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BUYER AND SELLER—Melvin Krall (left) is the new owner of the grocery store and market which he purchased from Earl Roberts (right.) Mr. Roberts has been in and out of business in Robert Lee for many years. His first venture was a small cafe which he and Ocie Duncan opened more than 30 years ago. Krall sold his suburban store and will be joined by his brother, Gene, in operating the larger food establishment.

COACH MANIRE IMPRESSED BY GRID MATERIAL

A small but determined squad is getting down to serious business in its second week of football practice. Last week the boys put in some hard licks, mainly directed at conditioning, under direction of M. E. Petross and Hulan Harris of the high school teaching staff.

New head coach, C. D. Manire, took charge of the Steers this week. Plays were given out and both offensive and defensive drill has been in progress. Morning and evening practice sessions have been held daily, but one session a day began with the opening of school yesterday.

Manire is pleased with his proteges and hopes to build a good club as the season progresses. Likewise the boys and folks around town are highly impressed with the new coach.

The season opens Friday, Sept. 9, at Lueders, with San Angelo Kittens coming here for the first home game the following week. The ten-game schedule has five home games and five away, with the last four contests being conference affairs against Hermleigh, Trent, Loraine and Bronte.

Eighteen men were in uniform when The Observer writer visited the Steer corral Wednesday morning, only seven of them lettermen from last season. Others are expected to turn out before the end of the week to put the roster up to possibly 22.

Sammy Joe Duncan, last year's backfield ace, is not out as yet. He had his tonsils removed Monday, but hopes to be suited out in a week or two. Freshmen are sure to play an important part in this year's campaign. There are seven of them, some of whom will become regulars.

Here's the Steer roster up to the present time:

Seniors — Roland McArthur, Bill Simpson, Gerald Harmon, Joe Ross.

Juniors — Robbie Don Godwin, Jack Gray, Freddie Ashworth, Byron Russell, W. H. Wyatt, Delton Chatham.

Sophomores — Tom Sawyer.

Freshmen — Don Stewart, Freddie McDonald, Jerry Tinkler, Bobby Cowley, Melvin Duncan, Sam Ed Skipworth, Linenon Stevens.

BAILEY RUSSEL WEDS

Bailey Russell, well known Robert Lee resident, and Mrs. Ruby Strickland of Des Moines were married at 12 o'clock noon, on August 23 at Lovington, New Mex. The wedding took place in the First Methodist Church, with Rev. Howard E. Hamilton officiating. Following a few days spent at various points in New Mexico, they are now at home on Mr. Bailey's ranch, three miles west of town. Mrs. Strickland has two children. Her daughter, Jane, is 11 years old and the son, John, 17 months.

AT BAND MEETING

Band Director Jack Gray attended the Texas Bandmaster's Association convention in San Antonio Aug. 22-24. The event took place at the Plaza Hotel and featured a new music and marching clinic for band directors from all over the state. Mrs. Gray and two children, Johnnie and Laura Jean, accompanied him on the trip. They found San Antonio hospitality a big factor in making the meeting a success.

BAPTIST SERVICES

Rev. Jim Hayes of Brookshire, near Houston, will preach at the Robert Lee Baptist Church next Sunday morning and evening.

PREACHING AT PECAN

Bro. M. C. Harrison of Purdon will preach at the Pecan Missionary Baptist Church on Sunday, Sept. 4. Everyone is invited to attend.

Loyd Phelan is feeling better this week after being hospitalized a few days with a stomach ailment.

BIRTHS

KING — Mr. and Mrs. Clayton King (Betty Plumlee) of Dallas are parents of their first child, a daughter born Aug. 19. She weighed 7 pounds, 6½ ounces. The father is serving in the armed forces. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. R. B. King of El Paso and Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Plumlee, Jr. of Snyder.

BRICE — A daughter was born Aug. 21 to Mr. and Mrs. Ed Brice (Bessie Plumlee) of Robert Lee at the Bronte Hospital. She weighed 9 pounds, 2 ounces and has been named Edna Marlene. She has two sisters, Shirley, 6, and Judy, 2 years old. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Plumlee of Robert Lee and Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Brice of Bronte.

NEW INTEREST SEEN IN PREC. 3 ROAD PROJECT

Absentee ballots are now available for the Precinct 3 Road Bond Election to be held Saturday, Sept. 17. Persons who expect to be absent on election day may use an absentee ballot by requesting same from the County Clerk or going to the court house and marking a ballot. Absentee ballots may be used until three days before the election.

Interest is growing over the proposal to issue \$62,000 in bonds to build 3½ miles of paved highway. The route extends two miles north from Pecan Church, on highway 158 west of Edith, then cuts across section 158 owned by Mrs. J. J. S. Smith.

At that point it will join a new paved road in Precinct 1 which runs south of the river to the new bridge; 6 miles southwest of Silver. If Precinct 3 voters approve the bonds it will give a new direct outlet from the highly important oil field and new gas plant in the northwest corner of Coke County.

Surveys estimate the new paving to cost \$12,000 per mile, while two concrete bridges and a 60-inch culvert are figured at \$20,000.

With completion of Precinct One's project, the new route is expected to carry heavy oil field traffic. Commissioner Ed Hickman says he is faced with spending Precinct 3 road maintenance money on this stretch if the bonds do not carry. Expensive bridge work as well as grading will be necessary to provide safe travel.

Lack of interest resulted in a similar bond issue failing to carry last year, but indications are that sentiment has changed and there is a good chance for the bonds to get a necessary two-thirds majority in the Sept. 17 voting.

Commissioner Hickman says it is up to the people to decide for themselves. He wants every voter to study the matter fully before making a decision. Further information on the issue will appear in The Observer next week.

FOOTBALL BARBECUE

A barbecue supper honoring the Robert Lee football squad will be served at 6:30 p. m. Friday at the athletic field. This is an annual event and all dads and football fans are urged to attend. The occasion will permit the public to meet the new coach and members of the Steer squad.



TILDEN JONES left Monday for Camp Parks, Calif., and will continue to Okinawa for an Air Force assignment. The 21 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Jones, Tilden enlisted last winter and recently completed an instrument repair school at Chanute, Ill. His brother, Carroll Ray, 19, is stationed at Mt. Home, Idaho, where he is learning to be an Air Force dispatcher.

SCHOOL TERM OPENS

Robert Lee public schools opened the new term Thursday of this week. Registration, distribution of text books and assignments were on the schedule for the first day, with classes starting Friday. A big enrollment was anticipated, since Robert Lee is crowded for housing facilities at this time. The public is invited to attend a reception for the teachers at the school house next Thursday night, Sept. 8. The event is being sponsored by the P-TA.

