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Mrs. A. V. Hughes and her family were made happy recently by a visit from her cousins of New Zealand, who are on a world-wide tour which may last four years. Pictured in front row are Mrs. Hughes and her cousin, Ivan Mercep. Back of Mrs. Hughes is Miss Mary Mercep and the other young woman is a friend, Miss Marie Jelcich.

NEW ZEALAND TRAVELERS SPEND 2 WEEKS AT ROBERT LEE

Robert Lee was a stopping place the past two weeks for three young people from New Zealand, who are on a world tour which may last four years.

They came to West Texas to visit Mrs. A. V. Hughes, a native of New Zealand and a cousin of two of the visitors.

The group included Miss Mary Mercep, her brother, Ivan, and a friend, Miss Marie Jelcich. Their homes are in Auckland.

Mrs. Hughes, the former Daisy Devoch, lived in Thames, 80 miles southeast of Auckland. Her mother is a sister of Mary and Ivan's father.

Daisy became acquainted with A. V. Hughes of Robert Lee when the latter was stationed in New Zealand during World War II. Later she came to America to marry him and arrived in this country July 4, 1946. Arriving with her at that time were five young women from Australia and three from New Zealand who were to marry former American soldiers.

Two of Daisy's brothers were at the boat to see the Merceps and Miss Jelcich depart nearly two years ago on their long trip.

The traveling trio came from their homeland to Vancouver, B. C., Canada, where they spent 19 months. They worked part time to accumulate funds to continue their tour. Ivan, 26, is a graduate architect. Mary Mercep is 27 and is experienced in secretarial work. Miss Jelcich is 25.

Leaving Canada a few weeks ago the group bought a good used car in Washington State and traveled down the West Coast, visiting San Francisco and Los Angeles. They continued into Mexico, going as far as Mexico City. They came back into the States at Laredo and came on to Robert Lee where they enjoyed two weeks at the Hughes home and obtained first hand knowledge of West Texas cowboys, jackrabbits and a serious drought.

Leaving the first of the week the group headed for Houston and on to New Orleans where Miss Jelcich has an uncle. They planned to continue along the Gulf Coast to Florida, and up to Cleveland to visit more kindfolds. They are scheduled to sail May 4 from New York for Europe.

Before embarking Ivan will sell

his car and has made arrangements in advance to purchase another auto to be used in touring England and European countries. They hope to spend a considerable period of time in London, and will probably seek employment again to keep up with their traveling expenses.

The visitors were highly interesting, gracious and amiable. They say it has been easy for them to make friends along the way and they have found hospitality on every hand. They even liked West Texas!

Parents of the Merceps and Miss Jelcich emigrated from Yugoslavia nearly fifty years ago to New Zealand which was just beginning to be settled by Europeans. The country is made up of two large islands, with boundary dimensions of 1,000 miles in length and 375 miles wide. It is a part of the British Empire, with a dominion status very similar to Canada.

New Zealand now has a population of about 2 millions. Auckland is the principal city with 400,000 people. Wellington, the capital city, is much smaller. Ivan advised The Observer that education, health and better living conditions were leading objectives of his country at present, while more industry is expected to follow.

After arriving in Europe the Merceps will proceed as soon as possible to Yugoslavia to visit their grandparents. No definite plans have been formulated for their return home, and it is likely they will be gone four years. Ivan said he began thinking of such a world trip when he was a small boy. His dream is being realized. Many have had a similar desire, but only a few have seen it happen.

EASTER CANTATA

An Easter Cantata will be given by the choir at Sunday night's service at the Robert Lee Methodist Church, March 25, one week in advance of Easter. Mrs. Jeff Dean directs the women's choral group, with Mrs. R. C. Russell, organist. Communion will be observed at the Sunday morning service. Travis McNair is the pastor. The night service begins at 7 o'clock.

SUN INCREASES CAPACITY AT SILVER PLANT

Sun Oil Company's gas department has a good sized construction project under way in the Jameson field at Silver.

Two new compressor stations are being built to inject gas back into the oil formation, thus conserving gas that might have to be flared and also insuring a longer period of oil production.

The plant on the Homer Jameson lease is nearing completion. Work is underway on a similar plant on H. L. Bloodworth. Both of the new plants are equipped with 440 h. p. compressors.

The contract was let to W. H. Bowden Construction Co. of Odessa, who will also handle some new work at Jameson natural gasoline plant. John Shimer, Jr., Sun gas department superintendent, says a refrigeration compressor is to be installed and other facilities added in order that additional liquids can be taken from natural gas.

At present only casing head gasoline and butane gas are manufactured at the Jameson plant. Propane will be added to the output when new facilities are installed.

Pipe lines are now being laid from Jameson plant to Sun's loading rack three miles north on the R. S. Anderson place where tank cars can be loaded on the new Santa Fe spur which was extended from Maryneal to Silver.

Steel Arrives For New Bridge Over River Here

Heavy steel I-beams to be used in completing the new Colorado River Bridge at Robert Lee arrived this week. Their shipment had been delayed since December because of a strike.

First truck load of steel reached here at 6 p. m. Wednesday from Bethlehem steel plant at Beaumont. It consisted of seven 39-foot beams, weighing a total of more than 31,000 pounds.

Forty-eight steel beams will be used in the bridge, some of them being 59 feet in length.

Footings and approaches for the new structure have been finished for some time. D. M. Ferrier, superintendent for the contractor, Wes-Tex Construction Co. of Borger, says the river bridge should now be completed in the matter of a few weeks.

His company has had a state contract for Highway 208 work which totaled \$281,000. Besides the new river bridge, a relief bridge and a big fill across the river bottom here, they made a number of pavement changes between Sanco and Silver. Black topping of the new work in the upper end of the county was under way this week.

