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## McADAMS IS NEW BCD PRESIDENT

W. D. McAdams is the new president of the Robert Lee Board of Community Development, succeeding John D. Harvey. The latter was recently appointed Mayor of Robert Lee and his resignation as head of the BCD was tendered at the club's luncheon Monday noon.

McAdams, local manager of the West Texas Utilities Co., has served in the capacity of vice president. Elected as the new vice president is Melvin Bahlman, owner of Bahlman Cleaners.

County Agent Travis Hicks was advised that he will have backing from the BCD for a Coke County Turkey Show which will be held about Nov. 1. Hicks said 16 local boys and girls will show 160 turkeys at the State Fair this year, and that Coke county has more entries than any other county in the whole State of Texas.

Hicks added that just as good birds will be left at home to be entered in the county show.

McNeil Wylie, former mayor and city secretary, told BCD members they should back projects to bring a better supply of water to the Robert Lee school buildings and see that school bus roads are improved.

## Gaming Device Left At Court House Door

A pinball machine, whose owner is unknown, was left on the Coke county court house steps last Thursday night.

The owner seemed anxious to get shed of the device, possession of which became illegal Friday, Sept. 7. It was classified illegal under the new state law, because it had a payoff in free games.

Sheriff Paul Good says Coke county has not been bothered with slot machines or illegal pinball machines.

### GETS UNIVERSITY DEGREE

Kenneth Lackey of Robert Lee recently obtained his degree at the University of Texas, with a major in Business Administration. The youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Mrs. R. M. Lackey, he graduated from Robert Lee high school and San Angelo college. He has accepted a position here with the Ivey Motor Co.

### CHEVROLET SALES

Harvey Chevrolet Co. of Robert Lee announces the following new units were sold during August:

Frank Dickey, Power Glide 2-door H&L Truck Co., Power Glide, 4-door.

Floyd Payne, pickup.

Mrs. Olene Snoddy accompanied her son, Ronnie, to San Angelo Wednesday. Following a medical check-up it was announced that he is making a good recovery from a recent attack of polio.

### Coke County

## Hospital News

Sept. 6—Lena Fay Brown admitted.

Sept. 7—Mrs. Francis Millican infant daughter dismissed.

Sept. 8—Mrs. Paul Burns, Edward Reel, Freeman Clark, admitted. Mrs. Paul Burns, Lena Fay Brown, dismissed.

Sept. 10—Mrs. F. S. Ottaberry admitted.

Sept. 11—Freeman Clark, Edward Reel, dismissed.

Sept. 12—Mrs. B. R. McDonald admitted.



RICHARD BOONE

## Robert Lee Soldier Under Fire in Korea

Fighting in Korea continues to be a bloody affair according to word received from a Robert Lee boy, Richard Boone. Is a letter dated Sept. 1 to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sloan Boone, Richard wrote:

"My buddy saved my life after I layed in the mud all night. We are going to keep the flag up for the boys who have to die, and to keep my home in peace for you all. The people are starving. We don't know how lucky we are to live in the U. S. A.

"We have the best army in the world, but it costs us when we attack--money, work and blood. I would like to see someone that doesn't have blood on them. You can't imagine how it is.

"We will win by the help of God and no other way. I guess you know what is going on over here is no picnic. It is like a bad dream, and you don't know when your time will come.

"I am no coward like at first I thought I was. But if you have never killed anybody you don't know."

Richard enlisted last March 20 and trained at Ft. Eustis, Md., as a winch operator and instructor in the 7th Division.

He visited home folks this summer and left Robert Lee July 24 for the West Coast where he sailed Sept. 1. He was sent directly to Korea and into the front lines.

## ★ With Our Boys ★ ★ In The Service ★

J. Q. Varnadore of Robert Lee, who entered the service two weeks ago, is now training at Ft. Leonard-Wood in Missouri.

Alfred (Bud) Austin and Ray Evans, both of Robert Lee, have enlisted in the Navy and left Tuesday for boot training at San Diego, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. (Buck) Ivey received a telegram the first of the week advising that their son, Gerald, had landed at Muenchen, Germany. He trained in the Quarter Master Corps at Fort Sill, Okla.

### GETS ANDREWS COUNTY OIL

Tom Peays of Robert Lee now has a fine producing oil well on land he owns in Andrews county. The new strike drilled by Magnolia was completed at a depth of 9,300 feet in the Wolfcamp and rated 375 barrels daily flow. The 492 acres of Andrews county land was formerly owned by the late Billy Peays.

### HD CLUBS BAKE SALE

There will be a bake sale on Saturday, Sept. 15, in Robert Lee sponsored by the Home Demonstration Club Women.

Mrs. Ava Maxwell of Bronte, former Robert Lee resident, has been a guest this week in the home of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Tubb.

## College People Back to School

The annual trek to college is underway this week and indications are that Robert Lee will be well represented in the institutions of higher learning.

Six of last May's graduating class of the local high school will be enrolled in college. Harriett Porter has a scholarship at Abilene Christian College and will major in business. Don Fields has gone to Stephenville where he will be a pre-veterinary student at John Tarleton.

Tommy Kirkpatrick has entered McMurry College at Abilene where he has a scholarship and will take a 4-year pre-medic course. Both McMurry and ACC started this week.

Attending San Angelo Junior College will be Bobby Hugh Odum and Bobbie Davidson. The latter has a scholarship. Bobby Hugh attended summer school there. Jean O'Bannon, whose parents moved to New Mexico, is attending business college in Dallas.

Returning to the University of Texas at Austin this week are Patty and Dixie Taylor. The former is a junior majoring in physical education, while Dixie will be a sophomore in home economics.

Sul Ross at Alpine will again have two Robert Lee students, Barbara Harwell and Janet Bilbo.

Joy Millican of Edith will be a senior this year at Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene. Her major is business administration.

