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### SIX TEACHERS TO ENROLL FOR **SUMMER WORK**

Teachers in the Robert Lee public schools have a wide variety of plans for the summer, with a number of them expecting to take summer work at college. The trend is underway for teachers to equip themselves with a Master's Degree. It adds considerable to their annual salary.

One popular teacher, who is giving up the profession after many years, is Miss Eunice McLure. She will be married in the near future, and has gone to her home at Palestine to complete wedding arrangements. Miss McLure, 6th Cpl. Greathouse Is grade instructor, has been teaching at Robert Lee 19 years.

DARTER TO H-SU

Miss LaVerne Darter left Saturday to spend a week with her parents at Munday. She will enroll at Hardin-Simmons University for the summer.

Miss Darter appears to have been one of the hardest working teachers in the local school system. In addition to her classroom work as commercial teacher she has had many outside activities. She was sponsor of the Senior class, sponsor for the school annual, coached man. girls athletics, directed the Senior play, taught the auto driving class,

Jack Brock, busy high school English teacher, also goes to H-SU, as will Mrs. Sam Poweil, primary teacher.

Mrs. P. E. Webb will study this summer at Abilene Christian College and Mrs. Melrose Russell at McMurry.

Jack Gray, band director, is also planning to take summer work, but has not decided where.

Carter Dibrell will complete his job as vocational ag teacher the end of June. His present plans are to spend the next year taking graduate work at Texas A & M.

### **Bronte Oil Man Accident Victim**

BRONTE, (Special)-William M. Looney, 35, long-time employee of the Humble Oil Co., died instantly at 8:45 a.m. last Friday when the pickup he was driving hit a guy ing off the cab.

Mr. Looney, recently elected to the Bronte School trustee board, Pinkney J. Webb had been a Bronte resident two years.

He, his wife, and 13-year-old son, Douglas resided at the Humble camp here.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Bronte Church of Christ. Burial was at Rising Star.

### **Coke County** Hospital News

May 20 - Fred Campbell admit-

May 21 - Diane Mitchell admitted. Mrs. Curtis A. Dukes dismis-

May 22 - Mrs. Dick Skipworth admitted. Diane Mitchell dismissed. May 23 — Paul Tinkler admitted. May 24—Mrs. C. A. Dukes, Bruce Allen admitted. Paul Tinkler, Mrs. Dick Skipworth, Mrs. Betty Neagle

dismissed. May 25 - Fred Campbell dismis-

sed. May 26 - Mrs. Joe Dodson, Sr., Mrs. J. B. Walker, Jr., Mrs. M. M. Sparks, G. A. Harmon admitted.



## Stationed in N. C.

CHERRY POINT, N. C.-Marine Corporal Billy R. Greathouse, 21, son of Mrs Frances Greathouse, Robert Lee, Texas, has recently reported to the Marine Corps Air Station here after completing radio repairmans school in San Diego,

Here at Cherry Point Greathouse has been assigned to Marine Air Control Group-1 of the Second Marine Air Wing as a radio repair-

A 1948 graduate of Gorman High School, Gorman, Texas, he entered the Marine Corps in 1952 and received his recruit training at San Diego, Calif. He is also a graduate of Ranger Junior College, Class of 1950, where he received an Associate of Arts Degree.

Prior to entering the Marine Corps he was employed by the Yucca Construction Co.

### Call Jury For **County Court**

The June term of County Court for Coke County will open next Monday, June 1, with Judge Jeff Dean presiding.

A panel of petit jurors ordered to report at 10 a.m. Monday includes Earl Frank Glenn, H. A. Springer, Melvin Bahlman, Arthur Tubb, T. B. Hicks, J. C. Wallace, Jr., A. V. Sheppard, Noah Pruitt, C. G. Walker.

Also David Key, Bobbie Baker, Arnold Ball, Sam Powell, Homer Carwile, T. F. Sims, Jr., Ernest wire from a "cleanout" rig, shear- Ivey, Rome Richards, Bob Vaughan.

## **Buried In Angelo**

Funeral services were held at 2 p m. Thursday, May 21, for Pinkney Joel Webb, 79, from the Cox Funeral Chapel in San Angelo. Mr. Webb, who died Wednesday at the Shannon. Hospital, was the father of C. N. Webb of Tennyson. Burial was in the Fairmount Cemetery in San Angelo.

Mr. Webb was born July 1, 1873 at Beeville. He was a ranchman and later went into the hotel business. He had been a resident of San Angelo for 60 years.

He is survived by two sons, Carlos C. of Roswell, N. Mex., and C. N. of Tennyson; a daughter, Mrs. Katherine Hughes of St. Paul, Minn.; two brothers; seven grandchildren and three great grandchil-

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Varnadore returned Thursday of last week to ed to San Marcos Sunday, returntheir home at Mena, Ark. They ing the following day with their were accompanied by their daughter, Harriett, who completed ter-in-law, Mrs. Royce Smith, and her freshman year at San Marcos little son, James Royce, Jr.

### TWISTERS LOSE TO TEXON BY SCORE OF 9-6

Robert Lee Rabbit Twisters lost their opening Concho League base ball game here Sunday to the Texon Oilers. The score was 9 to 6.

John Conley started on the mound for the locals. He got by the first inning in good shape, but ran into trouble in the second frame. After four scores had been tallied by Texon, Jack Ray took over the hurling duties and Conley went to short.

Ray fanned the next batter for the third out. The Twisters got their first run in the opening inning. Pete Hickman was safe at second when the left fielder dropped his long fly, and went to third on an overthrow. Hickman went home when the third baseman juggled Conley's hot grounder.

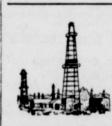
Robert Lee had two men on in the second and a pair of tallies were to retire the side.

In the fourth inning Ray scored in the fifth. He led off with a east of Silver. sharp single and Conley followed suit. Roberts scored when the second baseman errored on Ronnie Baker's grounder.

The home club tied up the score at 6-all in the sixth. Hickman beat out an infield hit and Conley hit safely to right. Stewart brought them home with a safe blow to right.

Ray's arm gave out and he was relieved by John Stewart after walking two to start the sixth. The visitors, added two scores in the eighth inning and one more in the last frame, making the final score

Billy Mac Varnadore got three hits for Texon. Conley got three and Stewart two for Robert Lee.



Notes From The Oil Field

J. J. Lynn 1 Kresta, wildcat 11/2 miles west of Robert Lee, drilling Wednesday night at 5,366 feet in shale. No shows.

Stanolind 1 L. T. Youngblood north of Bronte, 5,276 feet in Strawn lime and shale.

