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MARCH OF DIMES CAMPAIGN GETS READY TO MOVE

The March of Dimes campaign is dragging in Robert Lee, but other parts of the county are at work. What has become of the volunteers who did such a wonderful job last year? Surely we cannot let down now in the great fight against polio.

A year ago the Firemen's Auxiliary turned in \$75 from their domino games and pie and coffee project; the PTA sponsored the Womanless Wedding which was a grand success. How about the Home Demonstration clubs who have always wanted to lend a hand?

Mrs. J. S. Ferrell is chairman in Robert Lee and she needs some volunteer helpers to canvass the community and also help with the Mothers March.

Iron lung coin containers for the March of Dimes were distributed to the business houses last week by Susie Skipworth and Shirley Stewart. Not many dimes are noticed in them yet. School children are getting their cards to take home and special letters will be mailed to persons who can not be contacted.

Lewis, Heuvel is in charge of the drive at Edith and Green Mountain, and Earl Davidson has been enlisted as his assistant. Mrs. Ira M. Bird at Sarcó has been ill with flu this week, but she is planning a thorough canvass of the community.

Folks at Silver are getting organized. At a meeting Tuesday night it was decided that Sun Oil Co. employees would stage a big dance at the Sun Recreation Hall, but the date is not definite. The committee includes Jerry Gallier and Johnny Stewart of the Pipeline Dept., W. W. Paul and Hale Kincaid of the Production Dept., and Joe Warren and Bob Edwards, representing the Gasoline Plant.

Ranch families of the community will also be asked to help, and another meeting next Tuesday night will be held to complete plans for the various events.

YOUTH RALLY

There will be a District Young Folks Rally at the Emmanuel Pentecostal Church on Friday, Jan. 16, with services beginning at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend.

Coke County Hospital News

Jan. 7—Daughter born to Mr. and Mrs. Teddy Pitcock at 3:10 p.m. Mrs. Floyd Bagwell, Mrs. Dave Millican admitted. Dawn Gains, Sharon Doggett, Mrs. T. C. Coffey dismissed.

Jan. 8—Carolyn Childress, J. E. Simms, Mrs. J. D. McDaniel admitted, Billie Dove Allen, Mrs. Lem Cowley dismissed.

Jan. 9—Judy Taylor admitted. Mrs. J. D. Simpson dismissed.

Jan. 10—Mrs. Lloyd Phelan, Cornelius Doolittle admitted. Judy Taylor, Carolyn Childress dismissed.

Jan. 11—Mrs. Teddy Pitcock and infant daughter, Sheri Jerine, and Mrs. Floyd Bagwell dismissed.

Jan. 12—Mrs. Sam Jay, Judge Jeff Dean, Mrs. Bill McCutchen, Kelly Gaston, Mrs. H. C. Allen admitted. Mrs. W. T. Roach and infant daughter, Christy Lee, John Allen and Mrs. J. D. McDaniel dismissed.

Jan. 13—Ronny Snoddy admitted.

Jan. 14—Donna Hallmark admitted. Frank Smith, Jeff Dean dismissed.

Piggy Bank Savings Given To Polio Fund

Carolyn, 6 years old, and Homer, 2, children of Mr. and Mrs. Dalton Millican southwest of Robert Lee, are the first March of Dimes contributors here.

Accompanied by their mother, the youngsters called at The Observer office Monday and each deposited a small glass jar containing \$4.50.

They had taken the money from their piggy banks.

Mrs. Millican stated the children had some little cousins who were stricken with polio last year, and they don't want to get the terrible disease.

COUNTY DEFERS DECISION FOR FIXING WAGES

The Coke County Commissioners Court held a busy session here Monday. In the absence of Judge Jeff Dean, who was ill with influenza, Commissioner J. W. Service was named as chairman pro tem for the day.

The court approved the surety bonds of Frank Dickey, Jr., new county attorney; V. H. Simpson, Robert Lee constable; and Everett Bruton, justice of the peace at Bronte.

Ivey Motor Company's bid to furnish a new car for the sheriff was accepted over a Chevrolet proposal offered by Caperton Chevrolet Co. of Bronte. The new auto will be a 1953 110 h. p. Ford with overdrive. An allowance of \$1,500 was made for the Chevrolet which Sheriff Paul Good has used the past two years. It has traveled more than 70,000 miles. Due to some expensive repair bills, the commissioners agreed that in the future a new car will be purchased every year.