Wes-Tex is building the new Pecan Creek Bridge in Precinct 3 and this week was awarded a state contract to build a new road from a point 4 miles northwest of Bronte to Wilmetts.

Mrs. C. R. Burson writes to have The Observer sent to their new address at China Springs, Rt. 1, in care of R. A. McMurry. Before leaving recently Mr. Burson was employed at farm and ranch work by S. E. Adams.

GREEN MT. MUSICAL

Country and western music ably at the Junior Grand Ole Opera. Featuring the regular cast plus lots of extras. You'll be seeing and hearing Richard Beck and his fiddle, Uncle George Powers, Romie and Ronnie, the Country Boy Mel Stanley, plus a brand new group which is currently working on radio. We'll call them the mystery band. You'll want to be on hand at 8 p. m. Friday, March 23, at Green Mountain community center, to enjoy a full two hours show. Free admission to tops in entertainment.

Deadline Is Near For '56 Car Tags

Auto owners are advised that the deadline for buying new 1956 car tags is March 31.

The county tax collector's office reports 650 licenses for passenger cars had been issued up to Wednesday, while the total should be in the neighborhood of 1,200.

Some confusion has resulted in the matter of safety inspection. It is not required that you have your car inspected before you can purchase new license plates. However, the deadline for getting a 1956 safety sticker is April 15.

STEERS DEFEAT NORTON

Robert Lee Steers won its second exhibition game in a one-sided contest against Norton here Wednesday afternoon. The score was reported at 29 to 5. Robby Don Godwin and Richard Dumas divided hurling chores, with Roland McArthur on the receiving end. Robert Lee starts conference play at Wall next Tuesday, March 27.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Madden left Wednesday in their car for West Virginia where Mrs. Madden will consult a specialist. Mr. Madden is administrator of Coke County Memorial Hospital. He expects to return within two weeks.

7 Names Filed For 3 Places On School Board

Interest is being aroused over the annual school trustee election April 7. Names of seven candidates have been filed for three vacancies on the Robert Lee school board. They include:

Jack Cowley, Bob Godwin, Raymond Schooler, J. F. McCabe, Jr., Melvin Childress, Brent Clark and L. E. Heuvel.

Cowley, Godwin and Schooler are present members of the board, each having served but one three-year term. They were nominated on a petition which included the name of J. F. McCabe, Jr. A separate petition filed this week nominated Childress, Clark and Heuvel.

Filings for school trustee must be made at the county superintendent's office. Any individual may file as a candidate or his name may be filed by a petition. Judge Jeff Dean, ex-officio county superintendent, says the deadline for filing is 10 days before election. The Observer previously stated it was five days.

SILVER ELECTION

Trustees of the Silver school district whose terms expire this year are Raymond Bloodworth and J. P. Jameson. Bloodworth declined to run again, but Jameson's name has been filed along with C. E. Butcher, T. W. Lyle, Arch Mathers and John T. Stewart.

SET CAMPAIGN FOR PASSAGE OF PARK BONDS

Plans for conducting an active campaign in behalf of the proposed county parks and swimming pools projects were discussed at a meeting of interested citizens Monday night.

A study of the park and swim pool needs of the community was started several months ago by a Robert Lee Board of Community Development Committee headed by Bob Vaughan. Later the Bronte Lions Club became interested and the civic groups have worked with city officials in the two towns.

It was their plan to present the project to the Commissioners Court since any sizeable program to provide recreational facilities would have to be done on a county wide basis. Neither Bronte nor Robert Lee have city funds sufficient for this purpose, while Coke County is now getting lots of tax money from oil properties.

Engineer W. W. Greif was called upon to make preliminary plans and estimates, which included new parks and pools at Bronte and Robert Lee. The estimated cost was \$130,000.

Petition bearing 216 names were presented to the Commissioners Court requesting that a special election be called to vote on a bond issue. The election has been set for April 7.

Appointed as a steering committee by Mr. Vaughan were Postmaster H. S. Lewis, Jr. and Cumbie Ivey, Jr. Monday night's discussion resulted in plans for an all out effort to put the bond issue over.

A double page space in next week's Observer will be used to set forth the needs of the recreational project which can be had by a majority vote of tax paying citizens, and the first point in its favor is that TAXES WILL NOT BE RAISED.

Lewis and Ivey will enlist workers to contact every voter. They will have speakers at club and civic meetings, including Home Demonstration clubs and the Farm Bureau. School pupils will be made acquainted with plans for the recreational facilities to be provided, and urged to carry the information home to their parents.

It will be a campaign based on information and education, the committee says.

Hawley Fields Licensed As Beauty Expert

Hawley Fields, popular Robert Lee young man, recently completed a course at Scoggin Beauty Academy in Abilene. He has passed the state board examination and is now employed as an operator at the Hugo Riviera beauty shop in Abilene.

Hawley and his mother, Mrs. Hubert Fields, will move to Abilene in the next two weeks when they get possession of a home they have rented.

Formerly engaged in oil field work, Hawley was badly injured in an auto mishap nearly two years ago. He was unable to work for more than a year, but seems to have made an excellent recovery. He has a host of Robert Lee friends who wish him eminent success in his new work.

THE OBSERVETTE

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The 1956 Cotton Ginning Short Course is scheduled for Harlingen on February 28-29. It is sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas Cotton Ginners' Association and major cotton gin machinery makers.

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CAROLYN'S QUIPS

Monday night after Junior play practice some kids had a private dance. Those there were Mary Beth and Delton, Mary Beth and Jack, (Just the facts, folks!) Sharon, Joyce, Cynthia, Sammie, and Frederick.