Honolulu 1 C. N. Webb, south of Tennyson, 4,325 feet in sand and

Liedtke & Liedtke 1-68 March, 16 miles south and west of Robert Lee, 4,540 feet in shale and sand.

### MEMORIAL DAY SATURDAY

Saturday, May 30, will be observed as a legal holiday all over the nation. No program is planned in Robert Lee. Public offices, the bank and the pest office will be closed, but Robert Lee stores will be open as usual.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Porter motor-

### BCD ANNOUNCEMENT

At Monday's luncheon meeting of the Robert Lee Board of Comto hold only one meeting a month during the next three months. They IN GOOD SHAPE will be held at 8 p.m. the second Tuesday of each month at the County Ag Building. Mrs. Hattie Day advised the group that she was discontinuing serving meals after 27 years.

### S. S. CLASS LUNCHEON

Last Saturday morning the senior adult class of the Baptist Church of which Mrs. Hawley Allen is teacher, motored out to the beautiful ranch home of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Chumley for a covered dish luncheon and fellowship meeting. Sixteen ladies were present.

### SUN 3 McCABE FINALED FOR 123 BARRELS

The North Jameson field of averted when Ray was robbed of southeastern Mitchell county has a hit in center field. The bases were been extended 3/8 mile northeast the oil play, Coke County's entire loaded in the third when Hickman with the completion of Sun 3 Victor property valuation was \$4,183,535. was safe on an error. Conley drew McCabe. The well was finaled for Last year it was more than four a walk and John Stewart singled a daily flowing potential of 123 barto left, but the next batter fanned rels of 44.1 gravity oil, no water, with gas-oil ratio 1,001-1.

Production was through a 13/64 Frankie Percifull ahead of him on inch choke from perforations 5,914a home run clout over the left 26 feet and 5,963-98 feet in 51/2 inch fielder. Texon counted once in the casing set at 6,049 feet in Strawn fifth and again in the sixth to run sand. Tubing pressure was 325 their score to six. Norman Rob- pounds, casing pressure 600 pounds. erts added a tally for Robert Lee Location is 21/2 miles north and

> Sun 4 McCabe was drilling Wednesday at 4,630 feet in shale.

Sun A-2 Beatrice Anderson, south of Sun 1 McCabe, perforated a second sand section 5,988-6,004 feet. During 18 hours it flowed 165 barrels of oil (129 barrels of which was load oil) through an 11/64 inch choke. There was no water. Tubing pressure was 625 pounds, with packer on the casing. Gas-oil ratio

Sun Tubb C-2 drilling in shale and sand at 5,085 feet.

Sun J. B. Walker A-6 cemented surface string at 507 feet and was drilling Wednesday at 1,225 feet in shale and anhydrite. Morris & Hamilton has the contract.

Sun Central National Bank B-1 in shale at 4,865 feet.

Sun Mathers-Walker-State Unit 1 drilling in shale and lime at 2,400 feet. Baker-Taylor is the contractor.

J. Q. Counts and his family are moving this week to the Collins Ranch in the west end of the county. For the past seven months they have resided at San Saba where J. Q. was looking after sheep and cattle owned by the Collins family.

ARLEDGE - Mr. and Mrs. Joe Arledge, Jr. (Geraldine Youngblood) of Sanco are parents of an 8plound son born May 26 in the Linda and Carol. Mrs. W. W. promptly. Youngblood of Blackwell is the grandmother.

MATHERS - A son was born early May 27 to Mr. and Mrs. Upton Mathers of Seminole, Okla. The aby weighed 8 pounds and will be are to be congratulated. given the name of Kenneth. He has a brother, Rodney, 3 years old. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. George Ryon of Winslow, Ariz., and Mr. and Mrs. Ern Mathers of Silver. Upton and his family moved last year from Silver to Oklahoma where he is engaged in farming and injured several months ago in a stock farming.

## **COUNTY REPORT** munity Development it was voted SHOWS FINANCES

Coke County gained about \$80,000 in its cash balance during the year 1952, according to the annual report compiled by Niemeir Audit Company of Lubbock. During the same period it retired more than \$15,000

A comp'ete summary of the audit is published in this week's Robert Lee and Bronte newspapers. It is the first time in history that such a detailed statement of county finances has been made public. Thus for the first time taxpayers have he opportunity to learn where their money goes.

Coke County is getting into a good financial position because of the wonderful oil development which started in 1947. The gain in assessed valuation has been steady since that time. Back in 1946 before times that amount, and another increase of between 3 and 4 millions will occur in 1953.

Here's the way the county's tax-

ing va	aluation has increa	ased:
1947	***************************************	\$5,099,160
1948		. 6,630,270
1949	***************************************	. 9,059,300
1950		12,358,940
1951	***************************************	14,991,010
1952	***************************************	17,064,720

Overdrafts are being reduced and county officials predict there will be none at the end of this year. An overdraft of \$105,997 was charged against the Road and Bridge Fund on Jan. 1, 1951. It's down to 3 little over \$35,000 now. Two years ago the County General Fund was overdrawn \$39,729. At the end of 1952 it was less than \$2,000.

Attention is called to the Schedule of Receipts and Disbursements showing balances in the various funds; also the statement of Bonded and Warranted Indebtedness. Both are published on Page 6 of

On two preceding pages appear the detailed statements of receipts and disbursements of the several funds. For instance in the Road & Bridge Fund receipts there is the important item of \$39,962 having been received from sale of car tags. Expenditures from this fund were \$16,000 less than the receipts.

### HOSPITAL REPORT

And there is an interesting report Coke County Hospital which operated last year with requiring only \$3,507.94 in tax money. The institution has unpaid accounts amounting to \$11,501.35.

Mr. H. C. Allen, hospital board chairman, says a lot of that money should be collected. Often hospital bills remain unpaid for some time awaiting insurance adjustments. Then the intense drouth of the past two years is another factor which Sweetwater hospital. He has not made it impossible for some folks to been named. He has two sisters, take care of their hospital bills

### A GOOD REPORT

Coke County taxpayers will welcome publication of the financial report, and the public has the right to this information. County officials

According to his physician Fred Campbell is recovering in a satisfactory manner. He was in the hospital a few days recently when the casts were temporarily removed from his limbs. Fred was seriously car wreck south of Robert Lee.

### **Bronte Jubilant Over New Supply** Of Lake Water

BRONTE, - The Saturday night bath with plenty of water became a reality last week for citizens of this drouth-plagued town. \*

Water from the Oak Creek Lake began flowing through the city mains and into the lines leading into homes about 10 a. m. Saturday. The water had been coming in from the lake since Tuesday but not going into the city standpipe.

