



# History of Coke County

By Jessie Newton Yarbrough

## INSTALLMENT 25

### Cedar Posts

According to Mrs. John McCabe, there was quite an industry in cedar posts in the early days.

Men and boys came to this county from Abilene and other near-by towns and lived in camps and cut cedar posts during the winter months. The posts were carried from the canyons to the top of the Divide and stacked ready to be hauled away and sold when spring arrived.

Some homesteaders cut cedar posts on the halves. When he had a stack of posts ready to sell, the homesteader would haul them to San Angelo or some other market and trade them for lumber with which to build a room or two for his family.

The cedar post supply has long since been depleted, and today many cedar posts are imported to supply the demand of local farmers and ranchers.

### Transportation

The first people to come to this area came on foot or on horseback, driving the nucleus of their herds-to-be before them. Since the roads were mere trails, this was the most practical mode of travel at the time.

The majority of the early settlers came in "prairie schooners" drawn by oxen. Usually two yoke of oxen were required to draw one loaded wagon; but if another wagon had to be trailed, three yoke of oxen were required.

Stage Coaches furnished transportation over certain routes from a very early date. The Butterfield Stage Coaches traveled over the Butterfield Trail route across this county from the northeast to the southwest. Later there was a stage route from Robert Lee to Sweetwater via Maryneal. This stage changed horses at Maryneal and was driven for many years by Mr. John Warren.

Another stage route operated between Robert Lee and San Angelo, with horses being changed at the "half-way house," while still another was operated between Robert Lee and Ballinger. Mr. Warren also operated this line for some years.

Before the advent of motor-driven vehicles, "freighters" hauled or freighted supplies to this county from railroad points in wagons drawn by horse or mule teams. These loaded wagons made a speed of from two to three miles per hour or an average of two and one-half miles per hour. Although this method of transporting supplies was fairly satisfactory in that early day, at least one commodity suffered severely, and that was ice. Ice was bought in San Angelo at about forty cents per hundred pounds, but it lost so much in transit, that it sold at \$2.00 per hundred in Robert Lee.

The first railroad to touch Coke County was the Kansas City, Mexico and Orient, which later sold to the Santa Fe. The Kansas City, Mexico and Orient began construction along the east side of the county in 1906, and the first train through Fort Chadbourne, Bronte and Tennyson was November 22, 1909. This road has 28.1 miles of track in

Coke County.

The other railroad, which touches Coke County near Water Valley, is also operated by the Santa Fe. It originally ran from Sterling City to Paint Rock via San Angelo. This road has only 4.61 miles of track in this county.

In addition to the railroads Coke county is now served by several bus lines: viz., Sunset Bus Lines, Baygent Coaches, and the Greyhound Bus Line. These bus lines operate daily buses through Robert Lee and Bronte to San Angelo, Ballinger, Abilene, Sweetwater, and Colorado City and to points past these cities.

Commercial trucks haul the most of the County's products to market. Cattle trucks from any section of the county can reach the San Angelo market in from one to two hours, and the Fort Worth market can be reached in a few hours. Much of the cotton is shipped directly to gulf ports by trucks. Tank trucks are used to haul oil from some of the more isolated oil wells; however, two pipe lines carry oil from the Coke County oil fields.

By far the most important means of transportation is the

automobile. The first automobiles in this county were 1908 model Buicks owned by John Saul and Samuel B. Kemp. Following the introduction of the automobile, the number of motor driven vehicles increased steadily

and fairly rapidly. A total of 1,178 motor vehicles were licensed in Coke County in 1947 — 834 passenger cars, 220 farm pickups and trucks, and 124 commercial vehicles. About two thousand and have been registered in 1953.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Mason and their baby, Donald Gene, returned to El Paso Tuesday a few days' visit with home. Donald is stationed at Fort Bliss where he is a motor mechanic in the Anti Aircraft Artillery.



