

# Robert Lee Observer

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## SANCO COUPLE MOURN DEATH OF SMALL SON

Sympathy of the entire community is extended to Mr. and Mrs. Ira M. Bird of Sanco in the loss of their 4-year-old son, Ira Michael.

His death occurred at 11:45 p.m. Christmas Day at Coke County Memorial Hospital where he was admitted for treatment the previous day. He had contracted pneumonia and failed to respond to modern treatment which has proven highly successful with the disease.

Two other children in the Bird family were also hospitalized. They have fully recovered and returned to their home.

Ira Michael was born Nov. 30, 1949. He was a bright little fellow and everyone loved him.

Survivors include the parents, the older sister, Laura Lea Bird, the younger brother, Gordon, and the paternal grandmother, Mrs. S. Bird.

Funeral services were held Monday at 2 p.m. from the Robert Lee Baptist Church in charge of the pastor, the Rev. J. C. Shipman. Burial was in the Robert Lee cemetery, with Clift Funeral Home in charge.

J. C. Snead, Jr. underwent medical examination the first part of the week in a San Angelo clinic.

## Golden Wedding for Hayrick Folks

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Robbins of Hayrick celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary Dec. 25.

Although the date was Christmas Day, open house was held for the couple Sunday, Dec. 27, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Labenske.

One hundred and two persons registered and many beautiful gifts were on display. Gladys Waldrop registered the gifts.

Those helping with the serving were: Mrs. G. J. Robbins, Mrs. David Allred, Mrs. Green Fields, Mrs. B. F. Robbins, Mrs. Barton Waldrop, Jeanette Williams and Verne Fields.

Many old time friends enjoyed dining with the couple.

## HOSPITAL NEWS

Dec. 22—J. C. Hamilton admitted. Son born to Mr. and Mrs. D. Boykin.

Dec. 24—Michael Bird and Gordon Bird admitted. Mrs. J. Boykin and infant daughter missed.

Dec. 25—Mrs. Joe Dodson, Sara Bird, Billie Charles Simpson admitted.

Dec. 26—Gayle Lewis admitted. Laura Bird, Bill Simpson missed.

Dec. 27—Noel Gregston admitted. Daughter born to Mr. and Mrs. C. E. McKenzie.

Dec. 28—Mrs. Curtis Walker admitted. Gayle Lewis, Noel Gregston, Gordon Bird dismissed.

Dec. 29—Larry Brock admitted. J. C. Hamilton dismissed.

Dec. 30—Mrs. C. E. McKenzie, infant daughter and Larry Brock dismissed.

## CHRISTMAS AT WALDROPS

Christmas guests in the home of Mrs. J. A. Waldrop were all of her seven children: Mr. and Mrs. Bascom Hartgraves, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Rives, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Waldrop and boys, Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Warrington and son, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Rives and daughter, and Gladys Waldrop.

Mrs. Waldrop had all but two of her grandchildren with her also, and one great-grandchild was not able to be there.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Edward Rives and son of Corpus Christi, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Hartgraves and daughter of Eldorado, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Rives and children of Odessa, Mrs. Donald Mauldin of El Paso, and Mrs. Neal Sanders and children of Lawton, Okla.

The group enjoyed a nice turkey dinner.

## FULLERS GET 3RD PRODUCER ON JOHNSON

The Fuller-Coke (Strawn field of western Coke County has gained its third and best producer and a one-location west extension with the completion of W. M. & A. P. Fuller 3 Mrs. Lou E. Johnson Estate for a daily flowing potential of 334.71 barrels of 44.4 gravity oil, no water, with gas-oil ratio of 634-1.

Production was through a 14-64 inch choke and perforations between 6,486-6,700 feet in 5½ inch casing cemented at 6,740 feet, the total depth. Top of pay was picked at 6,584 feet on derrick floor elevation of 2,145 feet. Pay section was fractured with 8,500 gallons.

