

# Robert Lee Observer

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## Higher Rates Requested By Phone Company

Decreased earnings brought about by increased operating costs was pointed out today as the principal reason General Telephone Company of the Southwest is seeking higher telephone rates in Robert Lee.

Euston Woullard, General's district manager for Robert Lee, explained that Robert Lee has had only one rate adjustment since 1926. That adjustment was effective in July 1952 and amounted to only 33 per cent over the 1926 rates. Operating expenses have increased to a point where the rate of return on investments far below the level necessary to insure sound business operations.

In explaining how the cost of operation has outstripped income, Woullard noted that since 1940, operator's wages have increased 250 per cent on the average. He further stated that wages represent over 80 per cent of the total of all operating expenses, exclusive of depreciation and taxes.

According to Woullard, another important factor in the increased cost of furnishing telephone service is taxes. Federal income tax is taking more than half of every dollar the Company has left after paying expenses of operation. The tax rate today is 52 per cent as compared to 24 per cent in 1940.

Woullard also stressed that revenues are barely enough to pay the cost of operation without any consideration of the pay of a return to the people who have invested their money to make the system possible. If the Company cannot earn enough to keep the confidence of its present investors, they cannot attract new investors whose money pays for expansion and improvements as the need arises.

Woullard closed by saying: "The company seeks only to meet its responsibilities of furnishing good telephone service at the lowest possible cost consistent with sound financial practices. An adjustment in rates is urgently needed now to bring revenues more in line with the cost of furnishing service."

Present Requested Rates Rates

BUSINESS	Present Rates	Requested Rates
One party service	\$5.00	\$11.00
Two Party Service	3.65	8.50
Extension	1.35	1.75
RESIDENCE		
One Party Service	\$3.00	\$5.75
Two Party Service	2.65	4.75
Extension	1.00	1.00

Clinton Fincher, 19, of Sterling City was injured Monday forenoon while working on a drilling rig near Silver. He was brought to Coke County Memorial Hospital here where it was learned he had a broken collar bone, dislocated shoulder and bad cuts and bruises.

## Court House Bids Due February 2

Seventeen contractors have requested plans and specifications for the new Coke County Court House, and bids will be opened here next Wednesday, Feb. 2.

Voters recently approved a bond issue of \$300,000 for the construction of the new county building.

It is planned to use some funds now on hand to completely furnish the new court house.



MRS. HARRY E. WEAVER

### QUITS COUNTY POSITION

Miss Annelle Simpson has resigned as a clerk in the office Paul Good, sheriff and tax collector. She has gone to San Angelo where she accepted a position in the city engineer's office at an increased salary.

Annelle was anxious to be in San Angelo where her father is a hospital patient. Mrs. Simpson is also residing there now.

Succeeding Miss Simpson in the sheriff's office is Mrs. J. L. Carwile, Jr., who began work this week. She previously was employed in the Robert Lee lunch room.

### ROBERTS ANNIVERSARY

Earl Roberts is observing his 6th anniversary as owner of the grocery and market in Robert Lee which he purchased from the M System. Earl's first business venture was with Ocie Duncan in running a cafe about 30 years ago. He later operated a filling station and garage at the south side of the court house. Earl started in the grocery business 24 years ago, and has been very successful.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Black of Denver City were in Robert Lee Monday looking after business matters and visiting among friends.

## HOSPITAL NEWS

Jan. 19 — Elmo Bell, E. C. Davis, Kenneth Spurgeon, Mrs. J. D. Harmon dismissed.

Jan. 20 — Sam Ed Skipworth, Mrs. B. B. Lammers, Billie Dove Allen admitted.

Jan. 21 — Sam Ed Skipworth dismissed.

Jan. 22 — Sarah Nell Askins admitted, Mrs. Bobby Hood dismissed.

Jan. 23 — Judy Allen admitted, Joyce King, Mrs. Sam Fowler, Mrs. Oscar Collett, Mrs. A. B. Lammers, Billie Dove Allen dismissed.

Jan. 24 — Norma Lee Baugh, B. A. Austin, Susie Skipworth admitted, Carroll Bagwell dismissed.

Jan. 25 — Mrs. D. M. Millican, Brenda Cowley, Clinton Fincher, Mrs. Sam Fowler admitted, Sarah Nell Askins, Norma Lee Baugh dismissed.

## Bombing Death Of Mrs. Weaver Still Unsolved

Although District Attorney Aubrey Stokes announced this week he knew the identity of the person responsible for the death of Mrs. Harry E. Weaver, no arrests have been made.

Mrs. Weaver was the victim of an explosion Wednesday morning of last week when she attempted to start her husband's car parked at the home of her mother, Mrs. Ralph Harris, in San Angelo. Experts called from Austin said the explosion was caused by a deadly nitroglycerine bomb which had been wired to the engine.

Stokes seems to have soft pedaled his previous announcement Wednesday, after Mr. Weaver and his two step-daughters offered a \$10,000 reward for information leading to arrest of the guilty party. Some suspicion has also been pointed to the husband, who steadfastly claims his innocence.

Funeral services for Mrs. Weaver were held Friday afternoon from Emmanuel Episcopal Church in San Angelo and burial was in Fairview cemetery. Pallbearers were Len Mertz, Louis Hall, Vic Collett, John T. Moore, Wayne Harris and Carl Runge.

Mrs. Weaver, 51 years of age, was the former Helen Harris, daughter of the late Ralph Harris. Her mother has been ill for some time and is a patient in Shannon Hospital.

### NEW CITY ORDINANCE

Public attention is called to a new City Ordinance published in this issue of The Observer. It establishes rules and fees for tapping city water mains. Everyone is advised to study provisions of the new law which will govern certain water department operations in the future. The ordinance was given final passage by the city Commission Tuesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Hearrell of Long Beach, Calif., visited here last week with Mrs. Hearrell's mother, Mrs. J. N. Buchanan, and other relatives.

### GREEN MT. MUSICAL

The regular monthly Musical and community party at Green Mountain will be held Friday night, Jan. 28. A good program will be presented and everyone is invited to attend.

### FIRST AID CONTEST

Four-man teams representing a number of Boy Scout troops in this area will engage in a first aid demonstration contest at the Scout Building in Robert Lee next Monday night at 7:30. Taking part in the event will be teams from Silver, Bronte, Miles, Ballinger and Robert Lee. The public is invited and urged to attend.

