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## KRESTA NAMED PMA CHAIRMAN FOR 2ND YEAR

Election returns from Coke county's three Agricultural Communities where farmers voted August 20 for PMA Community Committeemen were announced today by Oscar E. Kresta, Chairman of the County PMA Committee.

The following were elected to serve on PMA Community Committees in 1953:

Community "A", Bryan Gartman, Chairman; M. A. Cox, Vice-Chairman; R. B. Allen, regular member, Tom Rives, Jr., first alternate, Lowell G. Roane second alternate.

Community "B", Owen T. Colvin, Chairman; Edward M. Cumbie, Vice Chairman; W. T. Green, regular member, Austin Sandusky, first alternate, Carroll Robbins, second alternate.

Community "C", Bryan Yarbrough, Chairman; W. E. Burns, Vice-Chairman; Fred McCabe, regular member, Johnnie Ruth, first alternate, Alton Roberts, second alternate.

Delegates elected to attend the county convention for naming next year's county committee were:

Community A, Horace L. Bloodworth; Community B, James P. Arrott; Community C, Crowley Harmon.

The county convention was held Tuesday, August 26, at the PMA office. At this convention the delegates elected a county Committee as follows: Chairman, Oscar E. Kresta; Vice-Chairman, C. E. Arrott; regular member, Lem E. Cowley; first alternate, Owen T. Colvin; second alternate, Edward M. Cumbie. Both community and county committeemen will take office September 1, 1952.

In the coming year, the community committeemen will visit each farm in their area to help the farmer to concentrate ACP assistance on the most urgently needed practices.

Chairman Kresta points out where such operations were carried out this year more farmers are participating in the Conservation Program than ever before and more effective practices are being carried out to protect, conserve, and build up the soil.

## Jury List Drawn For County Court

A jury panel of 24 men has been drawn for the September term of County Court which convenes at 10 a. m. next Tuesday, Sept. 2.

At least three criminal cases are on the docket. County Judge Jeff Dean will preside over the session and County Attorney Frank Dickey will be the prosecuting attorney.

The jury list includes Wilson Bryan, F. C. Clark, J. D. Harmon, Alvin Bell, Jr., Earl Box, Charlie Boecking, Joe Brock, Douglas Gartman, R. S. Anderson, A. R. Coalson, Bruce McFerrin, Paul Burns.

Also Leon Byrne, L. B. White, J. W. Labenske, Joe Rawlings, Douglas Ditmore, J. M. Parker, M. A. Cox, Sam Powell, Charlie Keeney, M. B. Meek, Steve Parker and W. E. Debose.

Mrs. Jeff Dean returned the last of the week from Alpine where she attended summer school for six weeks at Sul Ross and secured a Bachelor of Arts degree. Mrs. Dean is in charge of public school music at Robert Lee. The Dean children are back home with their parents after spending a few weeks with relatives.



FRED HICKMAN

## Pete Hickman to Coach in San Angelo

Freddie (Pete) Hickman of Robert Lee has been elected to the coaching staff of the San Angelo public schools. Pete Sikes, athletic director, announces that Hickman will coach the eighth grade at Edison Junior High.

Pete is a former San Angelo college backfield star and graduated last spring from North Texas State at Denton, where he played two years as a standout defensive back.

He is the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hickman of Edith. Pete has followed in the footsteps of his older brothers, Ed F. of Killen and Johnny Mac. The latter went from SAC to Tulane in New Orleans where he made a fine record as a backfield ace. Johnny is now coaching at Lufkin.

## Kresta Delivers First Bale Cotton

Coke county's first bale of 1952 cotton was delivered last Wednesday to the Robert Lee gin. For the third straight year O. E. Kresta brought in bale No. 1. V. V. Wojtek brought in the second bale, and Jim Blair the third. It is worth 37½ cents a pound.

Fred McDonald, Jr., gin operator, said he expects to process 25 bales if it doesn't rain any more. A good rain soon might bring on quite a little late cotton.