"There still are some minor details to work out and the water's a little muddy at the start, but we're in good shape now," Mayor H. O. Whitt said about an hour after the flow began.

Last year, the town had a water shortage from June into August and solved the problem by digging a seep hole near the Colorado River. This spring the river water became increasingly salty and could not be used for drinking purposes.

Mayor Whitt and L. T. Youngblood, president of the First National Bank here, went to Sweetwater May 8 to get permission of the city commission to use water from the Oak Creek Lake. Commissioners waived the waiting perdrawal and work began soon afterward to get the water, then at a low level, through a pipeline to Bronte.

The unsettled weather of May 11 12, which included the Lake View tornado, brought heavy rains on the Oak Creek watershed. The lake had about 400 acre feet of water in it May 8 and now has about 10,000.

Bronte is getting water from the lake through an agreement with the Upper Colorado River Authority (UCRA) for 600,000 gallons daily. The UCRA is being paid by the city over a 25-year period for the Texas, is visiting with his daugh-\$214,332 it spent in pipeline construction.

Milburn Daffern came out from Fort Worth for a weekend visit with his mother, Mrs. Paul Daffern, who is here helping care for her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Harmon.

Supt. and Mrs. B. C. Goodwin and daughter, Sue, returned Tuesday from a visit over the weekend with relatives in Fort Worth and Dallas.

### SILVER NEWS By Mrs. John T. Stewart

School is fast growing to a close with a program planned for Thursday night with each classroom giving a part and making it a great success. The faculty has worked hard to make this program a success and are to be commended.

The Juniors of the Baptist Training Union who attended Union three times in succession were given a banquet Monday night by their training union director, Mrs. Merle Jameson in the Baptist Educational building.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Davis and Billy are visiting his parents in Dallas. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Craig have returned from Shreveport, La., and are making their home in Colorado City. Mr. and Mrs. Craig were recently married in Texarkana.

John Reed was honored on his sixth birthday. Refreshments were iod usually required before with- served to fourteen boys on Friday. Gail Dean was given her sixth birthday party on May 26 at the ecreation hall.

> Hank Baker has returned from Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Mary Ann Snyder entertained the teen-agers of Silver and Colorado City with a Saturday night dance at the rec. hall.

Royce Abshire of Delhi, La., was a recent visitor here in the camp. Miss Loretta Gullette, third grade teacher, will board a plane for New York Thursday, so she can attend the graduation of a friend.

Mr. Dee Witcher of New London, ter and family, Mr. and Mrs. A. T.

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### Personals

Mr. and Mrs. V. P. Byrne were called to Rotan Tuesday to attend the funeral of their nephew, Francis Bigham, 35. He died Saturday evening from injuries received in a highway accident near Midland. Bigham was an oil field worker. Accompanying Mr. and Mrs. Byrne to Rotan were Mr. and Mrs. David Lowrance and Mrs. Nettie Daffern.

Wallace Clift was home for a visit over the weekend with his parents, Mr. a.nd Mrs. Bruce Clift. He has a responsible position with the State Department in Washington, D. C., and came to Robert Lee while on an official trip to Texas and Oklahoma.

A 1953 Buick owned by Mr. and Mrs. Ira Koskie was damaged to the extent of \$150 by fire last Friday. Soon after returning home from a trip down town, Mrs. Koskie noticed smoke pouring out from under the hood of the car. The fire department was called to extinguish the blaze which evidently was caused by faulty wiring.

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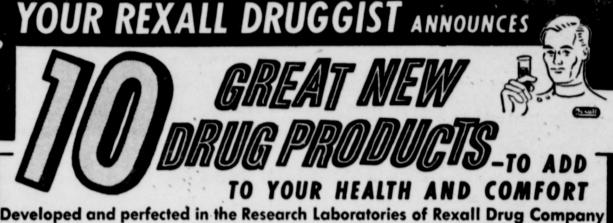
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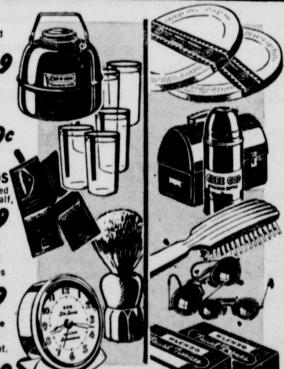
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### Personals

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Taylor left Friday for a visit overnight with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. J. Q. Counts, and children. The following day they went to Austin and were joined by their daughters, Patty and Dixie, who accompanied them to Weimar where they were guests of the Kent Goode family. Mrs. Goode is the former Ruth Ann Taylor. Patty and Dixie, who have been students at the University of Texas, returned to Robert Lee with their parents Monday. Patty graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in physical education. Dixie has completed two years at the University and will return for summer class work.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Heuvel and children returned Monday from a three weeks' vacation visit in Brenham, Houston and other points in South Texas. Mr. Heuvel is a pumper for Sun Oil Co. and resides in the Millican field west of Edith.

Foy Askins and family have gone to Berryville, Ark., for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Askins. Foy is taking a two weeks' vacation from his position as mechanic at the Vaughan Chevrolet

Eileen Vaughan is spending the week with friends in Eastland. A recent graduate of Robert Lee High School, Miss Vaughan plans to attend Texas Tech next year.

Mrs. B. F. Jeffries returned last week from a visit with her sister and family at Gardena, Calif. She was accompanied home by her two little nephews, Kenny and Randy Fair, who will spend the summer in Robert Lee.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Ewing of Fort Worth came out Friday for a weekend visit with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Porter, and family. Robert and Lewis Porter accompanied their grandparents to Fort Worth and will be employed by Mr. Ewinf on

construction work this summer. Mrs. B. A. Austin returned home Sunday and is recovering nicely from a recent major operation at Shannon hospital. She was dismissed from the hospital the middle of with relatives at Sterling City before continuing to Robert Lee.

Lieut. and Mrs. Jack Snead are here for a week's visit with home folks. Lieut. Snead has completed two months of combat training as a radar specialist at Kelley Field and is being transferred for more advanced training at Topeka, Kans. Before starting his new class, Jack will go to Nevada for a two weeks' survival course.

### FRIENDSHIP HD CLUB

The Friendship Home Demonstration Club observed National HD Week with a barbecue dinner May 15 at the Boy Scout Hut in Robert Lee. Mrs. Tom Rives presided at bers and seven visitors were pre-

### Sanco Ladies Have **New Club Officers**

The Sanco Home Demonstration Club met at the school house May 20 and reorganized. Regular meeting days will be the first and third Wednesdays at 2:30 p. m. The following officers were elected:

Pres., Mrs. Douglas Gartman. Vice Pr., Mrs. T. E. Pitcock. Sec.-treas., Mrs. Ernest Adkins. Delegate, Mrs. Jack Allard. Alternate, Mrs. Lindy Devoll. Clothing Demonstrator, Mrs. Al-

Foods Demonstrator, Mrs. Harvey Reid.