## Monday Set For March of Dimes Canvass Here

Fred McDonald, chairman of the March of Dimes campaign for the west half of Coke County, announces that a canvass of Robert Lee will be made next Monday and Tuesday.

Workers have been invited to meet at Mr. McDonald's home at 9 a. m. Monday for donuts and coffee when final details of the canvass will be decided.

Silver expects to put its campaign next week. A Womanless Wedding will be presented Tuesday night as a March of Dimes benefit, and a big dance is scheduled for Saturday night, Feb. 5, in Sun Hall.

Lewis Heuvel reports good progress with the campaign in Edith and Green Mountain section.

Mr. McDonald calls attention to the San Angelo TV Show Saturday night being sponsored as a March of Dimes benefit. Local talent will be on the show.

Bronte and the east half of the county reports that over \$900 has already been raised. The big March of Dimes Dance at Tad Richards' Barn is set for Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Ell Hatley and grandson, Steve, 2 years old, returned Tuesday night from a week's trip to Miami, Okla., where they visited Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hatley. Ell also spent a day wolf hunting with Jarvis Littlefield at Afton, Okla. He reports that section has received lots of moisture and the winter wheat is doing fine.

## 2ND PRODUCER BROUGHT IN ON WOJTEK LEASE

J. B. Randle No. 2 Wojtek has been completed for an estimated daily flow of 300 barrels of oil. It is an east offset to Randle's No. 1 Wojtek, recent discovery three miles north of Robert Lee.

Wojtek No. 2 drilled to a total depth of 6,512 feet. It found water in the Ellenburger and plugged back for completion in Canyon sand just above 5,000 feet. An official potential test on Wojtek 2 will be released Friday.

Randle's next location has not been announced. His farmout agreement with Union is on an 80-acre checkerboard basis, in which Union retains 80-acre tracts on the south and north sides of the two completions.

Union 1 Wojtek, south offset to the discovery, was drilling Wednesday at 4,789 feet. Operators expected to top the Canyon at 4,860 feet and will core through the Canyon sand.

Fortune & Cosden No. 1 Wiginton, wildcat 3 miles northwest of Robert Lee, cemented casing at a depth of 6,100 feet and will try for completion in a formation regarded as the lower Strawn or Caddo lime. Promising gas shows were recovered on a drillstem test in that section.

The Wiginton test drilled into the Ellenburger to a total depth of 6,705 feet, where a drillstem test recovered "oceans" of salt water.

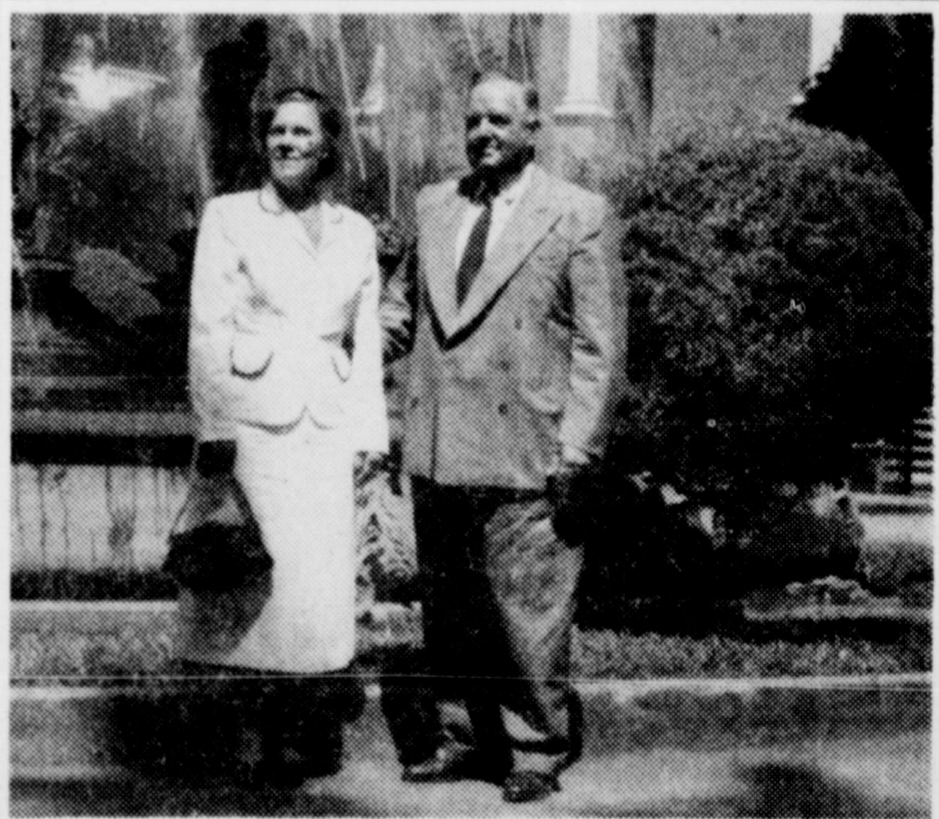
Fortune & Cosden No. 1 Markham drilling ahead Wednesday at 5,640 feet. It failed to get any shows in the Canyon. It topped the Strawn at 5,500 feet but no tests were made.

### WILL TEACH DANCING

Mrs. Bobbie York of Bingham Dance Studio in San Angelo announces she will conduct classes in Robert Lee once a week if a sufficient number of pupils are enrolled. Persons interested are requested to contact Olene's Beauty Shop by Monday.

### SINGING NEXT SUNDAY

The public is invited to a Gospel singing at the North Side Church of Christ in Robert Lee next Sunday, Jan. 30, at 2:30 p. m.



MR. AND MRS. HARRY WEAVER posed for the above photo in Caracas, Venezuela, while on a Caribbean cruise in December, 1952. The picture was sent to their friends as a Christmas greeting.

**AN ORDINANCE**

Establishing tapping charges for the Robert Lee Water Department, prohibiting the connection of two or more residences to one water meter unless done in conformity with the terms and provisions of this ordinance, setting forth the penalty and declaring an emergency.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF ROBERT LEE, TEXAS, THAT:

SECTION 1: TAPPING CHARGES Hereafter, any person, persons, firm or corporation obtaining water services from the Robert Lee Water Department requiring the tapping of any distribution main of the Robert Lee Water Department shall be charged the following tapping fees:

- For 3/4 or 5/8 inch meter. \$15.00
- For 1 inch Meter ..... 50.00
- For 1 1/2 inch Meter ..... 100.00
- For 2 inch Meter ..... \$150.00

These charges shall be exclusive of and in addition to the regular meter deposit of Five and No/100 (\$5.00) now required for connection.