FLOWER SHOP SOLD

Mrs. T. M. Wylie, Jr. recently purchased the Estelle Flower & Gift shop here from Claude and Estelle Word of Bronte. The Words opened the Robert Lee shop last year and will continue to operate their store in Bronte. Mrs. Wylie says the store will be operated under the name of "Fran-Cilla Flowers and Gifts" an abbreviation of the names of her daughters Frances and Priscilla. A formal opening under the new ownership is to take place in the near future.

GREEN MT. MEETING

Residents of the Green Mountain community will meet at 8 p. m. Friday at the school house to discuss affairs in connection with operation of the community center. Every interested person is invited and urged to attend.

ROBERTS SELLS GROCERY STORE TO KRALL BROS.

A two-way business deal here the past week resulted in Melvin Krall selling his suburban grocery and market and buying the Earl Roberts store. Calvin Wallace purchased the Krall store on the San Angelo highway, while Gene Krall of San Angelo will be associated with his brother in owning and operating the former Roberts grocery and market.

Invoicing of the stocks took place over the weekend and both stores opened Monday morning with the new owners in charge.

Mr. Roberts is retiring from active business for a while because of his health, and he and Mrs. Roberts plan to do some traveling and take things easy for awhile. The store was established around 45 years ago by Will Simpson. He sold to Arch Lewis and the M System who operated the business 11 years or more. Mr. Roberts has owned the store the past seven years.

Melvin Krall has resided in Robert Lee five years. He operated the Banner dairy products business here nearly three years, and has been very successful with his suburban store. He has been assisted by his wife, who will continue in the new location as part-time cashier. Bill Havins will also be retained in the Krall store.

Gene Krall, a younger brother of Melvin, has been employed by Gandy's creamery in San Angelo and will move his family here immediately. The Krall brothers grew up in the grocery business, as their father operates a San Angelo store.

Mr. Wallace has worked in stores here 20 years or more and knows the business from A to Z. He was with H. D. Fish and W. J. Cumble, and 11 years with M System here, five years as manager. He has been with Earl Roberts since the latter bought out Arch Lewis.

FOR FLOOD SUFFERERS

Red Cross contributions for relief of flood stricken families in eastern states are now being taken up in Coke County. W. B. Clift, disaster relief committee chairman, says \$150 has been raised at Bronte and it was hoped to complete the canvass in Robert Lee in the next day or two. The funds are needed immediately.

Mrs. L. D. Schooler is spending a few weeks in Robert Lee, making her headquarters in the home of Mrs. May Boone. Mrs. Schooler, long time Coke County resident, will be happy to have old friends call for a visit.

New fall merchandise arriving daily at ROACH'S.

HOSPITAL NEWS

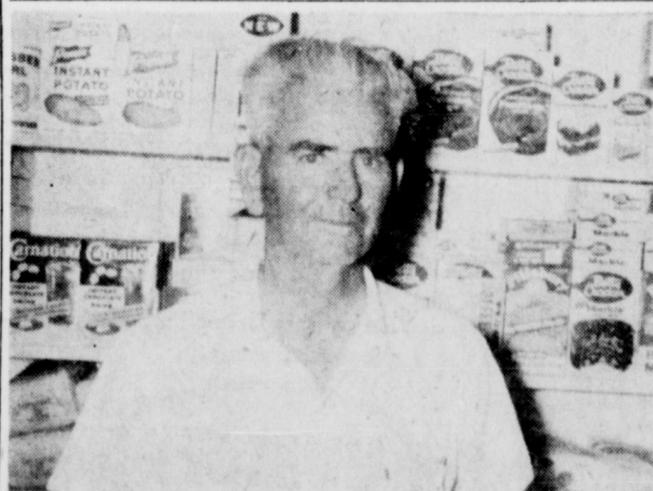
Aug. 24 — Mrs. J. Q. Counts admitted.

Aug. 25 — Mrs. Lee Hallmark, Mrs. L. F. Thompson, Jerry Dean admitted. Carlton Boone dismissed.

Aug. 27 — Mrs. L. F. Thompson, Aug. 28 — Loyd Phelan, Miss Helen Johnson dismissed. son dismissed.

Aug. 29 — Mrs. Vaughan Davis, Mrs. Ethel Green admitted.

Aug. 30 — Mrs. Jack Cowley admitted. Mrs. Vaughan Davis dismissed.



STORE OF HIS OWN—After working 20 years or more for the other fellow, Calvin Wallace is now his own boss. He bought the Krall grocery and market here the past week.

SILVER NEWS

O. F. Bradham and John Clifton, Sun production employees are on vacations this week. The Cliftons are bringing their daughter, Barbara, home from Dallas where she was employed during the summer in the Sun Oil Co. regional office.

John Voelkel, Sun pumper, has gone to New Orleans with his family on a vacation visit with relatives.

Hubert Payton and wife are spending their vacation with her parents in California. He is a Sun roustabout.

Earl Lindsey and his sons and some other youngsters had good luck fishing Sunday and Monday at Oak Creek Lake near Blackwell.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Higginbotham of Somerset were guests here the past week in the homes of their sons, Jake and Oscar Higginbotham.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Yarbrow enjoyed a vacation visit last week at Galveston where they met the Clyde Hornbacks, who formerly resided at Silver.

The second prize winning float in the Rodeo Parade at Colorado City last week featured the miniature oil rig derrick made by Harry Congdon, a welder for Ernest Clendennen. The attractive derrick model, complete with draw-works, etc., will be displayed at the oil show in San Angelo next month.

Jay Shimer underwent a tonsillectomy last Friday at Clinic-Hospital in San Angelo. He was brought home Saturday and is making a good recovery. Jay is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Shimer.

John Followill, Sun drilling foreman here, was released from Hendricks hospital in Abilene Tuesday. He became ill last week while working on a location near Abilene and spent several days in the hospital for treatment and observation. Reports indicate he has fully recovered.

J. C. Bates has been transferred from Delhi, La., to Jameson gasoline plant here as a repairman 2nd class. He has a wife and three children who will join him here as soon as he finds suitable living quarters.

Summer roustabouts employed by the Sun gas department are finishing up work in the near future. They include Jimmy Gray and Ben Bessent of Robert Lee, G. S. Slay of McAllen and J. M. Smith of Midland. Jimmy and Ben plan to enroll at San Angelo College.

Elmo Hargis is on vacation this week from his position as engine operator at Sun's gas plant.

Oliver McClusky and family are guests this week of the former's brother, C. C. McClusky and family. The former is purchasing agent for Sun Oil Co. at Beaumont.