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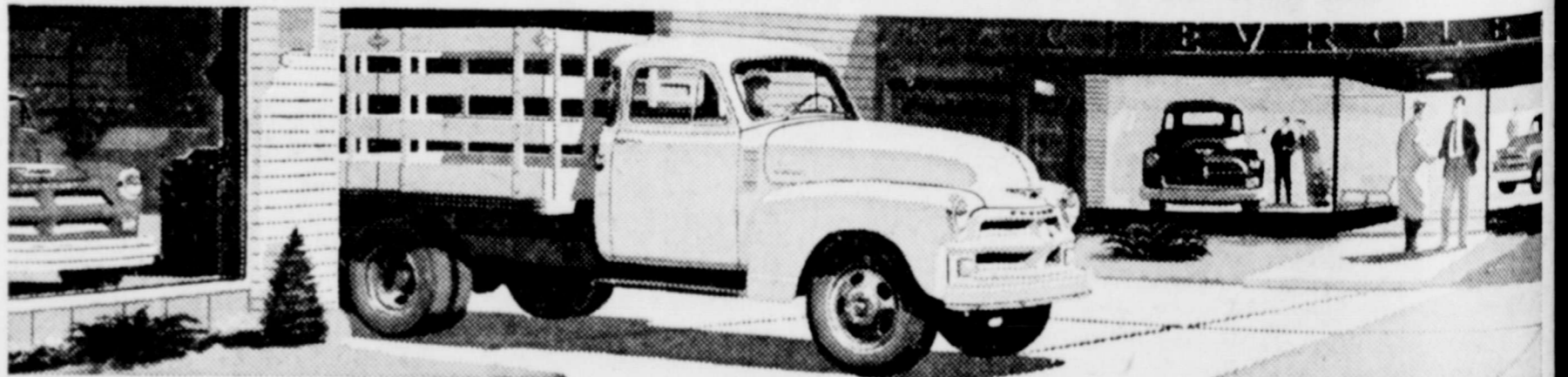
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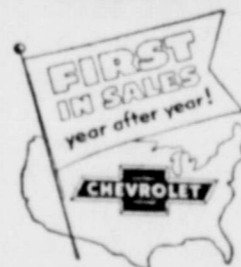
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## SILVER NEWS

and Mrs. Ern Mathers left week to attend the annual family reunion at Roswell, N. Mex.

for a several weeks' visit the G. R. Brasuels is his mother. Mrs. M. R. Brasuel of Beauvoir, and her children, Doris, and L. C.

ending the summer with her Mrs. Jahew Jameson, is Green, six year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rex E. Green of Lagunas, New Mex. She will be returning home very

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Mullican and Larry were in Big Spring last week where the former received medical treatment at the Veterans Hospital.

Myrtle Jamesons have returned from a visit with the J. Walkers at Artesia, New Mex.

Mr. and Mrs. L. K. McKinnons have returned from a two weeks' vacation at Houston and the Gulf

Mr. Byrd left the last of the week for Philadelphia for two weeks of active duty with the 1st Reserve Air Force. He is field clerk here in Sun Oil Company's production office.

Mr. Oscar Higginbothams left Friday on a two weeks' vacation.

Returning the last of the week on a vacation trip to visit relatives at Winston-Salem, S. C. Mr. and Mrs. Hunter Howland and son, Richard. Mr. Howland is chief meter man at Sun's oil plant.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Edwards returned the first of the week to their home in Ozona after a weekend visit with their son, Bob, and family. They were accompanied here by Jane Odom of Ozona, who is spending a week with Twila Edwards.

Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Lyles and family are vacationing in Oklahoma.

A special meeting Thursday at Silver school trustees voted

to provide another teacherage. A building will be bought in San Angelo and moved to the school property here. A vacancy still exists for the position of music teacher. Regular monthly meeting of the school board is set for Thursday night of this week.

Blackie Keener and wife visited friends here last week and were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Gilbert. Keener was formerly employed at the gas plant here before transferring to Sun Field.

E. R. Pace and family have returned after a two weeks' vacation. During the period Mr. Pace was on active duty at Ft. Hood as a captain in the Army Engineers Reserve. Guests in the Pace home this week are W. T. Lawler and family of Dallas. Mr. Lawler is a process engineer with Sun Oil Co.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Butcher and children have gone to Louisiana on a vacation visit.

During the absence of John Shimer, who has gone on a vacation with his family, J. D. Gilbert is acting superintendent of Sun's gasoline plant.

Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Gibson and son, Tommy, have returned from a months vacation in which they visited relatives in Oklahoma, Kansas, New Mexico and Arizona. At Ponca City, Okla., they visited a sister of Mr. Gibson, whom he had not seen in 32 years. Mr. Gibson is a welder employed by Ernest Clendennen.