Wallace Clift departed last week for Cambridge, Mass., where he will pursue his third and last year of study at Harvard Law School.

Freddie (Pete) Hickman has entered his senior year at North Texas State at Denton where he is a member of the varsity football squad. His major is physical education.

### BALL GAME RAINED OUT

The ball game here last Sunday afternoon was rained out in the bottom of the fourth inning with the Rabbit Twisters leading Blackwell 8 to 1. John Conley hurled three frames for the home club and Ronnie Baker pitched the last inning. Conley hit two singles and a double in three times at bat. Robert Lee has games scheduled with Sonora and the Goodfellow Skyhawks, but next Sunday's contest is still uncertain.

The Wilton Scott family visited Sunday with the Morris Varnadores in San Angelo. Morris has disposed of his farm lease and livestock in Coleman county and has purchased an insurance and used car business on South Oakes street in San Angelo.

## Auto Crashes Into Y-Courts Apartment

Failing to negotiate the highway turn as he came into Robert Lee from the east at midnight Tuesday, R. C. McDonald of Midland smashed into the corner apartment at the Y-Courts.

The man was accompanied by his wife and two children. None of them were seriously injured, although Mrs. McDonald remained in the local hospital until the following noon.

McDonald evidently dozed off and was traveling at high speed. The apartment was badly damaged, according to the owner, G. C. Allen. Fortunately tenants were spending the night in another apartment across the court.

### 1951 STEER SCHEDULE

#### Non-Conference

Sept. 14—Iraan, there  
Sept. 21—Bronte, here  
Sept. 28—Eldorado, there

#### Conference

Oct. 5—Ira, here  
Oct. 12—Hobbs, here  
Oct. 19—Lorraine, here  
Oct. 26—Hermleigh, there  
Nov. 2—Coahoma, here  
Nov. 9—Trent, there  
Nov. 16—Bronte, there

## Commissioners In Monthly Session

Coke County Commissioners Court in regular session here Monday approved a proposed budget for 1952 and certified to the new tax lists which have been completed in the office of Paul Good, sheriff and tax assessor-collector.

The county was called upon to make up a deficit of \$834.14 for operation of the County Hospital during the previous month. Commissioners voted that hereafter all hospital claims must be approved by them before payment will be made.

Routine matters were discussed and the usual grist of bills were paid.

### CAFE CHANGES HANDS

Hazel's Cafe has been leased by Mr. and Mrs. H. C. McMinn of Corpus Christi, who took over the management Monday. They are experienced restaurant people and will provide Robert Lee with a first-class eating place. Mrs. McMinn is the former Georgia Harmon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Harmon. Mrs. Chiles plans to dispose of her holdings here and move to California.

### ATTENTION, PARENTS!

All parents who have children in the school band and others interested in having a band, are requested to attend a meeting at the school auditorium at 7:30 next Tuesday night. The new band director, Mr. Jack Gray, plans to organize a group of parents to promote the best interest of the band. It is urgent that you attend.

Matthew Bessent of Clarksville, Ark., who visited here with his brother, W. B. Bessent and family, left Wednesday for Galveston in company with his daughter, Mrs. Dorine Williams. The family group Warren and Alvin Bessent families visited over the weekend with the at Pecos.



## Notes From The Oil Field

Union No. 2-B Daisy McCutchen was coring Wednesday at 3,995 feet with no shows. It is a north offset to Union No. 3 Daisy McCutchen, a producer in Cisco sand just above 4,000 feet.

Barron Kidd No. 1 A. N. Counts was circulating and waiting for orders Wednesday after hitting lime at 4,175 feet. The wildcat is 12 miles southeast of Robert Lee.

Ralph Lea of Midland No. 1 Lem Cowley was fishing for tools stuck at 325 feet. The shallow wildcat, 5 miles south and east of Robert Lee, is being drilled with cable tools.

Bass and Richardson No. 1 Frank McCabe, 4 miles north of Silver, was declared a "tight hole" this week. Operators have been coring deeper after getting a good show of oil in sand at 6,035-65 feet.

## STEERS TO OPEN PIGSKIN SEASON AT IRAAN FRIDAY

Robert Lee High School Steers open the football season Friday night against the rugged Iraan Braves, on the latter's field. It will be a tough battle for the Steers, as Iraan had a great team last season and they are considered just about as strong this year.

The Steers lost eight starters from the 1950 lineup, and some of the vacancies are being filled by boys with little or no experience. Coach Charles Dennis says his squad seems to have done a good job getting into physical condition, and that is highly important.

Quite a few Robert Lee fans will make the 150-mile trip to Iraan Friday night. Since the school is sponsoring a band, the girls' pep squad has been discontinued this year.

Coach Dennis announces his probable starting lineup as follows:

Royce Wallace, 145 lbs. .... Left End  
Bobby Roberts, 158 lbs., Left Tackle  
Jack Thetford, 178 lbs., Left Guard  
Sherman Williams, 175 lbs. .... Center  
Marvin Simpson, 168 lbs., Rt. Guard  
Milburn Wink, 146 lbs., Right Tackle  
J. A. Brown, 145 lbs. .... Right End  
Donny Duncan, 140 lbs., Quarterback  
Bill Havins, 132 lbs., Left Halfback  
Wilton Robertson, 160 lbs., Rt. Half  
Norman Roberts, 155 lbs., Fullback

### BRONTE NEXT WEEK

The first home game is scheduled Friday night of next week with the Bronte Longhorns, and on Sept. 28 the Steers journey to Eldorado. The remaining seven games on the 1951 schedule are conference affairs.

## Sun Drilling On 9 Coke Locations

Sun Oil Company has not run official 24-hour tests on three completions in the Silver area. They include Willie I. Tubb B-2, H. L. Bloodworth No. 3 and Central Nat'l Bank Unit No. 4.