The Robert Lee gin has an announcement concerning ginning arrangements published elsewhere in this newspaper.

### JAMES MICHAEL BROWN

Sympathy is extended to Mr. and Mrs. Dale Brown, young Robert Lee couple, in the loss of their month-old son, James Michael. Born July 22 in Clinic Hospital in San Angelo, the baby had been kept in incubator. It passed away Saturday afternoon.

Graveside services were held Sunday afternoon by the Rev. J. C. Shipman at the Robert Lee cemetery, with burial in charge of the Clift Funeral Home.

Besides the parents, survivors include the paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Brown of Robert Lee, and the maternal grandparents Rev. and Mrs. C. R. Blake of Woodrow, Texas.

### Coke County Hospital News

Aug. 20—Mrs. Lula Burson, G. A. Brown admitted.

Aug. 21—E. A. Burgess, Mrs. May Boone, Mrs. A. E. Latham admitted.

Aug. 22—Wilton Robertson dismissed.

Aug. 23—Mrs. Lula Burson, G. A. Brown dismissed.

Aug. 24—Wilton Robertson admitted. Mrs. May Boone dismissed.

Aug. 25—Bobbie Davidson admitted.

Aug. 26—Mrs. R. C. Roberts admitted.

## MILES STARTS PLAYOFF HERE NEXT SUNDAY

The regular schedule of 12 games was completed in the Concho Basin League last Sunday. The youngsters from San Angelo and Veribest, sponsored by Bryan Electric, won the flag, with Miles and Robert Lee tying for second and Big Lake taking fourth.

The four top clubs will now engage in a Shaughnessy playoff. Bryan Electric and Big Lake, in first and fourth positions, will be pitted against each other, while Robert Lee battles the Miles Giants. First round of the playoff will be two out of three and the clubs have two Sundays to decide what teams get into the final.

Miles comes to Robert Lee Sunday at 3 p. m. The same clubs will meet again at Miles the following week. That contest will start at 2 o'clock. If a third game is necessary it will follow immediately as a 7-inning affair.

Big Lake and Bryan Electric engage each other at Veribest next Sunday and move to Texon on Labor Day for the second tilt. If a third game is needed it will be played Sept. 7.

Johanny Stewart will be back from a vacation trip to handle his share of the hurling duties. The Twister infield has been looking sharp, with R. W. Bowman and Lew Heuvel continuing to execute some fancy double plays.

Unless Robert Lee gets into the finals, next Sunday's game will likely be the last contest of the season on the local field, and a big crowd is expected. Fans witnessed a great game last Sunday and it's always a good battle when Brandy Ray and his Miles Giants come to town.

## Silver Continues Hottest Oil Area

Hottest spot in Coke county's oil activity at present centers around the area to the north and west of Sun's block at Silver.

A new location staked this week is Magnolia No. 1 R. B. Allen, a southwest diagonal from Sun No. 40 C. E. Mathers, recently completed in the reef for a daily flow of 254 barrels. Location is 660 feet from the north and east lines of Dollie Conner Survey A-1015.

Southwestern Natural Gas Co. No. 1 Pallie Phelan was coring in sand Wednesday at 6,060 feet. Good oil shows are reported in the Strawn sand, but operators will also explore the lime reef.

Rich Oil Co. No. 1 A. E. Moore was drilling at 5,765 feet in sandy shale.

Headwaters Oil Co. is rigging up rotary on its No. 1 Russ Mathers, one location south of Southwestern's new sand producer on Russ Mathers.

South of R. B. Allen F. Kirk No. 1 J. B. Walker, Jr. was attempting completion both from the sand and reef. It was a farmout from A. G. Hill.

Sun No. 41 C. E. Mathers was drilling Wednesday at 4,688 feet in shale.

Mrs. B. B. Pierce resumed her duties as nurses aid at the Coke County Memorial Hospital Wednesday. She had been off duty for six weeks recovering from a highway accident.

Wm. L. Coffey is home on a 25-day leave visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Coffey. He is a cook in the Air Force and is stationed at Westover, Mass.