Reporter, Mrs. Ira M. Bird

Fred Bruce Parker of Stephenville is spending the week with his grandparents, Sheriff and Mrs. Paul Good. He is attending the Daily Vacation Bible School at the Baptist Church.

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### Here's Pointers On THE DRAFT LAW

### ARTICLE IV.

How does a local draft board consider a draft registrant's case when it comes before the board in the manner governed by law and regulations?

The members of a board sit around a table — and the file containing the man's papers are placed before it by the clerk.

The board then considers the man from the following standpoints, ba-

sed on information in the file:

1. Is he on active duty in the military service? (1-C)

2. Is he a conscientious objector who has been ordered to a civilian job? (1-W.)

3. Is he too old for service under the law? (5-A).

4. Can it be determined at the board level whether he is physically, mentally, or morally unfit for service? (4-F.)

5. Is he a minister of religion or divinity student? (4-D.)

6. Is he subject to exemption as an alien? (4-C.)

7. Is he a public official deferred by the law? (4-B.)

8. Is he a World War II veteran as defined by law? (4-A.)

9. Is he subject to deferment because of his dependents? (3-A.)

10. Is he eligible for deferment as a member of the armed forces reserve or a student taking military training? (1-D.)

11. Is he a student in a college or university deferrable under local board authority? (2-S).

12. Does he meet the requirements for farm or other civilian job deferment? (2-C and 2-A, respectively.)

13. Is he a college or high school student subject to deferment by law for a short period? (1-S.)

14. Is he one of the two types of conscientious objectors? (1-O and 1-A-O.)

If the evidence in the file indicates to the satisfaction of the local board that he is eligible for none of these, then the registrant is considered available for military service. (1-A.)

### HAYRICK HD CLUB

Mrs. L. C. Robbins was hostess to the members of the Hayrick Home Demonstration Club, Thursday, May 21, at 2:30 p.m.

Five members, two visitors and Miss Jonell Black, home demonstration agent, were present for the regular meeting.

A report of the last council meeting was given by the delegate, Gladys Waldrop. Mrs. J. W. Labenske gave a report on the observance of National H. D. Week. This was observed with an ice cream party for the community.

The program for the day was given by Miss Black on "Daily and Seasonal Storage."

The next meeting will be June 4 with Mrs. C. J. Robbins.

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## **Annual Report**

For Coke County for Year 1952, from January 1, 1952, to December 31, 1952, as taken from Coke County Annual Audit which was made by Niemeir Audit Company, of Lubbock, Texas.

### COKE COUNTY ANALYSIS OF ASSESSED VALUATION

YEAR	MOUNT
1948	6,630,270.00
1949	9,059,300.00
1950	 12,358,940.00
1951	 14,991,010.00
1952	 17,064,720.00

# COKE COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS 1952

Receipts:		
Taxes	23,561.45	
Auto Licenses	39,962.03	
Machine Hire	174.01	
Miscellaneous	43.70	
Fines-Fees	1,318.90	65,060.0
Total Available		\$14,077.6
Disbursements:		
Labor	15,234.18	
Gas, Oil & Grease	7,152.91	
Treasurer's Commission	1,064.15	
Repairs & Parts	10,848.41	
Lumber & Materials	3,127.54	
Blacksmithing & Welding	1,331.59	
Insurance—Group	461.85	
Commissioners' Salaries	6,765.25	
Commissioners' Expenses	2,400.00	
Pickup	450.00	
Water & Lights	55.04	
Payroll Taxes	325.40	49,216.3
Balance December 31, 1952		*\$35,138.68

# COKE COUNTY GENERAL FUND RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS 1952

Balance January 1, 1952		\$14,765.62
Receipts:		
Taxes	26,702.10	
Rent	150.00	
Miscellaneous Income	41.00	
Lease Rental	4,439.27	
Oil Royalty	272.54	
County Available—School Fund	3,195.00	34,799.9
TOTAL		\$20,034.26
Disbursements:		
Treasurer's Commission		
Miscellaneous Salaries	5,063.24	
Feeding & Conveying Prisoners	363.27	
Traveling Expense	1,638.08	
Rent	112.50	
Fees	49.75	
Witholding Tax	203.20	
Supplies & Miscellaneous Expense	1,132.57	
Telephone & Telegraph	77.00	
Election Expense	700.00	
Sheriff Car Expense	2,089.76	
Paupers	410.29	
Coke County Memorial Hospital	3,520.44	
Trappers & Bounty	817.00	
Thos. Y. Pickett	800.00	
Insurance	213.60	
Available School Fund	4,423.05	
Inquest	65.00	21,995.15
Balance December 31, 1952		*\$ 1,960.86

### COKE COUNTY

### JURY FUND RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

1952

Balance January 1, 1952	\$23,755.71
Receipts:	
Taxes	23,557.53
Total Available	\$47,313.24
Disbursements:	
Jurors\$	1,016.00
Court Reporter Salary	528.00
Treasurer's Commission	51.20
Bailiff	40.00

Court Reporting Expense	226.02	
Miscellaneous Expense	10.10	
Officers Salary Fund	5,000.00	
Thomas Y. Pickett	500.00	7,380.76

## COKE COUNTY COURTHOUSE & JAIL FUND RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

1952

Balance January 1, 1952		\$35,119.93
Receipts:	39,261.93	
Coke County Hospital Fund	10.19	
Refund-Hospital Air Conditioner	106.00	39,378.12
		<b>\$74.400.05</b>
Total Available		\$74,498.05
Disbursements:		
Labor\$	3,671.24	
Gas & Fuel	248.24	
Water	515.98	
Lights	576.48	
Telephone	1,048.28	
Repairs, Supplies & Miscellaneous	2,245.21	
Hospital Bonds & Interest	7,600.00	
Treasurer's Commission	249.00	
Office Supplies	3,248.23	
Auditing—County	475.00	
Rent	125.00	
Thomas Y. Pickett	2,189.40	
	1,906.00	
Transfer-Officers Salary Fund	5,000.00	29,098.06
Balance December 31, 1952		\$45,399.99