Sun drilling operations reported to The Observer Wednesday were as follows:

### JAMESON FIELD

Sun No. 20 Homer Jameson was drilling in shale at 5,990 feet.

Sun No. 13 Fred Jameson was at 3,080 feet in shale and lime.

Sun No. A-4 C. E. Mathers was in shale at 2,510 feet.

Sun No. 17 Jewell Brannon was at 5,030 feet in shale.

Sun No. 17 Mathers was in shale at 4,895 feet.

Sun Blanks-Perkins No. 1, wildcat south of the river, was drilling at 4,509 feet in lime and shale.

### MILICAN FIELD

Sun Annie L. Cummings was in sandy lime and shale at 5,787 feet.

Sun No. 12 Cummings topped the reef at 5,893 feet and cemented casing at a depth of 5,918 feet.

Sun F. S. Price A-5 was drilling at 5,670 feet in shale.

### WILL MARRY SUNDAY

John Conley and Maudie Watson, popular Robert Lee couple, will be married next Sunday at 9 a.m. The Rev. Ray Lee will perform the ceremony at the Methodist parsonage. The couple plan a week's trip to New Mexico.

Mrs. Vera McSpadden and children of Marfa were weekend guests in the Chism and John Brown homes. Sadie Nan McSpadden continued to Abilene where she enrolled as a freshman at ACC. She was an honor graduate at Marfa high school.



OPEN FORUM

### The Lara Matter

To the two ladies who run the Coke County Hospital:

If on official business, will you please tell the Observer reading taxpayers what you were doing at Alvin Lara's residence on the evening of September 4, 1951? If it was a social call, I most humbly beg your pardon. However, if as emissaries of the hospital board you came to intimidate our star witness in the hospital atrocity case, every taxpayer in the county has a right to know what you were up to. I don't like having our witnesses intimidated.

As you know, I spotted you on my way home from the store, and you were still there when I went back to make sure. Then, as you drove off, I found Alvin absolutely speechless. For a while he couldn't recollect who you were or what you said. After a while it came to him that there was no anesthesia at the hospital on the day his wife was evicted. That was why they couldn't operate. No anesthesia. Some hospital. The anesthesia it appears came at unpredictable intervals, closely linked with deposit fees of fifty dollars.

You don't have to tell Alvin how to stay out of trouble. He never starts any. He never complained to me the day he told me how his wife was crying when he had to leave her in the house and go out and borrow the fifty dollars to get her back in the hospital for surgery. He told it the way you tell about a sad thing that's happened to your family. Until recently he never knew he should have had any different treatment.

What I've had to say on public issues I've stated publicly, and if you people have a case, it should be time now for you to start talking.

Arnold Samuelson.

### Three Attend State HD Club Convention

Coke County was represented at the recent state meeting of Home Demonstration clubs by Minnie Mae Sharp, county agent, Gladys Wald and Mrs. Tom Schooler, delegates. The convention was held at A & M College on Aug. 29-30-31.

The year 1951 marks the Silver Anniversary of Home Demonstration club work in Texas, and the program commemorated achievements of the past 25 years. The first state meeting ever held was at A & M and several were present who attended that session in 1926.

Many interesting and inspiring speakers were heard at the general sessions. Club members were allowed to attend workshops that pertained to their particular offices.

A pageant, "The Wheel of Progress," was presented Thursday night by 400 women dressed in club colors, blue and white. The state president, Mrs. Almanrode, pronounced the meeting as one of the most successful ever held.

Mr. and Mrs. John McCord of New London, Tex., spent a week here recently with Mrs. McCord's mother, Mrs. Fannie Green.

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This outlaw Brahma Bull is about to chalk up another victory over the outlaw rider. Sometimes it's the other way around though when outlaw men mount outlaw stock at the 20th Annual Prison Rodeo in Prison Stadium at Huntsville each Sunday in October.

#### HAYRICK HD CLUB

Seven members, one visitor and the Home Demonstration Agent attended the regular meeting of Hayrick HD Club last Thursday, Sept. 6, in the home of Mrs. Dan Middleton.

Mrs. B. W. Waldrop was elected Civil Defense chairman for the club. She will receive 22 hours of first aid training and teach it to the members.

Miss Minnie Mae Sharp, home demonstration agent, gave the program on "Outdoor Living Rooms." Slides were shown.

Bert Blalock has been doing some trapping on his place southeast of Robert Lee. He recently caught a 20-pound bobcat and was glad to get it, as the animal had been doing a lot of damage.

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#### MARY MARTHA CLASS

Members of the Mary Martha class of the Baptist Church observed their regular monthly meeting with a luncheon and social hour at the church Tuesday, Sept. 4. Secret sisters were revealed and new names drawn for the coming quarter.

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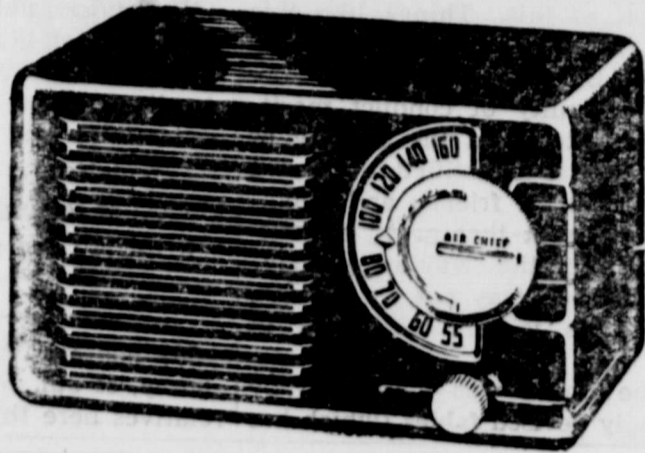