Tubing pressure was 800-825 pounds; casing pressure, 350-150 pounds. Location is in 67-2-H&TC.

**FIELD OPENER**  
The discovery well, Fuller No. 1 Lou E. Johnson, was finished for a daily potential of 246.6 barrels of 42.5 gravity oil, with gas-oil ratio of 1,111-1. The second producer, the same operator's No. 2 Johnson, was finished for a daily flowing potential of 260-70 barrels of 43.2 gravity oil, no water, with gas-oil ratio of 723-1.

**OUTPOST SET**

F. Kirk Johnson of Fort Worth has filed application to drill a ½-mile west and slightly south outpost to production in the Jameson (Strawn) field of Coke County, 6½ miles southwest of Silver. It will be drilled as the No. 1 Vermilya.

Location, on a 161-acre tract, is 467 feet from the south and east lines of 25½-W. I. Tubb survey.

**CONDITION CRITICAL**

The condition of Johnnie I. Williams was regarded as very critical Wednesday. He is a patient at Shannon Hospital where he underwent major surgery Monday of last week. Johnnie is a well known stock farmer residing southwest of Robert Lee.

Pfc. Dale Lofton and his wife came down from Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo., for a week's Christmas visit among relatives and friends. Dale was inducted into the service last January.

## Clock Winding Observance At R. C. Russells

The beautiful ranch style home of the R. C. Russells was the scene of one of the loveliest parties of the season. The occasion was the annual clock-winding on Dec. 27, commemorating the wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Russell. This is the fifth winding of the "400 Day Anniversary Clock," which was a birthday gift to Mrs. Russell from Mr. Russell.

The clock was wound by Wallace B. Clift, Jr. of Houston, a nephew of Mrs. Russell. Following the winding, the Rev. Ray Lee, pastor of the Methodist Church, led in prayer, after which "The Way You Look Tonight" and "Dear Hearts and Gentle People" were sung by Mrs. Bryan Yarbrough and Mrs. Otto Wojtek, accompanied by Mrs. Russell at the piano. The guests then joined in singing "Blest Be the Tie."

Another feature of the entertainment was the showing of silhouette slides depicting Christmas carols as they were sung by Mrs. Yarbrough and Mrs. Wojtek.

The lovely home was decorated throughout in the Christmas motif. The table was laid with an embroidered cloth. The center piece featured red gladioli, flanked by tall red tapers. Mrs. W. B. Clift presided at the silver coffee service, while Mrs. Marvin B. Simpson poured punch.

About fifty guests were greeted by this charming couple and were registered by Mrs. Carroll Russell. The register gives a continuous record of the friends and relatives who gather from year to year to enjoy this gala occasion and to extend their good wishes for continued happiness and success through the coming year.

Out of town guests were: Mrs. Ruby Spears, San Angelo; Mrs. Katie Hearne, San Angelo; Mrs. Callemae Cargile, Sweetwater; Mrs. Allen Davis and children, Ballinger; and Wallace Clift, Houston.

## Humble Stakes Wildcat In Northeast Coke

Humble Oil & Refining Co. has filed application to drill a 5,400 foot Gray sand wildcat in the Fort Chadbourne field of northeastern Coke County, six miles southeast of Blackwell. It will be drilled as the No. 87-E Sallie Odom.

Operations on the project will begin when permit is approved.

Location is 8,250 feet from the southeast and 4,094 feet from the southwest lines of 302-F. Sosa survey.

The prospector is 2 5/8 miles northeast of the nearest Gray sand production. The producing well is Humble Oil & Refining Co. 4-F Sallie Odom in 475-Seth Clark survey, which was finished in 1951 for a daily potential of 634 barrels of oil. It was also finished Aug. 23 as a Goens producer for a daily potential of 262.98 barrels of 45.3 gravity oil.