The county clerk was ordered to advertise for bids for the county depository for the next two years and other matters of county business were discussed. New commissioners taking their place on the court were Ed Hickman of Precinct 3 (Edith) and Howard Brock of Precinct 2 (Bronte).

The matter of setting wages and salaries was deferred because of the absence of Judge Dean. When he recovers from illness a special session will be called to make such adjustments, and Farm to Market Road projects will also be discussed.

Hundreds Eager To View '53 Chevrolets

Crowds of interested persons visited the Vaughan Chevrolet Co. here Friday and Saturday to see the premier showing of the 1953 Chevrolets.

Bob Vaughan, owner of the business, estimated that 1,500 persons visited his showroom during the two days. He said the public's reception of the new Chevrolets was "marvelous."

Two new units were on display and both were sold immediately. Leon Byrne bought the 4-door Belair and a deluxe club coupe was purchased by Donald Mauldin.

Mrs. W. T. Roach and new daughter, Christy Lee, were released Monday from Coke County Memorial Hospital where the baby was born Jan. 6. Mrs. H. L. Scott is taking a few days off from the store this week to help care for the new granddaughter.

WALKER-STATE WELL AT SILVER RATES 517 BBLS

One of the highest producing wells ever brought in at Silver is Sun's J. B. Walker-State Unit B-1 which has been finaled for a 24-hour flow of 517.26 barrels of oil, no water. Location is on the south bank of the Colorado River on the southwest edge of the Jameson field. Royalty is owned by J. B. Walker and the State of Texas under an unitization agreement.

Production is from Strawn sand topped at 5,933 feet and bottomed at 6,038 feet. A top pay section of 12 feet was treated with 2,000 gallons of sand oil and two lower sections were fractured with 4,000 gallons.

Production was through a 1/4-inch choke with pressures of 1,025 pounds on the tubing and 1,125 pounds on the casing. Gas-oil ratio 1,290-1.

Baker-Taylor Drilling Co. had the contract and moved to J. B. Walker No. 11 on the south side of the river. Surface casing was seated at 504 feet and it was drilling Wednesday at 1,595 feet in shale and lime.

Another new Sun producer is J. B. Walker A-5 completed for a 24-hour flow of 378.59 barrels of oil, no water. Gauge was through a 1/4-inch choke with 725 pounds of pressure on the tubing and 675 pounds on the casing. Gas-oil ratio was 1,238-1.

Three pay sections in the sand from 5,908 to 5,994 feet were fractured with 4,000 gallons of sand oil.

Empire had the contract and moved rotary to Sun C. E. Mathers 45 where surface casing was seated at 511 feet. It was drilling Wednesday at 1,116 feet in shale and anhydrite.

Sun No. 37 Mathers was drilling at 6,240 feet in shale and sand. It will continue to the reef and core.

Sun Tub E-2 is continuing on test after flowing 71.7 barrels of load oil and no water during 24 hours. Gauge was through a 12/64th inch choke. Tubing pressure was 375 pounds and casing pressure 600 pounds. Gas-oil ratio 1,750-1. Pay sections in the sand have been fractured, the last treatment of 2,000 gallons being used from 5,933 to 5,945 feet.

Ray-Harris Drilling Co. was the contractor and moved to Sun Mathers 44. It was waiting on cement after seating surface casing at 521 feet.

Sun No. 1 Victor McCabe, two miles north of Silver, was drilling Wednesday at 3,690 feet in shale and lime.

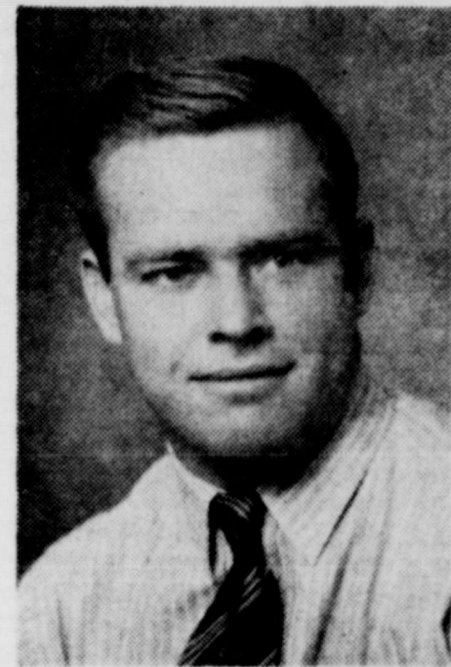
Sun Mathers 43 was treated with 5,000 gallons of acid in the lime from 6,420-42 feet. During 14 1/2 hours it flowed 40.7 barrels of load oil. Tubing pressure 260, casing pressure 500 pounds. Gas-oil ratio 6,900-1.

