say nothing of the old furniture which is huge, with great mirrors, canopied beds, high bedsteads and massive wardrobes. The big couches out in the middle of the reception room were something I had never seen before. This type of sofa is obsolete now, I suppose.

I believe the one thing that intrigued me more than anything else in the old Jeff Davis museum, was a page from an old newspaper. I copied a part of one paragraph, and will give it here with the heading at the top:

### THE DAILY CITIZEN

J. M. Swords, Proprietor

Vicksburg, Miss., July 2, 1862

"That the great Ulysses, the Yankee Generalissimo, has expressed his intention of dining in Vicksburg on Sunday next and celebrating the 4th of July by a grand dinner, and so forth. When asked if he would invite Joe Johnson to join him, he said, 'no, for fear there would be a row at the table.'"

There followed a comment from the editor to the effect that the general had better bring his dinner, and mentioned catching a rabbit. By way of parenthesis, it could be remembered that Vicksburg was destitute of food at the close of that memorable siege.

### Grant Made It

Closing time forbade me from copying anything else but there was another paragraph on this page, which stated in substance that two days had brought great changes, and added that Grant did eat dinner in Vicksburg on July 4th, and that he brought his dinner with him.

Reading from this old newspaper gave me a peculiar feeling of pathos. My father was in the siege of Vicksburg. He with all the other soldiers of the Confederate Army almost starved at that time. The old papers mentioned the sound of guns that preceded the fall of Vicksburg that fateful 4th of July.

It was springtime in New Orleans as I came back through enroute home. The air was balmy and there was soft sunshine. Azaleas were in full bloom and lawns a beautiful green, trees were leafing out and people were out in yards and gardens.

### Glad To Be Home

I'd like that old country if I only belonged there (it is beautiful) but I don't. And so I guess that to me this dry old West Texas is still the only country. It isn't as pretty as the Gulfcoast country, but it has its good points, and it is MY land. But it is good to get away for a while. It makes coming back so wonderful. After all, there is no place like home.—JULIA E. BIRD.

### BARBARA HARWELL HONORED

Barbara Joyce Harwell, freshman from Robert Lee, was one of the 35 Sul Ross college students, who rated in the upper fifteen per cent. This information was disclosed by the fall semester's Dean's List released this week. Miss Harwell daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Harwell, graduated from Robert Lee high school last year.

### CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to friends and neighbors for their many acts of kindness and sympathy bestowed upon us in our bereavement.—John Conley and Children, Mrs. Daisy McCutchen and Family.

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF THE ESTATE OF ROBERT HARWELL, DECEASED:

Notice is hereby given that original letters testamentary upon the estate of Robert Harwell, deceased, were granted to me, the undersigned, on the 12th day of March, 1951, by the County Court of Coke County, Texas. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same to me within the time prescribed by law. My residence and post office address are Bronte, Coke County, Texas.

Ida May Harwell

Executrix of the Estate of Robert Harwell, Deceased

### CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

To all persons interested in the Account for Final Settlement of the Estate of Virginia A. Myers, Deceased, No. 615, Homer Cornelius, Administrator thereof, has filed in the County Court of Coke County, Texas, on the 13th day of March A. D. 1951, his Final Account of the condition of the Estate of said Virginia A. Myers, Deceased, together with an Application to be discharged from said Administration which will be heard at the first Monday next after the expiration of ten days from date of Publication, the same being the 2nd day of April A. D. 1951 at the Courthouse of said County, in the City of Robert Lee, Texas, at which time and place all parties interested in the Account for Final Settlement of said Estate are hereby notified to appear and contest said Account and Application of the said Homer Cornelius, Administrator, if they see proper to do so.

Witness, Weldon Fikes, Clerk of the County Court of Coke County, Texas, and the seal of said Court attached, this the 13th day of March A. D. 1951.

Weldon Fikes

Clerk County Court, Coke County, Texas.

(Seal)

## Announcing

### The Opening of The B & F Grocery and Market In the Building Formerly Occupied By Frank Bryan's Market

We wish to extend to the people of Robert Lee and surrounding community a cordial invitation to visit our store and get acquainted.

Watch this newspaper for announcement of our formal opening at a later date.

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Robert Lee, Texas



## Many Attend Rites For Mrs. Conley

Funeral services for Mrs. John Conley last Friday at the Robert Lee Methodist church were largely attended. The well known young wife and mother died suddenly Wednesday evening after giving birth to a son.

Mrs. Conley was the former Marjorie McCutchen, youngest child of Mrs. Daisy McCutchen, and was a life long resident of this community. She married John Conley of Texon in 1946.

The baby weighed nearly 7 pounds and has been named Evan Quinn. He has been doing nicely and is now being cared for in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Britt in San Angelo.