## COKE COUNTY LATERAL ROAD FUND RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

1952

Balance January 1, 1952		\$12,260.37
Receipts:		
State Comptroller\$	11,548.13	
Refund	15.13	11,563.26
Total Available		\$23,823.63
Disbursements:		
Labor\$	6,750.35	
Repairs & Supplies	3,340.02	
Gas & Oil	3,253.53	
Lumber & Material	2,678,20	Jany Tarnet.
Blacksmithing & Welding	247.01	
* Treasurer's Commission	155.00	16,424.11
Balance December 31, 1952		\$ 7,399.52

## COKE COUNTY ROAD BOND NO. 1 SINKING FUND RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

1952

Balance January 1, 1952 \$36,201.83

Receipts:
Taxes \$666.76

Total Available \$36,868.59

Disbursements:
Bonds \$1,000.00
Interest 500.00

Treasurer's Commission 45.30
Thomas Y. Pickett 500.00 2,045.30

\$34,823.29

## COKE COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE NO. 3 SINKING FUND RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

Balance December 31, 1952

1952

Balance January 1, 1952		\$18,962.54
Taxes		125.55
Total Available		\$19,088.09
Disbursements:		
Treasurer's Commission\$	8.35	
Interest	360.00	. 0
Thomas Y. Pickett	500.00	868.35
Balance December 31, 1952		\$18,219.74

# COKE COUNTY COKE COUNTY FUNDING FUND RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS 1952

Balance January 1, 1952	\$24,122.45
Receipts:	

Taxes	12,563.80
Total Available	\$36,686.25
Disbursements:	
Bonds\$ 1,000.00	
Interest	
Treasurer's Commission	
Thomas Y. Pickett 500.00	1,786.95
Balance December 31, 1952	\$34 899 30

### COKE COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE SPECIAL FUND RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

1952		
Balance January 1, 1952	***************************************	\$19,145.27
Taxes	\$23,557.53	
Time Warrants		
County Wide Fund	3,359.95	
Road & Bridge Special No. 1	. 14.31	29,856.79
Total Available		\$49,002.06
Disbursements:		
Bonds & Interest	\$ 2,327.57	
Treasurer's Commission	. 228.90	
Warrants & Interest	20,737.09	
Permanent School Fund	3,000.00	
Trucks	. 3,925.00	
Available School Fund	. 1,570.00	31,788.56
Balance December 31, 1952		\$17,213.50

### COKE COUNTY OFFICERS SALARY FUND RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

1952

Balance January 1, 1952		\$ 7,619.11
Receipts:		
State Comptroller		
Fees-Sheriff & Collector	12,140.81	
Fees-County & District Clerk	3,778.71	
Fees-County Judge	169.50	
Fees-County Attorney	740.40	
R. S. Crum, Fees	138.00	
A. E. Bell, Fees	12.37	
C. E. Bruton, Fees	208.00	
Refund-Ruby Pettit	2.00	
Jury Fund	5,000.00	and and some
Courthouse & Jail	5,000.00	27,881.83
Total Available		\$35,500.94
Disbursements:		
County Judge's Salary	\$ 3,794.30	
County-District Clerk		
County Sheriff, Tax Collector, Salary	3,700.85	
County Attorney	1,896.35	
Sheriff Office Help	2,502.30	
County Clerk's Help	2,968.70	
Sheriff's Deputy		
Constable Salaries		
Justice of Peace Salaries		
Payroll Taxes	1,821.70	
Treasurer's Commission		
Insurance	···· OGRING	

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Ira M. Bird

### COKE COUNTY FARM TO MARKET ROAD FUND RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

1952

Receipts: Taxes—U. C. R. Funds	31,057.67
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Total Available	\$52,948.61
Disbursements:	
Labor\$ 1,789.00	
Posts	
Right of Way 2,012.50	
Lumber & Supplies	
Treasurer's Commission	6,949.59
Balance December 31, 1952	\$45.999.02

### COKE COUNTY MEMORIAL HOSPITAL ROBERT LEE, TEXAS BALANCE SHEET **DECEMBER 31, 1952**

#### **ASSETS**

Current Assets:		
Cash on Hand	\$ 70.97	
Cash in Bank		
Accounts Receivable—Schedule		10,553.43
Fixed Assets:		1.44
Hospital	\$77,796.28	
Lot		
Air Conditioners		
Hospital Equipment		110,520.20
Total Assets		\$121,073.63
LIABILITI	ES	
Payroll Taxes Payable	\$ 145.00	
Hospital Bonds		
Accounts Payable—Schedule		59,751.91
Surplus		61,321.72
Total Liabilities & Surplus	***************************************	\$121,073.63

### COKE COUNTY MEMORIAL HOSPITAL ROBERT LEE, TEXAS **INCOME & EXPENSES, 1952**

Income:		
Room Service\$	15,094.50	
Operating Room	1,374.50	
Laboratory Tests	1,000.00	
Delivery Room	385.00	
Dressing	632.15	-
Drugs	8,828.09	
X-Ray	1,418.44	Y
Sundries	85.23	
Staff Purchase	27.45	
Dr. Pepper	131.70	27
Coke County	3,507.94	
Deposits in Advance	15.00	
Anesthetics Fees	650.00	
Donation-Mrs. E. S. Cummings	200.00	
Oxygen Therapy	511.00	33,861.00
Food \$ Drugs	3,552.10	
Heat, Lights & Water	The second secon	- ± .
Telephone		
Replacements	597.95	
Refunds—Insurance & Deposits	125.50	
Laundry	1,526.24	
Office Supplies	311.31	
General Supplies	The second secon	
Salaries		4 # 12
Extra Salaries	941.49	
Anesthetics Fees	719.10	
Staff Purchase	13.75	
Administration Expenses	79.81	
Dr. Pepper	110.03	
Oxygen, Anesthetics & Supplies	372.55	0.1000.00
Household Expenses	379.71	34,886.93
Difference		*\$ 1,025.93

#### THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF COKE, ss

Before me the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Weldon Fikes, County Clerk, of Coke County, Texas, who being duly sworn, upon oath, says that the foregoing is true and correct as taken from the annual audit of Coke County and Coke County Memorial Hospital for the year 1952.

Weldon Fikes

County Clerk, Coke County, Texas

Sworn and subscribed before me, this 30th day of April, A. D. 1953.

Frank C. Dickey Notary Public in and for Coke County, Texas.