SECTION 2: METER CONNECTIONS — The following rules and regulations relating to existing and future water meter connections within AND outside the City Limits of the City of Robert Lee, Texas, shall be enforced by the Robert Lee Water Department:

A: Henceforth, in no event, shall TWO OR MORE houses, occupied by separate families, be connected to the same water meter but, on the contrary, each house shall be connected with a separate water meter.

B: In event a property owner establishes a business unit in his home or connects it to his existing water service in some other manner he shall pay the existing minimum water rate of \$2.50 plus an additional \$2.50 minimum rate for the business so connected, or a total flat minimum rate of Five and No/100 (\$5.00) Dollars for the first 3,000 gallons of water, or any portion thereof, consumed; LAUNDRIES, TRAILER COURTS, MOTELS, TOURIST CABINS ETC. EXCEPTED.

C: On existing water meters now carrying TWO OR MORE houses occupied by separate families, the party in whose name the meter is listed with the Robert Lee Water Department shall be held responsible for the payment of an additional \$2.50 monthly minimum charge, for each such house other than, or in excess of, his own house or dwelling, or shall in the alternative, require each occupant of such other houses to have a separate water meter set for his or her own house.

D: With regard to RENT PROPERTY, no landlord shall carry more than a TWO-UNIT apartment house on one water meter; in event of the existence of more than said two units per house such landlord shall be required to pay the minimum monthly charge of \$2.50 for each unit in excess of the TWO allowed.

SECTION 3: Hereafter (following the lapse of a reasonable time for actual readjustment, City-wide—probably not in excess of Ninety Days) any person, persons, firm or corporation with water service facilities found not to be in accord with this ordinance and/or refusing or failing to comply with the service fee regulations heretofore and herein established, shall become liable and be subject to the penalty of having the water service discontinued or actually disconnected from such non-regulation facilities until such person, persons, firm or corporation shall have complied with and conformed to the rules and regulations hereby promulgated.

SECTION 4: Any Ordinance or portion thereof previously enacted

and in conflict with this ordinance is hereby rescinded and declared null and void.

SECTION 5: That the public importance of this measure and the fact that it is to the best interest of the Robert Lee Water Department and of the City of Robert Lee does constitute an emergency requiring the rule that Ordinances be read at more than one meeting be suspended, and such rule is hereby suspended, and it is ordained that this Ordinance take effect and be in full force upon its passage and approval.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS THE 25th day of January A. D. 1955.

ATTEST: Mrs. Sam Jay, Secretary  
APPROVED: J. S. Ferrell,  
Mayor, City of Robert Lee,  
Texas.

SEAL

TRY A WANT AD

**TED COX AT FT. BLISS**

FORT BLISS, TEXAS — Pvt. Ted R. Cox, son of Mr. and Mrs. Morgan A. Cox of Robert Lee, recently began eight weeks of Army basic training in the Antiaircraft Artillery Replacement Training Center at Fort Bliss, Texas.

He will spend his first eight weeks of Basic military training on fundamental subjects such as rifle, machine gun, bazooka marksmanship and familiarization with Army technical subjects. This first phase of training is climaxed with a one week maneuver in the field.

Fort Bliss, established as a frontier outpost more than a century ago, is located in West Texas on the Mexican border, adjacent to El Paso.

Lt. and Mrs. Jack Snead visited with home folks last Thursday. They were enroute from Houston to Travis AFB near Oakland, Calif. For the past few months Lt. Snead has been taking instruction at Houston.

**GREEN MT. HD CLUB**

The Green Mountain Home Demonstration Club met in its regular session Tuesday, January 18, at the recreation center with five members, three children and Mrs. Fay Roe, Home Demonstration Agent, present. Mrs. Crowley Harmon, president, called the meeting to order. Mrs. E. C. McArthur gave a report on Council meeting held Saturday, Jan. 15. Council recommendations were passed on

and the club is to help in the concession stand at the stock show in Bronte Jan. 26.

Program was on Selections of Furniture and was given by Mrs. Fay Roe, agent, which was very interesting. She also gave some important ideas on drapes for the home.

Due to lack of time, recreation was omitted. Mrs. Tyrus was hostess. The meeting adjourned.

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GLADIOLA MARBLE CAKE MIX - 43c

GLADIOLA 10 OZ.

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GLADIOLA 25 OZ.

BAKING POWDER - 25c

GLADIOLA

FLOUR - - 5 Lbs. 53c

GLADIOLA

FLOUR - - 10 Lbs. 99c

GLADIOLA

FLOUR - 50 Lbs. \$3.98



TIDE - - Lge. Box 25c

WOLF CHILI - No. 2 45c

MACKEREL - No. 1 Tall 15c

KOUNTY KIST

CORN - - - 12 Oz. 10c

WELCH

GRAPE JUICE - Pt. 19c

NAPKINS, 80 Count - - 2 Boxes 29c

PURE CANE

**SUGAR 5 lbs. 35c**

Limit 1 Bag to Each Customer

VAN CAMP TUNA - - - - Can 27c

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MESH BAG

**Potatoes 10 lbs. 43c**

BELL PEPPER - - - - Lb. 15c

CARROTS, Plastic Bag - - 2 Bags 25c

TEXAS ORANGES - - - - Lb. 5c

CUT BEANS, Our Value - - 2 Cans 27c

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TOMATO JUICE, No. 303 - 2 for 23c

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WITH \$5.00 BILL OF GROCERIES OR MORE

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**Roberts Grocery & Market**

## Robert Lee Girls, Sterling Boys Win B.B. Tourney Here

Sterling City boys and Robert Lee girls were the champions of Robert Lee's invitational basketball tournament here last weekend. Robert Lee boys, removed from the championship bracket in the first round by Divide, went on to win the consolation title.

The local girls found a worthy opponent in Water Valley in Saturday night's final, and led by the close score of 27-26 at half time. They put the game on ice in the final period to run up a final count of 62-53.

Bonita Robertson scored 12 points for the home team in the first quarter and her total for the game was 30. Kay Munn accounted for 24 points for Water Valley.

Trophies were awarded the winning clubs and individual awards went to members of the all-tournament teams. The event opened Thursday afternoon and closed Saturday night with a thriller in which Sterling nosed out Norton 34-33 for the boys championship.