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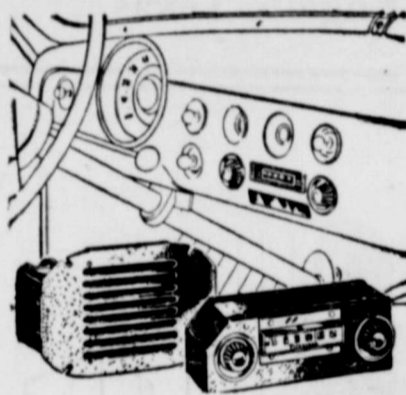
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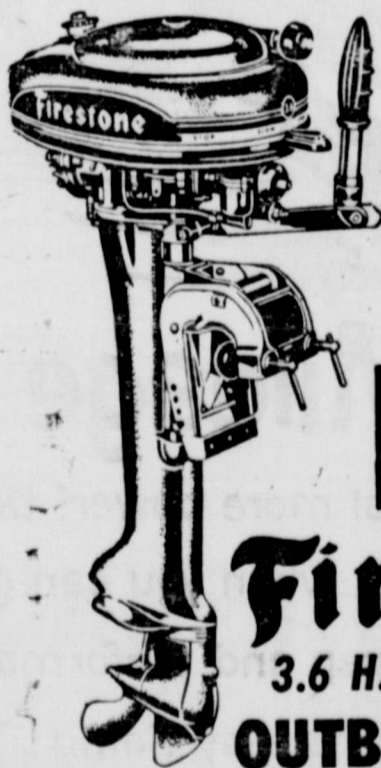
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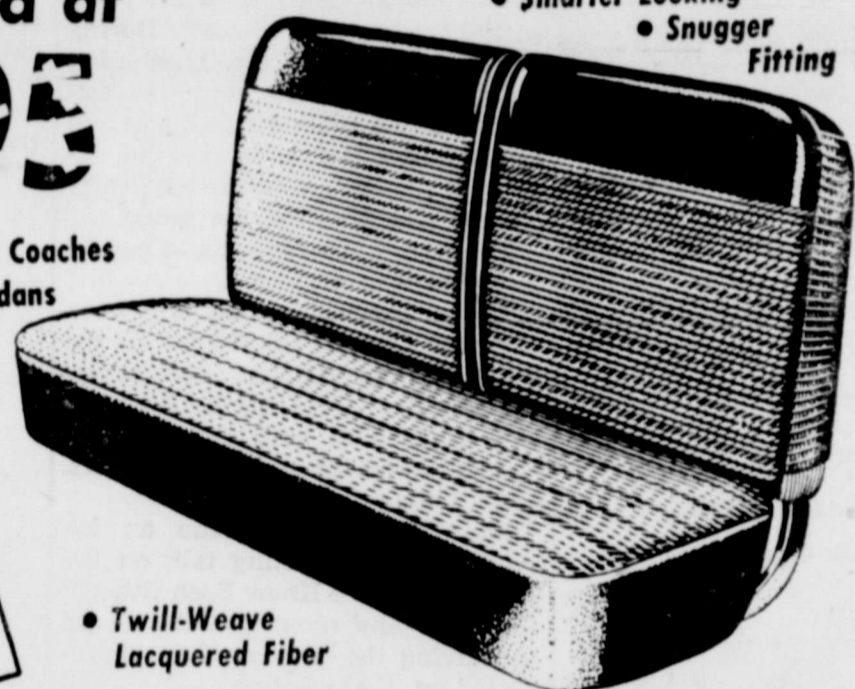
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## SILVER NEWS

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Visitors in the Mike Jones home last week were his brothers, Jimmy Jones of El Paso, and M-Sgt. L. Jones and family of Dallas. Sgt. Jones recently returned to the States after being in Korea the past year.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Gibson and Tommy have returned from a trip to Silver City, New Mexico.

Mrs. U. D. Mathers and son, Rodney, left Sunday for Gallup, New Mex., for a visit with her parents, the G. P. Ryons.

Lieut. and Mrs. Jerroll E. Sanders, formerly of Houston and now of Sacramento, Calif., were grieved last week when their infant daughter, Susan Raye, died a few hours after birth. They have two other daughters, Jane, 5, and Kay, 3 years old.

Mrs. Sanders is the former Cleone Allen, daughter of the R. B. Allens. Sanders is stationed at Mather Field. Mrs. R. B. Allen and daughter, Mrs. Bob Odom, returned Friday night from a trip to Sacramento to be with the Sanders family.

Mrs. Floyd Lingenfelter and children of Claremore, Okla., is here for an extended visit with her parents, the W. M. Browns.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Coffman have been at Longview, Tex., visiting Mrs. Coffman's family, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Snodgrass. They returned via Greenville and Dalas and visited with Mr. Coffman's family.

### RECEIVES HIP FRACTURE

Mrs. D. M. Millican came in Saturday from Lamesa where she has been with her sister, Mrs. L. D. Roma Tuesday evening and fractured her hip. She is improving slowly in the Lamesa hospital. Robert Tubb and wife and grandson, Billie Hipp, and Willie I. Tubb visited Mrs. Rodgers Saturday.

Willie I. Tubb is in San Angelo this week for treatment.

Mrs. Bunyan Millican is staying with the F. C. Millicans this week helping care for the new boy.

The Bob Winters family and Mrs. Winters' mother visited Dave Millican Sunday evening.

Crops are good this side of Lamesa and they are busy harvesting peas. Grass is fine and green from Snyder to Gail. ---Mrs. Dave Millican.

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10—Tidal wave sweeps British Honduras, killing 1,230, 1931.

11—Jenny Lind gives first concert in U.S., 1850.

12—Henry Hudson enters Hudson river, 1609.

13—Over 15,000 Ku Klux Klan members parade in Washington, D.C., 1926.

14—U.S. carriers attack Philippines, 1944.

15—First European railroad opens in England, 1825.

16—Pilgrims sail from England, 1620.