(Seal)

### **Organic Matter Is** Life Blood of Soil

Organic matter is the "life blood" of our soil is the statement made by A. V. Sheppard, Work Unit Conservationist with the Soil Conservation Service, assisting the Coke County Soil Conservation District. It has several purposes all of which are important in keeping the soil fertile and in good tilth. All of our soils were fairly high in organic matter at one time, but through long years of row crops in which very little was returned to the soil, the soils have become depleted of this all-important plant food. Likewise, the rangelands, through overgrazing, generally have far less organic matter than they originally

At present our soils average only about one percent or less in organic matter. The sandy soils average between .5 of 1 per cent and 1 per cent, and deep heavy clay soils range between 1 percent and 1.5 percent. In their virgin conditions, sandy soils contained 2 percent or more, and the deep heavy clay soils contained 3 percent or more. Depletion of organic matter is causing many of our farm ills in the Coke County Soil Conservation District, Sheppard said. Farms are blowing that didn't blow twenty years ago. Many fields are beginbare, sterile spots are beginning to ning to wash, to form gullies, and contour farming are two supportshow on the slopes. Terracing and ing practices which help to control this erosion; however, the organic matter in our soils needs building up. In fact organic matter is perhaps the most important tool the farmer or rancher has for building up his soil and preventing erosion on his land.

The importance of organic matter cannot be overstressed in conservation farming. It serves a multiple purposes by increasing the water intake into the soil, increasing the fertility, improving structure, preventing wind and water erosion, increasing water holding capacity, retaining water longer, causing the water to percolate deeper into the soil, reducing evaporation, and feeding soil organisms These are some of the more important functions performed by organic matter in our soils, Sheppard explained.

### ISN'T IT FUNNY

That so many business men will get up in the morning...refresh themselves with advertised fruit juice ... clean teeth with advertised brush and tooth paste ... shave with an advertised razor...wash with advertised soaps ... put on advertised underwear ... advertised hose, garters, shirt, collar and shoes .. seat themselves at a well advertised breakfast table . . . and eat advertised breakfast food and advertised bread....dring advertised tea, coffee or cocoa...light an advertised cigarette ... with an advertised match or lighter...go to the office in an advertised car...give letters to a typist who types on an advertised machine uses advertised carbons. .. signs the letters with an advertised pen ... AND-TURN DOWN a proposal to advertise ... on the ground that ADVERTISING DOESN'T PAY!!

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The young lover was obviously reeling out a heavy line trying to impress the beautiful young girl at his side. "Those warm lips. And those beautiful eyes! Where did you get those eyes?"

The girl answered, unimpressed, "They came with my head."

Racial Problem

"Dad, what is an inscutable smile?"

It's the kind, my son, your mother had on her face this morning when I told her that business might keep me out late tonight."

wow!



Little Nancy was playing with a group of very wild children when her horrified mother called her into the house. After a stern lecture on the subject of her wayward little playmates, the mother concluded

"Now, tell me dear, where do bad little girls go?"

Nancy smiled winsomely. "Everywhere," she replied.

#### AN OVERSIGHT

Mrs. MacGregor: Are you the young man who jumped into the river and hauled my son out when he fell through the ice? Young Man: Yes, ma'am. Mrs. MacGregor: Where's his

Reinforced Leaf

mittens?

"Your honor." said a lawyer, "this man beat his wife over the head with an oak leaf."

"An oak leaf!" the judge snorted. "An oak leaf couldn't hurt anybody."

"Your honor," pursued the lawyer. "It was an oak leaf out of the dining room table."

In Memory

Old North Church in Boston hangs two lanterns in its tower and holds "Battle Night Services" every year on the anniversary of Paul Revere's ride.

Long Lasting

When Tutankhamen's Egyptian tomb was opened, alabaster vases of unguents still were fragrant after being placed there nearly 3300 years earlier.

### Personals

T. C. McCutchen of Channel View, Texas, near Houston, was a business visitor in Robert Lee last Friday and while here signed up for a year's subscription to The Observer. Mr. McCutchen is engaged in the refrigeration business in South Texas. He figured Coke County should be a good field, too, as the mercury climbed to 106 the day he was here.

swimming at the municipal pool.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Wanker visited here a few days the last of the week with the latter's mother, Mrs. R. Gaines, and other relatives and friends. They departed Saturday for Hill City, Kans., where Mr. Wanker will operate a service station in his home town. He had been employed by Harry F. Bass drilling Co. Mrs. Wanker is the former Bertie Mae Gaines.

Mr. and Mrs. Jarvis Littlefield and children visited here the last of the week with Mrs. Littlefield's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Bilbo. Mrs. Dot Childress took six mem- They also visited his mother, Mrs. bers of her Junior Boys Sunday E. E. Watson, in Abilene. While in School class to San Angelo last Abilene the Littlefield's 10-months Thursday where they enjoyed old son, Ricky Mac, received medical treatment.

## S. E. (Skinny) Adams Oil Properties Insurance

Office in Cactus Hotel Annex TEXAS SAN ANGELO

### Coke County Schedule of Receipts and Disbursements 1952

Balances				Balances
Fund Jan. 1, 1952	Receipts	Totals	Disbursements	Dec. 31,1952
Road & Bridge*\$ 50,982.42	\$ 65,060.09	\$ 14,077.67	\$ 49,216.32	*\$ 35,138.65
General County* 14,765.62	34,799.91	20,034.29	21,995.15	*1,960.86
Courthouse & Jail 35,119.93	39,378.12	74,498.05	29,098.06	45,399.99
Officers Salary 7,619.11	27,881.83	35,500.94	25,980.00	9,520.94
Jury 23,755.71	23,557.53	47,313.24	7,380.76	39,932.48
Road & Bridge Special 19,145.27	29,856.79	49,002.06	31,788.56	17,213.50
Coke County Refunding 24,122.45	12,563.80	36,686.25	1,786.95	34,899.30
Road & Bridge No. 1 Sinking 36,201.83	666.76	36,868.59	2,045.30	34,823.29
Road & Bridge No. 3 Sinking 18,962.54	125.55	19,088.09	868.35	18,219.74
Lateral Road 12,260.37	11,563.26	23,823.63	16,424.11	7,399.52
Farm to Market Road 21,890.94	31,057.67	52,948.61	6,949.59	45,999.02
Road Bond No. 1 Special 14.31	0	14.31	14.31	0
County Wide Fund 3,359.95	0	3,359.95	3,359.95	0
Coke County Hospital 10.19	0	10.19	10.19	0
TOTALS\$136,714.56	\$276,511.31	\$413,225.87	\$196,917.60	\$216,308.27