## Deadline Nears For Tax Paying

Property owners are again warned that state, county, school and city taxes become delinquent after Jan. 31. All tax collections offices report a brisk run of business the past couple of weeks which is expected to continue through Monday.

It should also be remembered that Poll Taxes are due. If you want to vote in any elections the coming year you must pay your Poll Tax before February 1.

Records in the office of Tax Collector Paul Good showed that 595 Poll Tax Receipts had been issued up to Wednesday morning. Bob Edwards, chief clerk in the gas plant at Silver, also has a Poll Tax Receipt book and had issued 25 up until Tuesday. He expects to reach 100 before the final day next Tuesday.

Wilbern Millican and his family have moved to the Millard Meek place at the northeast edge of Robert Lee. The lease includes 50 acres of grass land.

## WANT TO SAVE MONEY ON AUTO INSURANCE?

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# LIFE

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## TOURNAMENT RESULTS

### GIRLS

Robert Lee 30, Divide 22.  
Sterling Cy. 43, Blackwell 44.  
Norton 21, Barnhart 23.  
Water Valley 52, Rankin 41.  
Robert Lee 40, Blackwell 17.  
Barnhart 42, Water Valley 51.  
Robert Lee 62, Water Valley 53.

### CONSOLATION

Divide 36, Sterling City 43.  
Rankin forfeit to Norton.  
Sterling City 58, Norton 43.

### BOYS

Divide 64, Robert Lee 45.  
Sterling City 54, Blackwell 17.  
Norton 71, Barnhart 23.  
Rankin B 55, Water Valley 19.  
Sterling City 38, Divide 33.  
Norton 65, Rankin 44.  
Sterling City 34, Norton 33.

### CONSOLATION

Robert Lee 2, Blackwell 20.  
Barnhart 29, Water Valley 28.  
Robert Lee 52, Barnhart 20.

### ALL TOURNAMENT

**GIRLS** — Abbott, Water Valley, Bonita Robertson, Robert Lee, Munn, Water Valley, forwards; Wink and Sparks, Robert Lee, Jennings, Norton, and McRorey, Blackwell, tied, guards.

**BOYS** — Davidson, Robert Lee; B. Blair, Sterling City; Dismore, Norton; Hyde, Divide; Morgan, Norton.

## PERSONALS

P. E. Webb, elementary school principal here, expects to return to school next week after a serious illness with the mumps. He spent two weeks in the Bronte Hospital and is convalescing this week at his home in Robert Lee. Owen Cosgrove has been taking Mr. Webb's place at school.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lloyd and children, Linda Sue and Michael, spent Sunday here with Mrs. Lloyd's mother, Mrs. E. A. Burgess. The Lloyds have moved from Kermit to Midland where Bill has a good position as pharmacist in a Walgreen drug store. They have also bought a home in Midland at 3204 Hill St.

Eula McCutchen left Wednesday for Texon to visit her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Varnadore. Mr. Varnadore suffered a heart attack two weeks ago and is being treated in the Big Lake Hospital. His condition is Mrs. D. M. Millican was much improved Wednesday after suffering a stroke of paralysis at her home here early Tuesday. She is a patient in Coke County Memorial Hospital.

## STOCK SHOW A FINE SUCCESS

Coke County's annual Livestock Show held Wednesday in Bronte was a fine success. While entries were not as large as in some previous years, quality of all classes was excellent.

The swine show was the biggest ever held. Terry Frank Bryan of Robert Lee won grand champion and reserve in the heavy barrow class. Wayne Blair took first with his light barrow entry. Champion gilt was shown by Bobby Brock of Bronte, while Kenneth Wink of Robert Lee won reserve. Atha Hall won first with his pen of three fat barrows.

Grand Champion lamb was shown by Benny Corley of Tennyson, with the reserve going to Dee Arrott.

Only four animals were entered in the fat calf division, but it was a contest indeed. First and fourth honors were taken by Leslie Nell Wink of Robert Lee. Jimmy Arnold of Silver won second and his older brother, Butch, took third.

Butch's calf placed sixth at the Dallas fair last fall. It was bred by Sanson Ranch at Paint Rock. The other three calves were from Douglas Gartman's herd at Sanco.

A complete list of awards will be published next week.

## SMALL TALK

By A. J. K.

Most of you know Mrs. Finis Millican, who worked at Farris Drug for some time, and is now bookkeeper in West Texas Utilities office. Everybody called her Sue, but we've found out her name is "Jewel."

Sorry to have left out a society item last week which should have read something like this: "Charlie Kennedy and Frank Laciak, well dressed pumpers for Sun Oil Co. at Silver, were Robert Lee visitors the other day and stopped at The Observer office for a friendly chat."

Everyone is going to have a pleasant surprise when they get a look at Robert Lee's new school building. It's wonderful. Much credit is due the contractor, Houston Hill, and his organization. Mr. Hill is bidding on the new court house which will be let next week.

Made a mistake last week in stating that L. K. Cleveland, father of a son born in the local hospital Jan. 16, was an oil field worker. Mr. Cleveland is a contract tooler at the Jones & Walker leathercraft factory in Robert Lee.

Old Glory can now be seen displayed above the post office. Postmaster H. S. Lewis, Jr. says the flag will be up every day the office is open as well as on legal holidays. That's regulations. S. B. Plumlee, courthouse cutodian, also looks after raising the flag on the court house square every day.

Those enormous new poles set in the business district by the light company are 60-footers. Electric lines will be transferred to the new poles and the old ones removed.

Remember last week Wilbern Millican ran an ad that he had lost a pair of black leather chaps. City Water Supt. Sam Jay found them out on the highway east of town and promptly returned them to the owner. Wilbern made the chaps while he was in the Navy ten years or more ago.

No man is so foolish but he may sometimes give another good counsel, and no man so wise that he may not easily err if he takes no other counsel than his own. — He that is taught only by himself has a fool for a master. — Ben Johnson.

We agree with Hank Baker of Silver who thinks one of the meanest guys in the world is the fellow who drives close behind you at night and don't dim his headlights. I don't know what Hank said he would like to do to those characters, but it was something terrible.

## Rainfall Here Over 15 Inches During Year '54

Rainfall in the Coke County Soil Conservation District this year varied in amounts throughout the district. The total precipitation recorded by the Soil Conservation Service in Robert Lee was 15.10 inches. Most of this moisture was recorded in the months of April, May and June.

