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## Teaching Staff Re-Elected For R. Lee Schools

On March 10 in regular session and March 17 in called session the School Board of Robert Lee Independent District transacted business pertaining to the next school term. The following teachers were elected: Mrs. Naomi Lee Powell, first grade; Mrs. C. G. Walker, second grade; Mrs. Viola Gramling, third grade; Miss Myrtle Hurley, fourth grade; Mrs. Travis Hicks, fifth grade; Miss Eunice McClure, sixth grade; Mrs. P. E. Webb, 7 & 8 grades; Mrs. B. C. Goodwin, junior high English and high school social studies; Mrs. McNeil Wylie, high school English; Miss LaVerne Darter, commercial subjects and driver education; Mrs. Elizabeth B. Hall, homemaking; Carter Dibrell, vocational agriculture; Charles Dennis, coach and junior high social studies, and Jack N. Gray, band director. J. Hollis Lloyd, high school principal and teacher of high school mathematics, was recently given a two-year contract. P. E. Webb, who had a one-year contract, was given a new one-year contract. B. C. Goodwin, who had two years to run on a three-year contract, was given a new three-year contract. Edna Wallace was rehired as secretary at a raise in salary.

Looking back over the past year or two, we noted some of the school's outstanding improvements including a new Vocational Agriculture building, partly equipped with hand tools, a new football dressing room, a completely remodeled lunch room with new equipment, remodeled band hall, several hundred dollars worth of new library books, \$1500.00 worth of new band equipment, and a modern public address system. The school has purchased three new school buses in the last 15 months. This purchase has enabled the athletic department to have a spare bus.

Some planning is being done for other improvements the coming year.

The average daily attendance this year has not been as good as it was last year. Epidemics and smaller enrollment have caused the loss of one teacher.

Jack Brock, who taught science and mathematics, will not be with the school next year on account of being subject to the draft June 15. Mr. Brock's teaching was voted unanimous approval by the board. The Draft Board declined to offer further deferment to him.

A trustee election was ordered by the board to be held at Ivey Motor Co. April 5. A. V. Sheppard and Chester Harwell were offered as candidates to fill these places. Harwell will be a candidate to succeed himself. Sheppard will be a candidate to fill the vacancy created by the illness of H. B. Porter. Jack Cowley was appointed to fill the vacancy created by Floyd Harmon's resignation.

Open house during the Public Education Week drew 75 people for the night discussion.

### BUILDING NEW HOME

David Key is having a new home built at the Arnold Samuelson yards and the structure will be ready to move to its foundation next week. Mr. Key sold his small home to Mrs. Jessie Eads, who moved the house to Bronte.

Howard Varnadore was in San Angelo last Wednesday night when he attended a district meeting of Texaco dealers.

### GREEN MT. PARTY

The monthly community party and musical at Green Mt. school house will be held Friday night, March 28. Ladies are requested to bring cake and cocoa.

### ARRIVES IN JAPAN

35TH FIGHTER INTERCEPTOR WING, JAPAN—Private First Class Wallace D. Ross, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy D. Ross of Robert Lee, Tex., has recently arrived at this U. S. Air Force base in Japan.

A radar operator, he was assigned to a communications squadron of the 35th Fighter-Interceptor Wing. The 35th, veteran member of the Far East Air Forces, has as its mission the vigilant air defense of Japan.

PFC Ross joined the U. S. Air Force in December, 1950.

## Big Crowd Attends Varnadore Service Station Opening

Grand Opening Day was observed by the Varnadore Service Station here last Saturday, and the event proved highly successful.

R. A. Bagwell of Ballinger, Texaco agent for this area, who was on hand to help acquaint folks with Texaco products, estimates 1,500 people attended the formal opening. Coffee and doughnuts were served throughout the day.

Mrs. Victor Collett of Robert Lee was awarded the beautiful Firestone radio-phonograph combination which the Varnadores gave away on a free drawing. Her husband is the foreman on the Weaver Ranch, south of town.

A number of folks took advantage of the Closing Out Sale of home appliances, auto accessories, dolls, toys, etc. Mr. Howard Varnadore says the sale is being continued for a limited time. Everything is going at a 30 per cent discount.

Varnadores recently purchased the station from Wilton Scott. They changed to Texaco gasoline which move is attracting new customers. They will continue the Firestone Tire dealership, but will close out the Firestone Store.

The Varnadore Station is open 24 hours a day, Sam Williams being in charge of the night shift. It is the only all-night station between Colorado City and San Angelo and between Ballinger and Midland.

## San Angelo Woman Buy Property Here

A San Angelo woman, Mrs. Brown F. Lee of 414 West Twohigh, last week completed purchase of some Robert Lee business property.

Included in the cash deal is a 50-foot depth on the east side of Austin street from the Brown and Clark station to the alley next to the Variety Store. It involves the business houses occupied by The Observer, the Frank Dickey law office and the frame building in which the Hubert Buchanan barber shop is located. There are also some vacant lots on the 100-foot frontage.

Mrs. Lee bought the property from Ray Ledbetter, who recently moved to Cassville, Mo., where he purchased a 400-acre farm. He bought the brick building from Augustus Hunter six years ago, and the remainder was purchased from the Buchanan estate two years ago.

