

# Robert Lee Observer

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## MARCH DIMES CAMPAIGN GETS UP STEAM HERE

The March of Dimes campaign in the west half of Coke County began moving into high gear this week. Chairman Victor Wojtek announced that his committees had been lined up and were already at work.

First local contribution was \$10.60 turned in by H. M. Barnes, who had saved up 106 dimes. Mr. Barnes is employed by the Gasoline Plant Construction Co. and at present is working on Sun's gas plant in the Millican field.

Brown & Clark, filling station operators in Robert Lee, presented the March of Dimes campaign with a cigar box full of pennies which they had accumulated over the past year or two. They should total in the neighborhood of \$25. The exact count will be announced next week. Genie Baker says 140 pennies weigh one pound.

**MOD COFFEE AT HAZEL'S**  
Hazel's Cafe in Robert Lee will donate all its coffee sales on Friday and Saturday of this week to the March of Dimes. Coffee will be 10c a cup on these days although the regular price is only a nickel.

Firemen's Auxiliary ladies began a canvass of the business district in Robert Lee Wednesday, but they have not completed the task. They will also handle the Mother's March Friday night of next week. At that time the entire city will be covered and persons wishing to contribute will be requested to leave their porch lights burning.

**BAKE SALE JAN. 30**  
Womens Home Demonstration Clubs of the area will sponsor a Bake Sale for the March of Dimes on Saturday, Jan. 30, starting at 10 a. m.

Lewis Heuvel again heads the

## BIRTHS

**WALDROP** — Mr. and Mrs. Glenn R. Waldrop (Marie Webb) of Edith are parents of their fourth son born Jan. 14 in the Bronte Hospital. Riley Glenn weighed 7 pounds, 14 ounces. David, Dick and Keith are his brothers. Grandmothers are Mrs. J. A. Waldrop of Hayrick and Mrs. W. D. Webb of Abilene. Mr. Waldrop is foreman of the Foster S. Price ranch west of Edith.

**WILLIAMS** — Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Williams (Minta Adams) of Redondo Beach, Calif., are parents of a daughter, Rene Celestene, born Dec. 28, 1953. She has a sister Sandy, 12 years old. The family are former residents of Coke County. The new baby's grandmother is Mrs. Mabel Williams of Robert Lee.

**DAY** — M/Sgt. and Mrs. Muri E. Day are parents of a son born Jan. 12, according to a cablegram from Japan received by relatives here. The couple has two other sons, Johnny Mack and Frank Edward. Grandparents are Mrs. Hattie Day of Robert Lee and Mr. and Mr. Frank Reichard of Miles. Sgt. Day is stationed near Tokyo and expects to return to the states with his family within the next few months.



VICTOR WOJTEK  
...heads polio drive

campaign at Edith and Mr. and Mrs. Ulmer Bird will be chairman of the drive at Sanco.

### SILVER GETS BUSY

Jake Higginbotham has been named to head the campaign committee at Silver. He is getting workers from all three of Sun Oil Company's departments, as well as from the ranch folks.

Silver made an outstanding record last year by contributing over \$1,200 to the March of Dimes.

## Pay Poll Tax By Feb. 1 If You Expect To Vote

Persons who want to vote in this year's important elections had better be getting their Poll Tax Receipts. According to state law you can't buy a Poll Tax after Feb. 1.

Wednesday morning only 600 Poll Tax Receipts had been issued in the office of Tax Collector Paul Good. Usually there are about 1,400 in an election year. Bob Edwards is issuing Poll Tax Receipts at Sun's gas plant in Silver, and had put out 40 early this week.

This will be a very important election year. Texas will elect a United States Senator and a complete set of state officials. There will also be congressional, legislative, district and county officials to name.

School trustee elections will attract attention in many districts and both Robert Lee and Bronte will hold municipal elections this year.

## Commissioners Hire Engineer For Road Work

Coke County Commissioners Court in special session here Monday took up the matter of building some new roads in the oil producing areas of northwest Coke County.

Grief Engineering Company of McCamey was employed as road engineers to make preliminary surveys of the proposed new roads.

The Commissioners made an extensive tour through the northwest part of the county to get first hand information, and visited a site where oil operators hope to get a new high water bridge across the Colorado River.

Commissioners will meet again next Tuesday to further discuss road matters.

## JR. STOCK SHOW SATURDAY

Coke County's Annual Junior Livestock Show will be held Saturday of this week at the show grounds in Robert Lee. The public is making up cash prizes amounting to \$300 which will be awarded.

Werner Lindig, assistant Tom Green county agent, will judge the 75 lambs, 10 fat hogs and 5 steers. Also in the show will be a few breeding sheep and swine. Lindig leaves next week to become agent in Culberson County.