Even with this small amount of rainfall some ranches improved this year. Others, stripped of their native grass cover and litter continued to produce very little forage. Each year more and more ranchers are beginning to realize the value of range cover to hold what little rainfall they do get.

Ranchers who protected their ranges from overgrazing by light stocking and deferred grazing now find it paying off through lighter feed bills. Some ranchers in this area continued to stock heavily. They have fed hay concentrates or

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pear continuously.

Experimental data in the Coke District shows that to get the most effective use of rainfall, two-thousand pounds of litter per acre must be allowed to remain on the ground. This stresses the value of taking half of nature's grass and leaving half for mother nature herself.

## Revive Interest In Colorado Dam

Renewed interest is being expressed in a proposed Colorado River Dam a few miles below Robert Lee.

The city of Abilene, which is growing by leaps and bounds, is looking for an additional source of water for municipal purposes. Ballinger and Winters are also interested.

Last Friday Upper Colorado River Authority directors held a meeting in Bronte which was attended by Harry P. Burley, acting engineer of the U. S. Bureau of Reclamation. Also present were city officials and representatives of the Abilene Chamber of Commerce.

Possibilities of a dam near here were discussed fully. G. C. Allen, secretary of the UCRA, says the dam now being proposed would not flood the town of Robert Lee, but it would impound around 750 thousand acre feet of water.

Residents of Runnels county have shown an interest in obtaining water for municipal as well as irrigation purposes. A bill will soon be introduced in the state legislature to include Runnels and Concho counties in the UCRA project.

## Will Open Bids Feb. 14 for New Bridge at Silver

Bids will be opened here Feb. 14 for construction of the new Colorado River Bridge, southwest of Silver. W. W. Greif met with the when specifications for the structure were given final approval.

The bridge will be of steel and concrete and meets requirements of the State Highway Department. It will have a width of 26 feet and the estimated cost is \$36,000. Mr. Greif said work should get started in March and the bridge completed by June. It is part of the road project for which Precinct 1 voted \$245,000 bonds last year.

The engineer is completing plans for the new road which will lead from the bridge south and east toward Edith, and this stretch of new highway should come up for bids within a few weeks.

Fencing the right of way on the new Farm to Market Road, leading west and south from Robert Lee is well underway. Commissioner Ed Hickman states he has secured easements from all property owners in Precinct 3. Two or three agreements are yet to be signed in Precinct 1.

E. P. Hayes, Jr. is a new resident of Robert Lee and is engaged in oil field work. He is a service engineer for Permian Mud Service and works with the local dealer, McMillan Lumber Co. Mr. Hayes is married and the father of a 2-year-old son. He is anxious to find an unfurnished house so that he can move his family here in the near future.

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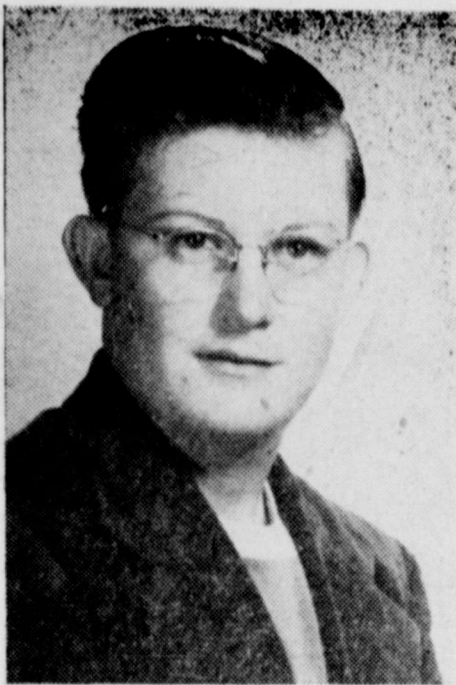
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# Robert Lee State Bank



DON FIELDS

## Don Fields On Tech's Champ Judging Team

Don Fields of Robert Lee is a member of the Texas Tech Livestock Judging Team which won the collegiate championship at the National Western Stock Show in Denver earlier this month. The Texas Tech team also won 1st in the Quarter Horse Division.

The team left Lubbock Jan. 12 and did some practice judging enroute to Denver. They judged steers and Angus cows at Tulia and Quarter Horses at Amarillo, spending the night in Dalhart. The following day they practiced at the Meeker Hereford Ranch at Dalhart and at the Allen Cattle Co. Ranch near Colorado Springs.

They spent the night in Colorado Springs, going on to Denver on the 14th. At the show they judged carlots on Friday and other livestock and wool on Saturday, Jan. 15.

Awards were presented at a banquet given by the Stock Show Association at the Albany Hotel Sunday night. Team members witnessed the Rodeo performance also Sunday night and watched horse and cattle judging on Monday before returning to Lubbock.

Members of the Tech championship team are Johnny Jones of Brady, Tom Neff of Colorado City, Ed Garnett of Lubbock, Guy Warden of Eastland, Bill LaRoe of Happy, Oakley Stevenson of Bovina and Don Fields of Robert Lee. Their coach is Stanley Anderson, instructor in animal husbandry at Tech.

Don is a graduate of Robert Lee High School and attended San Angelo College before enrolling at Tech two years ago. He is classed as a senior but plans to continue his studies there next year.

## PERSONALS

A/IC Charles McKinley and wife of San Angelo spent a few days here the last of the week with Mrs. McKinley's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wyatt. She is the former Bennie Helen Wyatt.

Wallace Ross began work Monday with McClellans in San Angelo. He will be employed in the stock room for some time and plans to learn the business from the ground up. Wallace, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Ross, recently was discharged after serving four years with the Air Force.

Eula McCutchen, Mrs. Jim McCutchen and Monroe McCutchen of Bronte were in Houston last week where they visited their sister, Mrs. J. F. Durnell. She underwent surgery there and is reported to be in a very serious condition.

Mr. and Mrs. Josh Johnson and daughter, Melody, returned Wednesday to their home at Los Alamos, New Mex., after a few days' visit with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Johnson. Josh has a civil service position at the atomic energy proving grounds at Los Alamos.

## Death Claims

### Frank Hickman

Frank Hickman, former Coke County resident, died Friday afternoon at his home in San Antonio after a long illness. He was past 80 years of age. He was a brother of Commissioner Ed Hickman of Edith and R. E. (Bob) Hickman of Bronte.