Selling price of the property was not made known. Mrs. Lee announced she plans to retain the holdings as an investment proposition. Present rentals amount to approximately \$100 per month.

## ELECTION NOTES

### ELECTION DATES

April 1.....City Election  
April 5.....School Election  
July 26.....First Primary  
August 23.....Second Primary  
November 4.....General Election

## Names Filed For Silver School Jobs

County Judge Jeff Dean, who is ex-officio County Superintendent of Schools, announces that two members of the County Board of Education will be chosen at the school election April 5. Terms of W. F. Fikes of Precinct 1 and D. O. King of Precinct 3 expire this year.

Judge Dean advises that any person may file for school trustees in the independent or common school districts. Or it is possible to file candidates for trustee by petitions bearing the names of five voters. Filing must be done ten days prior to election in order to have the names printed on the ballots. Filing for all school positions must be made at the county superintendent's office.

Filings have already been made by the Silver common school district. Candidates for trustees are Fred Jameson, Robert W. Walker and J. L. Legg, incumbents, and J. B. Walker, Jr., C. L. Price and Raymond Bloodworth. Other names can also be filed, Dean said. W. L. Carr of Silver was nominated for county school trustee in Precinct 1.

Vanilla, in its natural state, is a green, elongated bean.



## Notes From The Oil Field

The wildcat on A. N. Counts, 10 miles west and south of Robert Lee, was drilling Wednesday at 5,400 feet. Delaware Drillers have the contract and A. E. Albiston is handling tools.

Chester Hunter No. 2 E. E. Stagner struck a promising pay in the sand at 6,090 feet. Hunter announced he would continue to the Strawn lime.

Dave Harris, partner in the Ray-Harris Drilling Co., and well known in Robert Lee, has gone to Baltimore, Md., to consult medical specialists. He has a chest ailment following pneumonia. Mrs. Harris accompanied him on the eastern trip, as did Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Ray of Dallas.

Frank Dickey of Robert Lee reports a good oil strike in E. B. Fletcher No. 1 Kemp near Glen Cove in Coleman county. It was farmed out by Dickey, who owns five leases in that area. Production was indicated from the Jennings lime at about 3,400 feet. The Robert Lee attorney retained a 1-16th override.

Lone Star Producing Co. No. 1 Wendland was drilling Wednesday at 2,070 feet in shale. The wildcat is 300 feet south of the Colorado River, six miles below Robert Lee. It is a farmout from Stanolind, whose lease on a 1,600-acre Wendland tract expires this month.

Union No. 4 Elizabeth McCutchen, northeast outpost in the McCutchen (Cisco sand) field 5 miles east of Robert Lee, has been shut in after swabbing a small amount of oil. Operators have not signified their intention to do more drilling in the area at this time. It is rumored they may make some deep wildcat tests elsewhere in the county.



CLEMENCE CASTON

## Robert Lee Youth Home From Korea

Arriving in Robert Lee Tuesday on a 30-days leave is Clemence Caston, 22 year old son of Mrs. Bessie Caston.

For more than a year he has been stationed in the far Pacific. He is a member of an LST crew which carries troops between Japan and Korea. Clemence is rated as a signalman.

The Robert Lee youth enlisted in the Navy in July 1950, and this is his first visit home since that time. After completing boot training he was given immediate duty aboard ship.

W. E. Burns, well known rancher west of town, is home after taking treatments a couple of weeks at Christoval. He is improved from an attack of sciatic rheumatism.

### CALLED TO ACTIVE DUTY

Lieut. Bill Allen and his wife left Monday for San Antonio where the former was ordered to report for duty the following day at Fort Sam Houston. He is rated as an Entomologist in the Army Medical Corps. The son of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Allen, Bill graduated last year from Texas A. & M. He received his commission as Second Lieutenant in the Medical Corps Reserve three months ago.

## Lone Star To Build \$3 Million Plant In Ft. Chad. Oil Field

The Lone Star Producing Company has completed plans for construction of a \$3 million gasoline plant which will process casinghead gas from the Fort Chadbourne oil field in West Texas, it was announced Thursday (March 20) by President D. A. Hulcey of Dallas. With construction to begin immediately, Mr. Hulcey said, the plant will be located at a point approximately ten miles north of Bronte and ten miles west of Winters.

The Fort Chadbourne field is situated in the extreme north sections of Runnels and Coke counties and it contains approximately 250 oil wells operated by eleven producing companies, Mr. Hulcey said. The field was "shut-in" last February 1 by order of the Railroad Commission of Texas, as a measure to prevent gas wastage by flaring.

The Lone Star Producing Company's plant will have capacity to process thirty million cubic feet of casinghead gas per day and it will produce natural gasoline and propane and butane gas. As an oil and gas conservation measure, facilities will also be provided to inject the residue casinghead gas into the reservoir for repressuring.

## Sun Cummings 16 Flows 255 Barrels During 24 Hours

Sun No. 16 Annie L. Cummings, in the Millican field west of Edith, has been finished for a daily flow of 265.7 barrels of oil. Gauge was through a 1/4-inch choke. Pressures were 925 pounds on the tubing and 1,425 pounds on the casing. Gas-oil ratio 2,375-1.