Jack Waide, who resigned the Culberson position, has begun his duties as Coke County's new county agent. He has been busy this week helping 4-H youths put the finishing touches on their show animals.

The annual Junior Show is sponsored by the Coke County Livestock Assn. Officers of the association are Ed Cumbie of Bronte, president, and Weldon Fikes, Robert Lee, secretary.

## Plans Approved For New School

The School Board and Planning Board met Wednesday night with Mr. Wilson of Wilson & Patterson to make final decision on the type of school building and the exact location. The architects will advertise for bids immediately.

There will be a thirty-day waiting period so that we may get the best possible proposition. According to the plans, the contract could possibly be let as soon as March 1.

As soon as the site and type of building are selected various minor details will be worked out, and turned over to the architect before he submits the plan for bids.

## Fern Havins Is Candidate For Commissioner

A new hat was tossed into the local political ring this week when Fern Havins announced his candidacy for Coke County Commissioner in Precinct No. 1.

The office has been held by J. W. Service, who is completing his second term. Mr. Service has advised friends that he does not intend to seek re-election.

Mr. Havins is a native of Coke County, having been born in the Valley View community, southeast of Robert Lee. For the past seven years he has resided in Robert Lee and is engaged in the dirt moving business. He has had 20 years experience in road building, and if elected will emphasize county road construction and maintenance.

Mr. Havins takes an active part in community affairs and for the past few years has served as a trustee on the Robert Lee City Commission.

Precinct 1 is made up of a large area extending through the center of the county from the north end to the south line. It includes the big oil field in the Silver locality, as well as the Sanco and Robert Lee communities.



ROBERT VAUGHAN, Robert Lee auto dealer, has been re-elected president of the Board of Community Development. His interest in community affairs and his leadership ability made him the unanimous choice to head Robert Lee's only civic organization for another year.

## TAX DEADLINE IS JAN. 31ST

Property owners are cautioned that the deadline for paying taxes before they become delinquent is drawing near.

All state, county, school and city taxes become delinquent if not paid by Feb. 1 and a penalty is added after that date.

Local tax collecting offices report collections have been normal this year but a big rush is expected from now until the end of the month.

The county collected the big end of its taxes in October when a 3 percent discount was allowed. In fact, \$350,000 came in during the month, leaving only about \$50,000 on the books. However, there are a lot of small property owners included in the list of those who did not pay early.

### GREEN MT. MUSICAL

Don't forget, folks, the fourth Friday night is here again, and the Green Mountain Junior Grand Ole Opera is wanting to start off their fourth year with another of their large crowds. All the regular cast of performers plus some probable newcomers will be on deck to furnish you with three hours of fun and entertainment. So for the "Best in the West" see you tonight.—Contributed.

### SINGING HERE SUNDAY

There will be a Singing next Sunday starting at 2:30 p.m. at the Robert Lee Church of Christ. Participating in the event will be congregations from Silver, Bronte and Blackwell. The public is invited.



FERN HAVINS

## BCD ADOPTS AMBITIOUS '54 PROGRAM

Numerous outstanding projects will be taken up by the Robert Lee Board of Community Development during the year 1954. Discussion of various ways to make a better and more attractive place in which to live took place at the BCD's meeting last Thursday night at the school cafeteria. There was a good attendance. Refreshments were served before the session adjourned.

Robert Vaughan was re-elected president of the group. New vice president is Billy Hughes, who succeeds J. W. Service, and Bart Geer was named secretary-treasurer to replace A. V. Sheppard.

Among the projects to be explored are improved telephone service, installation of a natural gas system in Robert Lee, advertising brochures for the city and community, and highway sign boards.

J. E. Quisenberry, Boy Scout chairman, stated the Lions Club here had surrendered its charter, and a new sponsor was needed for the Boy Scouts. Members of the BCD voted to accept the sponsorship.

Construction of a soft ball field for night games is also to have BCD backing. Chilly Tinkler, Billy Hughes and W. T. McAdams were named a committee to work on the project. Mr. Tinkler reported \$250 worth of equipment had been purchased and \$200 cash remains on hand. Additional donations will be solicited.

A swimming pool is another project that will be explored. President Vaughan suggested a program of tree planting would be in order now that Robert Lee has plenty of water.

Hugh Lewis, Jr. and Melvin Bahlman were named as a membership committee. It is apparent that the BCD will need some funds to put over its ambitious program, and everyone in the community will be expected to join up and lend their support.

Named as a Road Committee were A. J. Kirkpatrick, Fred McDonald, Jr. and T. W. Farris.

Mrs. A. J. Rawlings of Bronte is convalescing at the ranch home of her son and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Simpson. She was dismissed from the Bronte Hospital last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Boren and children went to Snyder last weekend for a visit with the former's mother.