DEATH OF STONE BABY

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Stone, young Robert Lee couple, mourn the death of their first child, a son. The infant failed to live after being born by a Caesarean section Wednesday night of last week at a San Angelo hospital.

Funeral services occurred here Thursday afternoon and burial was in the Robert Lee cemetery under direction of Clift Funeral Home.

Mr. Stone is a field clerk in Sun Oil Company's production department at Silver. The couple has resided in Robert Lee since early last fall.



CHARLES DENNIS

DENNIS QUILTS COACHING JOB

At a meeting of the Robert Lee school board Tuesday night of last week the resignation of Charles Dennis, athletic coach, was accepted. It is to become effective at the close of the school year.

While Dennis only had a one year contract, Supt. B. C. Goodwin says it is customary for teachers to resign if they do not wish to be considered for re-election.

Dennis is completing his third year in Robert Lee and his football teams have made good showings. Many fans, however, have felt that material the past season was exceptionally good and the Steers should have finished better than fifth in their conference.

School directors have named a Citizens Advisory Committee composed of 24 persons. The group will meet in the near future to discuss school matters and a panel discussion for the general public will be held later.

Annual Meeting Of UCRA Here Jan. 22

L. T. Youngblood of Bronte, UCRA chairman, announces that the annual meeting of Directors of the Upper Colorado River Authority will be held Thursday, Jan. 22, at 3 p. m., in the director's room of the Robert Lee State Bank.

Mr. Youngblood states usual matters of business will be given attention and officers are to be elected.

Frank Cannon of San Angelo is vice president of the organization, and G. C. Allen of Robert Lee is secretary treasurer.

Other directors include R. E. Bruce, C. S. Coleman, Rufus W. Foster, W. D. Holcombe, Cumbie Ivey, and H. C. Ragsdale.

BIRTHDAY PARTY

Mrs. Jack Brock entertained Tuesday night at a party honoring her husband's 24th birthday. Canasta and 42 games were played. Refreshments included birthday cake, coffee and Cokes. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Copeland, Jr. and Mrs. Harold Sheppard, Mr. and Mrs. Frankie Percifull, and Mrs. Jerome Sheppard.

BIRTHS

BYRNE — Mr. and Mrs. Leon Byrne (Nadine Boatright), young ranch couple southwest of Robert Lee, are parents of a son born Dec. 2, 1952, at a San Angelo hospital. Jimmy Ray weighed 7 pounds, 13 ounces at birth. He has a brother, Clyde, 4 years old. Grandparents are Mrs. F. E. Byrne and Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Boatright of San Angelo.

BCD TO SOLICIT NEW MEMBERS; NAME PROJECTS

A good attendance was on hand Tuesday noon at Mrs. Day's dining room for the first BCD luncheon of the new year. Bob Vaughan, new president, was in charge of the meeting and minutes of the previous meeting were read by the secretary, Mell Moody.

County Commissioners were guests at the luncheon. J. W. Service, BCD vice president, introduced Commissioners Ed Hickman of Edith, Howard Brock of Bronte and Claude Ditmore of Tennyson.

President Vaughan submitted a list of five candidates for directors who were accepted by a unanimous vote. They were Victor W. Jtek, Fred McDonald, Jr., Jeff Dean, A. J. Kirkpatrick and J. S. Ferrell.

Named as a membership committee were A. J. Kirkpatrick, Weldon Fikes, Fern Havins and J. S. Ferrell. They were urged to make a canvass of the community and report at the next meeting Jan. 26. T. B. Hicks was appointed to contact possible members among the farmers and ranchmen.

Vaughan said he had been contacted recently by Ralph Duncan, a representative of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce. The local BCD will take up the matter of affiliating with the WTCU within the next few weeks.

The president stated he would confer with directors for the purpose of making committee appointments. Among the committees he suggested were projects, highways, advertising, agriculture and livestock, trade extension, sanitation and health, civic affairs and fire prevention.

Members pointed out that among the projects they wished to have taken up in the near future were highway safety controls at one or more city street intersections, installation of natural gas, park and picnic ground at new city lake, improved telephone service which was promised when the company was given a recent increase in rates.