## CHRISTMAS REUNION

A large gathering of kinfolks were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Phelan at Christmas time. Coming from out of town were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Proctor of Belen, N. Mex.; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Arnold and son, Andrews; Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Hendrickson and daughters, Amarillo; Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Neill and daughter of Monahans and son of Alpine; Mr. and Mrs. Bruce McFerrin and sons of Silver; Mr. and Mrs. Ree Garrett and family of Stanton; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Arnold and family of Silver; Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Spicer of Andrews; Mr. and Mrs. Kay Pinkerton and son of Stanton; Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Garrett and family of Lowell, Ariz., and Mrs. C. A. Garrett and daughter of Coahoma.

## SUN WALKER 12 FLOWS 58 BBLS.

Sun Oil Co. 12 J. B. Walker, south of the river at Silver, has been finished for a daily flow of 57.93 barrels of oil, no water. Production from tight Strawn sand was gauged through a 12-64 inch choke. Tubing pressure was 300 pounds, with packer on the casing. Gas-oil ratio 2,615-1. The pay section was treated with 4,000 gallons of sand oil.

Baker & Taylor was the contractor and moved to Sun B-4 Central National Bank. It was drilling ahead Wednesday at 2,090 feet in shale and lime.

Morris & Hamilton was rigging up on Sun 49 C. E. Mathers after moving back to the Silver area from Sun S. E. Adams, wildcat failure northeast of Sanco.

Sun 10 V. T. McCabe, 5 miles north of Silver, drilled to a total depth of 6,980 feet. It plugged back to the sand and casing was seated at 6,257 feet. Operators were preparing to perforate.

Empire's rotary will move to Sun 29 C. E. Mathers when it is released at 10 McCabe.

Mrs. J. C. Slaughter and daughter, Mrs. Noel Percifull, of Abilene were Robert Lee visitors on Saturday. Mrs. Slaughter returned recently from an extended visit at Denver, Colo., with her daughter, Mrs. Melvin Seelye, and husband, and her son, Ray Ledbetter, and wife.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Prine, Jr. and children, Caroline and Kenneth, have returned to their home in Lawndale, Calif., after a holiday visit at Sanco with the former's mother, Mrs. J. M. Prine, Sr.

## CLARK ROE, 15, DIES SUDDENLY

Clark Roe, 15-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Roe, died at 1 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 31, in the Shannon Hospital at San Angelo.

He had been suffering from leukemia, but his condition was not considered critical when he entered the hospital Wednesday. Physicians announced that pneumonia also contributed to his death.

The body was brought to the Clift Funeral Home in Robert Lee where funeral arrangements will be announced later.

## NEW OIL FIELD MAY GET SOME BETTER ROADS

An important meeting is scheduled for Robert Lee next Monday which is closely connected with future oil development in the extreme northwest part of Coke County.

Judge Jeff Dean states that oil operators and everyone connected with the oil industry in that area have been invited to appear before a special session of the Commissioners Court.

Main purpose of the conference which starts at 10 a.m. will be the discussion of new county roads which are badly needed into the new field to the west and southwest of Silver.

Suggested as highly important would be a route running north from the pavement at the Millikan field, then extending to the west south of the Colorado River. Such a road is particularly needed when rises in the river make it impossible to use low water crossings.

Another needed stretch of road would lead west of Silver to a newly proposed low crossing at the river.

Indications are that there may be as many as 250 producing wells in the new area that is now being drilled. That would mean an enormous increase in Coke County's taxing valuation, and would indicate that better roads are certainly justified and that the county can afford to build them.

BCD members of Robert Lee will be luncheon hosts to persons attending the meeting here Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Travis Allen and little daughters, Gloria and Margaret, returned Sunday to their home in Ft. Worth after a Christmas visit in the Calvin Wallace home. Mrs. Allen is the former Marie Wallace.

## BIRTHS

**BOYKIN**—Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Boykin (LaVonda Forbus) are parents of a daughter born Dec. 22 in Coke County Memorial Hospital. The baby arriving at 8:17 p.m. weighed 6 pounds, 7½ ounces and has been named Philicia Wanette. She has a brother, David, 4 years old. The father is employed by Baker & Taylor Drilling Co. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Ben Boykin of Robert Lee and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Forbus of Ballinger.