Thursday night after play practice a dance was given at the McDonald's carport. Most everybody was there.

After the dance Jo Alice had a slumber party for Carolyn Lee, Mary, Carolyn, Joyce, Sharon, and "old Spider herself."

Saturday night the following kids went to R. J.'s birthday dance Jo Alice and Spider, Carolyn and Eddie, Sandra and Dannie, Marta and Tom, Kenny and Robbie.

Carol and Jimmy Hanson, June and Jesse Morris, Sharon and Bill Young, Joyce and Walter, Carroll and L. J. Brown and Mary Beth and David, went to the Spring Banquet at Sterling City Saturday night.

Jack, Frederick, Doris, Delton and Mary Francis, Don Engle and Nettie Bob, Roland and Diane, Mustard, Charlie, Ann Reed, Squeaky, Peggy, Patricia, Bill Byron, and Morgan were at Mary Francis' Saturday night to dance.

Sunday afternoon Ann Reed and Jack, Wayne and Peggy, Martha and Freddie, Jerry, were riding around in Freddie's car. Doris, Mustard, Sue, Charlene were riding around in Squeaky's car.

Also seen riding around were Marta and Chili, Sandra and Dannie, Dian and Snaky, Kenny and Arbie, Carolyn, Dale.

Wondering...
What the girls at Jo Alice's slumber party were arguing over when Mary walked in???

Who came over Sunday afternoon to see Sharon???

Where that bright Sterling jacket and medals came from???

Could it be Bill Young's???

What freshman girl has gone "ape" over Chili Wrinkle???

The Goal Post

Robbie Godwin

The Steers won their game with Norton there last Wednesday by a score of 7-2. Outstanding in the hitting category were Jerrell Harmon and Byron Russell with 3 each. The team made only two errors throughout the game. The pitchers held Norton to one hit, a home run in the fifth frame. Dumas pitched three and Godwin four frames. The Steers play Norton on their home field Tuesday.

MORE STUDENTS GET TRAFFIC TICKETS

The "cops" in Drivers' Training have been on duty. Students receiving tickets last week were:

Tom Sawyer — Speeding and reckless driving

Peggy Boone — "U" turn in center of main street

Joe Harmon — Driving without a chauffeur's license

Virginia Jones was recognized as the "Driver of the Week."

Be careful, Virginia, last week's driver of the week got a ticket this week.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Bids will be received until 10 o'clock A. M., April 9th, at the County Courthouse at Robert Lee, Texas, on the following equipment.

One new Crawler-type loader of 2 yd. capacity, hydraulic controlled Scarifier mounted on rear of tractor.

There will be a used Caterpillar D-6 loader to be traded in. This machine can be seen by contacting J. W. Service at Robert Lee.

Legally issued time warrants will be issued for the purchase of this equipment and will bear interest not to exceed 4% per annum.

Signed:

Weldon Fikes, County Auditor
Coke County, Texas.
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Grade School News

By Voleta Harwell

The fifth and sixth grade group of the music class went to San Angelo Friday, where they sang some songs at the District Teachers' Meeting. "The Lord's Prayer," one of the songs they sang, was interpreted by an Indian speaker.

Larry Hudson, a sixth grader, has moved into town. Glenda Blair, also a sixth grader, has moved into the country. The fifth grade got a letter from Marie Wilson, a former student here who has moved to Oklahoma. Judy Green is a new fifth grader.

The fourth grade lost a pupil, Mack Howard, and gained Lupe Ceballos. The fourth grade has been playing baseball in their spelling. Each six weeks a boy captain and a girl captain are chosen. The captains this six weeks are Freda Henson and Donald Dukes.

Mrs. Powell's first grade is working on a puppet show, "Little Red Hen," which they will present to their mothers soon.

The second grade has been studying the process of making butter and buttermilk.

APPLIANCES SYSTEMS

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Robert Lee Phone 154

SERVICE INSTALLATIONS

April 1st Is Deadline!

Important Notice To Motor Vehicle Owners

We wish to call attention to the law which provides that all owners of Motor Vehicles must have their 1956 Licenses before April 1.

It will be unlawful to operate a car or truck after that date without a 1956 License.

INSPECTION DEADLINE APRIL 15

Your attention is also directed to another important law which provides that Motor Vehicles must have a mechanical inspection prior to April 15. You are advised to have an inspection sticker before that date.

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SILVER NEWS

No Connection In License Tags And Inspection

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TEXAS

There is no connection between the purchase of automobile license tags and the safety inspection of passenger vehicles, Executive Director G. C. Morris of the Highway Safety Council of Texas reminded motorists today.

"One reported reason for the delay of some motorists in having their automobiles inspected this year seems to be a misunderstanding about new license plates and safety inspection stickers being issued together," Morris said. "There is no connection whatsoever."

Deadline for purchase of 1956 license plates is April 1, Morris pointed out, and the inspection deadline is April 15.

"It is not necessary," he added, "to show any certificate of inspection to secure license plates."

Morris reported that the Highway Safety Council's continuing check of authorized inspection stations indicated that inspections had increased rapidly during the first two weeks of March but, he added, "any motorist who waits until April for the safety inspection will face a long waiting line."

ned their annual field trips on Thursday of next week. Students from the various rooms will be transported by bus to points of interest in several directions.

ENTERS INSURANCE FIELD

R. C. (Dick) Dodd, who recently resigned as Silver school principal and coach, announces that he will engage in the insurance business. He has signed a contract as an underwriter for Oil Industries Life Insurance Co. of Houston and will work in Coke and Runnels counties. He has already started work and will devote full time to his new position after school is out. Dick has been in school work four years.