FLU EPIDEMIC IN 2ND WEEK

The flu epidemic continues into its second week in this locality. Dr. J. D. McDaniel, Robert Lee physician, says many of his patients have been very ill, and their ailment is diagnosed as genuine influenza with all the accompanying aches.

The Coke County Memorial Hospital here has been crowded for more than two weeks. Thirteen patients were in the institution Wednesday morning. Bronte's hospital is filled, too.

School was dismissed in Bronte Wednesday noon of last week and remains closed this week. The Robert Lee schools did not close, although 42 pupils were out because of illness Tuesday and Wednesday. It amounts to 12% of the enrollment, according to Supt. B. C. Goodwin.

Flu victims in Robert Lee have been so numerous that The Observer is unable to compile a list.

BASKET BALL TOURNAMENT

Robert Lee high school will be host to an invitational basketball tournament next weekend. First round games start Thursday night. Both boys and girls teams will take part.

Will Discuss Motor Vehicle Registration

A meeting will be held in the Tom Green County Court House Thursday, Jan. 15, at 8 p.m. with personnel of the local motor vehicle dealers, finance companies, banks, wrecking yards, etc., to discuss procedure used in obtaining registration and Certificate of Title on motor vehicles and attendant problems.

The number of vehicles registered annually in Texas has now reached 3,385,000 and is expected to increase. It is the desire of the Texas Highway Department to coordinate the work of these business firms, the county tax collector and the Motor Vehicle Division in order to render the best possible service to the public.

All interested persons in the San Angelo area are invited to attend the meeting Jan. 15.

TEXAS GAS TAX IS LOWER THAN NEARBY STATES

(Editor's Note—This is another of a series of articles containing information gathered by the Highway Policy Committee of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce.)

Although most of the \$1.8 billion spent on road by Texas from 1940 through 1951 was provided through the motor fuel tax, Texas' 4-cent per gallon levy is lower than the rates assessed in Louisiana, Oklahoma, Arkansas and New Mexico.

The state receives most of its highway money from the gasoline tax, after remission of millions of dollars annually.

Gasoline taxes levied by Texas and four adjacent states compare as follows: Louisiana, 7 cents per gallon; Oklahoma, 6.5 cents; Arkansas, 6.5 cents; New Mexico, 6 cents; Texas, 4 cents.

The Texas rate has been stationary since 1929. The state first levied a gasoline tax in 1922—one cent per gallon, with one-fourth going to schools and three-fourths cent to roads. In 1927 the Legislature raised the rate to three cents and then reduced it to two cents. It was made 4 cents per gallon in 1929.

The Texas gasoline tax may be refunded to non-highway users, upon proper application.

In the year ended August 31, 1950, a total of \$17,014,869 was refunded. This was 16.3 per cent of the total gross receipts from the tax.

In that year Texans paid a gross total of \$104,453,081. After refunds, the net receipts totaled \$87,438,212. This was divided as follows: roads, 2.6 cents per gallon; schools, 1 cent; bond assumption, 4 cent.

Largest group of refunds, \$11,251,244, went to farmers. Next was export with \$1,789,095 and aircraft with \$1,758,377.

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RUSSELLS OBSERVE 4TH ANNUAL CEREMONIAL OF CLOCK WINDING

Mr. and Mrs. Cortez Russell observed their fourth annual ceremonial clock winding anniversary Saturday, Dec. 27, at their home in Robert Lee.

The guest list included relatives, a large number of home-town friends and a few close friends and relatives from out of town.

Mrs. Bruce Clift and Mrs. Allan Davis, sister and niece of Mrs. Russell, assisted Mr. and Mrs. Russell in receiving guests. Mrs. Carroll Russell was in charge of the leather-bound, permanent register, a book which contains the autographs of every person who has ever attended the ceremonial winding and is to be handed down with the clock.

When all were assembled, Mrs. Russell spoke a welcome to the guests, related the history of the 400-day clock and stated the purpose of the annual observance.

Marvin Simpson, Jr., nephew of Mrs. Russell, wound the clock, and the Rev. Ray Lee, pastor of the Robert Lee Methodist Church, gave the prayer. With Mrs. Russell at the piano, Mrs. Otto Wojtek and Mrs. Bryan Yarbrough sang "Dear Hearts and Gentle People," "I Passed by Your Window" and "The Way You Look Tonight." The entire group joined in singing sacred numbers, concluding with "Blest Be the Tie."