Sun Pipeline folks enjoyed a barbecue Wednesday night of last week in honor of several guests from Beaumont. A dance was held Friday night.

Silver pupils who will attend high school in Colorado City registered Monday and classes started Wednesday of this week.

Ed Taylor, Sun Pipeline gauger is the owner of a new air conditioned Oldsmobile.

Alvin Palmer and Elton McClusky finish up this week their work as summer roustabouts for Sun Pipeline Co.

Mrs. Elsie Latham and her mother, Mrs. W. M. Summers, and granddaughter, Monette Latham, recently completed a three months' stay at Lamesa where the former watched over a Ray-Harris drilling rig which was stacked. Last week they took Monette back to the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Roland Latham at Carmi, Ill.

ON LIVING EACH DAY

By Rev. Warren Ellis

It is fine indeed to be able to meet life's big moments, but the real test of living comes in the every-day routine; the never-ending and repetitious tasks of the mother and wife in the home, of the worker in the field, the store, the office, the classroom, the sick-room — in whatever station in life we spend our time and energy here we must meet the test of patience and love and success. Here our lives will be proven as victorious or as failing.

Have you ever noticed in your study of Jesus' life and teachings how he minimized the great experiences — "Go and tell no one!" — and emphasized the manner in which we live day by day? "Give us this day our daily bread" "Take up your cross daily and follow me." That which counts with God is not if we can get up in some meeting and cry "Lord, Lord," but whether day by day we can do God's will. Be not anxious about tomorrow, for there is enough

trouble or tasks or work to occupy all your energy and time this day.

From this direction of living given us by our Lord, could we make a suggestion? Try starting each day with a list of expected events of that day before you and use it as your prayer list. If it is no more than cleaning the house, or washing and ironing the clothes or preparing meals, or teaching a class, or plowing a field, or selling merchandise, or ministering to the sick — pray for strength and guidance and wisdom for each task. Never think these matters are too small or too insignificant for the concern of God — this is nearly all of your living and here God wants to help you the most! Do it day by day, pray for each task you undertake, you will be amazed at the difference it will make in your living.

FROM MRS. WHITT

Cisco, Texas, Aug. 19

Dear Mr. Kirkpatrick:

I am sending in my subscription of \$2.50 for another year to The Observer. Don't want to miss any of the copies, as we are unhappy if we don't get this news and we look forward to it every week. I moved to Silver, Coke County, in 1890, and have a farm and house there.

Myself and husband, T. A. Whitt, and our son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. McAuley, re-

cently went on a vacation trip to Chickasha, Okla., and Menard, Tex. Also to Rock Springs in Edwards County and back to San Angelo for the Mathers reunion and on up to Silver to see our two new producing wells of which we are very proud.

Went on to Loraine to see Mr. Whitt's uncle and aunt, Alva and Dollie Vest and Ocie Vest and wife, and then back to Cisco. Enjoyed the trip very much. Mr. Whitt has been sick but is some better.

John Savage of Clyde visited us last night on his way to Harris, Ark. Mrs. Lizzie Weatherford was here in July from Pangburn, Ark., also Mr. and Mrs. Butler of California. Other guests have been Mr. and Mrs. Aze Whitt and Bobbie White of Goodman, Mo., Mr. and Mrs. Ray Flanigan of Odessa, and Mr. and Mrs. Lee Ahlfinger, who works for Magnolia and has been transferred to Gainesville from Oklahoma. — As ever, Mrs. Gracie Whitt, East 14th & Walnut, Rt. 2, Cisco.

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You'll enjoy the Labor Day weekend more if you follow these simple rules for SAFE DRIVING

Safety Associations recommend that you follow these simple rules to make your Labor Day weekend not only happy, but also safe.

Observe all posted speed limits. Don't hurry ever. Enjoy the scenery . . . and the feeling that you and your family are out for fun.

Regulate the speed of your car to highway and traffic conditions. Enjoy taking your time . . . enjoy relaxing from traffic tension.

Don't drive too long — stop when you're tired. That you'll surely enjoy a lot.

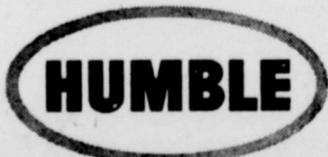
Observe all highway caution warnings — slow down for curves, when descending steep hills, etc. Enjoy the freedom from fear that these precautions give you.

Don't drink when driving. You'll enjoy your trip the more.

Follow the golden rule of traffic courtesy: give other motorists the same consideration you'd like for them to give you.

Enjoy the good feeling that you're helping others to have a good time, too.

Enjoy this Labor Day weekend—please drive safely!



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Last year in Texas, 29 people lost their lives and 500 were injured in 1400 traffic accidents over the Labor Day weekend. This year, let's bar tragedy from our holiday.



MRS. KENNETH LACKEY

KENNETH LACKEY, KAY REEDER WED IN FAIRFIELD, IOWA CHURCH

The marriage of Miss Kathryn Anna Reeder and Mr. Kenneth Lackey occurred Tuesday, Aug. 23, at 7:30 P. M. in the First Baptist Church at Fairfield, Iowa. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Reeder of Fairfield, and the bridegroom is the son of Mrs. R. M. Lackey and the late Mr. Lackey of Robert Lee, Texas.

Officiating at the double ring ceremony were the pastor, the Rev. George Meyers and Paul Reeder, brother of the bride, of Valier, Mont. The bride was given in marriage by her father. Mrs. George Meyers was organist and "Bridal Chorus" and "Wedding March" were sung by Mrs. Paul Reeder. Serving as maid of honor was Miss Lorraine Herzog of Gillette, Wis., a seminary classmate of the bride.

Charles Reeder of Ames, Iowa, brother of the bride, was best man. Ushers were the bride's cousins, Keith Reeder and Kenneth Carr. The altar of the church was decorated with baskets of white gladioli and seven branch candelabra.

The bride's wedding gown, fashioned by herself, was of lace and net over satin, with victorian collar, long pointed sleeves, fitted bodice cut to points in front and back, with flared skirt ended in chapel train. Her finger tip veil of net edged in lace held in place a half hat of lace over satin, edged with seed pearls.

She carried a white Bible with a white orchid and lilly of the valley arrangement. The tradition of something old, new, borrowed and blue was carried out with a sixpence in the shoe.

The bridesmaid's floor length dress was of blue lace and net over taffeta. She carried a bouquet of blue and white chrysanthemums.

The mother of the bride wore a navy blue crepe dress with white accessories and a shoulder corsage of pink roses.