He was in the mercantile business in Bronte many years ago and later operated a store at McCauley. He then engaged in oil well drilling and lived in Luling. When he retired from active work he and his family moved to San Antonio.

He is survived by his wife, four sons and a daughter. A son, Everett, who was badly wounded in World War I, died a few years ago.

Attending the funeral services in San Antonio on Monday were the two brothers, also Johnny Hickman of Levelland, Mrs. Austin Sandusky, W. A. Hickman and Floyd Modgling of Bronte.

Rev. W. B. Hogg of El Paso memorized the Bible.

## Want Ads

INCOME TAX Service. Call 120-W for appointment. — Jack Brock

FOR SALE — Our house in the north part of Robert Lee. Has 5 rooms and bath, screened in 27-ft. porch. Will sell furnished or unfurnished. — Burl Childress. 20tf

BIG FRISKY MINNOWS For Sale — I have them now and will have a supply at all times. — Buckles Sparks. 35w2p

UPHOLSTERING & FURNITURE REPAIRS — We are prepared to do all kinds of Upholstering and Furniture Repair Work. Will pickup and deliver anywhere in town. — MRS. ROY TAYLOR, Phone 189-J.

### 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.

FOR SALE — My place in Robert Lee, furnished or unfurnished. 3 rooms and bath, 2 lots, good cellar. Priced to sell. C. L. McDonald. 35 tf

Building Materials — Cement and Paint. The right materials at the right price. McDonald Lumber Co., Robert Lee, Texas.

NOTICE — I have all equipment for cleaning your septic tanks and cess pools. Call me at No. 8, Bronte, for this service. Also do plumbing. — A. L. ROGERS. 1c

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FOR SALE — Cafe on highway in Robert Lee, making money. Must sell as I am moving to Oklahoma. Hazel's Cafe, Robert Lee, Texas. 1c

FOR SALE — One Farmall tractor. See it at T. A. Peays place, 16 miles west of Robert Lee on Sterling City Highway. L. F. Gohlson.

20% OFF for cash on all fishing and Camping Supplies for a limited time. Leeper Supply Co.

NOTICE—I am now back sewing at Mrs. Milams on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. I make curtains and drapes.—Mrs. J. W. Labenske. w2p

### NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids for constructing a 200 foot concrete bridge across the Colorado River 5.65 miles Southwest of Silver addressed to the Commissioner's Court of Coke County, Texas will be received at the office of the County Judge in Robert Lee until 2:00 P. M. February 14, 1955, and then publicly opened and read.

The right is reserved, as the interest of the Owner may require, to reject any and all bids, and to waive any informality in bids received.

Each bidder must also submit a statement of his experience, financial resources, and equipment available with his bid.

Plans, specifications and bidding documents may be secured from the office of the Engineer, W. W. Greif & Associates in McCamey, Texas, upon deposit of twenty dollars (\$20) per set, which sum so deposited will be refunded, provided: (1) All documents are returned in good condition to the Engineer not later than 48 hours prior to the time for receiving bids; or (2) The Contractor submits a bid and all documents are returned in good condition to the Engineer not later than five (5) days after the time that bids are received.

Plans and Specifications may be examined in the office of the county Judge or the County Clerk at the Courthouse in Robert Lee,

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The Observer, Robert Lee, Texas

Jan. 28, 1955

### BY ORDER OF THE COKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT

Robert Lee, Texas  
By the Honorable Jeff Dean,  
County Judge

### NOTICE

Notice is given that on the 1st day of February, 1955, the salary of the Official Shorthand Reporter of the 51st Judicial District will be increased from the present salary of \$4800.00 to \$5100.00 per year.

Joe L. Mays  
Judge, 51st Judicial District of Texas.

### PLAN TO ORGANIZE

## Dancing Classes

IN ROBERT LEE

Arrangements are being made for Mrs. Bobbie York of the Bingham School of Dancing in San Angelo to organize classes for instruction of Tap and Ballet Dancing in Robert Lee. Classes would be conducted one day each week if sufficient pupils are enrolled.

Interested parents are requested to contact Olene's Beauty Shop before next Monday, Jan. 31.

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## SILVER NEWS

### WOMANLESS WEDDING

A womanless wedding will be presented next Tuesday night as a March of Dimes Benefit. Mrs. E. E. McClusky will direct the production which will be seen at the school auditorium starting at 8 p. m.

James (Tiny) Payne will be the bride and Jake Higginbotham the groom. A. H. (Buster) Jones is slated to portray the jilted bride. Myrl Jameson will take the part of nurse for the baby, Lefty Windham. Local talent will put on some additional entertainment features.

Admission prices will be one dollar for adults and 25 cent for children.

### BENEFIT DANCE

Hank Baker is chairman of the committee arranging for a March of Dimes Benefit Dance at Sun Rec Hall on Saturday night, Feb. 5. There will be lots of door prizes and a good time is in store for everybody. All proceeds will go to the March of Dimes fund.

Mr. and Mrs. John T. Stewart are in charge of the March of Dimes campaign at Silver.

### POLL TAX TIME

Bob Edwards is issuing poll tax receipts from his office at the gas plant. He reports 25 persons have purchased poll tax receipts thus far. Mr. Edwards reminds Silver people that they must pay their poll tax before Feb. 1 if they expect to vote this year.

The TEL Class of the Baptist Church held its monthly meeting the night of Jan. 17 in the home of Mrs. Claude Walker. Fourteen members were present. Coffee, cocoa and cake were served.

Boys and girls junior high basketball teams from Robert Lee played the Silver junior high teams Monday night. The visitors took both contests but the girls game resulted in a close score.

R. M. (Mack) Tunnell, gas plant

engine operator, remains at Veterans Hospital in Big Spring where he is undergoing observation and treatment.

James (Tiny) Payne, former Silver resident who now is connected with Sun's office in Colorado City, received a Silver Beaver Scout award at a ceremony Saturday night in Big Spring.

Mrs. C. M. Haigood was returned to her home here last Thursday and is making a good recovery from major surgery which she underwent in the Colorado City hospital.

Nearly 300 persons were served at the Methodist benefit supper last Friday night in the school cafeteria. Chicken spaghetti was featured on the menu. The affair netted \$190.

The 8-months-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Brasuell is ill this week. Mrs. Brasuell is the former Pat Preston, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Preston.