Mrs. Britt is the former Gayle McCutchen. Mrs. Daisy McCutchen has also spent some time with the Britts helping care for the new grandson.

The Conleys have a little daughter, Esther Gayle, three years old.

Both the McCutchen and Conley families are well known and have the sympathy of the entire community.

Among the relatives from a distance who attended the funeral were John's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Snipe Conley, also Mr. and Mrs. Jess Varnadore and children, of Texon; James Stuart Conley of Fort Worth and E. P. Stuart of Dallas and his daughter, Mrs. M. J. Keith of Paris, Texas.

### A Want Ad Will Sell It

IRONING WANTED—Mrs. C. H. Millican, block east of Henson's Store.

Mrs. J. C. Newton was improved yesterday after a severe illness which developed over the weekend. Mrs. R. C. Durrett of Panhandle is here helping care for her mother.



## Notes From The Oil Field

Mizel Bros. of Tulsa No. 1 M.L. Leddy wildcat 10 miles southwest of Robert Lee was drilling this week in lime and shale below 4,300 feet.

## Personals

Sew and Save—We have McCall's Patterns. Roach's.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Service of Plainview came down for a weekend visit with their sister-in-law, Mrs. L. M. Service, and other relatives.

Jerald Ivey, who is stationed in the army at Fort Sill, Okla., enjoyed a week end leave in the parental H. E. (Buck) Ivey home.

M. and Mrs. Linzy McDorman were called to Ballinger the first of the week by the serious illness of the former's brother, Walter. The patient later showed some improvement.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Buchanan and Miss Clydene Stickney came down from Colorado City Saturday for a visit with their sister, Mrs. J. S. Gardner.

Mr. and Mrs. Palmer Leeper leave Monday for Dallas where Mrs. Leeper will undergo surgery at Baylor University Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Tinkler were called to Marble Falls early Wednesday by the death of Mrs. Tinkler's mother.

## Training Leaders Attend School Here

Twelve women met in the agent's office here Tuesday morning and received training on Parliamentary Procedure. The meeting was conducted by Mrs. C. E. Arrott, parliamentarian of the county HD Council.

In the afternoon the group met at the court house when the guest speaker was from the Texas Home Demonstration Association Board, Mrs. Bob Potter, of Roscoe. She is chairman of the THDA legislative committee.

Mrs. Potter's talk was on the Hoover Commission's recommendations for cutting expenses in the federal government. She also talked on federal, state and county appropriations for county agents.

The women will take the training back to their individual clubs. A covered dish luncheon was served at noon.

Mrs. Noel Percifull of Bronte helped with work in the Robert Lee State Bank this week while her sister, Jewell Ledbetter, was ill.

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Diana Lynn-Charles Coburn-Charlotte Greenwood in

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WEDNESDAY-THURSDAY, MARCH 21-22

THE ASPHALT JUNGLE

with Sterling Hayden

Also Cartoon

## ROBERT LEE FACES WATER SHORTAGE

The City Commission of Robert Lee requests all water customers to conserve on the use of water during the present emergency.

Our wells are weakening and the lake supply is low. We may have sufficient water for general use if it is used sparingly. If we don't get rain this spring, the city will be forced to spend considerable money to dig new wells. But we don't want to incur this expense when our present bad situation would be entirely remedied with good rains.

Therefore, we are requesting that during this emergency no water be used for yards and gardens.

THE CITY COMMISSION  
Robert Lee, Texas

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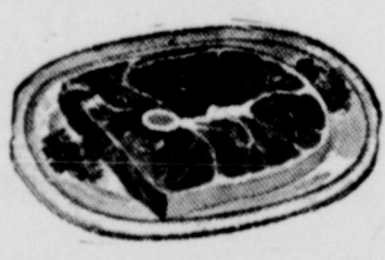
POTATOES, No. 1 quality 10 lb mesh bag **42c**

LETTUCE, 4 doz size large, firm heads **13c**

PRUNE JUICE, Sun Sweet quart bottle **29c**

WASHING POWDER

**Cheer 29c Oxydol 25c**



**Frozen Perch Fillets lb 49c**

**Sliced Bacon Hormels lb 49c**  
Minnesota

**Chuck Roast Home lb 69c**  
Killed

**GROUND MEAT lb 59c**

## GLADIOLA FLOUR

25 Lb. Bag

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American Sardines 2 flat cans 19c

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Mrs. Tucker's 3 lb carton

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**Scott Tissue 2 rolls 25c**

**Tissue Doeskin Facial 1ge box 33c**

H I C Orange-Ade 46 oz can 25c

C L Green Meal 5 lbs, 39c 10 lbs, 69c

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