Using a projector, the Russells

showed natural-color pictures of scenes visited on their trip through areas of the Pacific Northwestern states and Canada last September.

Refreshments of cookies, nuts, mints, punch and coffee were served from the dining table, which was laid with a cut work linen cloth and featured an artistic arrangement of flowers and multicolored Christmas balls as a background for the confections. Mrs. Marvin Simpson poured punch, and Mrs. Allan Davis poured coffee.

Although Mr. and Mrs. Russell are not natives of Robert Lee, they are long-time, honored citizens of the town. Mr. Russell is president of the Robert Lee State Bank and Mrs. Russell has given many years of service as pianist at the Robert Lee Methodist Church and at school affairs in this locality.

Dear Mr. Kirk:

I want to apologize to you and to the Russells for being late with this write-up. Unavoidable circumstances caused the delay.—J. N. Y.

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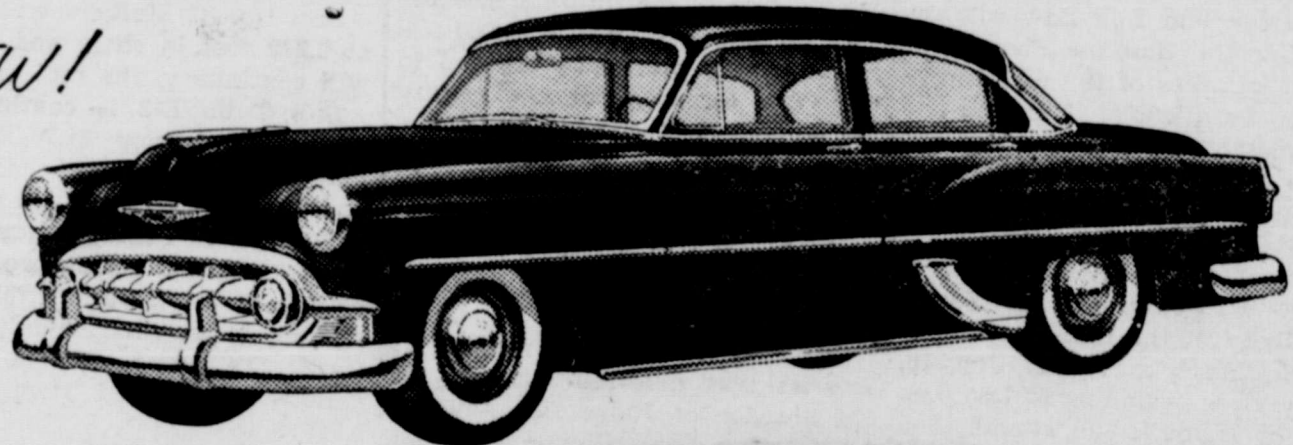


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SILVER NEWS

By Mrs. John T. Stewart

PICTURES OF HOLY LAND

Dr. D. P. Malone of Big Spring toured the Holy Land and took pictures of his trip. He has consented to show them to all interested persons at the Silver Baptist Church, January 18 at 7:30 p. m. They show the birth place of Christ and the place of the resurrection.

Dr. Malone is a deacon in the First Baptist Church of Big Spring and we are hoping there will be a good turnout for this wonderful showing of the Holy Land.

P. T. A. MEETING

The Silver P. T. A. met Jan. 8 at 3 p. m. at the school house. Reports of the delegates who went to McMurry College in Abilene were given and Rev. R. Sparks spoke on "My Home Town."

Holiday visitors of Miss Donna Jameson were Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hays of San Angelo. Guests of Susie and Billie Fred Jameson were Jannette Todd, Thelma Lamb of San Angelo, Clifford Wilson of San Saba, David Kinard, Phil Orman and Paul L. Crenshaw of Colorado City.

Guests of the H. H. Jamesons were Mrs. J. L. Legg of Kermit. Larry Legg visited Glynn and Larry Jameson while Jamie Lou Legg visited Jo Nan Price.

Mrs. H. H. Jameson has as her guest her brother, Francis Adams, of Hawthorne, Calif. He is enjoying seeing and talking with old friends of Silver.

Mrs. Roy Overturf is recovering from an appendectomy at Root Memorial Hospital, Colorado City. Mr. Overturf is employed at Sun Gas Plant at Silver.