### FROM MRS. DAY

Dear Kirk:

Will you give me a little corner this week?

Be Thankful!

First, I am thankful for God and all his blessings.

Second, I am thankful for my children and dear friends; and I am thankful for Robert Lee.

So let's everyone take time this week to be thankful for the love of God that lives in our hearts.— Thank you, Hattie.

### ODA BENTON IN HOSPITAL

Dear Mr. Kirkpatrick:

I want to tell our friends there that my husband is in the Veterans Hospital in Oakland, Calif. He was operated upon July 30 and at present is doing fine. His address is: Care of Veterans Hospital, 13th and Harrison Sts., Oakland. I am saving The Observer for him to read. Thank you. — Mrs. Oda Benton, Marysville, Calif.



## Notes From The Oil Field

### OUTPOST STAKED

Miami Operating Co., Inc. Abilene, has filed application to drill a 3/4-mile west and slightly north outpost to production in the Jameson (Strawn) Field of Coke County, four miles northwest of Silver. It will be the No. 1-E I. L. Ellwood.

Rotary drilling to 6,800 feet will begin immediately.

Location, on a 320-acre lease, is 1,983 feet from the northwest and 660 feet from the southwest lines of 12-15-SPRR.

Miami Operating Co. Inc. has filed application to drill a 1/4-mile northeast stepout to production in the Jameson (Strawn) field of Coke County, four miles northwest of Silver. It will be the No. 4-D I. L. Ellwood.

Rotary drilling to 6,800 feet will begin immediately. Elevation is 1,943 feet.

Location, on a 332-acre lease, is 660 feet from the northwest and 2,305 feet from the northeast lines of 13-15-SPRR.

Miami Operating Co., Inc. of Abilene has filed application to drill its 2-E I. L. Ellwood in Mitchell County, 7/8-mile northwest of production in the Jame-

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### MAKING GIN REPAIRS

General repairs are being completed at the Robert Lee Gin in preparation for the season's run. Pete McDonald has been in charge of the work which included saw sharpening and motor adjustments. Coke County will produce some cotton and a big crop will be harvested if rains come in the next couple of weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. "Snipe" Conley of Texon came to Robert Lee for a weekend visit with their son, John Conley, and family. Snipe took in the ball game Sunday afternoon and was greatly impressed with the 1954 Rabbit Twisters.

Mrs. J. E. Roane was called to Valley View, Tex., early last week by the death of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Tom Roane. She also visited in Fort Worth with her long time friend, Mrs. Homer Ruile, the formere Enda Steffey Burton.

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SERVICE INSTALLATIONS

### Services Held Thursday For Jess McCutchen

Services for Jess McCutchen, 57, who died early Wednesday of last week were held at 5 p. m. Thursday from the Robert Lee Methodist Church. Officiating were the Rev. Ray Lee of Rankin, formerly of Robert Lee, and the Rev. Warren Ellis, present pastor.

Burial was in Robert Lee Cemetery under direction of Clift Funeral Home. Nephews serving as pallbearers included Raymond and Joe McCutchen of Robert Lee, T. C. McCutchen of Eagle Pass, Jack McCutchen of Van Horn, Everett McCutchen of Gatesville and Ben Keyes of Christoval.

A son of the late C. W. and Elizabeth McCutchen, Jess was born Oct. 25, 1896, four miles east of Robert Lee where his parents had settled as pioneers.

He grew to manhood here and was engaged in the ranching business most of his life. For a time he operated the home place and later had leases at Sanco and Edith. He was interested in sponsoring local rodeo shows and was a good roper himself.

He had been ill a number of years and had been faithfully cared for by his sister, Eula McCutchen. His passing occurred at 3 a. m. Aug. 6 in Memorial Hospital in San Angelo where he was a patient ten days.

All his children were here for

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the funeral, except a son, Carol, who had visited his father a few days prior to his death.

Mr. McCutchen married Miss Elva Coleman of Bronte.