A reception in the church parlors was attended by 200 persons. An all white refreshment table accentuated by touches of blue carried out chosen nuptial colors. A three-tiered bride's cake was topped with a miniature bride and groom. It was baked and decorated by Mrs. Alva Winters of Fairfield.

The bride's going away ensemble included a beige and navy silk dress with navy linen duster,

beige accessories and an orchid corsage.

The bride graduated from Fairfield High School and attended Parsons College in Fairfield for two years. She graduated from West Suburban Hospital School for Nurses at Oak Park, Ill., and received a BS degree in Nursing at Wheaton College, Wheaton, Ill.

She served as superintendent of nurses for 1½ years at Coke County Memorial Hospital in Robert Lee, Texas, and the past year took graduate work at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary at Fort Worth. She was employed part time at Harris Hospital in Fort Worth while attending the Seminary and the past summer was employed at Jefferson County Hospital in Fairfield.

The bridegroom is a graduate of Robert Lee High School and San Angelo College. He received a degree in Business Administration from the University of Texas in Austin, and served with the U. S. armed forces in Japan. He is employed as bookkeeper and office manager at Ivey Motor Co. in Robert Lee.

The couple planned a short trip of unannounced destination before returning to Texas via the Ozark Mountains.

They will be at home in Robert Lee after Aug. 29 and will soon occupy their new home which is now under construction.

Robert Lee Methodists

Services of the outdoor Revival being conducted this week have been well attended from the opening night. The fine preaching by Rev. Barcus Moore of Corpus Christi has been accompanied by good group singing and special music. Brother Moore will be with us through Sunday night. Come out to hear him. Services will be held on Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Tubb and son, Mack, left the last of the week for Guymon, Okla., to visit their daughter and sister, Mrs. Vincent Hanna, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Brice and daughters attended a family reunion over the weekend at the Ballinger City Park.

New Cash Crop Is Great Need In Coke County

By Jack B. Waide, Co. Agent

Shortly after I moved to Coke County as your County Agent, I asked a group of men representing all parts of the county to set up some committees for me to work with. The committees were to be used to plan a program which would be beneficial to the entire county. Several of these committees have met a number of times.

The field day held in the spring on wool preparation was the direct work of one of these committees. A survey on egg production earlier in the year was the result of work by still another committee. It is hoped that this approach to Extension work will assure first that your county agent spends his time on things which the majority of the people in the county feel is worth while, and also that by using the ideas of local farmers and ranchers that a solution to your problems can be found much faster.

This committee work will be intensified during the coming year. It is hoped that by November 1, we can present a well planned Extension program for Coke County which will represent the knowledge and experience of at least a majority of the ninety men who have been asked to serve on the various committees as well as the large number of women who participate through the work of the Home Demonstration Council.

One of the first things mentioned in recent meetings is a need for more liberal use of the local newspapers. You can expect to see articles in the local papers pretty regularly in the future. It is hard to evaluate the benefit of newspaper publicity to work of this kind. Please keep in mind that it is impossible to write a story which will be of interest to all of you each week. The subject of these stories will always be something timely and if you will check each story I will try to have something of interest to most of you most of the time.

One of the big things on my mind at this time is the need for a good cash crop for this county. Most people seem to feel that cotton fills the bill, but present forecasts a larger carry over than last year. This means that present acreage restrictions are not likely to be relaxed next year.

Milo has been used as a cash crop by many but reduced price support coupled with an increase in acreage and unusually high yields in other parts of the state will undoubtedly bring about milo prices which will be mighty close to our average cost of production. In addition to this the experiment stations have recently developed some hybrid grain sorghum varieties which are expected to increase yields by 30 to 40%.

Seed will be available in very limited quantities next year, but ample seed for everyone should be available by 1957. This would seem to help but actually our yields will be increased by less than 200 pounds per acre average and the increase may run as high as 1600 pounds on the plains. That should just about put us out.

Now I am not offering this as the solution to the problem, but only as a thought which might be worthy of your consideration. Atlas Sargo, red top cane and hegari make fair yields in this county in average years. They also make excellent roughage in the form of silage or bundles. Why not try roughage and buy the concentrates?

This wouldn't be a bad year to start in a small way just to see how you like it. Just a few head

which would not require a big investment in equipment could answer a lot of questions for you. It seems to me that there is a need in the county for this type of operation. Clarence Arrott of Bronte has been feeding lambs for number of years and will be more than happy to talk with anyone who is interested in lamb feeding. We at the office will be glad to help any way we can. Actually, a lot of research is being done in an effort to develop new cash crops for Texas. We have every reason to expect new crops to eventually help, but not in the next 3 or 4 years.

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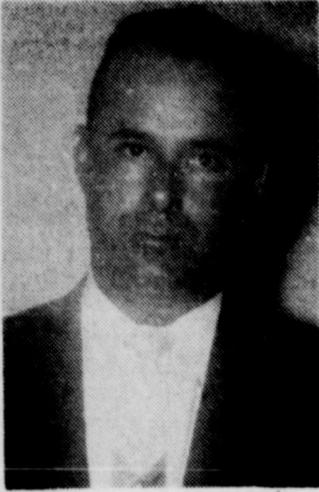
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SUPT. PAUL ASHBY

PUBLIC SCHOOL AT SILVER WILL OPEN SEPT 6TH

SILVER — (Special) — Silver public school opens next Tuesday, Sept. 6. Enrollment is expected to reach 140 pupils, compared with 106 last year. A get acquainted party for the teachers is being sponsored by the PTA on Thursday night of this week.

Paul Ashby is the new superintendent and several new teachers have been added. The roster includes:

R. C. Dodd, principal, coach and physical education.

Mrs. O. W. Newell, 1st grade.

Mrs. C. G. Walker, 2nd.

Mrs. Chas. Kennedy, 3rd.

Miss Violet Brown, 4th.

Departmental & Jr. High

Mr. Perry Elliott, social studies.

Mr. Donald Gressett, shop and science.

Mrs. Beverly Kay Marie, English and math.

Miss Willene Sockwell, home ec, English, music.

Supt. Ashby comes to Silver from Millersview where he was head of the schools the past four years. He is working on his master's degree at the University of Texas. He has a wife and three children.

Principal Dodd was also at Millersview the past year, and previously taught in Garden City. He has had three years of coaching experience. He earned his degree at Sul Ross with a physical education major. He is married.

Mr. Elliott has been teaching at Ballinger Junior High the past five years. He has bachelor and

master's degree from Sul Ross. Mr. Elliott is married and has two children.

Mrs. Marie taught in San Angelo last year. Her husband, Murray Marie, is employed by Sun Oil Co. gas plant here.