## HOSPITAL NEWS

Jan. 14—Mrs. Dora Brock, Frankie Wojtek, Lexie Lewis, Mrs. Marvin Glasgow, Miss Mettie Russell, Evans Quinn Conley admitted. Jack Gray dismissed.

Jan. 15—Charles Bloodworth, Mrs. Roy Walker dismissed.

Jan. 16—Mrs. Pearl Mayo, C. E. McDonald, Cynthia Baker admitted. Quinn Conley dismissed.

Jan. 17—Frankie Wojtek, Mrs. Pearl Mayo dismissed.

Jan. 18—Cynthia Baker, Miss Mettie Russell, dismissed.

Jan. 19—Lexie Lewis, Mrs. Lowell Roane, dismissed.

### ROYCE SMITH WRITES FROM KOJE ISLAND

Jan. 3, 1954  
Koje Island

Dear Mr. Kirk:

How are you getting along. Sure hope that you are getting along fine. I am doing pretty good but I sure wish that I were home so I could see everybody.

I hope that Tommy can stay in Fort Bliss and will never have to come over here. There are a lot of sights to see over here but it is not worth it I don't believe.

I have been reading in the paper where they are going to build a new school. That is just wonderful. That is one thing that Robert Lee has needed for a long time. I sure am glad that it happened.

Well, we aren't doing much over here but train and we sure do a lot of that.

We have our battalion in a valley and on each side are pretty high mountains and we go up and down them nearly all day long. And at times it gets pretty tiresome. But they don't believe in getting tired so we just keep on doing it.

I made Cpl. just about 2 1/2 months ago and then they took all the Korean veterans back to Japan and left our company with only three Sgts. and so now I am acting as platoon Sgt. and boy, do I have a time.

I'm sorry that I haven't wrote you sooner. But maybe I will be able to write more people now.

I sure do enjoy reading the Robert Lee paper. I sure am glad when I get it so I can read about all the news about Robert Lee.

Be careful and don't work too hard.

Tell everyone hello for me.  
Yours Truly  
James. R. Smith

(Editor's Note: Royce is now a

corporal and is slated to advancement to the grade of sergeant. He is due to get in his two years of service this summer. His address is: Cpl. James R. Smith, Co. A, 21st Inf. Regt., APO 24, care of the Postmaster, San Francisco, Calif.)

### Mrs. Bird Hostess At Meeting Of Sanco HD Club

Members of the Sanco Home Demonstration Club will take part in serving food at the Coke County Home Demonstration Clubs' booth at the 4-H boys and girls and FFA boys stock show Saturday Januray 28, at Robert Lee, according to plans completed at the meeting recently in the home of Mrs. Ulmer Bird.

Mrs. Douglas Gartman led the club in reviewing the process of becoming a citizen under the naturalization laws. Questions and answers on the duties of citizens aroused considerable interest and impromptu discussion on which all members took part.

In the report on the recent County Home Demonstration Council meeting, given by Mrs. Nolan Pentecost, dates for training schools and committee meetings were announced.

Named Texas Home Demonstration Association delegates to represent this club at Council were Mrs. Jack Allard, Mrs. Pentecost and Mrs. Gartman.

The club henceforth is to meet at 2 p. m. instead of 2:30, according to action taken at this meeting.

Guests were Mrs. Guy Denman, who recently moved back to Sanco from Denver City, and Mrs. Millege Gartman. Members present were Mrs. Teddy Pitcock, Mrs. Harvey Reid, Mrs. T. A. Bird, Mrs. J. L. Reid, Mrs. Pentecost, Mrs. Douglas Gartman and Mrs. Ulmer Bird.

### From Our Subscribers

Denver, Colo., Jan. 4

Dear Mr. Kirkpatrick:

Happy New Year to you and you will find \$2.50 enclosed for the paper. Sure enjoy it each week. We had a beautiful holiday season with snow flakes falling and glistening among the colored lights. Our best wishes to you. — Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Seeley (Jewell Ledbetter.)

Rt. 3, Seminole, Okla. Dec. 31

Dear Mr. Kirkpatrick:

I am enclosing a check of \$2.50 to renew my subscription for another year. We enjoy reading The Observer and keeping in touch with our Coke County friends.

We spent Christmas in Arizona and saw a good snow the day we left. In fact, the roads were bad until after we left Albuquerque, N. Mex. We saw six cars and one large truck wrecked. This made us thankful that we arrived home safely.

Winter crops are looking good here, but we could still use more moisture. — Sincerely, U. D. Mathers.