JOE L. MAYS To Be District Judge

## RUNOFF DRAWS 488 VOTERS

Saturday's runoff primary brought out 488 Coke county voters. Bronte led with 117 and Robert Lee cast 108 ballots. Interest lagged at Silver where 125 persons voted in July. Only 15 went to the polls Saturday.

Only local contest was the race for Commissioner in Precinct 3. The four voting boxes in that precinct had a total of 150 ballots, compared with 141 in the July 26 election. Ed Hickman won the nomination for Precinct 3 Commissioner with a 28 vote margin over T. R. Harmon, who has held the office 16 years.

Coke county favored Joe L. Mays for District Judge, giving him 329 votes over Clyde Vinson. Mays was nominated by a 2 to 1 majority. Robert Lee's vote was 96 for Mays 12 for Vinson.

For Supreme Court Judge, Coke gave Culver 246 and 120 to Bell. Culver is reported to have received the nomination in a close race.

### ATTENDS FIREMAN'S MEETING

Sam Jay, chief of the Robert Lee Volunteer Fire Department, is attending the State Fireman's School of Instruction at A. & M. College this week. He is also water superintendent. This is the first year the city has sent a representative to the school.

P. E. Webb submitted to a major chest operation Monday at the Scott & White Hospital in Temple. Supt. and Mrs. B. C. Goodwin were there at the time and brought back word that his condition is good. Mr. Webb is elementary principal of the Robert Lee schools and will not be able to resume his duties for several weeks. His wife is also a grade teacher here.

## BIRTHS

ROBERTS—Mr. and Mrs. Travis Roberts (Myrl Dennis) of San Angelo are parents of a daughter born Aug. 23 at St. John's Hospital in San Angelo. She arrived at 5:30 p. m. and weighed 7 pounds, 8 ounces. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Ed S. Roberts of Robert Lee and Mr. and Mrs. Elton Dennis of Mercury.

COX—Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Cox, Jr. (Frances Musgrave) of Del Rio are parents of their first child, a daughter born Aug. 6. Sandra Jo weighed 7 pounds, 9 ounces. The father is employed by the telephone company at Del Rio. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Cox of Robert Lee and Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Musgrave of Alpine.

PERCIFULL—Mr. and Mrs. Will Percifull (Jean Rudical) are parents of their fourth daughter born Aug. 25 at Shannon Hospital. Arriving at 4:07 a. m. the baby weighed 7½ pounds. She has not been named. Her sisters are Melinda, Kathy and Sue. Grandmothers are Mrs. Frank Percifull of Robert Lee and Mrs. Lillian Rudical of San Angelo.

## SCHOOL OPENS MONDAY WITH FEWER PUPILS

### BULLETIN

Supt. B. C. Goodwin advised The Observer last night that a new home economics instructor has been hired, and Jack Brock was given a draft board deferment so that he could remain here as a high school teacher. That completes Robert Lee's teaching roster.

Robert Lee public schools open Monday, Sept. 1, with two vacancies reported in the teaching staff Tuesday. An applicant for the home making position was to have been interviewed this week, and word was also expected from the draft board in regard to Jack Brock. He has been elected as high school English teacher if he is given a deferment from army service.

Supt. B. C. Goodwin announces that high school seniors who have not registered are requested to do so at 10 a. m. Friday. A teachers meeting has been set for Saturday, 9 a. m.

School buses will run as usual Monday morning and the public is invited and urged to attend assembly exercises at 9 a. m. Pupils will be returned to their homes before noon on the opening day of school. The lunchroom will be in operation Tuesday.

Enrollment is expected to be down again, due to the drought and decreased oil activity. A number of ranch families have moved out and oil field work has not picked up after a virtual shutdown because of the recent steel strike.

Average daily attendance two years ago was 332. It dropped to 309 the past year, and caused the school to lose one teacher.