**McKENZIE**—A daughter was born at 2:45 p.m. Dec. 27 at Coke County Memorial Hospital to Mr. and Mrs. C. E. McKenzie of Edith. The infant weighed 8 pounds, 1½ ounces and was given the name of Edna Earl. There are three other children in the family. Mr. McKenzie is a stock farmer.

**McADAMS**—Mr. and Mrs. W. T. McAdams (Betty Sue Mitchell) are parents of their first child, a daughter, born Dec. 26 in the Bronte Hospital. Arriving at 4:20 a.m. Vicki Lynn weighed 7 pounds, 7 ounces. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. W. D. McAdams and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Mitchell.

## Among Our SUBSCRIBERS

**FROM GEO. W. HALE**  
Dear Editor:  
Please renew my subscription. My father, Geo. W. Hale, still enjoys reading The Observer very much. As he doesn't get about it is a source of great pleasure to him, keeping up with old friends and acquaintances.  
His health seems to be about the same, perhaps a little weaker. He sends regards and wishes for a Merry Xmas to you all. — Sincerely, Mrs. Joy Blalock, 2020 New Jersey St., Baytown A, Texas.

**RADIO NEWSMAN**  
Malcom McCutchen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill McCutchen, writes from San Antonio, as follows:  
Dear Mr. Kirk: Haven't kept you posted lately. For the past two months I have been a newsman for Radio Station KONO here in San Antonio. I like the work real well. Enjoy getting The Observer very much. You are doing a fine job. Merry Christmas and the best during the coming year. — Mary and Mack McCutchen.

**FROM MRS. MALLARD**  
Dear Mr. Kirkpatrick:  
Please find money order for a renewal to the old home town paper, The Robert Lee Observer. Regards and best wishes and a Merry Christmas to all my old friends. — Mrs. D. D. Mallard, (Formerly Dessie Collett,) 418 Scott St., Athens, Texas.

Dear Kirk:  
I am enclosing check for the paper. We could not get along without it. We are doing fine and having some pretty weather. Tell everyone hello for us. — Your friends, Ray and Loraine Ledbetter, Denver, Colo.

Fred Smith has sent The Observer to his two sons in California as Christmas gifts. Paul is married and is still in the Marines and Foy Dell has a good position in Pasadena. Their addresses are:  
Pfc. Paul Smith, 105 Kwajalein, Oceanside, Calif.  
Foy D. Smith, 380 N. Oakland St., Pasadena 4, Calif.

Also Mrs. Sam Walker, who now makes her home in Robert Lee, is sending The Observer to her two daughters in San Angelo. They are:  
Mrs. S. F. Palmer, 28 East 41st St.  
Mrs. Lee Ferguson, 19 East 41st St.

**FROM CYNTHIA SCHOOLER**  
Dear Editor: Please renew my paper for another year. I had neglected sending in a renewal, but I want The Observer to keep coming for I like to get the news from home. Please also send the paper to my brother, Joe Schooler, Box 1019, Blyth, Calif. — Yours truly, Cynthia Schooler, 400 Roxana, Odessa, Tex.

M. K. Sparks writes that he and his family are moving back to Colorado City after residing in Midland for several months. He adds that they don't want to miss a copy of The Observer.

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## PERSONALS

(Intended for Last Week)  
Mr. and Mrs. Bill McCutchen are planning a family reunion on Christmas Day when most of their children and their families will be present. Guests expected are the Maurice Coles of Abilene, the Robert Kirchmans of San Angelo, J. D. McCutchen and family of Whitharrel, Wayne McCutchen and family of Silverton, J. W. Service, Sr. and family, J. W. Service, Jr. and family, the Lindy Devolls and Bobby Hoods.  
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Garvin will motor to Silverton to be Christmas dinner guests of the former's mother.