Rochelle, Tex., Jan. 6

Dear Editor:

Enclosed find check for The Robert Lee Observer another year. Surely enjoy the home town paper. Sorry about the death of your wife, also our dear friend, Mrs. D. A. Neel. Time brings many changes and time alone can heal all our sor-

rows. Here is wishing you and yours the best of everything for 1954. — Thanks, Mrs. M. A. Harden.

### Sun Oil Notes

Sun 29 C. E. Mathers drilled at 5,900 feet.  
Sun 49 C. E. Mathers, 4,300 feet, shale.  
Sun B-4 Central Nat'l Bldg. seated 5 1/2 inch casing at 6,100 feet and was waiting on cement.

## CITY TAX NOTICE

Property owners are advised that City Taxes will be delinquent the end of January. The law provides that a penalty shall be added to taxes which are allowed to become delinquent.

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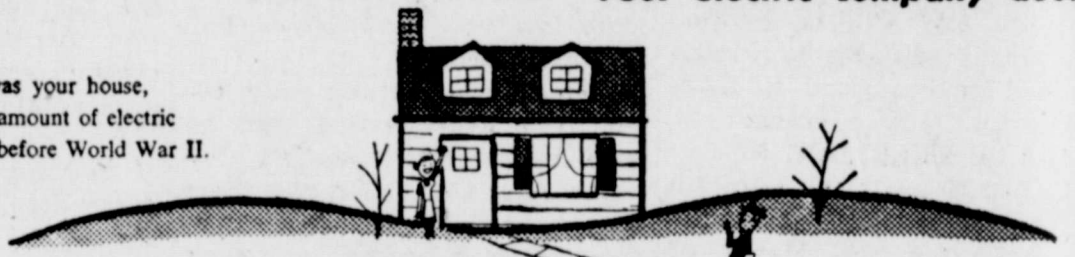
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**Cane Sugar 5 lbs 39c**

ORANGE AID, HiC - - - 46 Oz. 25c

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PORK & BEANS, Jack Sprat - 2 for 19c

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OLEO, ALL SWEET - - Lb. 25c

**Chewing Gum 3 pkgs. 10c**

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### Robert Lee FFA Will Have Fifty Animals In Show

Twenty-three FFA boys with 50 animals will be entered in the Coke County Livestock show, Sat., Jan. 23, 1954.

The boys have been very active lately training, fitting and grooming their animals to get them in tip top show condition. The following entries will be exhibited at the show:

Fine Wool Lambs — J. C. Caston 2; T. C. Brown 3; Jerrel Harmon 3; Jerry Harmon 3; Jim Cox 3; Don Blair 1; Wayne Calder 3; Fredrick Ashworth 3; Atha Hall 2.

Pen of 3 fine Wool Lambs — T. C. Brown, Jerrel Harmon, Jerry Harmon, Jim Cox, Wayne Calder, Fredrick Ashworth.

Fat calves — Victor Collett 1; Bill Simpson 1; Milburn Wink 2. Fat Barrows — Bobby Wojtek 2.

Breeding Jr. Boars — Harold Robertson 1.

Breeding sows — Joe Harmon, Wayne Blair.

Breeding Ewes — Jerrel Harmon.

Cross Bred Lambs — Don Bell 3; Sherman Williams 3; Lynn Davidson 3; J. C. Caston 2; Donald Walker 2; Roland McArthur 3.

Pen of 3 Cross Bred Lambs — Don Bell, Sherman Williams, Lynn Davidson, Roland McArthur.

Three-fourths of the boys enrolled in Vocational Agriculture in the Robert Lee High School will have animals on exhibit at the show. Following the County Show the animals will be entered in the Houston, San Angelo and Abilene Shows where they will be sold.

#### H. C. ALLEN HONORED

H. C. Allen of Robert Lee was re-elected a director of the San Angelo National Farm Loan Association at the stockholders annual meeting in San Angelo Saturday. Mr. Allen has served as a director for more than 15 years. He was also honored by being chosen to represent the local association at the Federal Land Bank annual meeting in Houston next month. George Taylor, former Robert Lee school man, served several years a secretary of the San Angelo National Farm Loan Association and is now a district supervisor over a territory covering 70 west Texas counties.

### LOCAL NEWS

Mrs. A. D. Williams of Christoval is a patient at St. John's Hospital in San Angelo. She is the former Aline Smith of Robert Lee.

Wilfred Caraway who is employed by Sun Oil Co. at Dallas, spent the weekend in the home of his mother, Mrs. Clayton Caraway.

Miss Jane Anderson was crowned Band Sweetheart and Robert Jay was crowned Band Beau at the annual banquet held in Lake View study hall last Saturday night. C. F. Jones, former band director was speaker at the affair. Fifteen of the band boys were guests of Robert at his home here Sunday.