Miss Sockwell is from Eden and lacks a few hours of obtaining a degree from Baylor University. She is a sister of Curtis Leroy Sockwell, Sun Oil Co. roustabout here.

Mrs. Newell, Mrs. Walker, Mrs. Kennedy, Miss Brown and Mr. Gressett are returning teachers. However, Mr. Gressett has a wife now, having been married recently to Miss Sue Cook of Westbrook. She was a basket ball star in high school and attended Hardin-Simmons University last year.

Two new teachers homes were constructed this summer, making a total of six family sized homes and one duplex with two apartments.

A ninth grade is being added this year, for the first time, while students in the other high school grades are transported to Colorado City.

An addition of four new classrooms is under way, but is not expected to be completed for several weeks.

Athletic Program

An all out athletic program is being arranged, with first attention this fall directed to Junior High 6-man football. The first game will be at Garden City on the night of Thursday, Sept. 22.

There will also be boys and girls basketball and baseball next spring.

SMALL TALK

By A. J. K.

Fans will find it a long way up to Lueders where the Robert Lee Steers open the football season Friday night of next week. Since there is a detour between Blackwell and Sweetwater, you'll have to go to Abilene, then northwest to Anson, east 18 miles and then back 2 miles northwest. From the way the Steers are shaping up, the trip ought to be worth while.

"If I had it to do over again," said Gus, "I'd be too tired."

The Observer will be working up a 1955 Schedule Card for the Robert Lee Steers this week. New setup, orange card with black printing, the school colors.

Note to Gene Walker, who works part time at the Enterprise shop in Bronte, and is on the Longhorn football squad: Two more players have been rounded up, making a total of eleven, so the Steers won't have to play 6-man football this season. Look out for the 11 Iron Men on the night of Nov. 18.

Manager Chilly Tinkler requests that all base ball uniforms be turned in at once so they can be dry cleaned and stored until next year. The new outfits cost \$30 each and must be used again next year.

Sorry to learn that Bob Edwards goofed in attempting to get photos of the Silver and Robert Lee Little League teams up there Friday night. He says he'll try again to get the Silver bunch together, and we need one of Robert Lee, too.

Local News

E. F. Henry of Robert Lee is finishing out the season as an umpire in the Longhorn base ball league. He is a former West Texas-New Mexico league umpire and also helped with semi-pro games here the past few years. The Longhorn schedule will be completed Labor Day.

Jimmy, 11 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Arnold of Silver, was brought to the hospital here Wednesday for treatment of wasp stings. He went swimming in the Colorado River near his home about noon when he got too near a wasp nest in the rocks, and received seven stings on his arms and back.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Mahler and two sons of Seagraves visited over the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Guy Denman and Mr. and Mrs. V. P. Byrne. Mrs. Mahler is the former Marie McDonald and was reared in this community.

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Guests in the Curtis Walker home over the weekend were Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Brooks and grandson, Kenneth Dart, of Amarillo. Mrs. D. H. Palmer returned to Amarillo to spend a few weeks with them. Mrs. Walker and Mrs. Brooks are sisters and Mrs. Palmer is their mother.

Mrs. J. Q. Counts underwent emergency surgery at Coke County Memorial Hospital Wednesday night of last week. She is making a good recovery and was able to leave the hospital a few hours Wednesday. Mrs. Counts is the former Beatrice Taylor, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Taylor.

They Never Said It Would —

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NEW REPAIRS FOR SPILLWAY

Repairs are now under way on the spillway at Mountain Creek Dam. Runoff water two feet deep seriously damaged the spillway last month, although a \$16,000 repair job a year ago was thought would be a permanent solution to the problem.

It has been learned that the concrete apron over the face of the spillway did not extend down to hard stone. This seems to be one of the faults of construction, while water also seeped in at the top to damage the earth and gravel formation.

Upper Colorado River Authority directors state the blame cannot be directed solely to the engineers, as it had been contended all along that a permanent and guaranteed spillway protection job would cost at least \$50,000.

Repairs now underway include replacing earth which had been washed out, with new concrete added to both the top and bottom of the spillway apron. A new sloping concrete slab at the top of the apron is expected to prevent less seepage behind the apron.

Concrete is being blown into the forms under high pressure. E. D. Porter is in charge of the concrete work for Velvin Construction Co. of Midland, and Fern Havins' equipment is being used in the dirt work. City officials are in charge of the repairs which will be paid by the UCRA, but added to the amount to be repaid later by the City of Robert Lee.

Plenty of duck and cotton sacks at ROACH'S.

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PERSONALS

Mrs. Dalton Millican of Silver has been a medical patient this week in Coke County Memorial Hospital. She was much improved yesterday.

Mrs. B. M. Mundell and son, Bill, and Mrs. R. A. Stroud and daughter, Fatima, left Friday for a few days sight seeing through the Big Bend country and the Davis Mountains.

Mrs. F. C. Clark returned Thursday from a weeks' stay in the home of her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Denman, in Tyler. She accompanied another sister, Mrs. Paul Brown, and the Sonny Scherz family of San Angelo. While in Tyler Mr. Scherz attended a nurserymen's meeting.

Mrs. R. A. Stroud and daughter, Fatima, and Mrs. Lois Williams returned recently from Red River, New Mex., where the former operated her tourist cabins during the summer. They report lots of tourists were in that area this year.

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Richardson and daughters of Nashville, Tenn., spent the weekend in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wyatt. Other guests in the Wyatt home were Sgt. and Mrs. H. L. Springer and family and Mr. and Mrs. Charles McKinley. Mr. Richardson is a brother of Mrs. Wyatt, Mrs. Springer and Boone Richardson.

Mr. and Mrs. Elton Millican and two little sons of Mountain Home came up for a weekend visit with kinfolks.

Mr. and Mrs. Steward Evans and little son are moving this week to Midland where the former will teach shop in junior high. He is a recent graduate of Sul Ross. Mrs. Evans is the former Janet Bilbo, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Bilbo.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Grubenman of Dallas visited last week with Mrs. Grubenman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith. Mr. Smith is showing considerable improvement from a serious attack of arthritis and has been able to get around some without crutches.

Rev. and Mrs. W. E. (Bill) Hawkins of Dallas visited Saturday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hayley and with other Robert Lee friends. They were enroute to New Mexico to hold a revival meeting.

Mrs. Jack Duncan writes from Flora Vista, N. Mex.: "Enclosed find money order for \$2.50 for The Observer another year. Like everyone else we can't do without The Observer. Best regards to everyone."

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Stripling of Bowie were recent guests in the T. A. Richardson home. The ladies are sisters. Mrs. W. R. Harris, their mother, returned to Bowie with them after a summer visit in the Richardson home.