An addition in the J. B. Jacobs family is a boy weighing 8 pounds, 1 ounce, born at the Colorado City hospital. Mr. Jacobs is an engine operator at Sun gas plant.

Miss Loretta Gullette returned Saturday from Joplin, Mo., where she was ill. She has resumed her duties as teacher at the Silver school.

Word has been received here that the Screws family is having a run of bad luck. It is reported that Mrs. Pete Screws and all children but Ann are in the hospital suffering from measles.

Ronnie Lyle, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Lyle, has been ill with the chicken pox.

Miss Mary Ann Snyder has returned to school after an illness.

Miss Beth Newell is ill at her home now with a bad case of hoarseness.

Mrs. Earle Davis has been in Root Memorial Hospital at Colorado City

suffering from flu.

Everyone in Silver is already feeling proud just watching the construction beginning on the improvements at the Silver School.

Mrs. Irene Newell is substituting for Mrs. Gassiot who is ill at her home with flu.

"Curley" McKennon fell and when he hit the ground a slight concussion of the nerves and brain resulted. There is a numbness of the left side of his face and left arm and he has a badly wrenched back. Mr. McKennon is in the Colorado City hospital in room 10.

Mrs. "Bea" Anderson has been ill a few days with cold but is able to be back at the store today.

Miss Juanita Sparks, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Ray Sparks, is still on the sick list. She attends the Lake View High School of San Angelo.

Mrs. Dove Millican is in the Robert Lee Hospital ill and may have to remain for a period of two weeks.

Visiting the R. L. Martindales over the weekend were the Jack Bolt's of Snyder.

The T. E. L. Class sorted and boxed the used clothing brought in during the past week. They wish to thank all those donating and there will be a barrel in the store indefinitely and more will be sent to Korea from time to time.

SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

The Silver School will use this menu for next week:

Monday, Jan. 19

Liver strips, cheese wedges, mixed greens, steamed rice, apple sauce cake, sweet milk.

Tuesday, Jan. 20

P.P. roast beef, browned potatoes, pineapple, apple, carrot salad, oranges, whole wheat bread and oleo, sweet milk.

Wednesday, January 21

Bacon wrapped potatoes with cheese topping, tossed salad, stewed prunes, plain muffins, hot bread, oleo, sweet milk.

Thursday, Jan. 22

Baked ham loaf, french green beans, potatoes in jacket, peach cottage cheese salad, cookies, hot bread and oleo, sweet milk.

Friday, Jan. 23

Pinto beans, ham seasoning, fried cabbage, relish, onions, cherry roll, hot cornbread, oleo sweet milk.

Coach Black

Wrought iron, used indoors, is generally coated with Coach Black, which is a black pigment ground in Japan varnish. One coat usually covers very well. It can be left as it dries—dull—or can be given a high gloss with an additional coating of interior varnish. Before applying the Coach Black, make sure that the surface is clean and free from grease and rust.

Local Youths Enter Houston Stock Show

Norman Roberts, Milburn Wink and Billy Carwile, F. F. A. youths of Robert Lee High School, will be exhibitors in the Houston Fat Stock Show Feb. 4 through 15.

Roberts and Carwile will each show Hereford steers, while Wink has entered two steers.

Last year's grand champion of the Houston Show was exhibited by a Mason county youth. It was bought by Bill Williams, Houston restaurant man, for \$18,000.

HD COUNCIL REPORT

A called meeting of the Home Demonstration Clubs County Council was held here Monday with six members and the County Agent in attendance. Three clubs were represented. The new president, Mrs. C. E. Arrott, was in charge of the opening exercise entitled "Climbing to the Top of the Ladder."

Minutes of the previous meeting were read by Mrs. Lowell Roane, new secretary. Council meeting hereafter will be held the second Tuesday of each month from 2 to 4 p. m. in the agent's office.

Standing rules for 1953 were read and approved. Gladys Waldrop was elected new T. H. D. A. chairman for the council. — Mrs. Wilson Bryan, Reporter.

Personals

Mr. and Mrs. John Brown and their son, Dale and his wife, returned last Thursday from a week's trip to South Texas. They visited their son and brother, Pritchard Brown and wife, at Dedmita and also went to Harlingen and other points in that locality. Pritch is an engine operator 1st class at the Sun Field gasoline plant, having been transferred there a short time ago from Silver.