Mrs. Gertrude Gray and family visited over the weekend in Rotan. They attended a birthday dinner for her mother, brother and a nephew.

Mrs. V. H. Simpson and Annette motored to Ponotoc Sunday to visit Mr. and Mrs. Lee Webster. They were accompanied as far as Brady by Mrs. O. V. Looney, who spent the day with relatives there.

### PROCLAMATION

The Texas Public School System was established January 31, 1854. By that act the pioneers of Texas "entrusted the education of their children and ours to the only safe repository we know, the people themselves;" and by that same act of 100 years ago the founding fathers of public education in Texas expressed the hope that Texas would some day "show the world that we will not only be the Empire State in point of territory, but also in the number and excellence of our institutions of learning."

Our schools of today have achieved in large measure the goal expressed by a group of citizens in a mass meeting at the state capitol on that momentous day, January 31, 1854. "Our schools of today not only are worthy of notice in themselves, but they are the embodiment of the vision of the pioneers who founded the Lone Star State. We must continue to keep faith with those early Texans who were determined even at great sacrifice to give the best possible education to every child. Our public schools touch the lives of more Texas citizens than does any other public institution. What we are as a people depends in great measure upon the quality of education we provide for our children."

I, J. S. Ferrell, your Mayor, in keeping with the traditions and achievements of this great state, do hereby proclaim that the week beginning Monday, January 24th, and ending Sunday, January 31, be considered by citizens of Robert Lee as "Preparation Week" for the 100th Anniversary of the Texas Public School System, and I further proclaim that the week beginning Monday, March 1st, and ending Saturday, March 6th, be considered by the citizens of Robert Lee as "Public Schools Visitation Week."

I, therefore, urge that during "Preparation Week" and "Public Schools Visitation Week" the schools, the churches, the civic clubs, the governmental and non-governmental agencies, and the citizens in this community use every activity and opportunity to acquaint themselves more fully with the full impact of public education on the development of this state and our present economic, social and moral security. I further urge that each individual take this occasion to rededicate his thought and efforts to the task of developing the human resources of this community.

Let us, therefore, as we use these weeks to prepare our hearts and minds for this Centennial Year, pay tribute to the great men and women of Texas education, both living and dead. Let us, as we remember the struggles our forefathers have made to keep our schools moving forward, resolve to meet the great challenges of public education today with courage, understanding and constructive efforts.

J. S. FERRELL

### Silver Cage Team Wins Opening Tilt

Silver's newly organized Independent Basketball Team got off to a good start by defeating the Bronte Independents 70-41. The contest was played Tuesday night on the new school gym floor at Silver.

Don Williams was high point man with 23. Gerald Braswell and Richard Howlett were the officials. Silver was scheduled to play the All Stars at Colorado City Wednesday night.

Bob Edwards is team manager and the squad includes A. D. Leonard, R. M. Tunnell, R. N. Corbell, T. A. Davis, H. W. Smith, R. J. Overturf, Joe Boatright, Don Williams, Henry Pyle, Harold Spivey, Clyde Hornbeck and Bill Moore.

Mr. Edwards says new suits have been ordered. The uniforms costing \$18 each were donated by J. P. Jameson, Joe Weddell, Lowe's Cafe, Vaughan Davis (Sun Grocery), Odom Drug, R. S. Anderson, Windham Welding Service, Younger Bros. and Ernest Clendennen Welding Service.

### 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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### CLIFT-DALBY WEDDING

The marriage of Miss Billie Jean Dalby and Wallace Bruce Clift, Jr. will take place at 7:30 p. m. Saturday at Tarrytown Methodist Church in Austin. Present at the wedding will be the bridegroom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Clift of Robert Lee, and his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Allan Davis of Ballinger. Also planning to go to Austin for the wedding will be Wallace's uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Russell.

### COLD WEATHER

A blue norther rolled into West Texas Wednesday afternoon, bringing the coldest weather of the season. The mercury went down to 20 degrees in Robert Lee Thursday morning. The cold wave was accompanied by a strong wind. A small amount of sleet fell early Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Harmon and family, Mrs. Elton Millican and Marshall Wayne and Mrs. Bud Harmon were visitors Sunday in the home of Mrs. Floyd Harmon's mother Mrs. E. B. Creech at San Angelo.

### PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Byrd returned this week to their home at Happy after visiting in the homes of their daughters, Mrs. I. M. Austin and Mrs. M. J. Dixon at Bronte. They stopped here last week after enjoying a pleasant trip to the Gulf in company with their son, John Byrd and his wife of Happy. They visited the Byrd's daughter, Mrs. Della Word and her husband at Rockport, and also Wylie's aunt at Donner.