Prin. and Mrs. Hollis Lloyd and son, Hollis, Jr., will spend a portion of the holiday vacation with relatives in Odessa.

Mrs. Nell Pruitt of Paris, Tex., has arrived for a holiday visit with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Cumbie Ivey, Jr.

Harriett Porter, student at Abilene Christian College, is a guest in the Calvin Wallace home. She will spend Christmas with her parents in Barnhart.

Mrs. Dar. Hall and Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Page and son, Phillip, of Odessa were Saturday night guests in the Dave King home.

First Lieut. Horace Scott, his wife and daughter, Marilyn, arrived Tuesday night for a holiday visit in the parental H. L. Scott home. For the past few months they have been at Montgomery, Ala., where Lieut. Scott was taking special training in the Air Force. He will report back to Biggs AFB at El Paso the first of the year. The Scott's older daughter, Sherry, has been with her grandparents here and attended school in Robert Lee.

Billie Dove Allen of Odessa is expected home for a Christmas visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Allen.

Mrs. Francis Henderson and children and Mrs. Otis Rabb and son, Larry Jack, will spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Rabb in Odessa.

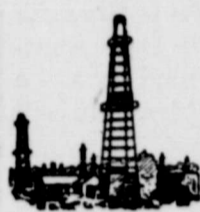
Mr. and Mrs. Finis Harmon and William Joe will spend the Christmas weekend with the Dennis Fisher family at Sonora.  
Mr. and Mrs. Jack Gough of Olney are here for a Christmas visit with her mother, Mrs. Bob Burpo, and her grandmother, Mrs. Hattie Day.

## Frank King Sends Regards to Friends

Mr. A. J. Kirkpatrick,  
Dear Sir:  
Enclosed you will find check for \$2.50 renewal on The Observer. I enjoy getting the news from my old home town very much. I have also missed my visits down here the last two years. But I am hoping to be able to get a little vacation some time next year and come down and see all of you people. I have a barber shop in Socorro now and it keeps me tied down pretty well. I sure did want to make the summer but just couldn't get old Edith homecoming this past away. So if you have space in your paper to print this I will appreciate it very much and if any of you folks from down in that part of the country ever come thru Socorro, N. M. stop and say Hello.  
Best regards to all of you,  
Frank King.  
Star Route One, Socorro, N. M.

**CHRISTMAS GUESTS**  
A family gathering of relatives and friends occurred Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Garvin, west of Edith. Present were Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Zelachoski and Mr. and Mrs. O. V. Wallace and Carroll Don of Cleburne; Miss Wanda Schaefer of Coleman; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Schaefer, Rush Garvin and family and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Makkasky of San Angelo; Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Pourshot of Houston; Homer Garvin and family of Colorado City; Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Weir of Sanitorium; and Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Hendry and sons of Sterling City.

Other visitors at the Garvin home during the holidays included Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Ivy and son, Billy Ray, of Pearsall, and Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Schaefer and Ellamay and Howard of San An-



## Notes From The Oil Field

**WHITESIDE WILDCAT**  
Coke County gained locations for a wildcat and a stepout Wednesday.

The wildcat will be the Dudley T. Daugherty 1 R. Whiteside Estate, 7,000-foot rotary project.

Location will be 1,730 feet from north and 660 feet from west lines of 293-1A-H&TC, two miles west of Blackwell, on an 80-acre lease.

It will be 4 1/2 miles east and slightly south of production in the Arledge field and 3 3/4 miles west and slightly south of Union 1 Jack Frost, dry hole abandoned April 9, 1949, at total depth of 7,061 feet.

Elevation is 2,526 feet.  
W. M. & A. P. Fuller of Midland will drill the 4 Lou E. Johnson Estate, a 6,800-foot rotary test, one location west of the two-well Fuller-Coke (Strawn Sand) field and 18 miles northwest of Robert Lee.