## S. E. ADAMS

Oil Properties Insurance

rancher north of Silver in Mitchell county, did a fine job in the calf roping contest during the four days of the recent Colorado City Rodeo. He roped and tied his two Mitchell county calves with an average of 32.8 seconds, which won him the beautiful hand tooled saddle made by Geo. Stewart of San Angelo.

In the all around calf roping contest, he placed third in the day money with a time of 13.8 seconds. Wayne is one of the directors of the Mitchell County Roundup Ass'n. This year's show was put on by the famous western motion picture star, Wild Bill Elliott, and Tommy Steiner, one of the west's best known rodeo promoters.

### MATHERS REUNION

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Mathers and children and their families and Mr. and Mrs. Russ Mathers and children and their families, excepting Elton and Newman Mathers, attended the Mathers reunion held in the park at Denver City Saturday and Sunday. Also attending were Mr. and Mrs. Azz Whitt, Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Caswell and Ima Bussey.

They saw many school day pals whom they had not seen in 40 years. Their uncle, Frank For and wife of Midland, was there too. A sumptuous dinner was served picnic style and everyone enjoyed every minute of the day. It is planned next year to hold the reunion at Roswell, N. Mex., as it will be nearer the center for all.

Frank Mathers lives in Sierra Blanca, Tex., C. E. Mathers and Mrs. Whitt at Silver, Russ Mathers in San Angelo, W. E. Mathers at Cap Rock, N. Mex., Olen Mathers at Denver City, Mrs. Sam Savage at Lovington, N. Mex., Sid Mathers at Green's Cap and Mrs. Sidney Padgett and Jack Mathers at Truth or Consequences, N. Mex.

This was the first reunion of the Mathers children since their parents passed away several years ago, and it seemed good to all meet again and enjoy talking over old times. --- Mrs. C. E. Mathers.

### SILVER P. T. A.

The Silver Parent-Teachers Association met in the school auditorium Thursday, Sept. 6, at 3 o'clock with 17 members present. During a business session the purchasing of a clock for the school was discussed, also a motion was made that a committee be appointed to request the school board to buy water coolers and fans for the school.

The record and radio stand bought last year was displayed.

The program included the song, "Onward Christian Soldiers," by the assembly. A welcome address by the president, Mrs. Myrie Jameson, was directed to both old and new members and the new teacher, Mrs. Ehel Scroggins.

Bro. Ray Sparks made an inspiring and interesting talk on the subject, "Do We Know Each Other?" Mrs. Scroggins' room won the award for having the most mothers represented at the meeting.

The Silver P. T. A. meets the first Thursday in each month. The yearbook is compiled and will be ready by the next meeting. It promises much interesting material and topics to be discussed during the coming year. Each parent is urged to attend meetings and newcomers are especially invited to become members.

### DEATH OF MRS. GLADNEY

Mrs. F. A. Gladney of Homer, La., died of a heart attack Aug. 30, according to information received here recently by Mr. and Mrs. Sam Powell. Mrs. Gladney owned considerable land in Coke county and was a frequent visitor in Robert Lee until a few years ago. She is survived by two sons, Alymer and James, and two daughters, Ruth and Mary.

### GARDEN CLUB PICNIC

First meeting of El Valle Garden Club took place Tuesday night in the form of a picnic supper in the garden of the W. T. Roach home. Mrs. G. C. Allen, president of the club, made a brief talk and yearbooks were distributed.

### PERCIFULL-RICHARDS

Frank Percifull, Jr. and Miss Dean Richards will exchange marriage vows Sunday, Sept. 15, at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in San Angelo. They are well known Robert Lee young people.

## Open Letter to Coke Co. Hospital Board

Dear Board Members:

In an effort to heal the breach and to bind the wounded feelings among the citizens and Board members, I write this.

As everyone knows, each member of the Board, past and present, is a man of very, very good standing in the county. I believe that few people who know them would have ever contended that any one of them would do any one a deliberate injustice.

Also, after a long search, we obtained a doctor who came to us highly recommended, and whose work here has justified his recommendations. So far as is known, no concrete charges have ever been brought or proved against his character or his ability. He and his family have been ever ready to take their part in every worthwhile enterprise in the community.

We had an arrangement which was very convenient and very satisfactory to patients and to the families of patients. In a town with more than one doctor such an arrangement would not have been good, but here it was. The hospital was prospering. More or less out of a clear blue sky, this whole thing has been disrupted. The people of the town and the country around about didn't just decide to not like the situation and be deeply disturbed. They just naturally didn't like it and just naturally were disturbed. No doubt some things have been said on both sides that were much better unsaid, which is regrettable.

No factual, concise explanation has ever reached me as to why the doctor was told, so abruptly and without any previous discussion of the situation with him, to move his office out of the hospital. Seemingly, we are being asked to accept without question or exulation the action of the Board; and although we did respect and have confidence in the Board members, we do not feel that such unquestioning acceptance should be demanded of us. It is doubtful that, were the situation reversed, and four other equally well respected men composed the Board, the present members of the Board would feel compelled

to accept the decisions of such a board without question; especially in view of the fact that an equally respected member of the present Board resigned in protest of the action of the board and in view of the fact that the doctor is a well-respected man, too. Can you really blame us for being upset and bewildered? I always had a world of confidence in my father's intelligence and principle, but when he did something I did not understand, I demanded and got his explanation. It is no reflection on a man's character or intelligence to be asked to explain his actions, in such a situation as this. Things like this cannot be done in a corner.

If the Board has proof that the doctor is guilty of conduct meriting his ouster, and the seeking of another doctor is justified, the Board owes it to their friends and neighbors to present that proof in writing so that the wayfaring man, though a fool, may not err therein. Surely, this is not too much to ask.

If the Board was victimized by cunningly devised fables (which has

happened to smarter people than most of us) and has no such proof, then, if they are the men so many of us have always thought them to be, they will rectify their error to the best of their ability, reinstate the doctor and make whatever changes in hospital personnel are necessary to restore harmony. Then we can all shake hands again and be friends, and the hospital will prosper.