Oil Industries Life was organized two years ago and set a new all time record by writing 30 million dollars of insurance during its first year. Indications are that the company will have 100 millions of insurance in force by the time it has been in operation 30 months. Some of the stock of Oil Industries Life is owned by Coke County people.

In its 75 years of life, the American Red Cross has expended 203 million dollars for aid to victims of domestic disasters in approximately 6,000 relief operations.

Try the V-8 that smashed 30 world records in one day!

Discover what happened at the thrilling Kingman, Arizona performance run! Try this Ford yourself . . . for pick-up . . . for passing . . . for hill-leveling! You'll love what you experience!



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It's the 225-h.p. Thunderbird Special V-8 you can have now in Ford!

At 6 p.m. on Saturday, February 25, a '56 Ford set out to re-write the record book at the new Ford Proving Grounds, Kingman, Ariz. Just a little over one hour later, this 225-h.p. Ford had set 30 new world marks—ranging from short runs to 100-mile performance! To you this record-breaking performance promises the most exciting response ever delivered for so little money. Hills you've long known will disappear. Stop lights will be fast fading memories within instants after your foot nudges the throttle. And when it comes to passing, you'll pass in a wink with plenty of "whoosh" in reserve.

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GREAT TV! FORD THEATRE, KTXL-TV, SAN ANGELO, THURSDAY

Lions Club was organized in at a meeting Tuesday night week, with a charter membership of 16. Other members are to be added to the list as the charter is issued within the next few weeks.

The new club is sponsored by Colorado City Lions and regular meetings have been set for the second and third Tuesday nights in the month. A regular meeting is scheduled this week at Sun Hall, when a buffet supper will be served.

Officers of the Silver Club: President, Hale Kincaid. Secretary-treas., W. L. (Pete) Moore. Vice-presidents, Paul Ashby, E. McClusky and Earl Lindsey. Tamer, John T. Stewart. Twister, Bob Odom. Directors, Ernest Clendennen, Jett, Arch Mathers and L. Garden. Tommy, 5 year old son of Mr. Mrs. Lee Weigel, is recovering from a tonsilectomy which he underwent Wednesday of last week at San Angelo hospital. His mother, Mrs. C. A. Joyce of Antonio, has been here for a few weeks' visit. Claude Walker, Sun pumper, has returned from a week's vacation with kinfolks and friends at various points in the eastern part of the state. Overturf has resigned as a field clerk with the Sun gas department, and plans to take another position. Wayne Reed, Jr. has returned to home here after undergoing an appendectomy at a Colorado City hospital. Hunter Howlett is confined to home this week by illness. He is an important member of the staff of Sun's gas department at Silver and is in charge of the gas lighting system. For the present Burgess is looking after his duties while Don Hull has come from Dallas to serve as construction engineer. Mr. and Mrs. O. S. Johnson, Sr., and Mrs. O. S. Johnson, Sr., are here for a week's visit with their son, O. S. Johnson, Jr., and family. Harold Ramsey, Jr., 2 years old, returned to his home in Colorado City Monday after being hospitalized a few days with a strep throat. His father is field clerk in Sun's production office. E. B. Martin, Sun senior petroleum engineer, went to Ft. Worth Wednesday night to attend a meeting of the American Petroleum Institute. Earl Barnard, Sun production field clerk, returned Wednesday from a few days' visit with his parents at Kilgore. Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Goodwyn visited Waco relatives over the weekend. Elaine Higginbotham has been elected a cheer leader at Colorado City high school where she is a sophomore. She is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Higginbotham. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mullican and son of Lubbock were weekend guests in the home of his parents here. Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Jameson and their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Archie Goad, and daughter, Ona Ruth, came down from Fritch for a visit with kinfolks at Silver and with the Delia Jamesons at Colorado City. Weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Haigood were their sons, Marvin and wife of Alice and Elmer and wife and Debbie of Freer. Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Allen drove to Tennyson Tuesday for a day's visit with Mrs. Allen's mother and kinfolks. Mrs. C. B. Jacobs and Mrs. Rose Palmer have returned from a visit with relatives in Oklahoma. The ladies are sisters. School pupils have plan-



Notes From The Oil Field

Humble 3 Weaver drilling below 6,000 feet, after a month's delay on account of lost circulation and stuck tools.

Humble 1 Laura Martin drilling below 6,400 feet in dolomite and chert. A drillstem test between 6,150-6,382 feet recovered 3,780 feet of salt water.

Black 1 Williams, 6,420 feet in lime.

Kahn 1 Byrd, 3,873 feet in shale and lime.

Sun Oil Co. No. 1-A Blanche Stringer has been completing for a daily pumping potential of 10 barrels of 28.8 gravity oil and 5 1/2 barrels of water. Production is from open hole between 1,428 and 1,465 feet.

DRY HOLES

W. H. Black, et al, No. 1 Lenn Roberts, in 8-Caldwell csl, five miles south of Robert Lee, one location northwest of Miami Operating Co., Inc. of Abilene No. 1-A P. H. Havins, Strawn lime prospect, was plugged and abandoned at 6,286 feet. On a one-hour drillstem test between 6,187-237 feet, recovery was 160 feet of slightly gas-cut mud.

W. H. Black, et al, of Midland, No. 1-B Lenn Roberts, wildcat in 10-Caldwell csl, five miles south of Robert Lee, plugged and abandoned at 390 feet.

Mrs. Ed S. Roberts of Schulenburg visited among kinfolks and friends in Robert Lee the last of the week. She came over from San Angelo where she visited in the homes of her sons, Travis and Gene Roberts.

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HOUSE FOR RENT — Being completely remodeled and redecorated for comfortable living; ready in about two weeks. Inquire at McDonald Lumber Co.