Survivors include his wife; two sons, Weldon McCutchen of Eagle Pass and Carol McCutchen of Falfurrias; two daughters, Mrs. D. D. Pennington of Lubbock and Mrs. M. L. Felker of Avinger; two brothers, Walker McCutchen of Pecos and Jim McCutchen of Robert Lee; two sisters, Miss Eula McCutchen of Robert Lee and Mrs. Jess Varnadore of Texon; a half sister, Mrs. John Durnell of Elkhart; two half-brothers, Monroe McCutchen of Bronte and Frank McCutchen of Gatesville; and 12 grandchildren.

The annual Perry family reunion was held Thursday, Aug. 5, in the City Park at San Angelo. Attending from Robert Lee were Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Young and Mr. and Mrs. Victor Wojtek and children, Vicki, Mary, Rinda Beth and Charles. Guests were also present from Miles, Eldorado, San Angelo and Duncan, Oklahoma.



### Notes From The Oil Field

Garrett M. Smith and others No. 1 O. Faries, wildcat a half mile east of production in the McCutchen field, plugged and abandoned at 4,100 feet. No shows reported.

Union 1 Davidson, wildcat 4 miles northeast of Robert Lee, plugged and abandoned at 6,502 feet. A one-hour drillstem test recovered 1,540 feet of gas-cut salt water.

### Capt. Douthit Will Study At U. In St. Louis

Visiting over the weekend in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Brown were their three children. The group included Cpl. Dale Brown and family of Copperas Cove, the former being stationed at Ft. Hood, and Mr. and Mrs. Pritchard Brown of Delmita. Also Capt. and Mrs. Nathan Douthit (Billie Sue Brown) and their 2-year-old son, Leslie.

Joining the group were Lieut. and Mrs. Ben Earl Acock and Lieut. and Mrs. Glenn Skinner of Reese Field at Lubbock, who came for a visit in the homes of their uncles, John and Chism Brown.

Captain Douthit is being transferred from Harlingen AFB to St. Louis where he will study geophysics at St. Louis University. He has a petroleum geology degree from Texas Tech and expects to receive a master's degree at St. Louis. He was recommended for advanced university work by the Air Force Institute of Technology.

Captain Douthit is an experienced pilot and recently was named to take part in a demonstration held in connection with ceremonies marking the retirement of Lt. Gen. Robert W. Harper. He piloted a Convair T-29 from Harlingen to Scott Field, Ill., stopping enroute at Goodfellow and Webb Air Force Bases to pick up base commanders and a few prominent citizens.

He made two trips back and forth over a four-day period and the flights were used to demonstrate the present program of Air Training.

Capt. Douthit and his family will go to Lubbock Friday to visit his kinfolks. He is due to report at St. Louis on Sept. 10 and his family will accompany him.

### Silver Baptist Church News

The Silver Baptist Church met in business session last Wednesday night, and elected the following to serve next year: Church clerk, Mrs. T. W. Lyles; treasurer, H. H. Jameson; pianist, Mrs. W. P. Holleyman; song leader, W. P. Holleyman; superintendent of Sunday School, Mrs. C. G. Walker; Training Union Director, Fred Theis. Other workers will be elected at a later date.

The treasurer's report showed the financial condition of the church to be good. The congregation built a new auditorium last winter at a cost of over \$18,000.00, including new equipment. The present indebtedness is less than \$6,000.00.

The old auditorium was sold last week to H. H. Jameson, who will move it to his ranch east of Silver, and add it to his barn and other out-buildings.

#### REVIVAL AUG. 13-20

Silver Baptists begin a revival this Friday night, to run thru Sunday night, August 22. Rev. Max Holleyman of Cotton Center, Texas, will be the preacher. Our local songleader, W. P. Holleyman, will have charge of the music, accompanied by his wife at the piano. During the week services will be at 10 a. m., and 8:15 p. m. The public is extended a hearty welcome to attend all services.

#### CARD OF THANKS

I can't see everyone who sent flowers, get well cards and did other things to make my hospital stay almost a pleasure. Without friends this would be a poor place in which to live. I love my friends and to all who showed an interest I say thank you and God bless you. —T. W. Farris.

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### TWISTERS WIN OVER MILES

Robert Lee Rabbit Twisters defeated Miles here Sunday by a score of 18 to 0. It was the opening of the first round Shaughnessy tournament in the Concho Basin area.