No. 16 Cummings topped the lime reef at 6,012 feet and was bottomed at 6,064 feet. It was treated with 5,000 gallons of acid. There was a good oil show in the Strawn sand above the reef.

Paul R. Rutledge's rotary rig, which had the contract, was released. Rutledge has another rotary drilling rig for Sun at Silver.

Also in the Millican field Carter Drilling Co. was rigging up on Sun No. 17 Cummings. Location is 990 feet from the west and 1,114 feet from the south lines of Section 187-2-H&TC.

### JAMESON 21 FLOWS

In the Jameson field at Silver, Sun No. 21 Homer Jameson flowed 104 barrels of oil in 24 hours through a choke of 5-32nds of an inch.

Tubing pressure was 460 pounds and the gas-oil ratio 1,490.

Production was from the Strawn sand. It topped the pay section at 6,002 feet and cored to a total depth of 6,112 feet.

Baker-Taylor had the contract and moved to Sun No. 25 Mathers.

### BRANNAN IN PAY

Sun No. 20 Jewell Brannan cemented 7-inch casing at 6,068 feet, top of the sand pay.

Sun Mathers No. 28 was drilling Tuesday at 3,155 feet in shale.

Sun Mathers A-9 was in shale and sand at 5,910 feet.

Sun Mathers A-10 was at 5,253 feet in shale.

Sun No. 25 H. H. Jameson was in shale at 4,636 feet.

Sun Mathers No. 27 was drilling at 5,924 feet in sand and shale.

### JAMESON 24 IN SAND

Sun No. 24 Homer Jameson topped the pay sand at 6,018 feet and cemented 5 1/2 inch casing. It will drill in to 6,140 feet for completion.

Sun Jameson Reef Unit 3-A on the Anderson lease at Silver was producing about 5 barrels per day after acidizing with 10,000 gallons. Rutledge's rotary was skidded one location north to Reef Unit 4-A and was drilling Tuesday morning at 920 feet in shale.

Reef Unit 17-H on Fred Jameson was in shale at 6,098 feet.

Sun J. B. Walker A-3, near the river southwest of Silver, was drilling at 6,124 feet in shale.

Sun Tubb C-1 was in shale at 4,905 feet.

Sun Central Nat'l Bank No. 5, south of the river at Silver, was drilling at 4,685 feet in shale.

Mati Hari, the famous German spy in World War I, was Dutch.

### Coke County

## Hospital News

March 12—Mrs. J. J. Simpson admitted.

March 13—G. D. Brownley admitted. Burl Childress dismissed.

March 14—Mrs. W. B. Crabtree and infant daughter dismissed.

March 15—Mrs. Willis Smith admitted. Gayle Lewis, Mrs. J. E. Walker, Jr., dismissed.

March 16—G. D. Browley dismissed.

March 17—Mrs. Willis Smith dismissed.

March 18—Mrs. Roland Sowell, Ira Coppedge, admitted.

## Biography Of J. D. Leonard, Bronte Doctor

Sketch By

MATTIE BELL READ

Dedicated to  
The People of Coke County Whom  
He Serves

The Gay Nineties! The Golden Age of the horse and buggy doctor. But, the rugged country doctor himself had no time to be gay and very little gold.

The faithful disciple of Hippocrates had pioneer blood in his veins and chose to practice his profession from the maddening crowd. He was a hero, and his was a life of self-sacrifice.

Born February 8, 1872 on a farm in Dallas County, Arkansas, Dr. James D. Leonard of Bronte, has rendered many years of unselfish service to the people of this area. All who know him love him. Many citizens owe him their lives.

Parents in his day knew nothing of the scientific raising of children. Yet, malnutrition was scarcely seen. Their diet consisted mainly of corn-bread, meat, vegetables, fruit, raw milk, butter and "sorghum lasses". The cooking was done on an open fireplace. Since they did not know about vitamins the parents were saved the work of balanced diets.

His mother spun and wove all materials for his clothing on the old spinning wheel which sat beside the fireplace. At the age of twelve he got his first store bought suit, and discarded his "gal" shoes.

His early life of hardships was a fitting background for the many demands on his strength and energy he would face as a "country doctor" in West Texas.

Dr Leonard was born at a time when education was the privilege of the few. Many were the days he "picked" (not gathered) seventy five pounds of cotton then walked three miles so he could attend school.

At the age of twenty-one he entered the Northwest Methodist College at Arkadelphia, Ark. He finished there and taught school for awhile but later returned to the farm.

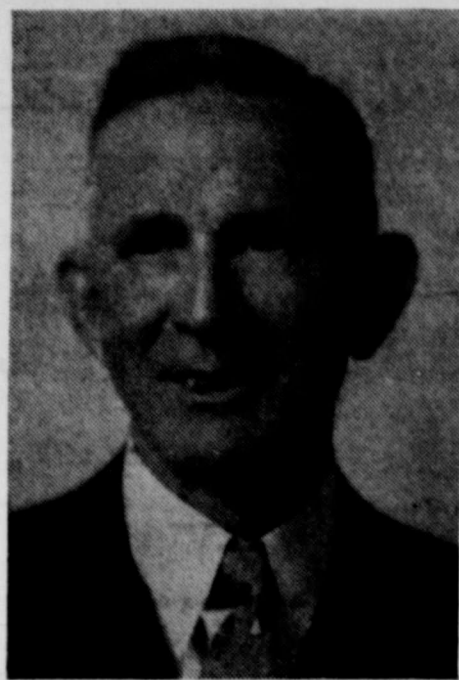
On November 4, 1897 Dr. Leonard was married to Miss Byrdie Burch, of Arkadelphia, Ark. It was through her inspiration and influence that he finally made up his mind to study and practice medicine. It was very rough going for him trying to rear a family and attend college.