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New '56 Texas Highway Maps Now Available

AUSTIN, TEXAS — The new 1956 edition of the Official Highway Travel Map is now available. D. C. Greer, State Highway Engineer, announced in Austin today.

The map has many new features and contains a wealth of information on Texas, Greer said. Most of the topographical relief was removed from the map last year so that more essential information can be read easily and quickly. The growth of the Texas Highway System at the rate of about 3,000 a year has made it necessary to gradually remove some of the less important information to make room for the increased mileage, he said.

In addition to the highways and the mileages between various points, the Travel Map shows state parks with recreational facilities historical state parks, roadside parks, altitudes, and the Highway Travel Information Bureaus. The pictorial side of the map features scenes of general interest both to Texans and out-of-state tourists, with every section of the state represented.

The Austin office of the Highway Department, the 25 district offices, and the seven Travel Information Bureaus near the state's borders all have maps available for distribution. Special map cards for requesting a map may be obtained at the tax collectors' office when license plates are purchased.

Lyndon Waldrop came home for a weekend visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Barton Waldrop. He recently accepted a position as apprentice operator with the Santa Fe at Lagnn, N. Mex. He prepared for the railroad work by taking a course at Pueblo, Colo.

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DROUTH COMPELS FARMERS TO LOOK FOR NEW ENTERPRISES

By JACK B. WAIDE
County Agent

The Department of Agricultural Economics at Texas A & M has compiled the Agricultural Census for the years of 1930, 1940, 1950 and 1955. This information is available for only 33 counties in Texas and we are fortunate to have been selected with the first group of counties to use this information in studying trends and needs in the county.

This information will eventually be available for all counties in the state, but the length of the report and the limited manpower means that some counties will probably be another three years getting the information.

I am sure you will be interested to know that the number of farms in Coke County has decreased from 838 in 1930 to 419 in 1954. Average acreage of course has doubled and now stands at 1304.

Livestock numbers have dropped 34 percent from 1930 to 1954 and the best estimate that could be obtained indicates another 10 percent drop since the figures for the 1955 census were obtained.

Gross income on over 300 of our 419 farms and ranches was less than \$2500.00 dollars in 1954. This all sounds pretty bad, but there has been a steady increase in percentage of land owned by the operators, and a decline in tenancy and we had 206 families who made more money off of the farm than on the farm in 1954.

There would also seem to be a very definite shortage of farm equipment and lack of storage facilities. This does not represent a complete analysis of the census

PERSONALS

J. S. Ross is making a good recovery at Coke Memorial Hospital where he has been treated for face and head burns received last week during a fire in the home of his son, Roy P. Ross. He hopes to leave the hospital before the end of the week. Kinfolks coming to see Mr. Ross over the weekend included Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Cole and Mrs. Troy Vines of Midland and Johnny Cole and family of Rankin.

Mrs. Roy Wyatt, accompanied by Patricia Fowler and Curtis Walker, Jr., motored to Shawnee, Okla., over the weekend and were accompanied home by the former's daughter, Mrs. Bennie Helen McKinley and baby. They will spend two weeks in the Wyatt home when Mrs. McKinley's husband, Charles, will come after them.

Roger Owen Lofton, 4 years old, returned Saturday night to his home in Houston after a two weeks' visit with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Lofton. He was accompanied home by his maternal grandmother, Mrs. Joe Flangan of San Angelo, who will also make the acquaintance of a new granddaughter in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Norris Lofton.

Mrs. John Pierce of Dallas and her nephew, Orville Denman of Tyler, returned to their homes Sunday after a week's visit with kinfolks at Robert Lee. During the week, Orville accompanied his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Denman, to Denver City where they visited the M. B. Pate family.

Mrs. Steve Lee returned to her home here Saturday after undergoing major surgery early last week at Clinic-Hospital in San Angelo.

Chilly Tinkler and Lew Heuvel were scheduled to attend a meeting of Concho Basin league managers in San Angelo Thursday night of this week.

information. Other phases of the census will be discussed in future articles.

Cash crops have never played a very important part in the economy of Coke County at least on census years. This of course is not true on every farm in the county and this should not be expected to fit individual farms, but only the county as a whole. Several conclusions can be drawn from this information. The first is that we need new enterprises in the county.

One look at our livestock numbers and at our pastures shows that we can't look to more livestock for additional income. The best chance we have to make a substantial gain in income must be new enterprises. The other important means of increasing income is to do a better job of managing the enterprises we have on the farms at this time. We are blessed in that we have outstanding examples of both right here in the county. It is my good fortune to have the opportunity to observe the operations of a large number of families in the county.

I plan to do a series of articles on what a few of these families are doing to get by in years which have been the toughest in two decades. I sincerely hope some of you will get some ideas from these articles which will be helpful to you. We have many families who are doing an inspirational job and no attempt will be made to write about all of them. My only purpose is to pass on ideas to you which appear to be working to the advantage of some of your neighbors.



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PERSONALS

Freddie (Pete) Hickman and family of Ozona spent the week-end with the former's parents, Commissioner and Mrs. Ed Hickman. Pete attended the district teachers meeting in San Angelo and left Saturday to attend the plays at Sonora. His wife and son, Terry Wayne, 2½ years old, remained here until Wednesday.

Roy P. Ross and family are making temporary headquarters at the Halbert place east of town, since their home was damaged by fire early last week. An adjuster approved a claim of \$2500 for damages to their home and contents. The blaze was caused by a leaky butane connection.

A group of friends honored the Royce Smith family with a housewarming Tuesday night of last week. Their new modern home is located across the street north of the hospital. The Smiths received a number of valuable household gifts.