The size of a man is not determined so much by the mistakes he makes as it is by his willingness to admit his error and to do his best to rectify it.

We understand that Dr. Griffith is now a member of the Board. He is a man of ability and wide understanding, whose counsel is bound to be wise and helpful.

This letter is written with the kindest of feelings toward the Board and toward the doctor.

Maudie Killim.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Lord and son, Danny, of Jal, N. Mex., are visiting relatives here this week.

## HAZEL'S CAFE

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We wish to announce that we have leased the Cafe from Mrs. Hazel Chiles and are now in charge of the business.

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A STATEMENT SUBMITTED BY  
ALVIN LARA IS HEREWITH  
SUBMITTED:**

SEPTEMBER 3, 1951

Dr. McDaniel told me I would have to have a \$50.00 deposit for my wife to be admitted for surgery. I went to see Chig Brown. He sent me to see Jeff Dean, who sent me to see Burl Austin. Mr. Austin said what the rest said was O. K. with him.

I carried my wife to the Coke County hospital, Feb. 28, made the

deposit. The nurse carried my wife to a room. Dr. McDaniel came back to the room and said he could not operate for three days because he could not get anyone to give the gas before then. I carried my wife home, leaving the \$50.00 deposit up at the hospital. Three days later I carried her back for the operation. She did not have a ruptured stomach.

The nurses and everyone was good to my wife. I did not see or talk to Mrs. Strickland until I carried the \$50.00 and my wife to the hospital. She did not mistreat me or my wife in any way.

I have nothing against the Coke County hospital or the employees.

(Signed) Alvin Lara.  
(The above statement is on file at the office of Judge Dean.)

# Want Ads

**FOR SALE**--Nearly new stock saddle, priced to sell. Inquire of Mrs. Otis Rabb.

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**FOR SALE**--Club Cafe in Robert Lee. Newly redecorated and doing a good business. Inquire of the owner, H. H. Long. 8 tf

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Cotton Sacks and Duck at Roach's

**NOTICE**

My place south of Robert Lee has been posted and \$50 Reward will be paid for the arrest and conviction of any person or persons trespassing upon my property without permission.

--Fred McDonald, Jr.

10% DISCOUNT on Lawn Mowers and Ice Cream Freezers. Cotton Hoes \$1.05 each. LEEPER SUPPLY CO.

**FOR SALE**--Good rock house in Robert Lee, 4 rooms and bath, 3 lots. Also have a 250-gal. butane tank for sale. E. E. Bussey, Silver. 13-3p

**FOR RENT**--2 bedroom house across from high school, available Oct. 1. Palmer Leeper.

New rifles, shotguns pistols; all gauges of ammunition. Leeper Supply Co.

**NOTICE**--I, E. E. Bussey, have posted the Brannan lease due to boastful talking and because of this, I am placing a \$50 reward for anyone who is caught and convicted. 13-2p

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

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**Methodist Youth Fellowship**

Six members of the Robert Lee Methodist Youth Fellowship attended the Sub-District Meeting of the M. Y. F. in San Angelo, on Sunday afternoon, September 9. An appropriate devotional program was conducted by the officers of the sub-district. The religious movie, "In His Name," was enjoyed by all. The business meeting was followed by a song fest and refreshments.

Those attending the meeting held at the First Methodist Church were the Misses Colleen Varnadore, Leslie Nell Wink, Patty Taylor, Dixie Taylor, Milburn Wink, Jack Thetford and Mr. and Mrs. Carter M. Dibrell, M. Y. F. advisors.

**BAPTIST LADIES**

The W.M.S. met in the Baptist church Monday at 9 a. m. for their first program in their State Mission Week of Prayer, with 14 members present. On Wednesday evening the Young Peoples Auxiliaries were in charge of the service, with Mrs. Stewart directing. The closing program will be Friday which is Day of Prayer for all W. M. U. organizations in Texas.

**NEW RESIDENT**

Earl Brite has accepted a position as bookkeeper at the Harvey Chevrolet Co. A native of Junction, Mr. Brite has been employed in the office of Mrs. Boehme's Bakery in San Angelo. His wife and small daughter will join him here in the near future. They will occupy a new home which Mr. Harvey is erecting in the north part of town. joogoseiy hethey wasBxn eo9s.yru