Mr. and Mrs. Rube Collins of Bronte were Sunday guests in the John Allen home.

C. E. McDonald, 76, well known Robert Lee man, suffered a stroke last Wednesday at Pecos where he had been employed the past few weeks. He was getting ready to go to work when he was stricken. He was brought to Robert Lee Saturday in the Clift ambulance and is being cared for in Coke County Memorial Hospital. His condition is critical but a slight improvement is reported.

Hayrick Lodge No. 696 A.F. & A.M. Meets second Tuesday night in each month. Visitors welcome.  
H. S. LEWIS, JR., W. M.  
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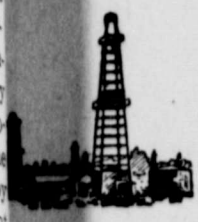
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**Notes**  
From The  
**Oil Field**



**Another Wildcat**  
**Southwest Bronte**

Cosden Petroleum Corp. of Big Spring and Murray Petroleum Co. of San Angelo started to drill a 5,000-foot rotary wildcat in Coke County, four miles west-southwest of Bronte and 3/4 miles northeast of production in the Wendkirk field. It will be the No. 1 M. E. Lasswell. Location is 2,229 feet from the north and 330 feet from the west end of Stanton Fields survey 1. The prospector is two miles east of the Bronte multipay field. Drillers reported a depth more than 2,000 feet yesterday. It is also 1 7/8 miles southwest of McGarr at 1 Fletcher. Wildcat failure abandoned April 1949 at 6,230 feet, elevation reported. The following tops were picked: Palo Pinto, 4,645 ft; Ellenburger, 5,900 feet.

Ray-Harris Drilling Co. of Dallas No. 2 rotary rig has moved to a location 21 miles northwest of Big Spring where it is drilling for itself on a farmout in Sun and Gulf. It is a semi-wildcat.

Ira Koskie is handling tools and most of the crew is made up of Robert Lee men. After being missed by Sun in the Silver area last fall, the rig drilled a wildcat near Sonora. Ray-Harris No. 2 rig is on a wildcat location at Truscott, and will move back to the Sweetwater area soon. E. B. Creech is the pusher.

Thompson & Carr of Midland recently moved their rotary into Fuller Coke field in the northwest part of Coke county. Bentley is the tool pusher. It makes the second rotary drilling for Fuller Bros. in that field.

V. H. Owens, who is pumper Fullers, has moved from Robert Lee to Sterling City. Distance to the field is 14 miles, he said, since it was necessary for him to go around by river.

**S. G. DANFORD WEDS**

S. G. Danford, former resident of the Edith community, and Ethel Stinebaugh of Sherwood, were married Wednesday last week by the Rev. G. K. Key in Blackwell. They left on a wedding trip to San Antonio and Corpus Christi. The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Gus Thomas and the late Mr. Thomas, pioneer ranch couple of Sherwood. Mrs. Danford will re-settle at Sherwood.

Among the relatives called the last of the week by the sons of C. E. McDonald were Mrs. J. D. Black of Levell, Garland Black and Mrs. E. Black of Iraan.

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**CHURCH OF CHRIST**

In Robert Lee

**DAY SERVICES** — Bible Study 10:15 to 10:55 a. m. Worship at 11:00 A. M. Young People's Class at 6:00 P. M. Evening Service at 7:00.

Mid-Week Bible Study Wednesdays at 7:00

**WEN COSGROVE, Minister**

**Magnolia Carr**  
**Rates 175 Bbls.**

Magnolia Petroleum Co. No. 1 W. L. Carr, west of Silver, has been finalized for a daily flow of 175.54 barrels of 44.6 gravity oil. Production was through 11-64 inch choke from 168 perforations at 6,000-90 feet. Pressures were 1,000 pounds on casing and 650 pounds on tubing. Gas-oil ratio 908-1.

Location is in the D. H. & J. W. Snyder and Von Rosenberg Survey A-647, 4 miles southwest of Silver. It is the first producer for Mr. Carr and Magnolia is now well along on its No. 2 Carr. The lease involves about 500 acres.

**REID RE-ENTRY FAILS**

Laan-Tex Oil Co. of Dallas has failed to find production after re-entering its No. 1 Mrs. J. L. Reid, 2 miles east of Sanco. Operators tested a Cisco sand section at 4,250 feet, but found it barren. The test has been abandoned.

**PERSONALS**

Mrs. G. F. (Pete) Davis of Colorado City underwent major surgery Tuesday at Coke County Memorial Hospital. Her condition is reported as very satisfactory.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Hood and baby son returned Saturday to their home in Robert Lee from a three week eastern trip in which they visited kinfolks of Mrs. Hood. They visited her brother in Cincinnati, Ohio, and then went on to Providence, R. I., where they were guests of her mother. It was the first time Mrs. Hood's relatives had seen the baby.

Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Thomas and daughter of Brownwood were recent guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hood.

Mrs. Dora Brock, 81 year old Bronte woman, is improved at Coke County Memorial Hospital where she has been a medical patient the past week. She is the mother of Carl Brock of Robert Lee. Other members of the family called here by her illness are Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Brock of Birmingham, Ala., Mr. and Mrs. Earl Brock of Seminole and Miss Lizzie Brock of Bronte.

Willie Wallace and family visited in Robert Lee a few days this week. Mrs. Wallace is a sister of Mrs. Pete Davis, who underwent major surgery.

Fred McDonald, Sr. has been a patient in the Bronte Hospital since Christmas Day. His many friends will be happy to learn that he seems to be holding his own.

Mrs. Cecil Bridges of Stanton visited here Wednesday with Mrs. Zelma Milam. The former was enroute to College Station to bring her son home for a few days vacation from A&M College.

Excellent reports come from Mrs. G. E. Hall of Robert Lee who underwent major surgery last Thursday at Clinic-Hospital in San Angelo.

Homer Carwile and son, Bill, and J. L. Carwile, Jr. were called to Gladewater recently when they were advised that Bro. Wilson Carwile had been injured in a car wreck. Wilson is pastor of a church at Athens, Tex.

**M. C. HENDRY WEDS**

The marriage of M. C. Hendry and Miss Virginia Right took place Jan. 2 in the Primitive Methodist Church in San Angelo. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Hendry of Sterling City and is well known in Coke County.

**ANNUAL Clearance**

**Begins - Friday, Jan. 22nd**

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## SILVER NEWS

W. L. Carr well known ranchman residing west of Silver underwent surgery Monday at Hannon Hospital in San Angelo. Latest reports indicate his condition is satisfactory.

Silver voters can pay their poll taxes without going down to the court house in Robert Lee. Bob Edwards chief clerk at the poll plant has a book of poll receipts and had issued 40 up until Tuesday morning. The deadline is Jan. 31.

Mrs. Wayne Reed has been seriously ill the past ten days in St. John's Hospital in San Angelo.

D. L. Lowe Silver cafe operator was injured Sunday night near Stamford. He was returning from a trip to Oklahoma when his car skidded into a ditch because of ice on the pavement.

Jack Byrd and his wife spent the weekend with relatives at Sulphur Springs. Jack is a field clerk in Sun's production office here.

Two Sun Pipeline employees are will swap positions with others from Seabreeze this week. G. W. Neal, district clerk, will trade jobs with W. L. Ashore of Seabreeze, and H. C. Barrett, district mechanic, will trade with J. D. Jett. A party for the Neal and Barrett families is scheduled at Sun Recreation all Thursday night of this week.

Vicki, 4 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rocky Ford, was honored with a birthday party Tuesday afternoon.

Richard Livensparger of Mansfield, Ohio, recently underwent an appendectomy according to telegram received here by Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Anderson. The boy's mother is the former Mildred DeMoss. She is a niece of the Andersons and was reared at their home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lee Schooler O'Donnell visited here one day last week with Mr. and Mrs. Bob Tom. The ladies became close friends when they held positions in San Angelo a number of years ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Trice E. Taylor recently spent a two weeks' vacation here in the parental Ed Taylor home. Trice is employed by Pure Oil Co. at Nederland. A new garage building, one of the finest in this territory, is now being constructed by Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Anderson. The structure has dimensions of 20 x 40 feet, with space for three cars.

A cemented basement was dug on the west end with dimensions of 10 x 20 feet. It is to be used for storage and as a storm cellar. Living quarters above the basement will be provided for the Anderson's hired hand, Dave. Charlie Bessent and Carl Brock are in charge of the work.

### Recent Brides



MRS. BUDDY HAVINS



MRS. ROY TINKLER

Mrs. Havins was formerly Edna Mae Wallace and Mrs. Tinkler was the former Jennie Lee Burns. The marriages of these popular Robert Lee young ladies took place in a double ring ceremony Jan. 2 at the Robert Lee Baptist Church.

### PERSONALS

A. V. Sheppard and family were called to Jacksboro the last of the week by the death of his aunt, Mrs. Henry Bloodworth. She was 80 years old and had been bedfast following an injury three years ago.

Billie Dove Allen, who has been employed in Odessa, is back in Robert Lee for an indefinite stay in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Allen.