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Personals

Mrs. Ralph Garvin received word in a recent letter from her son, John L. Bruton, that he spent Christmas with his cousin, M/Sgt. Merle Day, and family in Japan. The latter is stationed at Johnson AFB, 20 miles from Tokyo. John L. recently arrived in Japan as a member of the crew of the USS Carson which docked at Yokosuka. He expects to be in Japanese waters for several months.

Mrs. James E. Hillman and year-old daughter, Mary Linda, arrived Monday night from Alexandria, Va., for an extended visit in the home of the former's parents, Editor and Mrs. A. J. Kirkpatrick. They made the trip by air, leaving Washington, D. C. at 1 p. m. and arriving in San Angelo seven hours later.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Peays are spending considerable time this winter at Evant where they leased grassland and moved their livestock. Their son, Tom, Jr., of San Jon, N. that area where he has pasture un-Mex., has also moved his cattle to der lease. A son-in-law and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peays, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Green, bought ranch land at Evant early last summer and have since operated their place. Grazing is good in that locality, the Robert Lee family reports.

Fred Bruce Parker of Stephenville is here for a week's visit with his grandparents, Sheriff and Mrs. Paul Good. Fred Bruce advised The Observer editor that he comes from Erath County. Also that he will be six years old in February and will be starting to school next year. He's a live young ranchman.

S/Sgt. L. C. Day left Monday night for Camp Stoneman, Calif., from which point he will go to Japan, and hopes to be stationed near his brother, M/Sgt. M. E. Day, in the Tokyo area. L. C. is serving his second enlistment in the Air Force and has been trained as a weather observer. He was recently stationed at Chanute Field, Ill., and has been here three weeks visiting in the home of his mother, Mrs. Hattie Day.

GAIN IN POSTAL RECEIPTS

Receipts of the Robert Lee post office increased \$855.66 last year, according to Postmaster H. S. Lewis, Jr. The gain was steady throughout the year, with each quarter having an increase in excess of \$200. Receipts amounted to \$8,216.30 during 1952, compared to \$7,360.64 during the previous year. The new figure will advance Robert Lee to a Second Class Post Office if prevailing regulations are not changed. Much of the increase is due to higher postage rates, although Mr. Lewis says the holiday mail volume was larger this year than ever before.

SUNSHINE 4-H CLUB

The Robert Lee Sunshine 4-H girls met Jan. 8 at 2:15 p.m. Our leaders, Joyce King and Bennie Wyatt, showed us how to select patterns for the 4-H Dress Revue. Our assignment for the next meeting is to purchase patterns and fabrics. There were 33 members and our leaders present. The meeting adjourned at 3 o'clock.—Jerry Sparks, Reporter.

Mrs. Mildred Livensparger of Mansfield, Ohio, writes: Dear Editor: Enclosed find \$2 for another year of the "Home Town News." I look forward each week for it to arrive and hope I don't miss a copy." Mrs. Livensparger is a niece of Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Anderson of Silver.

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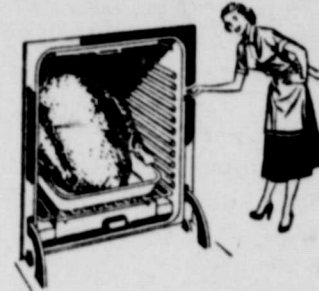
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50th Anniversary Of Ford Motor Co.

Ford Motor Company is 50 years old this year.

To mark its 50th anniversary, the company has planned a series of commemorative events during 1953.

Highlight of the anniversary year will be dedication of the company's \$50,000,000 Engineering and Research Center in Dearborn, Mich. The ceremony is set for June 16, date of the company's incorporation in 1903. It will be followed by a state dinner to be attended by several hundred national figures.

On the same day, local company officials, Ford and Lincoln-Mercury dealers and their wives will attend anniversary banquets in 33 United States cities in which Ford maintains plants, parts depots, and sales offices.

A pictorial book, "Ford at Fifty" will be published by Simon and Schuster in April. A portrait of an

industrial enterprise taken in its 50th year, the book graphically depicts the American environment and the people who make possible the success and growth of such an institution.

Approximately 500,000 copies of the book will be produced. Each of Ford's 160,000 employes will receive one. The publication was edited by Joseph J. Thorndike, Jr., formerly managing editor of "Life," and was written by Joe McCarthy, former managing editor of "Cosmopolitan." Pictures for the book were taken by several noted photographers including Philippe Halsman, "Life" cover photographer.

Theme of the anniversary, "Fifty Years Forward on the American Road," will be featured in a two-hour television show and an hour-long radio broadcast the evening of June 15.