Mrs. Mattie Tinkler and other kinfolks went to Miles Saturday afternoon to attend funeral services for her brother, Jim Eckert, 55, who died the previous day in a San Angelo hospital after an illness of two months. He is survived by his wife and two daughters.

Zelda Caraway and Mildred Wallace went to San Angelo Saturday evening to attend a dinner at Cactus Hotel for members of the National Association of Bank Women. The event was sponsored by San Angelo National Bank and an inspection tour of the institution took place Sunday morning. The Robert Lee young women enjoyed the affair and were overnight guests at Beaver Lodge. Miss Caraway is a teller at Robert Lee State Bank.

On Thursday, March 15, Jimmy and Joe Dee were honored with a birthday party given by their mother, Mrs. Curtis Blair. Cake and punch were served to about 40 guests. The boys received many nice gifts.

BIRTHS

STRENG — Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Streng (Mary K. Walker) of Robert Lee are parents of their first child, a daughter, born at 10:40 a. m. March 19 in Coke County Memorial Hospital. She weighed 6 pounds, 15½ ounces and has been named Melissa Gayle. The father is employed by Empire Drilling Co. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. John Streng of Muenster and Baylor Walker of Silver.

COX — Mr. and Mrs. E. R. "Rusty" Cox (Rosemary Ramsey) of Grapevine are parents of a daughter born Feb. 29. She weighed 8 pounds, 15 ounces and has been named Judy Pauline. She has two brothers, Russell, Jr., 3, and Ricky Linn, 2 years old. The father is employed by Ft. Worth Sand & Gravel Co. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Cox of Robert Lee. The maternal grandparents reside in Fort Worth.

COLE — Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Cole (Frances Johnson) of Friona announce the birth of a son, Clifford Dalton, born March 8. The Coles have four other children, Sherry, Andy, Kay and Jodelle. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Johnson of Robert Lee and Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Cole of Midland.

LOFTON — Mr. and Mrs. Norris Lofton (Mary Jo Flanagan) of Houston are parents of a daughter, Karen Jo, born March 9. She has a brother, Roger Owen, 4 years old. The father is a petroleum engineer employed by Standard Oil Co. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Lofton of Robert Lee and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Flanagan of San Angelo.

SC District News

"I think a lot more of the little grass that I have than Prickle Pear," said Will Fikes, district cooperater with Soil Conservation, while looking at a good growth of black grama. "Two years ago when I was burning pear, I always left all bunches of pear that had grass growing in them. I believe that nature put grass here to protect the soil and provide livestock feed. I do not believe that it was ever intended to use prickle pear for stock feed" Fikes added. "I am convinced that if we will keep out livestock in balance with our feed, we will get more benefit out of the rain that we receive and we will be able to cushion the effects of low rainfall."

Dwain Leonard Completed 6 miles of terraces on his farm in the Wild Cat Community this week. The terrace system is being constructed as a part of Leonard's complete coordinated soil, water and plant conservation plan to treat each acre according to its needs. The plan was developed by Leonard with the assistance of SCS technicians.

Dee Smith is working on his irrigation system. The system is a level border and developed to make more efficient use of irrigation water. Design and layout was worked up by SCS technicians.

Fred Ashworth, livestock farmer at Edith, recently completed a 3,000 cubic yard pond. The pond will provide better distribution of livestock water. The water will be 14 feet deep when the pond is full.

Landowners and poerators can do a fair job of controlling wind erosion on their fields by doing a good job of chiseling their land. The chisels rough up the surface and leave it cloddy. The chisel furrows should be done on the contour. This will help wind erosion and increase water intake when rain is received. The water intake can be doubled if the soil is ready to soak up water when it falls.

HOSPITAL NEWS

March 14 — Mrs. S. R. Young dismissed.

March 15 — Mrs. C. R. Madden, Frank Smith admitted. Mrs. Sam Jay, Mrs. Melvin Childress dismissed.

March 16 — Joe Milam, Palmer Leeper admitted.

March 17 — Delton Chatham admitted. Palmer Leeper, Joe Milam, Mrs. C. R. Madden dismissed.

March 18 — Mrs. Bennie Bizzell, Mrs. Virgil Streng admitted. Delton Chatham dismissed.

March 19 — Daughter born at 10:40 a. m. to Mrs. Virgil Streng. Mrs. Bennie Bizzell, Mrs. B. B. Duncan dismissed.

March 20 — Mrs. Linzie McDorman, Thomas A. Hendry admitted.

BCD THURSDAY

Regular meeting of Robert Lee Board of Community Development was scheduled for Thursday night of this week at a 7 o'clock dinner at Varnadore Cafe. Projects to be discussed were the county vote April 7 on swimming pool and parks bond election. Also naming of committees to secure natural gas for Robert Lee and other matters of community importance. Post card notices were mailed out to more than 40 BCD members and persons who should be interested in civic matters.

Dave Harris has moved his rotary drilling rig from Georgetown to a location at Stiles, between Garden City and Big Lake. Several Robert Lee men employed on the rig include Hershall Hall, Calvin Sparks, Steve Lee and Bobby Walker.
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	CORN, Pine Grove - - - - -	No. 1 Can 5c
	MORTON'S TEA - - - - -	¼ Lb. Pkg. 29c
	POWDERED or BROWN SUGAR - - - - -	2 Boxes 25c
KIMBELL'S	PORK & BEANS, - - - - -	2 Cans 19c
	TOP WAVE TUNA, White Meat - - - - -	2 Cans 45c
	7-Bone Roast	1b. 33c
THICK AND LEAN	Beef Ribs	1b. 19c
	BACON, Midwest Sliced - - - - -	Lb. 39c
	COOKED PICNIC HAMS, Swift's - - - - -	Lb. 37c
SIRLOIN & T-BONE	Steak	1b. 59c

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 THE STATE OF TEXAS:
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 TO THE RESIDENT, QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF COKE COUNTY, TEXAS, WHO OWN TAXABLE PROPERTY IN SAID COUNTY AND WHO HAVE DULY RENDERED THE SAME FOR TAXATION:

TAKE NOTICE that an election will be held in Coke County, Texas on the 7th day of April, 1956, on the proposition and at the places more particularly set forth in the election order passed by the Commissioners' Court of said County on March 12, 1956, which order is as follows:

"AN ORDER CALLING AN ELECTION ON THE QUESTION OF THE ISSUANCE OF \$130,000.00 PARK BONDS.