### WATERWORKS SCHOOL

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Jay are attending the school for waterworks operators held every Thursday night in San Angelo. This is an unofficial school and is conducted for operators who are planning to take the state examination for a B or A license in February, when the state will conduct a short school. This school, too, will be held in San Angelo. Mr. Jay has a B certificate and Mrs. Jay has a C. These certificates are required by the State Health Department, and are a safeguard for the public, to be sure that they are getting safe water for domestic uses.

### LOCAL NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Rives came from Odessa in the parental Pat Rives home. They were accompanied home by their little children, Jimmie and Barbara, who had spent a week with their grandparents.

Mrs. Emma Goss arrived last week from Roswell, N. Mex., for a visit with her mother and sister, Mrs. Betty Neagle and Mrs. C. H. Millican. Mrs. Neagle, who is 87 years of age, is improved from a recent illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Foster Leet of Winters were Sunday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Baker.

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Mrs. J. S. Gardner visited over the weekend in the D. L. Buchanan home in Colorado City. She is a sister of Mrs. Buchanan.

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# NOTICE To Taxpayers

Please remember that your State and County Taxes become delinquent if not paid before February 1.

Property owners are advised that a penalty is attached on all taxes not paid before that date. If you can take care of your taxes this month it will save additional expense.

## Poll Tax Deadline

Please also bear in mind that Poll Taxes must be paid before February 1—you can't buy a Poll Tax Receipt after that date.

This is an important election year, and if you want to vote you must pay a Poll Tax if you are between the ages of 21 and 60.

# PAUL GOOD

Coke County Tax Assessor-Collector

## SCHOOL TAX NOTICE

School Taxes will be delinquent after Jan. 31. You can avoid paying a penalty by taking care of your School Taxes by that date.

## H. S. Lewis

Tax Assessor and Collector  
Robert Lee Ind. School District

### Robert Lee Cagers Defeat Norton; Lose At Miles

Robert Lee's high school basket ball teams won two from Norton last Friday night, then dropped a pair at Miles Tuesday night.

The Steers trailed for three quarters, then put on a final spurt to defeat Norton 39-36. Hollis Lloyd with 23 and Lynn Davidson with nine were top scorers for the locals. J. Harris and Robinson each hit for 14 points for Norton.

In a preliminary game Robert Lee girls topped Norton, 50-24.

#### MILES WINS TWO

Robert Lee girls lost their conference game at Miles Tuesday night, 28-34. Miles defeated the Robert Lee boys 43-41 in a thriller. The winners were ahead 23 to 8 at the half, but Robert Lee picked up rapidly in the later stages on the contest. They tied the score at 41-all with 4 seconds to go. Miles scored a field goal with the horn. Lynn Davidson made 16 points and Hollis Lloyd 13.

#### BRONTE TOURNNEY

Robert Lee is entered in the Bronte tournament this weekend. Robert Lee girls play Christoval at 7 p. m. Friday and the boys take on the Christoval boys at 8. Should the boys win, they will play again at 10 a. m. Saturday and the girls at 1 p. m.

Both boys and girls will play conference games with Bronte Tuesday night, Jan. 26, at 7 o'clock in Robert Lee.

Mrs. J. J. S. Smith has been visiting a granddaughter, Mrs. Doris Burns, in Odessa.

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### SCHOOL NOTES

The F.H.A. State Meeting is coming up in April. It will be from April 22 to 24. Two members from each club may go with one sponsor, one mother or father, and one superintendent or principal. The meeting will be at Fort Worth.

The F.H.A. members completed the study of child care and clothing during the first semester and will take up cooking now.

Mrs. Eastland reports the class lost three members during the first term.

The Senior Class has been making plans for its trip. They have decided on the place but must wait until the trustees pass on the plans before they announce them.

Four new pupils have enrolled in school since mid term. They are the children of Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Bilbo. Mr. Bilbo is employed by the D. S. R. Construction Co.

### LOCAL NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Patterson of Big Spring were recent guests in the parental home of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Patterson.

Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Trowbridge and family and Mr. and Mrs. Bogard Watkins of Rankin were Sunday guests in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Finis Millican and Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Millican.

Mrs. J. N. Adams of San Angelo was a weekend guest in the ranch home of her son-in-law and daughter Mr. and Mrs. Sam Powell.

Mr. and Mrs. O. V. Wallace and son, Carroll, of Cleburne were weekend visitors at the Joe Garvin ranch west of Edith. They also visited Mrs. Wallace's brother, Rush Garvin, who is a patient at San Angelo Clinic-Hospital.

Johnibeth Snead is a new beekkeeper in the Robert Lee State Bank. Bobbie Allen is also employed here at present but will resign next month when her husband, Lt. Bill Allen, will return from Korea.

Waymond (Copey) Davis has a 12-days leave from his army duties at Fort Hood and visiting home folks in Robert Lee.

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Clifton Webb, Barbara Stanwyck in  
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