The telecast will be carried on two major networks. The show will be produced by Leland Hayward, who presented such Broadway hits as "South Pacific."

Lt. Towner Leeper Weds Oklahoma Girl

First Lieut. Towner Leeper and Miss Lafonne Massad were united in marriage at 10 a. m. December 31 at Blessed Sacrament Church in Lawton, Okla.

The informal ceremony was witnessed by relatives and a few guests. Miss Marjorie Massad attended her sister as maid of honor. Best man was McCelvey Jones of Stephenville, a former roommate of the bridegroom at the University of Texas.

The bride is an attractive resident of Altus, Okla., and attended college in her home state. She recently was employed in Oklahoma City.

The bridegroom is the younger son of Mr. and Mrs. Palmer Leeper of Robert Lee and a graduate of Sweetwater High School. He received a Bachelor of Arts degree at the University of Texas. Two years ago he was called to active duty and far

the past 20 months has been stationed at Fort Sill, Okla., where he is a First Lieutenant with the Military Police. He had previous military service.

The couple spent a two weeks' honeymoon in New Mexico. Lieut. Leeper expects to be released from service the first of February when he and his bride will move to Austin where he will study tax law at the University of Texas starting Feb. 5. They will reside at 2001 Whitis.

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J. J. S. Smith of Sweetwater has forwarded a renewal to The Observer their fourth annual subscription to J. R. Smith of San Antonio.

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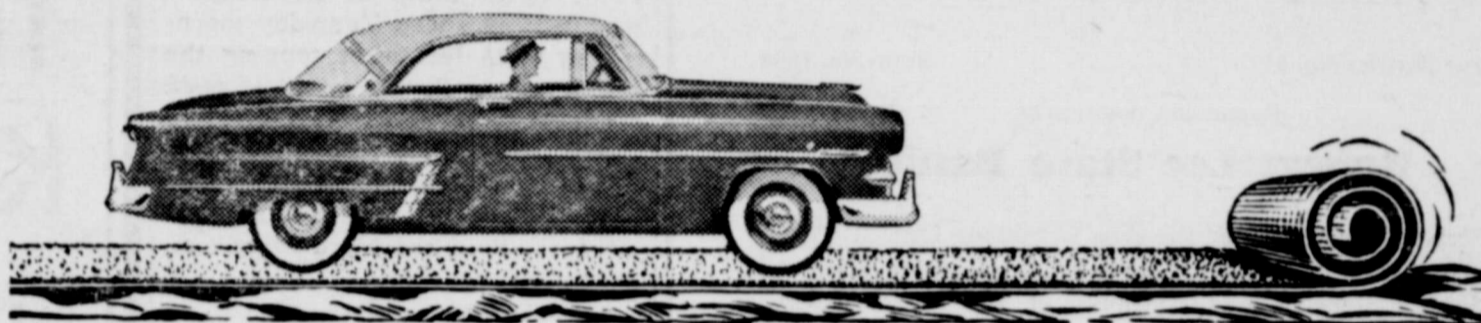
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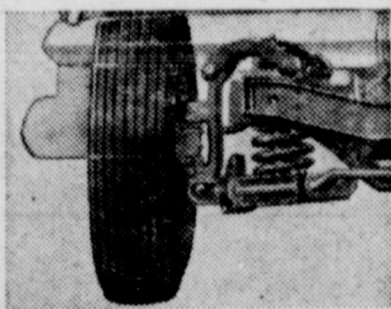
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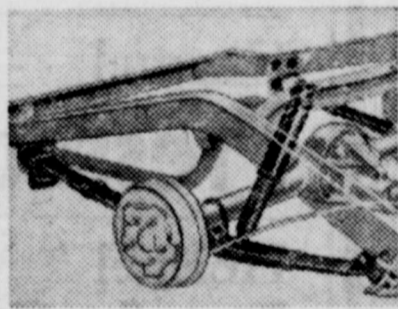


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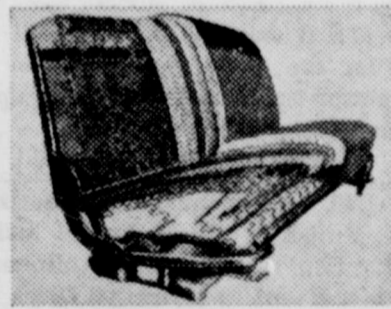
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