He had to sell his farm for \$400 and Byrdie taught music for part support. He graduated from medical college in Little Rock, Ark. on April 10, 1903 and was granted his license to practice. So, now he was well on his way to a full-fledged "country doctor".

Dr. Leonard arrived in Bronte on May 1, 1903 via U. S. mail line driven by the late John Warren of Robert Lee. Immediately, he hung out his shingle as partner of the late Dr. W. F. Key. He lived in a two room house he bought from A. P. (Buddy) Stone of Muleshoe, Texas. For many years he was a resident of Robert Lee.

Many were the times I remember seeing Dr. Leonard riding up the Union road horse-back with his saddle bags full of quinine and calomel—calling on the late Grandma Scott or some other patient for "grip" or lumbage.

Many of you will recall with me,



Dr. J. D. Leonard

how we laughed at his Arkansas saddle with "fenders" on the stirrups and a huge flat horn like an Old Mexico saddle

But nothing pleased him, in his life's work. His ambition realized, "he looked the whole world in the face for he owed not any man". E'ven so, many owed him then and now.

One of his first calls was to see the late Rev. R. M. Cumbie, who had sent for Dr Key. Dr. Key, not being able to go, sent his new partner. Upon his arrival, Dr. Leonard introduced himself to the patient. Then he began mixing up powders and filled several capsules. In the meantime, Brother Cumbie questioned him at length about his relatives, education and general background. When Dr. Leonard finished the medicine he walked over to the bed with a capsule and a glass of water and was greatly surprised and embarrassed when the Reverend sat bolt upright in bed and said "Young Arkansawyer, take one yourself and if it doesn't kill you, I'll try one in two hours. Tell Dr. Key the next time he is sent for, to come."

Before telephone days, the late

Sheriff Frank Percifull was put on a fleet-footed steed to go twelve miles for a bottle of chloroform to be used in an emergency. Frank was an unthinking youth, so he put the bottle in his hip pocket and mounted "old Queen". She broke into a swift gallop and the bottle broke in Frank's pocket. If "Queen" could run before she fairly flew now. Dr. Leonard had two patients instead of one on Frank's return.

One morning about 2 A. M. Dr Leonard was "sent for" to go to a tenant farmer's home to see a child with an earache. He took the child on his lap, tilted its head to one side only to hear the mother exclaim "you can't do that, the medicine will just run out the other ear."

Of the hundreds of doctors, Dr. Leonard alone could satisfy Aunt Elsie that she was not on her deathbed. I can almost hear her now cooing "Dear Dr. how good of you to come and try to save me. My liver is dead and I must be passing to a better world."

Yet, at one glance, you could tell Aunt Elsie would outlive all the doctors in the county and most of their successors.

Where did Aunt Elsie hurt? All over. Her head felt about to burst wide open. She had a bad ache just under her left shoulder, or maybe it was the right. At any rate her back ached so that she was afraid to lean over, lest she might not be able to straighten up again.

The liver was the real source of trouble, she was sure. It palpitated. A palpitating liver, no less.

Now, Dr. Leonard had the thing for Aunt Elsie's malady. He prescribed two lactose (sugar) pills every three hours, night and day, and wrote out a prescription for two dozen more. Recovery was quick and uneventful. A good diagnosis and good therapy.

Dr. Leonard delivered twin boys Earl and Ernest to Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Black on October 18, 1903. A few days later Edd Rawlings, Jr. was born.

He has kept a perfect record showing the date and hour of birth

of every child he has delivered, which numbers 2036 babies to date.

People from almost every state in the Union, and some foreign countries have obtained Birth Certificates from his records.

(Continued Next Week)

### FRIENDSHIP HD CLUB

The Friendship Womans Home Demonstration club met March 13 in the home of Mrs. Frank Bryan, with eleven members and one visitor present. Mrs. Linzy McDorman had charge of the program on stay stitching.

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## New Homes Slated For Sunset Addition

A building program which may result in half dozen or more new Robert Lee homes is underway. Activity is centered in the new Sunset Addition recently laid out by S. R. Young.

The tract of several acres in the west part of town lies just south of the state highway where it makes a sharp turn to the northwest. Mr. Young states there are 28 desirable building lots, each with a width of 75 feet and depth of 135 feet.

Frank Wojtek, Jr. constructed a nice home in the Sunset Addition more than a year ago. This week Mrs. Olene Snoddy moved in a new 3-bedroom house which will be ready for occupancy soon.

From present prospects an entire row of new homes will soon become a reality along the east side of the addition.