James Mancill and family moved last week to Arlington where he will serve as freshman coach at Arlington High School. Their household articles were moved by Aaron Summers and wife with C. B. Mitchell's truck.

Sheriff and Mrs. Paul Good are in Dallas this week attending a state convention of county sheriffs. They will also visit their daughter, Mrs. Fred Parker, and family at Stephenville.

Avon Jones of Snyder came to Robert Lee last week and is helping in Duncan's Cafe.

Want Ads

FOR RENT — Bedroom with private bath and entrance. Call Mrs. Elmo Bell, phone 120-J. 1p

FOR SALE — 2 bedroom modern home. See the owner, Carl Brock.

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FOR SALE or RENT — \$500 equity in small modern home near school house. Call collect Cliff Thorn, phone 5293, Sweetwater. 14th

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

FOR SALE — Jenny Lind bed with springs and mattress. Inquire at Observer office.

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 RENT — Furnished house. See Mrs. Jack Cowley, phone 107.

FOR SALE — Blackeye peas \$1.00 a bushel, pick 'em yourself. Ready now. E. E. Stagner, 3 miles southwest of Silver on new pavement. 15w2p

FOR SALE — 200 feet of white picket fence. If interested call Mrs. Cumbie Ivey, phone 138.

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. tfe

NOTICE—We have sold our store on Highway to Calvin Wallace and at the same time purchased the Earl Roberts Grocery and Market. We aim to treat you right and will be pleased to see both old and new friends in our new location—Melvin Krall.

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CHUCK

ROAST lb 43c

SWIFT READY COOKED

Picnic Hams lb 45c

MIDWEST

BACON lb 49c

KRALL'S

GROCERY & MARKET

We Thank You

Very Much

We have sold our Grocery and Market to Melvin Krall, who took over the business Monday.

We wish to express our sincere thanks to friends and customers for the pleasant relations we have enjoyed during the many years we have been in business in Robert Lee.

Our best wishes go to Mr. Krall and we believe he will be highly successful.

For the next few weeks we will have a business office in the building formerly occupied by Olean's Sewing Shop.

Earl Roberts

NOTICE OF ELECTION

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF COKE ss
TO THE RESIDENT, QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF ROAD DISTRICT NO. 3 OF COKE COUNTY, TEXAS, WHO OWN TAXABLE PROPERTY IN SAID DISTRICT AND WHO HAVE DULY RENDERED THE SAME FOR TAXATION:

TAKE NOTICE that an election will be held in Road District No. 3 of Coke County, Texas, on the 17th day of September, 1955, on the proposition and at the places more particularly set forth in the election order passed by the Commissioners' Court on the 17th day of August, 1955, which is as follows:

AN ORDER

CALLING AN ELECTION ON THE PROPOSITION OF THE ISSUANCE OF \$62,000.00 OF BONDS BY ROAD DISTRICT NO. 3 OF COKE COUNTY, TEXAS.

WHEREAS, there has been presented to this Court the Petition of G. F. Powers and more than fifty other persons, representing themselves to be resident, qualified electors of Road District No. 3 of Coke County, Texas, who own taxable property in said District and who have duly rendered the same for taxation, praying that this Court order an election in Road District No. 3 of Coke County, Texas, on the question of the issuance of \$62,000.00 of Road Bonds, which said Petition was heretofore filed in this Court; and

WHEREAS, heretofore on the 1st day of August, 1955, the Commissioners' Court passed an order fixing a time and place for a hearing on said Petition, to-wit: August 17, 1955, and directed the County Clerk to issue a notice of such time and place of hearing to inform all persons concerned of their rights to appear at such hearing and to contend for or protest against the order of such election; and

WHEREAS the County Clerk has heretofore duly executed said notice by posting true copies of said order of hearing in three public places within said Road District No. 3 of Coke County, Texas, and another copy thereof at the Courthouse door of said County for ten days prior to the date fixed for the hearing, and said notice has also been published in a newspaper of general circulation in said Road District No. 3 of Coke County, Texas, namely the 'Robert Lee Observer, Robert Lee, Texas', one time on the 5th day of August, 1955, which was at least five days prior to the date fixed for said hearing; and

WHEREAS, this Court, having met at the time and place set for the hearing of said Petition, proceeded to hear such Petition and all matters in respect to the proposed bond election, to hear the contentions for and protest against the calling of such election, and it is found by the Court that the said Petition is signed by at least fifty (50) of the qualified electors who own taxable property in Road District No. 3 of Coke County, Texas, and who have duly rendered the same for taxation, and that the notice required by law to be given of said hearing has been given; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the hearing held on said date and from the evidence submitted at said hearing, the Court has determined that the proposed improvements would be for the benefit of all taxable property situated in such Road District No. 3 of Coke County, Texas, and that it is desirable and necessary to issue the bonds of said Road District No. 3 of Coke County in the amount of \$62,000.00, to construct said improvements and that said election should be ordered; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioners'

Court further finds that the amount of said proposed bond issue, together with all outstanding bonds heretofore issued on the faith and credit of Road District No. 3 of Coke County will not exceed one-fourth of the assessed valuation of the real property of said District; and

WHEREAS, said Road District No. 3 of Coke County, Texas, has heretofore been legally created by order of the Commissioners' Court, duly entered on the 5th day of April, 1937;

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF COKE COUNTY, TEXAS:

1. That an election be held in said Road District No. 3 of Coke County, Texas, on the 17th day of September, 1955, which is not less than thirty-days from the date of this order, to determine:

'Whether or not the bonds of said Road District No. 3 of Coke County, Texas, shall be issued in an amount not to exceed Sixty Two Thousand (\$62,000.00) Dollars, bearing interest at a rate not to exceed Three and one-half (3-1/2%) per cent per annum, and maturing at such time as may be fixed by the Commissioners' Court serially or otherwise in not to exceed Twenty (20) years from the date thereof for the purpose of constructing, maintaining and operating paved roads and turnpikes or in aid thereof throughout Road District No. 3 of Coke County, Texas, and whether or not taxes shall be levied annually on all taxable property in said Road District sufficient to pay the annual interest on said bonds to provide a sinking fund sufficient to pay the bonds at their maturities.'

2. The metes and bounds of Road District No. 3 of Coke County, are set forth in the order fixing the time and place of hearing on the Petition for the issuance of bonds which was passed on the 1st day of August, 1955.

3. The said election shall be held under the provisions of Chapter 16, Acts of the First Called Session of the Thirty-Ninth Legislature.