Location will be 2,188.2 feet from north and 2,173 feet from east lines of 67-2-H&TC, on a 160-acre lease.

Elevation, estimated, is 2,110 feet.  
Drilling will start Dec. 28.

**PLYMOUTH WILDCAT**  
Plymouth Oil Company will drill a 4,200-foot Cisco sand wildcat one mile north of the Wendkirk pool of Coke but separated from it by a deep failure. It is No. 1 J. W. Dardidge, 5,910 feet from north and 4,200 feet from most northerly northwest lines of J. W. Dardidge survey 967 1/2.

Drillsite also is one location northeast of Plymouths No. 1-B R. E. Hickman, saked earlier this week in the same survey.

Earl M. Craig Jr., Midland, No. 1 Oscar Brown, C. A. Ragsdale survey, 2 1/2 miles, southwest of Tennyson in southeastern Coke, has been abandoned at 6,513 feet in barren Ellenburger topped at 6,233 feet. Drillstem test a 6,238 to 6,270 feet returned muddy salt water.

**WENDLAND PRODUCER**  
The Wendkirk field of Coke County has been extended one location south with completion of Kewanee Oil Co. of Abilene 2-B Wend for a daily flowing potential of 85.65 barrels of 40.2 gravity oil, no water, with gas-oil ratio of 139-1.

Production was from open hole between 3,708.60 feet, where 7-inch casing was set, and 3,713, the total depth. Top of pay was picked at 3,710 feet on ground elevation of 1,845 feet. Completion was natural. Casing pressure was 100 pounds, tubing pressure 90 pounds.

Location is in 1-Thomas Hennessy.

gelo.  
As usual everyone enjoyed a good time. There was singing, games, mountain climbing and slide pictures of a soldier friend showing some of his travels in our own country and Korea. The boys cranked up the old tractor and everyone lent a hand to sawing up a winter supply of fire wood.  
Eddy and Dona Garvin helped

the folks entertain the visitors.  
Mr. and Mrs. Jarvis Littlefield and children have returned to their home at Afton, Okla., after a holiday visit with relatives. Robert Lee, Bronte and Abilene.  
Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Sheppard and daughter, Kay, returned Monday from Jacksboro where they spent Christmas with relatives.

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## School Music Departments Give Program

Monday night, Dec. 21, the music department of Robert Lee Schools presented their annual Christmas program to an appreciative audience.

The first and second grades sang "All I Want for Christmas is my Two Front Teeth," followed by several selections by the fifth and sixth grade chorus. These were directed by Mrs. Jeff Dean.

The second part of the program was presented by the Robert Lee High School Band under the direction of Mr. Jack Gray. They played several Christmas selections and also one concert rendition of Christmas selections.

The concert ended with group singing by the audience and chorus accompanied by the band. Mr. Hollis Lloyd led the group singing.

Everyone thoroughly enjoyed this program befitting the prevailing Christmas spirit.

## PERSONALS

Miss Jane Jones of San Angelo was a weekend house guest in the John Petty home.

Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Shelburne, Jr. and children, G. B., Gene Paul and Ruth Ann of Amarillo visited in the parental D. P. Key home during the holidays. The Keys were happy to see all their children and grandchildren over the weekend. Other out of town guests who called at the Key home were Mr. and Mrs. Travis Allen and children of Ft. Worth, Miss Velma Parker of San Angelo and Mrs. Bill Baker of Vidar, Tex.

Christmas guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Petty included Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Menelle of Texon, Mrs. Edna Maxey of San Angelo and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Austin of Colorado City.

## COUNTY AGENT COLUMN

### OPEN LETTER TO THE PEOPLE OF COKE COUNTY

After eleven years as your county agent, I have decided to make a change, but in so doing I hasten to say that I shall always cherish the friendships and associations which have made these eleven years most pleasant.

Many programs have been sponsored through the Extension Service during my tenure in the county agent's office.