WHEREAS, the Commissioners' Court of Coke County, Texas, deems it advisable to call an election on the proposition hereinafter stated:

BE IT ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED BY THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF COKE COUNTY, TEXAS:

1. That an election be held in said County on the 7th day of April, 1956, at which the following proposition shall be submitted:

'Shall the Commissioners' Court of Coke County Texas, be authorized to issue the bonds of said county in the amount of \$130,000.00, to become due and payable serially in not to exceed Fifteen (15) years from the date thereof, bearing interest at a rate not to exceed Three and one-half (3½) per cent per annum, for the purpose of providing funds to purchase and improve lands for park purposes, and shall the Commissioners' Court of Coke County, Texas, be authorized to levy, have assessed and collected annually while said bonds or any of them are outstanding a tax on the One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars valuation of taxable property in said County at a rate sufficient to pay interest and provide a sinking fund to pay said bonds at maturity.'

2. The said election shall be held at the several polling places in Coke County, Texas, and the following named persons are hereby appointed as officers of said election at the several voting precincts, as follows:

In Voting Precinct No. 1 at the Courthouse, Robert Lee, Texas, with the following election officers:
 Roy Taylor, Presiding Judge,
 Ollie Green, Judge,
 _____, Clerk.

In Voting Precinct No. 2 at the City Hall, Bronte, Texas, with the following election officers:
 D. K. Glenn, Presiding Judge,
 Noah Pruitt, Judge,
 _____, Clerk.

In Voting Precinct No. 3 at the Church House in Fort Chadbourne, Texas, with the following election officers:
 R. C. Lasswell, Presiding Judge,
 Jesse Parker, Judge,
 _____, Clerk.

In Voting Precinct No. 4 at the Schoolhouse in Tennyson, Texas, with the following election officers:
 C. N. Webb, Presiding Judge,
 E. D. Little, Judge,
 _____, Clerk.

In Voting Precinct No. 5 at the Church House in Divide, Texas, with the following election officers:
 Fred McCabe, Presiding Judge,
 A. N. Counts, Judge,
 _____, Clerk.

In Voting Precinct No. 7 at the Schoolhouse, Sanco, Texas, with the following election officers:
 Ulmer Bird, Presiding Judge,

J. L. Carwile, Jr., Judge,
 _____, Clerk.

In Voting Precinct No. 8 at the Schoolhouse, Silver, Texas, with the following election officers:
 Robert Walker, Presiding Judge,
 H. H. Jameson, Judge,
 _____, Clerk.

In Voting Precinct No. 9 at the Green Mountain Schoolhouse, Edith, Texas, with the following election officers:
 Elbert Davidson, Presiding Judge,
 P. W. Millican, Judge,
 _____, Clerk.

In Voting Precinct No. 10 at the Schoolhouse, Wildcat, Texas, with the following election officers:
 M. D. Chumley, Presiding Judge,
 H. G. Smith, Judge,
 _____, Clerk.

In Voting Precinct No. 11 at the Schoolhouse, Olga, Texas, with the following election officers:
 R. V. Copeland, Presiding Judge,
 Fletch Pinkard, Judge,
 _____, Clerk.

In Voting Precinct No. 12 at the Ainsley Turner Ranch home, with the following election officers:
 C. G. Munn, Presiding Judge,
 Elton Mims, Judge,
 _____, Clerk.

In Voting Precinct No. 13 at the Schoolhouse, Lometa, Texas, with the following election officers:
 Chester Harwell, Presiding Judge,
 W. J. Martin, Judge,
 _____, Clerk.

In Voting Precinct No. 14 at the Schoolhouse, Hayrick, Texas, with the following election officers:
 J. W. Labenske, Presiding Judge,
 W. G. Cresap, Judge,
 _____, Clerk.

In Voting Precinct No. 15 at the Schoolhouse, Juniper, Texas, with the following election officers:
 Homer Cornelius, Presiding Judge,
 Clint Duncan, Judge,
 _____, Clerk.

3. The following are hereby appointed Special Canvassing Board to canvass the Absentee votes to be cast at said election:
 Lem Cowley
 Calvin McCutchen
 T. R. Harmon

4. The said election shall be held under the provisions of Title 22, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, as amended, including the provisions of Article 704, as amended by Chapter 382, passed at the First Called Session of the Forty Fourth Legislature, and only legally qualified electors who own taxable property in the County 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.

5. The ballots of said election shall have written or printed thereon the following:
 'FOR THE ISSUANCE OF PARK BONDS.'
 'AGAINST THE ISSUANCE OF PARK BONDS'

Concerning said proposition, each voter shall mark out with black ink or black pencil one of the above expressions, thus leaving the other as indicating his vote on the proposition.