In the other bracket Magnolia and Angelo took an 11-4 game over Sonora. The same clubs will play again next Sunday, Robert Lee going to Miles and Magnolia going to Sonora on the latter's home ground.

The first round series is best out of three. If Robert Lee and Magnolia win again next Sunday they will go into the first round three-game playoff to start following week.

Sammy Franks hurled for the Robert Lee team and allowed only three earned singles during the game. He had good control and was given excellent support in the field.

Robert Lee pounded out 22 runs and nineteen extra bases. Lew Heuvel was the offensive star, getting a triple and singles in six trips to the plate. He made five tallies. John Epperson poled a three-bagger and singles.

Other outstanding hitters were Ed Smith with two doubles and two singles, Marlon McCutchen who blasted a homerun, a double and a two-bagger. Lester Epperson blasted a homer and a pair of two-baggers.

Ernest Tinkler, who rested his pitching arm and patrolled the field, got himself a triple and single, and Franky Percifull pitched a long three-bagger to Epperson.

G. A. Harmon is enjoying Ed Smith's stay at her home in Robert Lee and has with her a sister, Mrs. R. S. Nail, of Vernon. She has been residing at Robert Lee with a daughter, Mrs. Epperson.

#### CUB SCOUT MEETING

Cub Scouts and their parents are urged to attend a special meeting at the Scout Lodge next Tuesday night at 7:30. Cubmaster Jack Gray will meet with old Cubs and assist them with bringing their cub book requirements up to date.

Also any boy between the ages of eight to eleven interested in Cub Scouts is invited to attend this meeting. Bring your parents with you. The local pack is to re-register in September and the Cubmaster would like to register as many boys and denmothers as possible in Robert Lee.

#### NEW TEACHERS HOUSES

Construction of three new teachers houses by the Robert Lee School District is nearing completion. Supt. B. C. Goodwin and his family are already occupying one of the homes, and the other two will be finished next week. They will be occupied by M. E. Petross, high school principal, and James Mancill, athletic coach. McDonald Lumber Co. was the contractor.

Leaving this week on a vacation were Mrs. Ethel Green, her sons, Garlan and Bill and their families, and her daughter, Mrs. Joyce Augustine and children of Sterling City. They planned to visit Ethel's brother, H. T. Conner, and Glenrock, Wyo., where a reunion of the Conner family is planned for this weekend. The Robert Lee folks also will visit Yellowstone National Park, Salt Lake City and points in Colorado. Also making the trip to Wyoming were the Russ Mathers family of San Angelo. Mrs. Green and Mrs. Mathers are sisters.

#### SUN OIL NOTES

Sun A-5 Central National Bank, southwest of Silver, cemented 5½ inch casing at a depth of 6,275 feet. Operators are preparing to perforate and complete in Strawn sand.

Sun No. 1 D. M. Millican plugged back to 6,900 feet and will try for completion in the Caddo. The hole was drilled to a total depth of 7,830 feet with a 4-foot core cut in granite at the bottom.

Sun 1 McCabe, north of Silver, drilling Tuesday at 5,135 feet in shale.

### School Opens Here On September 1st

Robert Lee public school will open Wednesday, Sept. 1, according to announcement made this week by Supt. B. C. Goodwin.

Buses will run at the regular time and registration will take place on the opening day.

All parents are invited to attend assembly at 8:45 a. m. on opening day. Some very important announcements will be made. Children will be in attendance only a half day.

A faculty meeting will be held Tuesday, Aug. 31, at 9 a. m. All school employees will be expected in attendance for a short time Tuesday morning.

Supt. Goodwin states there are no vacancies in the teaching roster.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith spent last week at Premont with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Grubenman, Jr., and family. They returned home Sunday, accompanied by Mrs. Grubenman and children, Carla and Kyle, who will spend the week here.

### Want Ads

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**Weiners Lb. 49c**

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## Robert Lee State Bank



## Billie Fred Jameson Married In Garden Ceremony at Parents' Home



son (Susie Jameson) of Midland, was matron of honor. Her dress was similar to that of the maid of honor and she carried an arm bouquet of pink majesters.

A cousin of the bridegroom, Johnny Parrott of Throckmorton, was best man and Johnny Leonard of Del Rio was groomsmen. Ushers were Joe Ash of Bronte, Kenneth Noles of Moran and Jim Hereford of Silver.