I am particularly proud to see these programs still functioning for the good of farmers and ranchers of Coke County. Particularly might be mentioned the Coke County Co-op Association and Locker Plant, the Coke County Soil Conservation District and the Coke County Game Management Association. Much time was spent in getting these agencies set up, and they are all proving their worth.

As 4-H Club leader, I have tried to build good citizens out of good boys. I believe we have developed as fine a group of young citizens in Coke County as can be found anywhere. I am proud to have had a small part in their training. There is a large group of 4-H boys coming on.

In the matter of helping farmers with their income reports, I will be here to help those who desire my service. I will be on hand after January 11 for as long as necessary. I count it a privilege to help where I can be of service.

Travis B. Hicks

## Want Ads

### NOTICE

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

—Fred McDonald, Jr.

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## PERSONALS

S/Sgt. Leroy Phillip of Goodfellow AFB and Miss Bennie Helen Wyatt of San Angelo were holiday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wyatt. S/Sgt. and Mrs. H. L. Springer and children, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wyatt and W. H., Bennie Helen and Sgt. Phillip were Christmas dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Richardson.

Miss Kay Reeder, registered nurse at the Coke County Memorial Hospital, has enjoyed a parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Reeder, of Fairfield, Iowa, and her brother, Charles, who is studying for a doctor's degree in chemistry at Iowa State College in Ames. The Iowans made the trip to Texas by auto and planned to start Thursday on their return trip home.

S/Sgt. Richard Boone and wife and their 6-months-old daughter, Dixie, and Pfc. Vernon Castleman and wife, visited over Christmas in the parental home of Mr. and Mrs. Sloane Boone. Both men are stationed at Fort Bliss and their families reside in El Paso. Mrs. Castleman, the former Annie Lou Boone, remained here for a two weeks' visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Ell Hatley and Bobbie Hatley and family motored to Midland Sunday for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Giggins.

Mrs. Elsie Latham, Mrs. W. M. Summers and Chester Allen returned Monday from a visit over Christmas with the Lee Latham family at Carmi, Ill.

Mrs. H. A. Williams and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Childress of Brady returned home Monday after a visit over Christmas with relatives and old friends in Robert Lee.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Milam and children, Billy Paul and Lynaree, of Caddo Mills, were Christmas guests of Mrs. Zelma Milam and Joe.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Wanker of Hill City, Kans., have been here for a holiday visit with relatives and friends. Mrs. Wanker is the former Bertie Mae Gaines.

Christmas guests in the Fern Havins home included T/Sgt. Otto Havins and wife of San Angelo and Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Hallmark and children of Robert Lee.

Gerald Millican, who has a good position with an oil company at Farmington, N. Mex., has been here for a holiday visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Millican.

You Are Invited To

Services at The

### 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 6:00 P. M. Evening Worship at 7:00.

Mid-Week Bible Study

Wednesdays at 7:00

**OWEN COSGROVE, Minister**

Hayrick Lodge



No. 696 A.F. & A.M. Meets second Tuesday night in each month. Visitors welcome.

H. S. LEWIS, JR., W. M. EDDIE GOOD, Secretary

The Observer, Robert Lee, Texas

Jan. 1, 1953

Mr. and Mrs. Horton Devoll and son, Junior, were here from Burnet for a visit over Christmas.

Christmas dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. V. P. Byrne were Mr. and Mrs. John Gunnels and Mr. and Mrs. David Lowrance.

## S. E. 'Skinny' Adams

### Oil Properties Insurance

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# NEW YEARS GREETINGS

The Baker Family wishes everyone a Prosperous Year in 1954. We are grateful for your business in the past, and hope to merit your friendship and patronage in the future.

## BAKER'S Groc. & Mkt.

### Halliburton May Locate Camp Here

Possibility of the Halliburton Company locating an area headquarters in Robert Lee were discussed here Wednesday by company officials and local business men.