The Leslie Copelands are having a house built by Arnold Samuelson and V. M. Box also has a building under construction. Melvin Bahlman has purchased one of the Sunset Addition lots and will start building at once. Several other building sites have been contracted for.

### BRIDAL SHOWER

Mrs. Royce Smith was honored with a bridal shower Saturday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Frank Percifull. Co-hostesses were Mrs. Curtis Trimble, Mrs. Jerome Sheppard and Mrs. Frankie Percifull. Mrs. Smith received many lovely gifts. She was Miss Doris Lynn Varnadore before her recent marriage.

Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Farris and their daughter, Mrs. Zelma Milam and son, Joe, motored to Midland Sunday where they visited in the S. C. Dougherty home. Mrs. Farris and Mrs. Dougherty are sisters. Mr. Farris reports huge sand drifts indicate the dust storms have been much more severe in the Midland area.

C. L. Sparks, Jr. was brought home the last of the week from Shannon hospital and is doing nicely. The 5-year-old Robert Lee boy received serious head wounds when he fell from the family auto three weeks ago.

Mrs. Bill Lasseter has accepted a bookkeeping position at the Varnadore Service Station. She is the former Doris Pettit. Her husband was inducted into the service a few weeks ago and is stationed in California.

## The STEERING WHEEL

Published Weekly by Students of the Robert Lee Public Schools

Dennis Read ..... Editor

The senior class will sponsor an Amateur Show at the high school auditorium on Thursday night, Mar. 27. The seniors have collected a good many numbers already. Anybody wanting to be on the show please notify a senior or their sponsor, Miss Darter.

The seniors are selling picture coupons for Wallace Studios to make more money for their trip this spring. The coupon entitles you to a 11x14 portrait for only \$1.00. This is sure a bargain and anybody interested should see some of the seniors.

The Robert Lee Band will play at the PTA meeting Thursday night.

The Juniors are practicing on their play and they seem to be getting well under way.

Mrs. Wylie (to student): Here's a book that will do half your work for you.

Wilton: Swell, I'll take two of them.

### Production Aid

Curious One: 'How long have you been working for this company?'

Truthful One: "Ever since the boss threatened to fire me."

## Two New Wildcats Scheduled In Coke

Two Ellenburger wildcats were staked last week in Coke County.

Deeper of the pair will be the Ohic Oil Company No. 1 F. H. Demere et al, 660 feet from south and east lines of section 39, block 16, H&TC survey, a 7,900-foot test 13 miles south and slightly west of the Millican Strawn pool in extreme southwestern Coke.

Humble Oil & Refining Company will drill a 6,000-foot test in eastern Coke County, three miles north of the Bronte multipay pool, and separated from it by a 5,396-foot failure. The operation is the No. 1 M. A. Rawlings, 660 feet from south and east lines of section 397, block 1-A, H&TC survey.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Cosby of Long Beach, Calif., were Sunday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith. Mrs. Cosby is a niece of Mr. Smith.

Bobby Hatley has been operating the J. C. Snead barber shop the past week, while the owner has been unable to work because of rheumatism in his right shoulder.

## Personals

Foy and Ray Askins and their families have gone to Berryville, Ark., where they will join their parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Askins, who recently purchased 200 acres of farm land. Foy resigned a good job as mechanic in the Harvey Chevrolet Co. shop.

Here for a weekend visit in the parental J. I. Murtishaw home were Mr. and Mrs. Burl Murtishaw of Kingsville and Mr. and Mrs. Wilford Murtishaw of Paducah. Mr. Murtishaw, Sr., who is 90 years of age, is enjoying good health.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Muston, J. W. Muston and family and Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Stevens of Houston were weekend guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fennell Smith at Edith. Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Muston are the parents of J. W. Muston, Mrs. Stevens and Mrs. Smith. They were called here by the death of Carolyn Alberts, 8-year-old San Angelo girl. She was a granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Muston.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Partin and daughter, Sylvia, came over from Crane for a weekend visit with their daughter, Mrs. H. S. Lewis, Jr. and family.

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## HOME TALENT MINSTREL

The Lions Club of Blackwell will bring its home talent Minstrel Show to Robert Lee on the night of April

3. The local appearance at the high school auditorium will be sponsored by the Robert Lee Lions and proceeds will go to the school basketball fund.

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## SILVER NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Edwards are parents of a daughter born Feb. 24 at the Colorado City hospital. She weighed 7 pounds, 6½ ounces at birth and has been named Carol Ann. She has a sister, Twila, 6 years old. Mr. Edwards is chief clerk in Sun's Gas Dept. office at Silver.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Millican have sent The Observer a birthday gift to their son, Gerald, who is stationed at Farmington, New Mex., as a field clerk for Stanolind. His birthday is the 24th.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Mathers observed their 38th wedding anniversary Sunday, March 16. During the day they entertained their daughters, Mrs. George Pennington and Mrs. J. L. Kuhn and their families of Colorado City and Mrs. Lawrence Higgins of Robert Lee and their son, Upton Mathers, and his family of Silver.

Robert W. Walker, prominent ranchman 4 miles east of Silver, was recently elected as a member of the County Board of Supervisors of the Coke County Soils Conservation Group. He succeeds Guy Denman of Sanco.