## Commissioner Race Won By Ed Hickman

Ed Hickman won the nomination for Commissioner in Precinct 3 over T. R. Harmon in Saturday's runoff primary. The vote was 89 to 61. Hickman carried three of the four voting boxes and retained the strength he showed in the first election July 26.

	Harmon	Hickman
Divide	12	6
Green Mt.	23	47
Wildcat	16	22
Walnut	7	10
Absentee	3	4
	61	89

In the first primary Hickman polled 63 votes, with Harmon getting 48 and Finnell Smith 30. The commissioner race was hotly contested with 150 votes being cast Saturday compared to 141 in July.

Only in the Divide box did Hickman fail to gain, but he kept the 6 votes he got in the first primary. Walnut, over towards Water Valley, reversed itself. In July Walnut voters marked 10 ballots for Harmon, 4 for Hickman and 2 for Smith. In the runoff Harmon dropped to 7, while Hickman got 10.

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Mr. and Mrs. Fred McDonald, Jr. and children returned Sunday from a vacation trip to Los Angeles and other points in the west.

## INVITE PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE AT BRONTE HOSP'L

Dr. John R. Harris announces the Open House of the new wings of the Bronte Hospital Sunday, Aug. 31, from 1 to 5 p. m. The public is invited to attend.

Enlargement of the hospital gives it a normal capacity of 14 beds, which may be increased to 18 if needed. Previously the hospital had only 8 beds.

Dr. Harris came to Bronte July 15, 1947, when the new Karen-Gayle hospital was opened by J. M. Ripetoe, Bronte pharmacist. Two years ago the doctor purchased the hospital. At that time he opened an office-clinic building adjacent to the hospital, and a steadily increasing number of patients made it necessary to add more hospital room.

The new west wing is devoted to a delivery room, a labor room, nursery, out patient room and main operating room. The east wing provides two new single and two new double rooms, and a kitchen in the southeast corner. New furniture has been installed and there is a new central air conditioning and heating plant.

Mrs. Harris is a registered nurse and assists her husband in surgery cases. Mrs. Jame Arrott, also a registered nurse, is on the hospital staff. Business manager of the hospital and

the doctor's office assistant is Mrs. Maureen Landers, the former "Snookie" Bell. She has been helping the doctor since he opened his practice in Bronte more than five years ago.

Dr. Harris told The Observer he is proud of his community and is happy to be able to furnish the added hospital facilities that were needed. And Bronte folks are proud of their doctor, too. He has been very successful as a medical doctor and surgeon. Dr. and Mrs. Harris are active in affairs of the community and the doctor is a member of the school board. The Harris family are enjoying a beautiful new home which they completed last year.

Steve Parker and his brother-in-law, R. W. Bowman, have sold out their filling station on the Robert Lee road in the north part of San Angelo. Steve has been hired by Mr. and Mrs. Harry Weaver to look after their home and other property at their ranch south of town. Bowman is a mechanic at Bankston Auto Co. in San Angelo. His wife is the former Bessie Parker of Robert Lee.

Wallace Clift departed Saturday for Austin where he will take a few weeks refresher course on Texas Law before writing the State Bar examinations in October. A graduate of the University of Texas, Wallace finished his law course in June at Harvard University in Cambridge, Mass.

## Personals

Mrs. Bryan Yarbrough returned the last of the week from Alpine where she spent the summer with classes at Sul Ross College. Mrs. Yarbrough is a teacher in the Lake View schools. She was accompanied to Robert Lee by Miss Janet Bilbo who is also a Sul Ross student.

Sheriff and Mrs. Paul Good and Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Adams of San Angelo recently spent an enjoyable week's vacation at Ruidoso, N. Mex. They occupied a cabin owned by Charlie Sherwood, well known Midland oil man. The vacationers also visited Cloudercroft and other interesting places in the Sunshine State. At Cloudercroft the ladies played golf on the highest course in the world. It has an elevation of more than 9,000 feet.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Brice and little daughter attended the annual Parker family reunion at the Ballinger Park last Sunday.