Silver Cub Scouts will attend a jamboree in Sweetwater on Saturday. They will go from Colorado City to Sweetwater by rail, and it will be the first train ride for a number of the 20 Cubs. Accompanying the group will be Mmes. Cecil Palmer, C. E. Butcher, Ernest Clendennen and Orville Wright. L. B. Carden is the new Cub Master, succeeding Earl Lindsey.

Mrs. J. C. Thorn and son, Mickey, of Winters visited here Monday with her sister, Mrs. Arch Mathers, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Allen were in San Angelo one day last week when the former's brother, Elmer Allen of Orient underwent a serious eye operation. The patient is reported to be doing well.

Letha Mathers of San Angelo is said to be recovering satisfactorily from an operation which she underwent two weeks ago in San

Angelo.

Elvin Haigood, 23-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Haigood, has been employed by Sun Oil Co. and reported for duty Monday at Freer in Duval County as a production department roustabout. Elvin recently completed three years of army service. His father is a pumper here for Sun.

### SILVER HD CLUB

The Home Demonstration Club of Silver, Texas held an all day meeting on January 21st at the local Scout Hut. Each member brought a lunch and spent the day engraving various designs on aluminum serving trays.

Mrs. Fay C. Roe, agent for this area, presented an interesting demonstration on selection of furniture for the home.

The next meeting for this group will be held at the Silver Recreation Hall on February 4th at 9:30 A. M.

### NOTICE

KANSAS CITY, MEXICO AND ORIENT RAILWAY COMPANY OF TEXAS and PANHANDLE AND SANTA FE RAILWAY COMPANY hereby give notice that on the 27th day of December 1954 they filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission, at Washington, D. C., an application for a certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing construction and operation of a line of railroad to extend from Maryneal to loading racks to be constructed by Texas Natural Gasoline Corporation at Silver, 19.7 miles, in Coke, Mitchell, and Nolan Counties, Texas. Finance Docket No. 18803.

KANSAS CITY, MEXICO AND ORIENT RAILWAY COMPANY OF TEXAS

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A/2C Floyd Sheppard and his family are now at Austin where the former will receive additional instruction in the Air Force. He was transferred from Lowry Field at Denver, Colo. Floyd is the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Sheppard.

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## 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.

**Mrs' Sam Jay**

Tax Assessor and Collector  
City of Robert Lee, Texas

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## LEGAL NOTICE

### NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed proposal for the construction of the County Court House for Coke County to be located at Robert Lee, Texas will be received in the District Court Room, Coke County Court House, Robert Lee, Texas until 2:00 (C. S. T.) Wednesday, February 2, 1955 at which time and place bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

Any bid received after closing time will be returned unopened.

Proposals will be received to include all work in one bid.

The successful contractor will be required to furnish satisfactory surety bond in the amount of 100% of the contract price.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any or all formalities.

Plans and specifications may be examined without charge at the office of the Architect-Engineer. Contractors may procure plans and specifications from Wyatt C. Hedrick, Architect - Engineer, Twelfth Floor, T & P Passenger Station Building, Fort Worth, Texas, upon deposit of \$25.00. Such deposits will be refunded to bidders upon return of plans and specifications in good condition within ten (10) days after the time set for opening of bids.

All contractors shall comply with and conform to all labor laws of the State of Texas and the various acts amendatory and supplementary thereto and to all laws, ordinances and legal requirements applicable thereto.

"Each bidder shall submit with his bid an approved Bid Bond Cashier's Check, or Certified Check in amount of at least 5% of the total bid. Checks shall be made payable to Honorable Jeff Dean, County Judge, Coke County, Texas.

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### NOTICE OF BIDS FOR COUNTY DEPOSITORY:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the County Judge of Coke County, Texas, for Depository of said Coke County and Coke County Common School District Funds for the next Two (2) years in accordance with Article 2544 (2440) Revised Civil Statutes, 1925, of Texas at the February Term, beginning on the 14th day of February, A. D. 1955. Said Court will receive proposals from any banking corporation, association or individual banker in said County that may desire to be selected as the Depository of said County.

Any Banking Corporation, Association or individual banker in said County, desiring to bid, shall deliver to the County Judge on or before the first day of the Commissioners' Court at which the selection of the Depository is to be made, a sealed proposal, stating the rate of interest that said banking corporation, association, or individual banker offer to pay on the funds of the County for the term between the dates of such bids and the next regular term for the selection of a depository.

Said bids shall be accompanied by a certified check for not less than one-half of one per cent of the County's revenues of the preceding year as a guarantee of good faith on the part of the bidder, and that if his bid should be accepted he will enter into bond as herein provided, and upon failure of said banking corporation, association or individual banker that may be selected as such depository to give the bonds required by may be selected as such Depository shall go to the County as liquidated damages and the County Judge shall re-advertise for bids, said Court reserving the right to reject any and all bids proposed.

GIVEN under my hand and seal of office this 18th day of January, A. D. 1955.

Jeff Dean  
County Judge,  
Coke County, Texas.

(Seal)...

## Sun McCabe 12 Makes 122 Bbbs.

Sun Oil Co. has finalized its No. 12 V. T. McCabe, north of Silver in Mitchell County, for a daily flowing potential of 122.74 barrels of 43.4 gravity oil, no water.

Gauge was through an 11-64-inch choke, with 400 pounds flowing pressure and packer on the casing. Gas-oil ratio was 747-1. Total depth of hole was 6,100 feet.

Empire was the drilling contractor and moved to Sun A-7 Central National Bank, south of the river at Silver. It is a south offset to Sun A-6 Central National Bank, recently completed producer on the Blanks Ranch.

A string of 510 surface pipe was cemented and it was drilling ahead Tuesday morning at 3,400 feet in shale.

Dalton Millican and family moved to Silver last week and are living in a house on his father's place. Dalton has leased the Tom Whitt farm and will also continue to work in the oil field. For the past four years they have lived on the Lofton place southwest of Robert Lee.

### GIFT SHOWER

Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Snyder were honored with a Gift Shower on the night of Jan. 14 in the American Legion building. They received many nice gifts from Robert Lee relatives and friends. The young couple were wed a few weeks ago. Elwood is stationed in the army at Ft. Hood and will complete his enlistment in March. His wife, the former Johnnie Lou Rives, is residing with her parents in Odessa and will graduate from high school there this spring.