# Indicates and Overdrawn Balance

### Coke County Bonded and Warranted Indebtedness

Issue	Date of Issue	Rate of Interest	Amount Of Issue	Amount Retired	Amount Outstanding	Principal 1953	Interest 1953
Coke County Road & Bridge Warrants	2-16-42	2%	\$119,500.00	\$ 43,000.00	\$ 76,500.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$1,530.00
Coke County Funding	4-15-35	51/2%	20,000.00	16,000.00	4,000.00	1,000.00	220.00
Road Bond District No. 3	9-20-37	4%	25,000.00	15,000.00	10,000.00	1,000.00	400.00
Road Bond District No. 1, Series A.	4- 5-29	51/2%	100,000.00	65,000.00	<b>3</b> 5,000.00	5,000.00	1,925.00
Road Bond District No. 1, Series 1939	5-17-39	4%	25,000.00	13,000.00	12,000.00	1,000.00	480.00
Coke County Hospital Fund	6-18-49	21/2%	75,000.00	17,000.00	58,000.00	6,000.00	1,450.00
TOTALS			\$364,500.00	\$169,000.00	\$195,500.00	\$17,000.00	\$6,005.00

NOTE: The above were taken from the Bond Books in the County Treasurer's Office. TOTAL OF MACHINERY WARRANTS OWING BY COKE COUNTY: \$65,384.70 (All of which will be due and paid by December, 1956)

### Tips On **Tornadoes**

This is the tornado season in the Central and South-Central States. Already there have been two tornadoes of major proportions in Texas, and several smaller ones. Here is some information about the violent storms that The Observer is passing along to readers.

1. Tornadoes are not peculiar to Texas. They have occurred in every state in the Union. They are more common in the central United States.

2. A tornado is usually seen as a spinning funnel-shaped cloud, extending toward the earth from the base of a thundercloud. When close by, it sounds like the roar of hundreds of airplanes. Oftentimes the funnel cloud is obscured by rain, dust or low clouds, or cannot be seen because of darkness. Sometimes two or more funnels may be seen in the same thundercloud. The funnel cloud may be in he shape of a rope spinning down from the cloud; or it may be barrel shaped or like a huge elephant's trunk.

3. Familiar thunderstorm clouds are present. An hour or two before a tornado the under part of the clouds may be seen bulging down instead of up. Often there is a greenish-black color to the clouds. Rain and hail often accompany the tornado. The funnel-shaped cloud should not be confused with low or ragged cloud remnants which frequently are seen hanging down from the main cloud, often where the visible cloud leaves off and the curtain of rain begins.

4. Tornadoes are localized. They usually cover a very limited area. Most tornadoes are less than a block wide. A few have had paths over 2 miles in width, but this is unusual. Tornado paths are usually short, less than five miles long. Because they are extremely localized the chances for tornadoes striking a given area are very slight. Most Texans will never see nor ever experience a tornado in their lifetimes.

5. Tornado damage varies greatly with the storm and where it strikes, and many tornadoes cause little or no damage and no loss of life no injuries.

6. Tornadoes have occurred every month of the year, but about two-thirds of all tornadoes occur between April 8 and June 9.

7. Tornadoes are most likely to occur in the late afternoon or early evening. Thirty-five per cent of all tornadoes occur between 3 p.m. and 6 p.m. Twenty-nine per cent between 6 p.m. and 9 p.m. Less than one-fourth of all tornadoes occur during school hours, 8 a.m.

) 4 p.m. 8. Tornadoes usually move from southwest to northeast; less frequently from west to east. Tornado spotters should particularly keep watch in these directions. There are exceptions-they have moved from practically every direction. In some few cases they have traveled almost in a circle.

9. Tornadoes move forward at a rate usually from 15 to 40 miles per hour average, but the rate of progress has been somewhat less as well as much greater.

10. Warnings about an approaching tornado are seldom possible longer than a hour in advance, usually less and sometimes only a few minutes, but despite any disadvantage occasioned by a brief warning period, the warnings can be extremely effective in saving human

11. School officials should become familiar with factual information regarding the characteristics of tornadoes, safety precautions to be aken in case a tornado is sighted in their immediate locality, and reommended procedure to be followed when forecasts and warnings are in effect and unitl an "All Clear" advisory is issued. The same suggestion holds for the public in general.

12. In the great majority of cases, the tornado affects less than oneenth of 1 percent of the "warned area" and is seen by less than 1 per ent of the population. Safety preautions generally need not be taen until the tornado cloud is seen

or local community warning given or until unusually threatening thunderstorm clouds are observed.

13. School officials and instructors have a special responsibility to remain calm and thus prevent school children from becoming excited. Do not wait until a storm is approaching but have a prearranged plan well thought out beforein Texas or nearby states in order pigs. that school children and others might early and easily recognize are: such a storm, either while in attendance or in going home from

Three out of four traffic accidents happen in clear weather on dry roads.

### 8 SEARS CILTS FOR 4-H BOYS

Eight lucky 4-H Boys each received a registered Duroc Gilt Thursday, May 28, at Robert Lee. This is a continuation of the Sears Pig Program which was started in Coke County more than ten years hand and be ready to carry it out ago. Coke is one of the few counshould the necessity arise. It would ties which has maintained an eight be a good plan to have two or more pig program throughout. This year good pictures of tornadoes in action there were thirty applications for

Those boys receiving pigs for 1953

Tom Sawyer, Robert Lee James Darrel Harmon, Robert

Alfred Martinez, Bronte Bobby Brock Bronte James A. Tidwell, Bronte Benny Corley, Tennyson

James Coalson, Bronte Jerry Faries, Bronte Those 1952 boys contributing pig back to the program were: Wayne Blair, Robert Lee Butch Arnold, Silver Sammy Joe Duncan, Edith Bobby Hester, Bronte Richard Spencer, Bronte

Jerry Hurley, Robert Lee

Lannie Royce Denman, Bronte One boy failed to raise a litter of pigs this spring. Sear's Roebuck Foundation will repair the program by purchasing a pig from one of the boys.

Nearly 750,000 persons were injured in weekend traffic accidents last year.

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### 34 Eighth Graders **Given Certificates** Here Last Thursday

Mrs. Dean Chenoweth of San Anrelo spoke at graduation exercises of the Robert Lee eighth grade class Thursday.

The Rev. Ray Lee gave the invocation, and a greeting was given by Robbie Don Godwin, class salutatorian. Mary Beth Schooler, valedictorian, gave the farewell. Mrs. Chenoweth was introduced by B. C. Goodwin. Diplomas were presented by P. E. Webb. Mrs. Jeff Dean played the processional and recessional music.

Members of the graduating class

Fred Ashworth, Jim Cox, Edwin Gene Davis, Sammie Duncan, Roy Lee Evans, Robbie Godwin, Jerry Harmon, Joe Harmon, Lewis Porter, Harold Robertson, Byron Russell, Van Schooler, Donald Walker, W. H. Wyatt.