Robert Vaughan, BCD president, extended a welcome to Halliburton and pointed out that Robert Lee has an excellent water supply, a modern hospital, a new school to be constructed and some available housing. He said phone service has improved.

Mr. Vaughan and his BCD committee took the Halliburton officials over the city and viewed some locations which would be made available for the camp.

Coming here from Abilene for the conference were Hubert Northcutt, district manager for Halliburton, and F. W. Nussbaumer, assistant manager and division engineer.

The men seemed to be impressed with Robert Lee and will make a decision in the near future. Better roads into oil fields in the northwest part of the county would be favorable to Robert Lee, they said.

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

H. H. Chevalier and family returned Wednesday from a few days visit with the former's parents at Atlanta, Tex.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Vowell have returned home in Oklahoma City after a Christmas visit with Robert Lee relatives. They recently moved from Pecos to Oklahoma City where Charlie has sales territory for an oil filter device used extensively on large diesel engines.

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## Among Our SUBSCRIBERS

In renewing her Observer subscription recently, Mrs. B. W. Bilbo also extended the paper another year for her son, Hal Anderson, at Miami, New Mex.

Mrs. Lula J. Burson writes from Box 123, Corona, Calif.: "Here is a \$2.50 check for my subscription to The Observer. Please keep sending it to me. I greatly enjoy the home paper."

Will Woods is sending The Observer as a gift to his daughter, Mrs. Jake Sparks, and family who get their mail at Sterling City.

Mrs. M. A. Cox has sent The Observer as a gift to her son, E. R. Cox, whose address is 6022 Forest Hill Drive, Fort Worth.

Sheriff Paul Good advises that his mother, Mrs. Kate Good of Bronte, has gone to Shreveport, La., to spend some time with her daughter, Mrs. Ben Meyer. Paul is sending her The Observer so that she will keep posted on Coke County affairs.

The L. L. Welch family has moved from Delaware, Ark., to West Texas and their address is Rt. 1, Box 14, Kerrville. Mrs. Welch is the former Ruby Bes-sent.

Dear Editor: Enclosed find check of \$2.50 for renewal of my paper. Don't want to miss a copy as I want to keep up with the Rabbit Twisters in and around the old home town. — Sincerely yours, T. T. Millican, Paducah, Tex.

Dear Editor: Will you please send our paper to this new address, 1429 South 8th St., Abilene. We have moved to our new job here and like it just fine.— Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Lowrance.

Dear Editor: Please find enclosed \$2.00 for my subscription. I am sorry to be late, and was glad you were so nice as to keep sending my paper. I am very sorry in your loss of your wife. — Mrs. Dan Hale.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Jay have again renewed their Observer subscriptions to Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Jay of Lakeview and Mr. and Mrs. Dick Kanady of Big Lake.

Mrs. Fred Ashworth has ordered The Observer sent to her sister, Mrs. N. C. Montgomery at Colton, Calif.

New Observer subscribers of recent date are B. A. Goodman, Eddie Good, Rev. Ray N. Sparks, of Silver, R. A. Stroud, Mrs. John Petty, Brent Clark and Mrs. Ray White of San Angelo.

Christmas guests in the Harve and J. C. Wallace homes included Mrs. Henry Payne of Clovis, N. Mex., Mr. and Mrs. Willie Wallace and children of Amarillo and Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Lowrance of Abilene.

### Sgt. W. E. Casey Quits Army Life

After serving 11 years in the army Sgt. 1st Class William E. Casey will soon return to the life of a private citizen.

Sgt. Casey is in Robert Lee on leave visiting his family and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Casey. He will return to Camp Polk, La., in the near future to pick up his discharge papers.

Casey was sent to Europe as a replacement after the invasion and remained for three years with the occupation forces. He spent 15½ months in Korea with the Construction Engineers, returning to the States last September.

He plans to locate along the west coast and hopes to establish a business of his own.

# HAPPY NEW YEAR

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We hope to continue to enjoy your good will, and wish each and everyone a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

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