A pink and blue shower was given Tuesday night at Sun Recreation Hall for Mrs. Pete Screws. Hostesses were Mmes. George Conners, P. A. Post, H. P. Pew and Hunter Howlett.

E. H. Millican and wife of San Angelo were Sunday guests in the home of the former's brother, D. M. Millican.

Thomas Morris, Jr. is a new Junior Petroleum Engineer who began work here this week for Sun Oil Company's production department. A graduate of Oklahoma University, he has recently been getting rig training in the Beadmont division.

G. B. (Shorty) Gebhart, who was transferred to the Odessa area a few weeks ago, has been re-assigned to the Silver district. He has been promoted to foreman and has moved

his family into one of the dwellings at Jameson Camp.

Sgt. Harold Clendennen has been here this week visiting his brother, Ernest, and their sister, Mrs. S. C. Gibson. He is enjoying a leave from an air base in Dakota and will visit his parents in New Mexico before returning north.

Leslie Chiles was brought home the last of the week from Colorado City where he was a hospital patient for several days. He is the son of Mrs. Hazel Chiles, Silver cafe operator.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Jameson are parents of a daughter born last week in a Colorado City hospital. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Homer Jameson.

Bunyan Millican and his family are now occupying the former Jack Lassiter ranch house, west of Sanco. The place was bought last year by Bunyan's uncle, Willie I. Tubb. Francis Millican and his family have returned from Bronte where they resided while Francis was employed on the Oak Creek Dam near Blackwell.

Mrs. Gerald Brasuel of Colorado City was honored with a stork shower March 9 at the new ranch home of Mr. and Mrs. Jahew Jameson. Hostesses were Miss Donna Jameson, Mrs. Clifford Ramsey and Mrs. Walter Turner of Midland. Yellow and green were used in decorations. Many beautiful and useful gifts were presented to Mrs. Brasuel. She is the former Pat Preston, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Preston of Silver.

The State Highway Department crew has completed the grade for the new 2-mile stretch of pavement which will run through Sun's Oil camps here. A caliche base will be added before the road is ready for the asphalt surface.

Five new dwelling houses for Sun Oil Co. pumps are now under construction, states C. C. Bengtson, area production superintendent. Two of the houses are on the Mathers lease and three are located on Willie I. Tubb property.

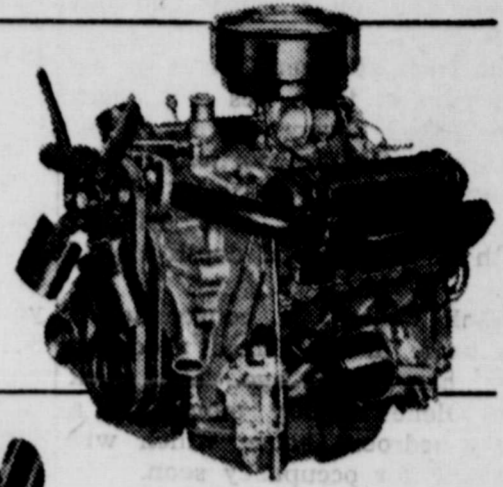
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## Monthly Meeting Of WHD Council

Four clubs were represented at the Home Demonstration Council meeting March 15. Minnie Mae Sharp, agent, reported on the trip made by the 4-H club girls and their leaders to the woolen mills at Eldorado recently. Miss Sharp and Gladys Waldrop, Council chairman, had also attended the landscaping school held at Denton March 13-14.

Announcement was made of the First Aid Course that will be taught at the Boy Scout Building beginning Thursday, March 20. These sessions will be each Tuesday and Thursday, from 9 to 3, for three weeks.

The resignation of Mrs. Willis Smith as marketing chairman was read and accepted. Mrs. J. W. Labenske was elected to take her place. Also accepted was the resignation of Zona Mae King as 4-H leader, but no one was named to replace her.

At the T. H. D. A. meeting these names were announced as delegates to the Dist. 7 meeting in Colorado City: Mrs. Tom Schooler, THDA chairman; Mrs. C. J. Robbins of Hayrick club and Mrs. Claud Gentry of Bronte, Jr. club.

### HAYRICK HD CLUB

Mrs. C. J. Robbins was hostess to the Hayrick Home Demonstration Club, Thursday, March 6.

Eight members, three visitors and Miss Sharp, Home Demonstration Agent, were present for the meeting.

A short business meeting was conducted by the president, Mrs. Dan Middleton.

The program was given by Miss Sharp on "Laying and Cutting on the Grain."

## Personals

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Bloodworth and children, Barbara and Bill, of Mason were weekend guests in the parental H. L. Bloodworth home at Silver. Present for Sunday dinner were Mr. and Mrs. Waymon Robertson and J. C. Wallace, Jr. and family of Robert Lee and Raymond Bloodworth and family of Silver.

A Young Folks rally will be held Friday night, starting at 8 o'clock, at Emmanuel Pentecostal Church, on Highway 208 at the northwest edge of Robert Lee. This is to be a district meeting and several surrounding towns will send representatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Mason and three small children visited here last week with Mrs. Mason's grandfather, S. B. Plumlee. They were enroute to their home in Lindsay, Calif., following a visit with relatives in Missouri. Mrs. Mason is a daughter of Isaac Plumlee, who has resided at Lindsay the past 17 years. Steve says with Mrs. Mason's help he learned he has 49 grandchildren.