**NEW PREACHER HERE**

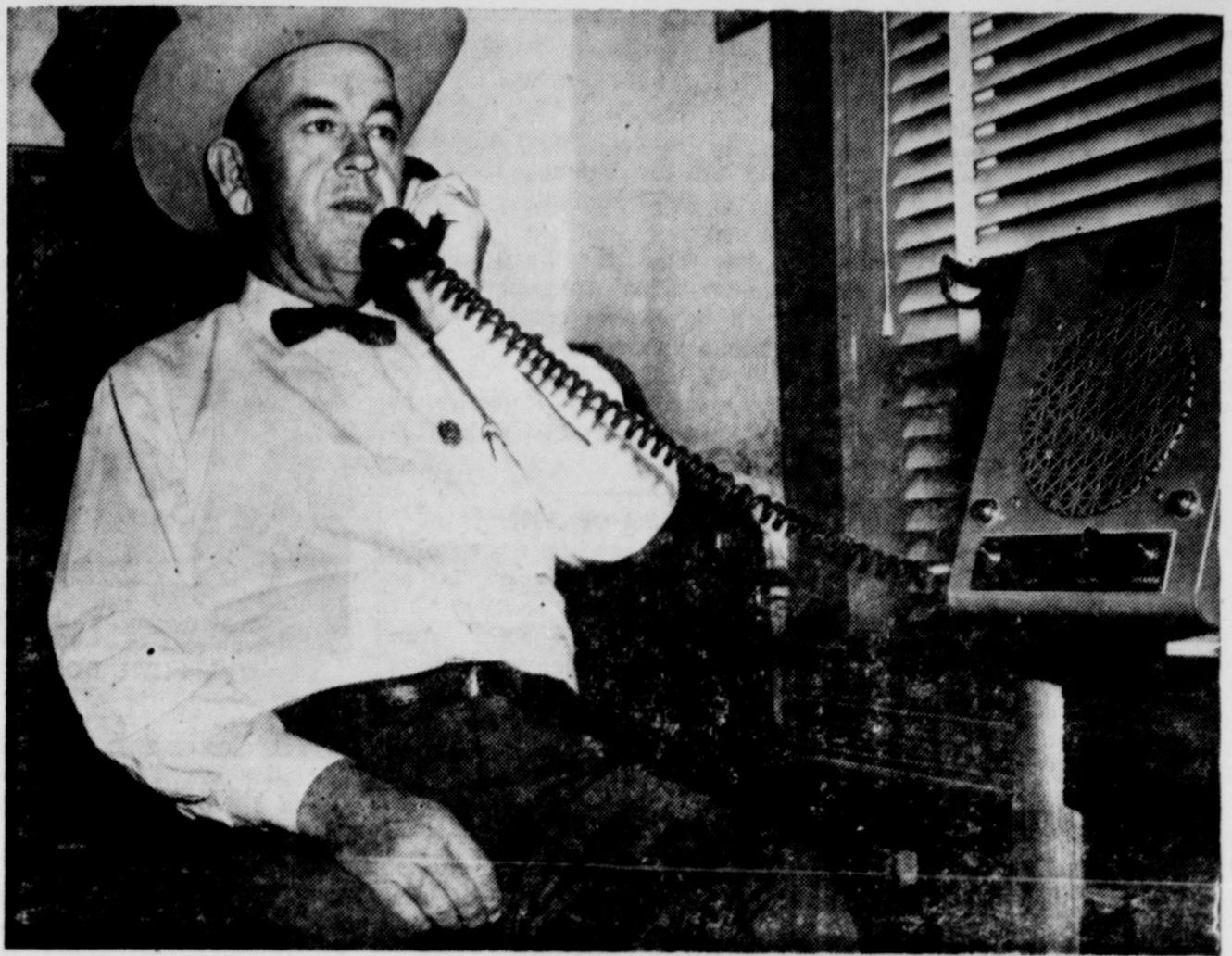
Rev. Joe Chappell of Fort Worth has come to Robert Lee as new preacher at the Pentecostal Church, a block southeast of the court house. The church will hereafter be known as the Pentecostal Church of God. Rev. Gurr, general superintendent, will preach Sunday night.

**Personals**

The junior and Intermediate Girls Auxiliaries of the Baptist Church enjoyed a swimming party and picnic Wednesday, Sept. 5. Sponsors of the affair were Mmes. Calvin Sparks, H. H. Chevalier, Melvin Childress, Ernest Stewart and Victor Wojtek.

Mrs. J. W. Keenan of Dallas recently visited friends and relatives in Robert Lee, San Angelo and Lampasas. Mrs. Keenan is a former resident of this community and her old friends are always happy to see her.

Mrs. Pearl Mayo of Goodlet, Tex., has come to Robert Lee to make her home with Mrs. Zelma Milam and little son, Joe. Mrs. Mayo is the mother of Mrs. Quisenberry, wife of the local PMA administrator.



**CALLING ALL CARS**--All but one, that is. But Coke County Sheriff Paul Good hopes soon to secure installation of a two-way short wave radio set in the car of his deputy at Bronte, which would give the sheriff's department 100 per cent radio communication. Installation of the two-way set shown, in the sheriff's office, and a unit in his car was completed this week. (Staff photo)

--STANDARD-TIMES PHOTO

**Coke Sheriff Installs Auto to Office Radio**

Installation of a two-way short wave radio sending and receiving set in the office of Sheriff Paul Good was completed last week. A unit has also been installed in the sheriff's car.

The sheriff will ask the County Commissioners for a third unit to be installed in an automobile used by Deputy Frank Keese of Bronte. The communications equipment was purchased by county funds at

a cost of \$1,295. It was installed by Wilburn Anderson of San Angelo. The antenna was erected atop the city water tower near the court house, and it extends 124 feet into the air.

Reception over the new equipment is considered very good. The sheriff's office here will remain in direct contact with KTXB, the State Department of Public Safety station in San Angelo. Contact can also be made with short wave stations in other surrounding towns.

A Want Ad Will Sell It

**LEASES LOCAL LAUNDRY**

The Robert Lee laundry, in the south part of town, has been leased by Eugene J. Phillips of San Angelo. The new operator took charge Saturday and plans several improvements. Mrs. Phillips is the former Peggy Littlefield of Bronte.

Mrs. Roy Taylor returned last week from a visit with relatives in Fort Worth and Shreveport. She was accompanied home by her daughter, Mrs. Jack (Kittie) Martin of Fort Worth and the latter's baby daughter, Kate.

## THIS WEEK'S SPECIALS

**SPUDS mesh bag, 10 lbs 43c**

**MAPLE SYRUP, Worth Brand, water bottle qt 39c**

**CHARMING TOILET TISSUE 4 rolls 39c**

**MACKEREL, tall can 17c**

**IMPERIAL, PURE CANE**

**SUGAR 10 lbs 89c**

**CRISCO 3 pound can 95c**

**COFFEE Shillings lb 83c**

**ORANGE JUICE, Red & White, 46-oz. can 29c**

**GREEN BEANS, Kimbell Best, No. 2 can 15c**

**SPINACH, No. 2 can, 2 for 29c**

**BEEF RIBS For stew or roast lb. 49c**

**SLICED BACON lb. 49c**

**BAKER'S Groc. & Mkt.**

## LAUNDRY NOTICE

**The Robert Lee Laundry Is Now Under New Management and will be open from Monday through Saturday.**

**New prices . . . 60c per hour.**

**EUGENE J. PHILLIPS**



## The STEERING WHEEL

Published Weekly by Students of the Robert Lee Public Schools

### STAFF

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 Martha Sue Richardson .....  
 ..... Sophomores  
 Carolyn McDaniel ..... Freshmen

The Seniors are making big plans for the coming year, although there are only 14 of us. We will operate the concession stand at the football games. The Senior Play will be given early this year, some time before Christmas.