Stanley Hearn, Atha Hall, Jack Gray, Carrol Bagwell, Cynthia Ann Bryan, Sharon Buchanan, Cecil Coffey, Laura Eubanks, Carrol Geer, Joyce Hester, Sharon Hester, Virginia Jones, Jo Alice McDonald, June McKinley, Mary Schooler, Carolyn Simpson, Judy Stephenson, Donna Hallmark, Sylvia Harvey and Vivian Ybarra.

### MISS McLURE HONORED

McLure was given Friday afternoon of last week in the home of Mrs. critically ill. Jack continued to Ex- State. His major is journalism and Cumbie Ivey. Hostesses were mem- ter, Calif., where he visited a bro- he plans to work in the field of bers of the Homemakers Class of ther, E. E. Capps. the Baptist Church. Miss McLure received many beautiful gifts. A popular teacher in the Robert Lee schools for a number of years, she has resigned her position and plans to be married early in June.

### CARD OF THANKS

Words cannot express our sincere thanks to our friends and neighbors for the many gifts and assistance rendered in so many ways, following the loss of our home in the Lake View tornado. - Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Smith and Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Smith and Jack.

### Robert Lee Observer

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TRASH & GARBAGE HAULING I am starting a trash and garbage hauling service in Robert Lee beginning June 1st. Business house pickups every other day at \$5 per month; residential hauling once or twice a week for \$1.50 a month. If interested leave word at the City

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Hall and I'll come and talk to you.

R. A. CATE

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Goodfellow1	0	1.000
Big Lake-Texon1	0	1.000
Bryan Electric1	0	1.000
Robert Lee0	1	.000
Corner Drug0	1	.000
Miles0	1	.000
Last Sunday's results:		

Texon 9, Robert Lee 6. Bryan Electric 4, Corner Drug 0. Goodfellow Skyhawks 23, Miles 4.

Next Sunday's games: Robert Lee at Miles. Goodfellow vs Bryan at Veribest. Corner Drug at Texon.

### Personals

The condition of G. A. Harmon, long time Robert Lee resident, seems to have become worse the past week and he was taken to the local hospital Tuesday. His children continue to remain at his bed-

Jack Capps returned recently from a motor trip to western states. He visited his mother, Mrs. Maggie A Gift Tea honoring Miss Eunice | Pierson, at Coolidge, Ariz., and also | School. Tommy plans to transfer a nephew, Billy Clubb, who is

> Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Allen and Mr. and Mrs. Cumbie Ivey returned Tuesday night from Houston where they spent two days attending the Texas State Bankers Con-

Jimmy Gray, son of County Treasurer Gertrude Gray, is salutatorian Graduation Tea For of the Bronte High School graduating class. He was also chosen on the all-district football team. Patsy Mackey of Norton will be valedictorian at the commencement exercises donday night.

FOR RENT-Bedroom in new home. Inquire of Mrs. Copeland at West Texas Utilities.

LOST-Set of car keys; ring also holds gold band wedding ring and small knife bearing name of Corpus Christi firm. Finder please return to Mac's Cafe and receive liberal



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#### CHURCH OF CHRIST In Robert Lee

SUNDAY SERVICES—Bible Study 10:15 to 10:55 a. m. Worship at 11:00 A. M. Young Peoples Class at 6:30 P. M. Evening Worship at

> Mid-Week Bible Study Wednesdays at 7:30

OWEN COSGROVE, Minister

### Robert Lee Has Three to Finish San Angelo College

Three Robert Lee young people who will graduate from San Angelo College this week are Bobbie Davidson, Don Fields and Tommy Kirkpatrick. Commencement exercises will be Thursday night.

The final issue of The Ram Page, college newspaper, included sixteen pages and carried many pictures of the faculty, students and college scenes. The following mention was made of the Robert Lee students.

"Bobbie Davidson, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Davidson of Robert Lee, is a twirler for the SAC band. She is also a member of Sigma Alpha Chi, the Home Economics Club, the Distributive Education Club and the Band. Bobbie is a business administration major. She plans to continue her studies at Texas Tech. Bobbie is a graduate of Robert Lee High School."

"Alfred Don Fields, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Fields, comes to San Angelo College from Robert Lee where he graduated from Robert Lee High School. Don plans to transfer to Texas A & M and pursue his major, veterinary medicine. While at SAC, Don was an active member of the Concho Aggies, Little Theatre and annual staff. He was in a number of play productions."

"Tommy Kirkpatrick, son of Mr. i and Mrs. A. J. Kirkpatrick, is a graduate of Robert Lee High either to S. M. U. or North Texas public relations. While at SAQ. Tommy has been editor of the Ram | Page, vice president of Phi Theta Kappa, a member of the Little Theatre, Student Council and Press Club. He was recently elected as one of SAC's Who's Who students."

## **Eighth Grade Girls**

Mrs. Marvin Simpson entertained the eighth grade girls and their mothers with a graduation tea in the Simpson ranch home last Saturday afternoon.

Guests were received by Mrs. Simpson and her daughter, Carolyn, and were registered by Jo Alice McDonald.

Mrs. Robert Vaughan, assisted by Mary Vaughan, presided at the prettily appointed tea table. The table was set with a white cutwork cloth and was centered with a floral arrangement featuring red roses, the class flower, flanked by white tapers. Miniature diplomas carrying out the class colors were used as plate favors.

Others assisting in the house party were Mrs. Carroll Russell and Mrs. Fred McDonald, Jr.

### Personals

Guests this week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Plumlee are Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Smith and children of Carlsbad, N. Mex., and Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Copping and two sons of Roswell. The Coppings also went on to Brownwood to visit relatives, while Mr. Smith has gone to South Texas on business. Mrs. Smith and Mrs .Copping ara daughters of Mrs. Plumlee.

Willis Wayne Smith resumed his duties as assistant cashier at the Robert Lee State Bank this week after enjoying a two weeks' vaca-

Dave Hoots of Bronte renewed his Observer last week for the 35th consecutive year.

### We Have Plenty

## Fresh Produce

Fresh Pound **CUCUMBERS** 

Yellow Pound

**ALL SWEET** 2 Lbs

**SWIFT** 

12 oz

Kimbell Whole Green Beans

**BAMA** 12 oz

Peanut Butter 35c

2 Bottles 14 oz Libby Catsup

Stokely 46 oz

Tomato Juice

Doeskin 2 rolls **TISSUE** 29c

JELLO 3 pkgs

**Diamond Pickles** 33c KOOL-AID 6 pkgs 25c

Pace All Meat

1 lb cello

WIENERS

Hormel Budget

1 lb cello

Sliced BACON

Loin and T-Bone

Pound

# ROBERTS

Grocery & Market