Major and Mrs. Leslie Griffith visited here last Thursday with their uncle, Dr. J. K. Griffith, and wife. Major Griffith has just returned from army service in Japan. He and his wife were enroute to Kansas City to visit relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Simpson and daughter, Carolyn, motored to Sulphur Springs yast Friday where they attended a district sale sponsored by the northeast Texas Aberdeen-Angus breeders.

Earl Brite has accepted a book-keeping position with a Chevrolet agency at Snyder. He plans to move his family there soon. Earl was previously employed by the Harvey Chevrolet Co. in Robert Lee.

## TRACK MEET AT BRONTE

Bronte will be host to the District Interscholastic Track and Field Meet next Saturday. Coach Charles Dennis says he will enter Robert Lee athletes in most of the events. A contest for the literary events will be held next Tuesday at San Angelo College.

### ELECTION ORDER AND NOTICE

Be it ordered by the Board of Trustees of Robert Lee Independent School District that an election be held at Ivey Motor Co., in the Town of Robert Lee in said Robert Lee Independent School District on the 5th day of April, 1952, for the purpose of electing two School Trustees for said Robert Lee Independent School District. The following three persons, Bailey Russell, Miss Mettie Russell, and Mrs. Fred O. Green are appointed and ordered to hold said election in accordance with the general election laws of Texas.

The returns of said election shall be made to the Board of Trustees of said district in accordance with law.

A copy of this order signed by the president and attested by the secretary of this board shall serve as proper notice of said election, and the president shall cause notice of said election to be given in accordance with law by posting notices at three public places within the district for at least 10 days before the date of the election.

In Testimony Whereof, witness the signatures of the President and Secretary of said Robert Lee Independent School District and the seal thereof hereunto affixed, this 18 day of March, 1952.

Frank McCabe

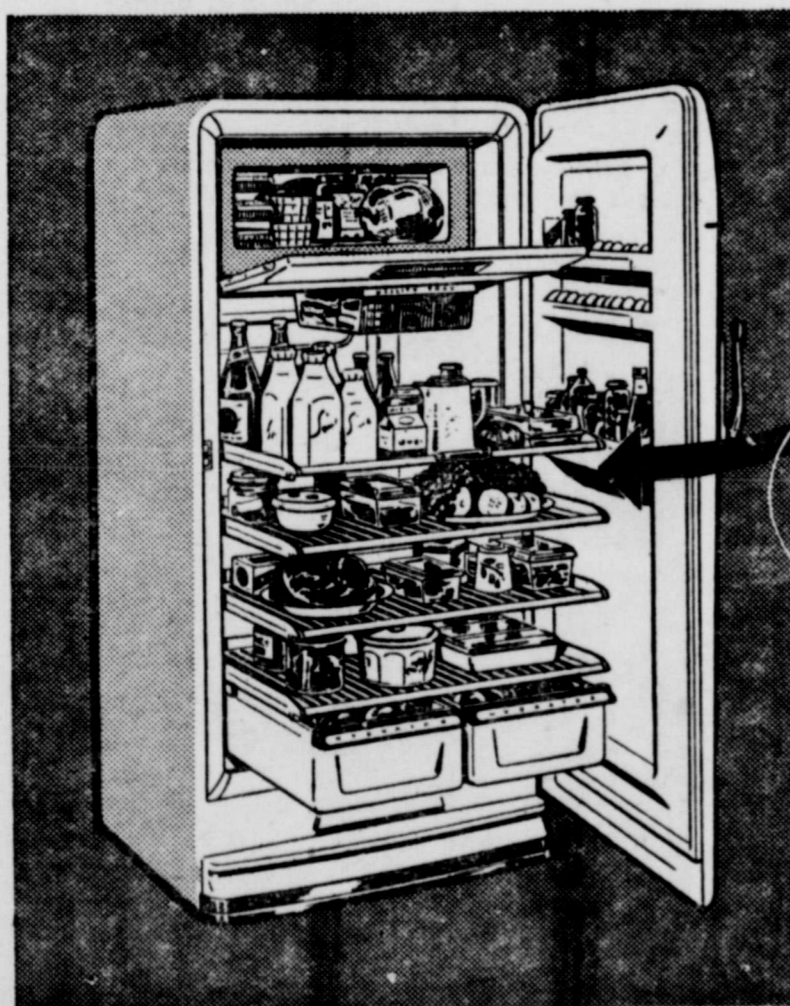
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**SYRUP 49c**

KIMBELL 3 Lbs  
**Shortening 53c**

200's Pkg 2 For  
**Kleenex 33c**

**Salt Pork No. 1 lb 29c**

PURE MEAT  
**Hamburger lb 59c**

WYLIE'S  
**FRYERS lb 69c**

# ROBERTS

Grocery and Market

## Projects Discussed At BCD Luncheon

Members of the Robert Lee Board of Community Development will sponsor a dinner for their ladies and guests next month. The event is to take place at the school cafeteria.