A reception was held in the garden with the table centered with a basket of orchid and white mums. A three-tiered wedding cake was served by Marie Petty of Big Spring and punch was served by Mrs. Mickey Cappadonna of Midland.

Members of the house party were Mrs. Cappadonna and Miss Petty, Mrs. Kenneth Bayley of Fayetteville, Ark.; Mrs. Johnny Parrott of Throckmorton, Mrs. Kenneth Noles of Moran, Mrs. Dennis Counts of Monahans, and Beth Newell, Mary Ann Snyder, Charlotte McCabe and Mrs. Maurice Duncan of Silver.

The couple left for a honeymoon trip to Ft. Worth and Nashville, Tenn. For going away the bride wore a blue crepe dress with gold jacket of antique taffeta and navy accessories. Her corsage was of tiny red garnets.

The bridegroom is a graduate of Texas Tech and Throckmorton High School. The bride graduated from Colorado City High School and attended San Angelo College and Texas Tech.

Out of town guests included Mr. and Mrs. Byrd F. Thorp, Miss Gertrude Condon, Mr. and Mrs. John Thomas Parrott and Mrs. D. L. London and Georgia of Throckmorton; Mr. and Mrs. Martin Robin and Johnny of Ft. Worth; Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Noles of Moran; Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Adams, Mrs. Bob Kinsley, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Walker and Mrs. L. E. Walker of San Angelo.

Dwayne Walker of Artesia, New Mex.; Terry Green of Tres Laguna, New Mex.; Mr. and Mrs. Mickey Cappadonna and Mrs. Evelyn Gentry of Midland; Mrs. Porter Mosley and Johnny Green of Kermit; Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Rodgers and Mrs. Rita Conner of Lamesa; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Tubb of Blackwell; Mr. and Mrs.

S. J. Duncan of Edith; Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Clark, Mrs. May Boone and Miss Eileen Vaughan of Robert Lee.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Hack and Ann, Mrs. Jay McCollum, Carol Jean Boatright, Jack Britton, Mrs. Clarence Gross, Mrs. E. M. Fisher, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Jones and Stephen, Tooter Fortune, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Vardy, Ernestine Harrell and Ernest, Mr. and Mrs. Dave McKinnon, K. W. Gowanslock, H. Brandon, and the Rev. and Mrs. C. B. Underwood and children of Colorado City.

Also Mrs. Kenneth Bayley and Mrs. Chester Jones of Fayetteville, Ark.; Mrs. M. R. Brasuel of Beaumont, Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Counts and children of Monahans, Mrs. M. L. Compton, Sr. and M. L. Compton, Jr. of Maryneal, Miss Marie Petty of Big Spring and Johnny Leonard of Del Rio.

## PERSONALS

(Intended for last week)

Mrs. Willis Smith returned Monday to her nursing duties at Coke County Memorial Hospital after a two weeks' vacation. Last week she spent a few days at Melvin with her sister, Mrs. L. T. Mitchell.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Yarbrough and children enjoyed a vacation trip last week. They visited Mrs. Yarbrough's parents at Quinlan and went on to Mt. Vernon, Mo., where they visited the Carlton Fields family. They report Carlton is recovering from another auto accident in which he sustained a broken collar bone, torn ribs and a hip injury.

Mrs. J. W. McMinn and son, Jimmy Dale, returned recently from a three months stay with the H. C. McMinn in Corpus Christi. They are operating a

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cafe there and have a good business. J. W. is with the armed forces in Korea and is due to return home by the first of the year.

B. W. Shropshire, former Robert Lee resident, who has been making his home in Austin, is here for a visit in the home of his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Key.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Shandley and children returned Tuesday to their home in Odessa after a visit here with Mrs. Shandley's mother, Mr. J. F. Hamilton.

J. E. Quisenberry, Delmir Sheppard and C. E. Arrott were in El Paso Wednesday attending an ASC regional meeting at which cotton marketing quotas were discussed.

Returning Wednesday from a couple of days visit with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Allen at Kerrville were Mrs. G. C. Allen, Mrs. H. L. Scott, Mrs. J. C. Snead, Jr. and Mrs. W. J. Cumbie.