4. All persons who are legally qualified electors of this State and of this District who own taxable property in the District and who have duly rendered the same for taxation shall be qualified to vote, and all such electors shall vote in the election precinct of their residence and all voters desiring to support the proposition to issue the bonds shall have written or printed on their ballots the words: 'FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS AND THE LEVYING OF THE TAX IN PAYMENT THEREOF'

And those opposed shall have written or printed on their ballots the words:

'AGAINST THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS AND THE LEVYING OF THE TAX IN PAYMENT THEREOF'

5. That said election shall be held at each of the following voting places within Road District No. 3 of Coke County, Texas:

At the Green Mountain Schoolhouse, Edith, Texas, with the following election officials:

Elbert Davidson, Presiding Judge,

P. W. Millican, Assistant Judge, Clerk,

At Turner's Ranch House, Walnut, Texas, with the following election officials:

G. C. Munn, Presiding Judge, Elton Mims, Assistant Judge, Clerk,

At the Schoolhouse, Wildcat, Texas, with the following election officials:

M. D. Chumley, Presiding Judge,

H. G. Smith, Assistant Judge, Clerk,
At the Church House, Divide, Texas, with the following election officials:

Fred McCabe, Presiding Judge, A. N. Counts, Assistant Judge, Clerk,

6. The manner of holding said election shall be governed by the General Laws of this State regulating general elections when not in conflict with the provisions of Chapter 16, Acts of the First Called Session of the 39th Legislature, hereinabove cited.

7. Notice of said election shall be given by publication of a copy of this order in a newspaper of general circulation in Road District No. 3 of Coke County, Texas for three successive weeks before the date of said election, and in addition thereto, there shall be posted copies of this order at three public places in said District, and one at the Courthouse door of the County for three consecutive weeks prior to said election.

8. The County Clerk is hereby ordered and directed to post said notices and to cause same to be published as hereinabove directed. Further orders by this Court are reserved until the returns of said election executed by the duly authorized election officers, are received by this Court.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 17th day of August, 1955.

Jeff Dean
County Judge, Coke County, Texas
ATTEST:
Weldon Fikes
County Clerk & Ex-Officio Clerk

of the Commissioners' Court, Coke County, Texas." (SEAL)

PERSONALS
(Intended for Last Week)

Albert Brosh of San Angelo recently began work as a permanent employee at the new Texas Natural Gasoline Plant, southwest of Silver. He has quarters at the W. B. Clift home.

Senator and Mrs. Carlos Ashley of Llano were over night guests here Wednesday in the home of their son-in-law and daughter, County Agent and Mrs. Jack Waide. They brought home their grandchildren, Johnny and Cynthia Ann Waide, who had spent a few days with them at Llano. The Waide children had previously visited their paternal grandparents at Paint Rock.

Mr. and Mrs. K. F. Shropshire and son, Richard Bert, of Ardmore, Okla., and their daughter, Mrs. Lewis Owen and children, Lonnie and Nelda Louise, of Odessa, were in Robert Lee recently visiting the former's father, B. W. Shropshire, and sister, Mrs. D. P. Key.

Robert Lewis Jay and wife returned Sunday to Alpine where the former will enroll for his second year in Sul Ross College. He will serve as an instructor at the Band Clinic held at the College starting Thursday. Robert Lewis had started to attend summer school when he was forced to return home because of illness. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Jay.

children of Mr. and Mrs. Fred McDonald, Jr., arrived home Tuesday after spending two months in summer camps near Delafield, Wis.

Mrs. C. C. Franklin of Colorado City visited here this week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Briscoe. Her husband is in the Veterans Hospital at Big Spring for observation and treatment.

A reunion of the Robert Lee High School graduating class of 19-51 took place here over the weekend. Only a few of the 25 or more members of the class were able to attend. A party was held at the Legion Hall Saturday night, followed by a Sunday picnic at Balingier.

El Paso To Buy Coke County Gas

Construction will begin immediately on 61.1 miles of pipe line from Coke County to Midland County, El Paso Natural Gas Co. announced Friday.

The Federal Power Commission in Washington has granted a temporary authority for the construction which will cost \$2,225,000. Construction on the 14-inch pipeline will be done by El Paso Natural Gas crews. Completion is scheduled this autumn.

The line will be used to enable El Paso to buy 60,000,000 cubic feet of residue natural gas daily from Texas Gas Products Co. It will run from that company's Jameson plant in Coke County to El Paso's compressor station in Midland.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS
To any Sheriff or any Constable within the State of Texas — Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to cause to be published once each week for four consecutive weeks, the first publication to be at least twenty-eight days before the return day thereof, in a newspaper printed in Coke County, Texas, the accompanying citation, of which the herein below following is a true copy.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: Elgin Jeff Payne, Defendant, Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable District Court of Coke County at the Courthouse thereof, in Robert Lee, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 3rd day of October A. D. 1955, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 19th day of August

A. D. 1955, in this cause, numbered 2043 on the docket of said court and styled Hattie Payne, Plaintiff, vs. Elgin Jeff Payne, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Suit for divorce as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

If this citation is not served within ninety days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Robert Lee, Texas, this the 19th day of August A. D. 1955.

Attest: Weldon Fikes Clerk, District Court
Coke County, Texas

(SEAL)
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Wanda Walker spent Tuesday at Silver in the home of her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Walker.

SILVER METHODIST CHURCH

New pews which arrived last week for the Silver Methodist Church will be ready for use by next Sunday. Purchase of the 20 pews was made possible by individual subscription of members and friends, and they were delivered from Brownwood through the courtesy of Fred McDonald Lumber Company.

Formal opening of the new church will be held Sunday, Sept. 11 at 3:00 P. M. Dr. L. Eugene Harris, San Angelo District Superintendent, will preach the opening sermon. All are cordially invited to attend.

Next Sunday, Sept. 4, Rev. J. Barcus Moore, pastor of the St. Luke's Methodist Church, Corpus Christi, who is this week preaching in the revival at Robert Lee, will be the guest speaker in the morning worship hour.

Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Lowrance have returned from a stay of several weeks in Amarillo where the former had employment.

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Notes From The Oil Field

GEE LOCATION

A Jameson-Strawn Field project was spotted 7 miles west and north of the Millican field, as Associated Oil & Gas Co. of Houston No. 2-H Nora Gee.

Having a proposed depth of 7,200 feet with rotary, it spots 664 feet from the north and 657 feet from the west lines of Section 144, Block 2, H&TC Survey.

NEW PRODUCER

Perkins-Prothro Co. of Wichita Falls completed No. 12-E W. C. Blanks as a new producer in the Jameson-Strawn Field 16 miles northwest of Robert Lee. It is in Section 69, Block 2, H&TC Survey.