At the BCD luncheon meeting Monday at Mrs. Day's dining room Commissioner J. W. Service reported the State Highway Department was considering plans for raising the pavement through Robert Lee. It would involve a stretch of four blocks and would be done to improve the drainage of surface water. The group voted to again sponsor the Cub Scouts in Robert Lee.

A number of other civic matters were discussed. President Victor Wojtek said he had received an inquiry from a young dentist who will graduate from Baylor this summer. The BCD president replied to the letter, setting forth the need of a dentist in the county and invited the young man to come here and make a personal investigation.

## New Minister For Baptist Church

The Rev. James C. Shipman has been engaged as pastor of the Robert Lee Baptist Church. He has resigned the pulpit of the North Side Baptist Church in Coleman and moved his family here Wednesday. He has a wife and small child.

T. W. Farris, chairman of the pulpit committee, said the Rev. Shipman preached a trial sermon here two weeks ago. Everyone was impressed to the extent that he was voted a unanimous call from the congregation.

The Rev. Shipman is a graduate of Hardin-Simmons University.

Jake Sparks came over from Sterling City Tuesday for a visit with his mother, Mrs. E. T. Sparks, and other relatives and friends. Jake is recovering from a major operation which he underwent recently at the Veterans Hospital in Big Spring.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Grubenman and daughter, Carla, of Silver were called to Henderson the first of the week by the death of the former's grandmother.

Waddy Fowler, who is stationed at the air base near Wichita Falls came for a weekend visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Fowler.

Dr. T. J. Percifull of Christoval is critically ill at St. John's hospital in San Angelo. A former Coke county resident, he is a brother of Jess Percifull of Bronte and the late Sheriff Frank Percifull. His wife is a sister of Mrs. H. C. Allen.

Mrs. J. J. Simpson, mother of Constable Vic Simpson, was brought here last week for treatment at Coke County Memorial Hospital. She is a resident of East Texas and was treated briefly at Coleman before being brought here.

Mrs. E. B. Creech, Jr. and children of San Angelo visited here Sunday with the former's mother, Mrs. E. T. Sparks.

Frank C. Dickey advised The Observer this week that his son, Frank Dickey, Jr., will set up a law office in Robert Lee or Bronte when he completes his studies at Baylor University Law School the first of June.

## Personals

Lieut. and Mrs. Cumbie Ivey, Jr. were weekend guests of the former's parents here. Lieut. Ivey has been transferred from Kelly Field at San Antonio to Barksdale near Shreveport where he will be attached to the Air Force Office of Service Investigation. He and his wife left Tuesday morning for Shreveport.

Stroud Roberts has been enjoying a few days visit with Robert Lee relatives and friends and with his sister, Mrs. Joe Ed Scott, and family at Bronte. Stroud is employed by the Bayroid Oil Well Logging Service and has been working in the Gulf area.

Randle Harmon returned Monday to his Coast Guard duties at Baltimore, Md., after a visit in the home of his parents, Commissioner and Mrs. T. R. Harmon. Randle was honored with a family gathering Sunday when all the children were home except Cortez, who is stationed in Delaware, and Alfred, who is engaged in oil field work at Midland.

## Want Ads

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## DEATH OF O. W. CHAPMAN

O. W. Chapman, 69, retired Santa Fe agent at Bronte and city secretary there in recent years, died last Wednesday in a Sweetwater hospital after an illness of several months. His wife died last November. He resigned from his railroad job in 1941. Funeral services and burial occurred at Bronte Thursday afternoon. He is survived by two sons, Jack, of Sweetwater, and Lamar of Odessa.

Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Pierce returned Sunday night from a visit with relatives at Quinlan and Dallas.

## Political Announcements

The Observer is authorized to publish the following list of persons who will be candidates for public office at the Democratic Primary Election July 26, 1952:

For Congressman, 21st District  
O. C. FISHER  
IRA GALLAWAY

For Sheriff and Tax Assessor-Collector:  
PAUL GOOD  
J. T. THETFORD  
WILSON BRYAN

For County and District Clerk:  
WELDON FIKES

For County Judge and Ex-Officio Supt. of Schools:  
JEFF DEAN

For County Treasurer:  
MRS. RUBY L. PETTIT  
MRS. GERTRUDE GRAY

For County Attorney  
FRANK C. DICKEY

For Commissioner, Precinct 1:  
J. W. SERVICE

For Commissioner, Precinct 3:  
FINNELL SMITH  
ED HICKMAN

## PENTECOSTAL CHURCH

The Pentecostal Church of God in Robert Lee enjoyed another good service Monday evening despite the rain and dust and high wind. We are looking forward to having Mr. and Mrs. Fred Robertson in the service next Monday evening at 7:45. Come and bring your musical instruments.—Sister Tyra, Pastor.

Mrs. E. B. Fletcher of Bronte has been in Robert Lee the past week visiting her sister, Mrs. J. L. Murshaw.

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17—St. Patrick's Day.

18—Parliament repeals Stamp Act, 1766.

19—William Jennings Bryan born, 1860.

20—American army enters Boston, 1776.

21—First Indian treaty signed, 1621.

22—Stephen Decatur killed in duel, 1820.

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