Mrs. O. V. Looney left last week with her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Smith of Brady, for Port Arthur where they are visiting another sister, Mrs. Cliff Cobb.

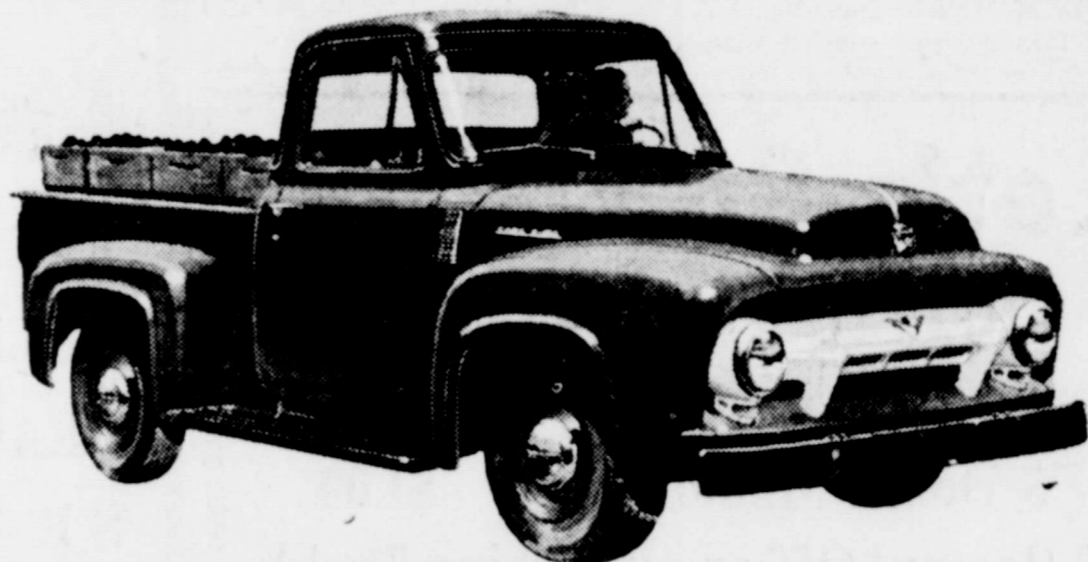
H. J. Gartman, former well known Sanco resident, came up from Austin over the weekend to visit kinfolks and look after business matters. The Observer had not previously reported that Mr. Gartman and his sister-in-law, Mrs. Mary Ellen Linder of Austin, were married Sept. 26, 1953. They are making their home in Austin.

## BUDGET HEARING

### Robert Lee Independent

### School District

Robert Lee Independent School Board will meet August 24, 1954, at 8 P. M. to consider adoption of a budget for the school year 1954-55. The public is invited to attend. A tentative budget has already been set up.



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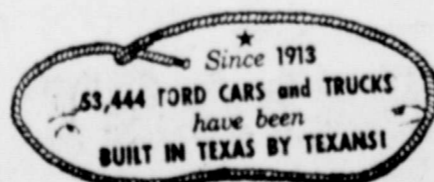
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Displacement (cu. in.)	223 (Six) 239 (V-8)	235 (Six)	Total deluxe cab glass area (sq. in.)	2103	1945	Higher total axle capacity (lbs.)	5900	5500
More horsepower	115 (Six) 130 (V-8)	112	Seat back independently adjustable	YES	NO	Higher total spring capacity (lbs.)	5230	4900
More h. p. per cu. in. displacement	0.515 (Six) 0.544 (V-8)	0.475	Woven plastic seat covering	YES	NO	Higher max. payload (lbs.)	1550	1505
Shorter piston stroke	3.60" (Six) 3.10" (V-8)	3.94"	Seat shock snubbers	YES	NO	Greater total brake lining area (sq. in.)	179	158
Slower piston speed (ft. per min. at 30 m.p.h.)	868 (Six) 747 (V-8)	945	Power braking available	YES	NO	34" wide full length frame	YES	NO
Jeep skirt crankcase	YES (Six) YES (V-8)	NO	Overdrive transmission available	YES	NO	Pickup body load space (cu. ft.)	45	39.7

Above information is based on latest data available as of 6-17-54 and is believed to be reliable but is not guaranteed.