Judge Sandusky of Bronte was called to active duty this week, after receiving a reserve officers commission as a second lieutenant in the Air Force when he graduated from Texas A & M last spring. He will spend a few days at Brooks AFB in San Antonio and then report at the University of New Mexico in Albuquerque where he will study meteorology. Judge is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Austin Sandusky and is a grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hickman. He has been playing ball with the Robert Lee club and has proven himself a highly valuable member of the team.

Sgt. Bob Cox, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Cox, is on his way to Korea. He is in the Marines and was recently stationed at Camp Pendleton, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Cole and family of San Antonio were weekend guests of Robert Lee relatives and friends. Mr. Cole is engaged in construction work.

## BAPTIST W. M. U.

The Elizabeth Truly and Lucille Reagan Circles held a joint session Monday at 9 a. m. in the ranch home of Mrs. Sam Powell. Mrs. G. C. Allen was leader of the program

on "Consider Europe." A business meeting followed. Punch was served to 13 members and two visitors.

The Business Womens Circle will meet Thursday at 8 a. m. at the church.

## Home Owners and Those Who Want to Build New Houses

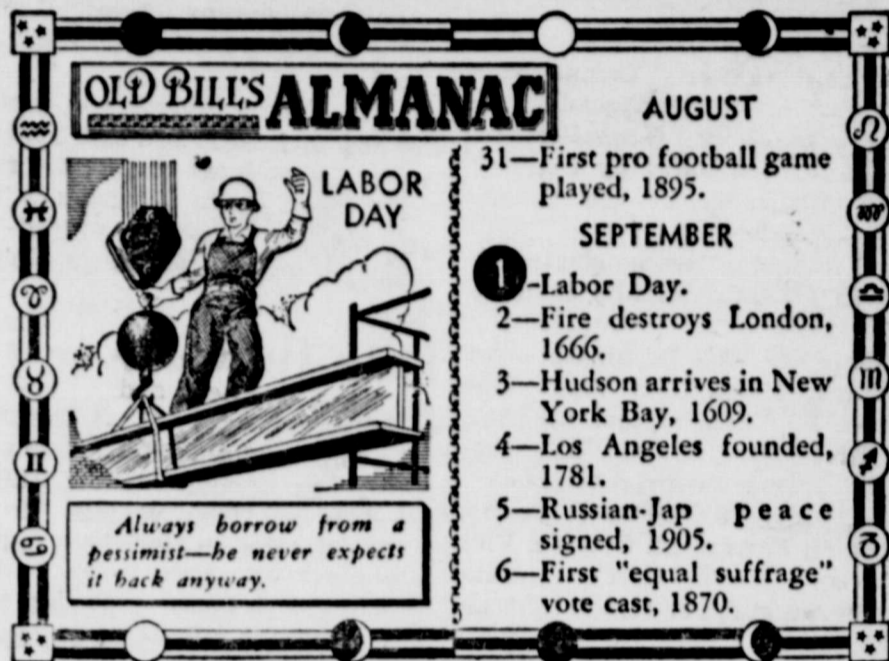
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## Robert Lee State Bank

## Is Your Subscription Paid Up?

Better check the expiration date on your paper this week. If you haven't renewed lately, and your paper was due by August 1st, it will have to be discontinued after this week.

## Times Are Tough

Yes, things are bad because of the drouth, and sometimes The Observer isn't as good as we would like to make it, but our volume of advertising is off considerably these days.

## We Are Hoping

That if your subscription is due you will renew promptly.

## THE OBSERVER

## Personals

Jack Gray and his family have moved from the Willie I. Tubb rent house, a block west of the business district, to the Maurice Cole property at the northwest edge of town which was vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Sep Hall. Mr. Gray is band director and instrumental music instructor in the Robert Lee schools.

Mrs. J. J. Neill writes as follows from Sunray: "Sorry to be late with my subscription, but time passes so fast. Hope you people have had rain down there. We have had nice rains the last two nights."

S. B. Plumlee left early Sunday for a vacation visit to California. He accompanied his son, S. B. Plumlee, Jr. and family of Snyder.