### INSTALLS BARBECUE MACHINE

Earl Roberts has installed new barbecue equipment in his Robert Lee Grocery and Market. It is operated automatically, with the meat revolving over a charcoal fire. It has a capacity to handle 20 chickens and 30 pounds of beef. Mr. Roberts plans to furnish a variety of barbecued meat for his trade, including chicken, turkey, beef and pork.

Eileen Vaughan left Wednesday for Lubbock to resume her studies at Texas Tech. She enjoyed a few days vacation between semesters and visited here in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Vaughan.

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### RETURNS FROM JAPAN

Technical Sgt. L. C. Day arrived last Thursday for a 30-days visit with his mother and other relatives and home town friends. He has been stationed in Japan the past two years as an Air Force weather observer. After arriving in the States L. C. visited his sister, Mrs. R. C. Burpo, whose husband is an army captain stationed at the

Presidio of San Francisco. At the conclusion of his leave Sgt. Day will report back to the west coast but expects to be sent to an eastern Air Force Base for permanent duty. He is serving his second Air Force enlistment and previously spent two years as a weather observer in Labrador. L. C. was promoted from staff to tech sergeant in December.

## S. E. 'Skinny' Adams

### Oil Properties Insurance

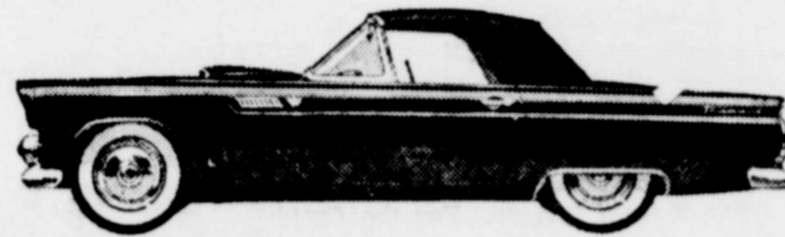
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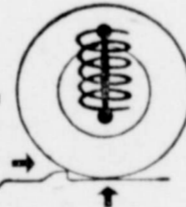
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## WTU BUILDING A SECOND HIGH VOLTAGE LINE

Construction of a new 33,000 volt electric transmission line to serve Robert Lee was announced today by W. D. McAdams, West Texas Utilities Co. local manager.

The new line will extend 14 miles west of Robert Lee to Sun Oil Company's Millican Pumping Station where it will connect with a 20 mile line the Company is building connecting the Millican Station and the Jameson Station with the Pan American Pumping station between Robert Lee and Sterling City.

This will provide a 33,000 volt line connecting Robert Lee and Sterling City and will be a second source of electric power for Robert Lee providing the City with "loop-service."

At the present time Robert Lee is served by a 22,000 volt line from Bronte. By providing two sources of power, the Company can assure greater continuity of service.

McAdams said that a new steel substation would be erected to replace the old wooden structure. Also the local distribution system will be changed from 2,400 to 4,160 volts. McAdams pointed out this would improve voltage and service to local customers.

Subject to adverse weather the work is scheduled for completion about February 15. W. O. Wallace, WTU District Manager said, "This construction is a part of our Company's continuing program to provide more and better electric service to our customers."

B. A. Austin returned to his home Wednesday after being a patient for two days in Coke County Memorial Hospital.

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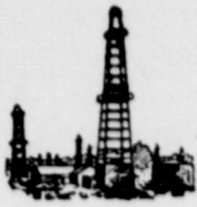
## SCHOOL TAX NOTICE

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



## Notes From The Oil Field

Sun A-7 Central National Bank drilling Tuesday at 5,095 feet in shale. A one-hour drillstem test of Cisco lime 3,994-4,052 feet, recovered 270 feet of muddy salt water and 3,630 feet of clear water with sulphur odor. No shows of oil or gas. Open and closed bottom hole pressure was 1,705 pounds. Locatoin is the most southern out-post of Sun's drilling activities across the river southwest of Silver.

Union Oil Co. No. 1 S. E. Adams, re-entered wildcat in Section 415-1A-H&TC, plugged and abandoned at 5,105 feet in shale after recovering no shows. Location is on the former Steffy place, 2 miles north of Robert Lee.

## Steers Book 10 Grid Games For Next Fall

Robert Lee Steers have booked a 10-game football schedule for next fall, according to Supt. B. C. Goodwin. Last season the local school was able to fill only an 8-game schedule.

New opponents to be faced include two Class A schools, Menard and Eldorado, also Leuders and San Angelo Kittens. For the first time in many years Bronte and Robert Lee will play but one game.

Heres' the 1955 schedule:  
Sept. 9 — Leuders, there.  
Sept. 16 — S. A. Kittens, here.  
Sept. 23 — Richlands Spgs., there  
Sept. 29 — Abilene Sophs, here  
Oct. 7 — Elodardo, here.  
Oct. 14 — Menard, here.  
Oct. 21 — Hermleigh, there.  
Oct. 28 — Open.  
Nov. 4 — Trent, there.  
Nov. 11 — Loraine, here.  
Nov. 18 — Bronte, there.  
Conference games are with Hermleigh, Trent, Loraine and Bronte.

**COUNTY BUYS NEW CAR**  
Coke County has purchased a new car for the use of Sheriff Paul Good. It is a Chevrolet bought from Caperton Chevrolet Co. of Bronte and a Ford passenger car was taken in on the deal. County Agent Jack Waide will also drive a new Chevrolet which the county purchased from Vaughan Chevrolet Co. of Robert Lee. Both units were purchased after bids were submitted by the dealers.

## Luncheon Held By BCD Members

A variety of discussions concerning community affairs took place at the Board of Community Development luncheon Tuesday noon at Henry's Barbecue. Victor Wojtek, new president, was in charge. Fern Havins is the new BCD vice-president and Bart Geer was re-elected secretary.

Weldon Fikes urged support for the annual Coke County Junior Livestock Show held this Wednesday at Bronte. He reported the BCD had purchased a traveling trophy to be used as one of the show awards.

Fern Havins reported he had checked with Highway Department authorities in the matter of helping the drainage problem on Robert Lee's down town street. It is hoped the situation can be remedied when the new pavement is run from the post office corner to the hospital. Highway Department representatives said they would cooperate.

Judge Jeff Dean reported that Younger Construction Co. would move their equipment here for the paving project, as soon as they complete 6 miles of new road from Silver to the Colorado River. It will be a matter of only a few weeks, the judge added.

G. C. Allen reported a recent UCRA meeting in Bronte when a discussion was had concerning the

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