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WEDNESDAY, August 25 ..... 8:30 p.m.  
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## Former Failure Now Flowing Oil

C. T. Robertson et al No. 1 Nora Gee, Coke County re-entered wildcat 1 1/8 miles south of the Fuller-Coke (Strawn) field, has been completed for a daily following potential of 184 barrels of 47 gravity oil, no water, with gas-oil ratio of 675-1.

Production was through a 16-64-inch choke and perforations between 7,004-076 feet opposite the Strawn in 5 1/2-inch casing cemented at 7,162 feet on total depth of 8,113 feet. Top of pay was picked at 7,004 feet on elevation of 2,527 feet. Completion was natural.

Tubing pressure was 400 pounds; casing pressure, 1,100 pounds.

Location is in 19-2-H&TC, seven miles southwest of Silver.

The project was originally drilled by Mar-Tex Realization Corp. as the No. 1 Nora Gee. It was abandoned Jan. 21, 1951, at 8,120 feet in the Ellenburger, topped at 7,926 feet. Slight shows were encountered in the Pennsylvanian at 7,018 feet.

### CARR PRODUCER

Magnolia Petroleum Co. No. 9 W. L. Carr has been completed two and one-half miles southwest of Silver as a Jameson-Strawn Field producer. It is in Snyder and Von Rosenberg Survey 7.

Daily potential was 211.72 barrels of 44.3 gravity oil, through a 10-64-inch choke with 475 pounds on casing and 1,075 on tubing. Flow was from 546 perforations at 5,995-6,108 feet, where section was treated with 16,000 gallons of acid. Casing was set at 6,270 feet. Total depth was 6,270 feet, plugged back to 6,219. Gas-oil ratio was 1,203-1.

### 2ND HENDRY LOCATION

C. L. McMahon, Inc., No. 1-A A. S. Hendry was spotted three

miles southeast of Blackwell in Coke County.

Drillsite is 430 feet from the south and 330 feet from the east lines of Rafael Alderete Survey 470. Proposed depth is 6,500 feet.

The new project is a northeast offset to McMahon, et al, No. 1 Hendry, an active wildcat. No. 1 Hendry flowed oil from a drill-stem test at 5,343-88 in the Gardner lime, and from 5,529-54 feet in the Odom lime.

## ASC ELECTIONS SET FOR AUG. 20

All farmers and ranchers of Coke County are hereby advised that on August 20, 1954, an election will be held for the purpose of electing Community Committeemen and Alternate Community Committeemen for 1955. Those elected as chairmen and Vice-Chairman of the Community Committee shall be declared elected as delegate and alternate delegate, respectively, to the County Convention.

Ballots are being mailed to all eligible voters in the community whose names appear on county mailing lists. These ballots must be returned to the County ASC office at the expense of the voter. Ballots returned by mail must be postmarked not later than August 20. Ballots may be returned in person, and, if so must be returned to the county office by 5:00 o'clock on August 20.

Farmers and ranchers eligible to vote in the community election who do not receive ballots may obtain same at the county office which is located at Robert Lee, Texas.

Theodore Roosevelt said, "In the White House you do not live you are just exhibit A."

## PERSONALS

(Intended for last week)

Freddy Ray Lanford of Houston arrived by bus Saturday for an extended visit in the home of his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Heuvel, at Millican Camp west of Edith.

Mrs. Steward R. Evans has received word that her husband sailed for home July 25 from Korea where he has been stationed the past year. Mrs. Evans, the former Janet Bilbo, has been employed in the office of County Clerk Weldon Fikes.

Mr. and Mrs. John Palmer Leeper and daughter, Maryanne, were weekend guests in the parental ranch home of Mr. and Mrs. Palmer Leeper north of Sanco. John Palmer is director of a new art museum which will open in San Antonio late this year. Their little daughter was adopted when she was seven

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days old. She is now six months of age.

Mrs. Bill Craddock and children, Robbie Ann and Frank, of Medina have been visiting the past two weeks with relatives in Robert Lee and Colorado City. Mrs. Craddock is the former Carlene Clark, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Clark.

Mr. and Mrs. Talman Millican and little daughter, Margaret, were here from Hico for a week end visit in the parental home of Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Millican.

Wallace Farris of Menard was a guest here several days the past

week in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. ris.

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Burt Lancaster, Joan Rice in

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