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Robert Lee, Texas

Enjoying a recent sight seeing trip to the Gulf and New Orleans were Mrs. A. D. (Buster) Fields and her sisters, Beth Gilmore and Mrs. Janee King. They visited Austin, Houston, Galveston, Beaumont, New Orleans and the state capital in Baton Rouge. In returning home Mrs. Fields was accompanied by her mother, Mrs. Tom Gilmore, who will make an extended stay in the Fields home.

Mrs. J. M. Prine, Jr. of Sanco was happy last week to learn that her brother, Leon Adams, had returned safely to the States after 14 months overseas, most of the time being in Korea. Leon, 22 years old, is a former Coke county resident. His parents now reside at Lawndale, Calif.

Johnny Hickman and family have returned to Lufkin after a week's visit with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hickman, at Edith. Johnny is beginning his second year on the coaching staff at Lufkin high school.

Coach Charles Dennis and family returned to Robert Lee last Friday. During the summer months the former worked in the oil fields while his wife and children visited in the home of her parents at Glade-water.

Guests in the home of Gladys Waldrop last Thursday and Friday were the Rev. and Mrs. Jack Whyburn of Waco. Mrs. Whyburn is the former Minnie Mae Sharp who served as home demonstration agent here. They visited friends in Coke County and relatives in San Angelo.

Mrs. M. A. Cox returned last week from Del Rio where she spent two weeks in the home of her son, Morgan, and made the acquaintance of the new granddaughter. The little lady is expected to be quite a favorite, since girls are scarce in the Cox family.

Lieut. Bill Allen and wife arrived Thursday for a visit in the home of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Allen. Bill has been stationed at Ft. Meade, Md., and is being transferred to the Japan-Korea area with the American Forces.

## Coke Ladies Attend State HD Meeting

Attending the Texas Home Demonstration convention at A & I College in Kingsville this week are Gladys Waldrop and Delegates Mrs. J. W. Labenske, Mrs. Tom Rives and Mrs. W. G. Cresap. The group left Monday and were to return Thursday night.

A tour of the King ranch, tea at the Mansion and a barbecue supper was one of the special events planned for the 800 women expected to attend. Chest x-rays were given the delegates by the Texas Tuberculosis Association as a part of its TB control program and as a demonstration of rural health education.

Mrs. R. M. Almanrode of Munday is president of the State Association which has 43,000 members.



Hayrick Lodge  
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Meets second Tuesday night in each month. Visitors welcome.

T. M. WYLIE, JR., W. M.  
MELVIN CHILDRESS, Secretary

## PENTECOSTAL CHURCH OF GOD

The services weren't too well attended Monday night but we had a good sermon by a visiting minister, Rev. Whitney. We are looking to a good Revival with Rev. and Mrs. Whitney, so you had better be present if you want to keep up with the announcements. Listen to "Gospel Time" each Tuesday and Friday at 5 p. m. on KRUN, Ballinger.

Mark Chumley was greeted by friends in town Tuesday after undergoing a recent appendectomy at the Sterling County Hospital. His condition was critical for some time,

but he is now well on the road to recovery. Mark has had more than his share of illness and this was his fourth major operation.

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## MY SINCERE THANKS

To the Voters of the 51st Judicial District:

I am deeply grateful for the decisive vote given me as a candidate for the office of District Judge, and pledge my best efforts to merit the confidence the people accorded me by their vote.

**JOE L. MAYS**



## Back to School

It should be a pleasure for every person concerned to begin what we all expect will be another successful term of school. With our splendid corps of teachers and cooperation of the public, it will be so.

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Saturday-Monday

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## Thanks, Folks

I appreciate the honor of being nominated as Commissioner of Precinct No. 3, and will do my best to be worthy of the confidence and trust that you have placed in me.

I want to thank those who supported me in the primaries, and also wish to state that I have no ill feeling toward anyone. I have the highest respect for my opponents, and hope I may have the cooperation of the entire precinct.