School seems to be getting a good start in its second week and things are running smoothly. The big class of Freshmen looks fine, 40 or more of them, and they're getting on to the ropes rapidly.

### YEAH, STEERS!

New high school students include: Christine Denison, senior; James Petty, Patsy Hennington, juniors; Hollis Lloyd, sophomore; Shirley Stewart, Doyle Sapp, freshmen.

### BAND NEWS

The Robert Lee High School Band has started practice with a total of 26 members. This is less than the turnout expected, but the director, Jack N. Gray, hopes to see the band build up considerably.

Being a young band, most of the players are not greatly advanced beyond the beginner stages. It will take hard work on the part of each student for the band to progress enough for a creditable musical performance. Whether the band appears for home football games depends on the students themselves—they will appear when they are ready.

The Band Department is very low on instruments and music. We need the following instruments if the band is to come near the requirements of the standard set by the State Department of Education: 2 Sousaphones (bass horns), 1 baritone, 4 French horns, 1 tenor saxophone, 2 alto saxophones, 1 bass clarinet, 1 bassoon, and 1 oboe.

While it is not expected that all

these instruments will be provided at once, the quicker they are acquired the better the band will be. The school district cannot afford to provide all instruments, therefore parents of band students will need to buy some.

In due time the band should emerge on a firm musical foundation and be a fine credit to the school and community.

### YEAH STEERS!

How about a little frivolity in this column? Who wants to be Humor Editor?

### CLASS OF 1963

Mrs. Powell reports an enrollment of 25 first-grade pupils, as follows:

**GIRLS**—Laura Lee Bird, Ann Carwile, Marcel Castleman, Tomma Lynn Copple, Linda Clark, Bonnie Gartman, Shirley Jimerson, Jo Ann Kelley, Dianne Lackey, Lexie Lewis, Carolyn Parker, Marie Richardson, Jo Ann Stewart, Priscilla Wylie.

**BOYS**—Noel Gregston, Juan Gloria, Clark Godwin, Ronald Hester, Taylor Jones, Jose Lara, Wayne McArthur, Commie Hallmark, Daniel Gloria, Domingo Valenzuela, Eugene Gloria.

### YEAH STEERS!

Mrs. Ray Fritts left Wednesday for her home in Albuquerque, N. Mex., after a 10-days visit here with her mother, Mrs. Carol Reed.

Mrs. Effie Roe and son, Fred L., will spend the weekend with the Delbert Wallings on their ranch near Artesia, N. Mex. Mrs. Roe is a sister of Mr. Walling.

Mrs. Raymond Bloodworth of Silver submitted to an operation last Wednesday at the Bronte hospital. She is making a good recovery.

Wilson Bryan and Roy Braswell and their wives returned Sunday night from a week's vacation trip through Oklahoma, Missouri and Arkansas. They visited cousins of Mrs. Braswell at Lincoln, Okla.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Looney and children left Tuesday on a sight-seeing trip into Old Mexico. They were accompanied by Zona Mae King.



CPL. MIKE ROSS

## Mike Ross Promoted To Corporal Rating

HQ. 4TH INF. DIV., FRANKFURT, GERMANY—John (Mike) Ross, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Ross of Robert Lee, was recently promoted to the rank of Corporal. His wife Mrs. Jerry V. Ross, resides with her parents in San Angelo.

Corporal Ross is stationed in Germany with the Fourth Division where he works in the intelligence section of the Eighth Regiment.

He was inducted into the Army last September, and joined the Fourth Division at Fort Benning, Georgia. Prior to that he had been a seismograph operator employed with an oil company in Texas.

Robert Gaines and wife of Post spent a couple of days last week in the parental R. Gaines home.

Albert Robinson and his son, Monroe Robinson and family of Lamesa, came down the last of the week to visit the former's cousin, R. Gaines, and family. The former remained for a few days.

Mrs. Paul Brown and her daughter, Mrs. Arch Lewis, Jr. and daughters of San Angelo visited relatives here Saturday.

Mrs. J. W. Garrett of Big Spring visited Robert Lee relatives Saturday and Sunday.

## Personals

Mrs. Mattie Bell Campbell and Miss Isobell McCoy were in Bronte Sunday where they were entertained in the home of Mrs. Edna Butner and attended the first service held in the new Methodist church. They report the new edifice is very beautiful and commodious. Mrs. Campbell was present when the old Methodist church at Bronte was dedicated in 1907.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Denman and daughters, Tommie and Charlotte, of Tyler were weekend guests in the A. J. Bilbo and Freeman Clark homes.

Janet Bilbo returned Saturday to Sul Ross college in Alpine where she will be a junior in business administration.

## FROM FORMER RESIDENT

Dear Editor:  
 Enclosed is \$2 for renewal of The Observer. We always look forward to getting the old home town paper every week and seeing what everyone is doing. Thanks to my sisters who have been sending The Observer to me. Surely do hope you have had rain there. We had a much needed two inches Sept. 6.—Sincerely, Mrs. J. H. Vewell, Box 77, Stafford, Okla.

Ben Shropshire, Jr. of The Dells, Oregon, visited over the weekend with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Shropshire, and other relatives. He was enroute to Tampa, Fla., where he will be a freshman at Florida Christian College.

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**Smoked Jowl Hormel** Lb 39c

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