Daily potential was 210.97 barrels of 46 gravity oil, flowing

through a 12-64-inch choke with 260-175 pounds on casing and 800-850 on tubing. Flow was from 196 perforations at 6,463-6,589 feet. Casing depth was set at 6,630 feet, total depth. Gas-oil ratio was 1,133-1.

DRY HOLE

Ginther, Warren & Ginther No. 1 Elbert Davidson, wildcat in 239-2-H&TC, 11 miles west of Robert Lee, plugged and abandoned at 7,159 feet.

WILL MARRY SEPT. 10

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Childress announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their granddaughter, Billie Earl Hester, to J. W. Wallace of Rock Springs. The event has been set for Sept. 10. Miss Hester graduated from Robert Lee High School last spring. Mr. Wallace is a heavy equipment operator and has been employed on road construction work in Coke County.

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IVEY MOTOR COMPANY

Expert Talks On Construction Of Swim Pool

Members of the Robert Lee Board of Community Development learned some interesting pointers on swimming pool construction at their luncheon meeting Wednesday of last week at Henry's Barbecue.

The discussion was led by E. D. Porter of Midland, representative of Velvin Construction Co., who specializes in the construction of Fiesta Pools.

Mr. Porter recommended a pool approximately 40 x 83 feet as the desirable size for a community such as this. He also advised a fan shaped pool, deep at the narrow end with shallow water where it fans out wider.

Acceptable pools have filtering equipment which changes the water every eight hours, but it is necessary to drain the pool only once a year.

Porter estimated a pool of this size would cost from 22 to \$23,000. Then there would be \$1,500 for concrete walks, \$800 for a cyclone fence and \$5,000 for a bath house, making a total outlay of \$30,000.

The BCD has undertaken a project to sponsor a pool and park area to serve the entire county. Robert Vaughan is chairman of a committee which will study the matter and present plans to the Commissioners Court in the next

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few months.

It has been pointed out that the county is financially able to take on such a project without a tax increase, since oil development is providing more tax revenue each year.



Notes From The Oil Field

Black No. 1 Fred McCabe, wildcat 6 miles southwest of Robert Lee, 6,485 feet in dolomite. Lost circulation was reported Wednesday afternoon.

ANOTHER COKE WILDCAT

Forest Oil Corp., Midland, has filed application to drill a 7,500-foot wildcat in Coke County, 15 miles southwest of Robert Lee and 1 3/4 miles north of the Tom Green County line. It will be the No. 1 William B. Wilson.

The project will be drilled with rotary. Elevation is 2,900 feet.

Location, on a 640-acre lease, is 660 feet from the north and 790 feet from the east lines of 11-16-H&TC.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Allen left Thursday of this week on a two weeks' combined business and pleasure trip through Rocky Mountain states. Their destination will be Jackson Lodge in the Teton Mountains of northwestern Wyoming where they will attend a four-days convention of representatives of Security Life & Accident Insurance Co. of Denver, Colo. Mr. Allen is one of the company's top ranking underwriters and he and Mrs. Allen will have all their traveling expenses paid.

Mrs. Howard Eaton was admitted to Coke County Memorial Hospital Wednesday afternoon and was scheduled to undergo major surgery Thursday.

PERSONALS

Helen Johnson returned Sunday to the Veterans Hospital at McKinney after being a patient several weeks in Coke County Hospital. She made the trip with her nephew, Dale Lofton and wife.

Kenneth Lackey and his new bride, the former Kay Reeder, arrived Sunday following their marriage Aug. 23 in Fairfield, Ia. They made a leisurely trip through the Ozarks and stopped for a visit with friends in Ft. Worth and with the J. C. Shipmans at Bangs. Mr. and Mrs. Lackey are residing in one of the A. B. Sheppard apartments until their new home is completed.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis McCraw and their son, Virgil, and his family are here from Salinas, California, for a brief visit. A former Coke County resident, Mr. McCraw is a brother of Mrs. Frank Clawson.

L. H. Thompson came in the first of the week to get his wife, who has been here for medical treatment the past week. She is the former Colleene Varnadore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Varnadore. Mr. Thompson is employed on a Noble drilling rig at Tatum, New Mex.

J. S. Ross returned recently from a three months' visit with his daughter and son and their families at Pueblo, Colo. His son, Warren E. Ross, brought him home and visited in Robert Lee briefly.

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Mr. and Mrs. Dean Childress and Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Childress left Sunday for their home in Mesa, Ariz., after a few days visit with Robert Lee kinfolks and friends. The men are brothers of Henry and Arvel Childress, and Melvin Childress is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Dean Childress. Mrs. Childress is a sister of Bill McCutchen and Mrs. Claude Murtishaw. While here the visitors attended the Green Mt. Musical and looked over the oil field southwest of Silver. Mrs. Leslie Copeland, who resides in the Perkins-Prothro camp where her husband is a pumper, is a granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dean Childress.

WINTER LEAGUE GAMES

Kirby Vacuum Cleaners defeated Jax, Inc. 6 to 3 in a Winter League base ball game last Sunday in San Angelo. The Kirby team is made up leargely of Robert Lee and Bronte players and is managed by G. P. Lowry. Ronnie Baker gave up six hits to win Sunday's tilt. Will Percifull is hind catcher. Norman Roberts slammed two doubles and a triple, while Lynn Davidson hit a single and three-bagger. Kirby plays Rathbone's Rats at Veribest next Sunday.

Larry Farris of Dallas has been here the past few weeks visiting his father, Buster Farris.

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CORN, Mayfield, Large Can - - - 2 for 25c

TUNA, Van Camp - - - No. 1 Flat Can 25c

PORK & BEANS, Jack Sprat - - - 3 Cans 27c

Hormel's Oleo lb. 19c

ALL FLAVORS

Ice Cream pint 19c

T I D E - - - - - Giant Size 69c

VANILLA WAFERS - - - - - 25c Size 19c

BEEF RIBS - - - - - Lb. 29c

7-BONE STEAK - - - - - Lb. 45c

COUNTRY STYLE SAUSAGE - - 2 Lbs. 89c

See Us For SCHOOL SUPPLIES

ANNOUNCEMENT—

To Our Friends:

We are happy to announce that we have purchased the Krall Grocery & Market in the southeast part of town, and are now in charge of the business.

We are re-stocking with brand new merchandise and have a complete line of Groceries, Fresh Fruits and Vegetables and Market Items.

We will also operate a filling station in connection with the business.

Good old Jake Davis is our right hand man. We will be happy to have a share of your patronage.

Calvin Wallace

GROCERY, MARKET & STATION

We Will Me Closed Monday, Sept. 5, for LABOR DAY