## ED HICKMAN

## GIN NOTICE!

When you have a bale of cotton ready to gin, call No. 60 at the lumber yard office, and we will make arrangements to process your cotton the following day.

The run will be very small, but we plan to take care of our customers as usual.

## Robert Lee Gin

## FORSAN TAKES 14 INNING TILT THEN FORFEIT

Forsan and the Robert Lee Rabbit Twisters battled for 14 innings here Sunday before the visitors annexed a 5 to 4 victory. It was the most thrilling and best played game of the season.

While Forsan outscored the Twisters, the game went to Robert Lee as Forsan was short handed and used an ineligible player. He was Bob Kelley in right field, who played well on defense and cracked out three hits.

It was a great pitching battle between Bon Spoons on the mound for the locals and Lefty Shelton of Forsan, both of whom went all the way. Both were ready to call it quits, too, when the battle finally ended. Each pitcher was touched for 13 hits. Spoons struck out 9 and Shelton 12.

Three hits and walk accounted for three Forsan tallies in the next inning. Robert Lee threatened to tie the score when Sandusky opened with a double, his third hit of the day. Pete Hickman followed suit with a two-bagger and scored when Bob Asbury bobbled Lew Huevel's grounder. Bowman fanned and Geraci fled out to left to end the game.

## SILVER NEWS

### SCHOOL NOTES

At a meeting of the Silver school trustees Aug. 14 it was voted to give a 10 per cent raise in wages to all teachers and other employees.

Reports indicate that all repairs will be completed before the opening of school on Monday, Sept. 8.

The board had Architect Don Smith of Sweetwater meet with them and discuss plans for the proposed new auditorium. A trip was made last Thursday to inspect school buildings in Merkel, Anson, Hamlin, Roby and the new intermediate building at Sweetwater. Accompanying Mr. Smith on the trip were President H. P. Pew, Homer Jameson, O. W. Newell, Prin. H. R. Gassiot and Secretary O. L. Snyder.

### BLACK TOP READY

At long last the new 2-mile stretch of highway through Silver is to be completed. Machinery and men moved in this week and the blacktop surface is to be applied without further delay. It is a state highway project.

### FISH FRY

Employees of Sun Gas Department and their families were treated to a fish fry last Friday night. The event was sponsored by C. E. Weber, assistant manager of Sun's Gasoline Division at Philadelphia, and John E. Walke, chief engineer of the Dallas Division.

The men brought 150 pounds of King Mackerel which they had caught in the Gulf at Corpus Christi.

### LEAVING

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Legg and children, Jamie Lou and Larry James, left Saturday for Kermit where the former will serve as foreman for Sun. They have been at Silver more than four years and take with them the best wishes of their host of friends.

Leaving the first of the week for Hebronville were Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Gebhart and their children, Larry and Terry. It is like going back home for the Gebharts, who were stationed at Hebronville several years ago. Mr. Gebhart, Sun Oil Co. foreman, will continue in that capacity at Hebronville where Richard Biggs is now superintendent. Jake Higginbotham was head of the Hebronville office before being sent to Silver recently.

The Gebharts purchased a home in Hebronville, a town of 1,500 in Jim Hogg county. Mr. Gebhart was Sun's first permanent employee to be stationed in Coke county. He came here as a pumper in the summer of 1947.

Robert Lee Observer

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## Back to School Come Here For School Supplies

SEEDLESS 2 Lbs  
**GRAPES 25c**

YELLOW Pound  
**SQUASH 10c**

Plastic Bag  
**CARROTS 15c**

**DUZ 1ge pkg 25c**

White Meat Can  
**Grated Tuna 29c**

KIMBELL No. 2 can  
**Cut Beans 19c**

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**Blackberries 25c**

**Chewing Gum**  
3 pkgs 10c

**Kimbell Shortening**  
3 lbs 65c

**Powdered Milk 39c**

Pound  
**BOLOGNA 39c**

Pound  
**LOIN STEAK 69c**

Pound  
**SHORT RIBS 49c**

## ROBERTS

Grocery and Market