6. A substantial copy of this order signed by the County Judge and attested by the County Clerk shall serve as proper notice of said election. Notice shall be given in accordance with the provisions of Article 704, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, as amend-

ed by Chapter 382, passed at the First Called Session of the Forty Fourth Legislature, supra. The County Judge is authorized and directed to have a copy of said notice posted at the Courthouse door and in each of the election precincts in Coke County, Texas, not less than fifteen (15) days prior to the date fixed for holding said election, and the said election shall be held not less than fifteen (15) days nor more than thirty (30) days from the date of this order. He shall also cause said notice to be published on the same day in each of two consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation published within Coke County, Texas, the date of the first publication to be not less than fourteen (14) days prior to the date set for said election. Except as otherwise provided in said Article 704, as amended, the manner of holding said election shall be governed by the laws governing general elections.

PASSED AND APPROVED this the 12 day of March, 1956.

Jeff Dean,
 County Judge,
 Coke County, Texas

ATTEST:
 J. L. Tinkler
 County Clerk and Ex-Officio Clerk of the Commissioners' Court, Coke County, Texas."

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Military rites were read for Colonel Lee W. Hester on February 29, 1956, followed by interment in Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery.

In 1917 he was commissioned a 1st Lieutenant at Camp Stanley, Texas. He served with the 45th, 13th, 65th, 24th and 23rd Infantry Regiments until 1932 when he was assigned as assistant professor of Military Science and Tactics at the University of South Dakota.

In 1936 he was detailed to the Quartermaster Corps and served until his retirement in 1947. He was a graduate of the Infantry School, Fort Benning, Georgia, and the Quartermaster School Schreykill Arsenal, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. His foreign service included duty in Puerto Rico, Territory of Hawaii, and the Philippine Islands.

Survivors are Mrs. Jenetta Hester, a daughter, Mrs. Frances

Richmond, two grandchildren, all of San Antonio, Texas; three brothers, J. D., J. Y. and George Hester; three sisters, Mrs. Amanda Martin, Mrs. Cora Ligon and Mrs. J. S. Moore, and a host of nephews and nieces.

BAPTIST W. M. U.

Fifteen members met Monday for a mission program from Royal Service, Mrs. Cumbie Ivey, presiding.

The meeting opened by singing our Hymn for the year "The Kingdom is Coming." Opening prayer led by Mrs. Bennie Smith.

Topic for the afternoon was "Make Me a Channel of Blessing." Mrs. David Key brought the devotional reading Luke 10:25-37. Others on the program were Mesdames Roane, Ivey, Cumbie, Allen, Blair, Lackey and Austin. Mrs. J. L. Carwile led the closing prayer.

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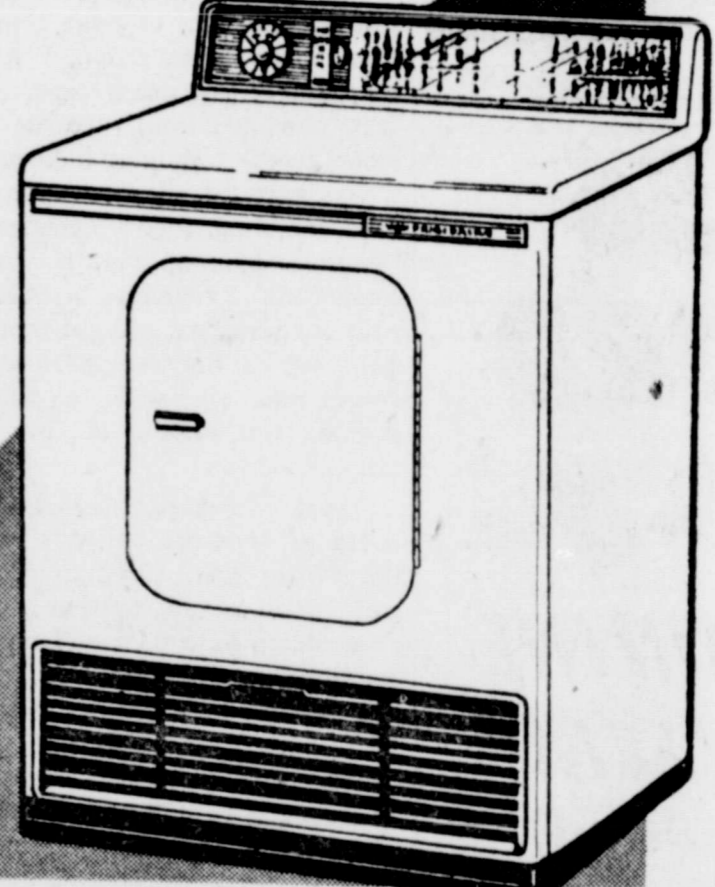
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Home Demonstration Club Activities

By Mrs. Fay C. Roe

Visits were made to two homes Friday for the purpose of making a landscape plan. Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Denman who are enrolled in the F. & H. D. program are planning to put out some screen plants and begin the foundation planting. Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Service who have recently completed their new home, will have to start

from "scratch." They hope to sod the lawn, put out a tree to shade their future outdoor living room, and to begin the planting at the front of the house.

Danell Dixon of the Bronte 4-H Club has a lovely bedroom that she has improved. Her room has been moved to the first floor from the basement. Danell "carpenters like a Pro!" You should see the desk, book stand and lamps she has made! I want her to write a story of her room to be printed

soon along with some pictures.

Danell has begun work on her Dairy Foods demonstration.

Do you know when to prune shrubs? An easy rule to remember is this: if shrubs bloom early, prune them early. The reason is obvious. Early blooming shrubs start forming buds for next years flowers right after their petals fall in the spring.

Have you checked your shrubs for frost damage? Cold ruptured limbs should be removed. Otherwise the plant may exhaust itself in trying to heal the injury.

Plans vary in their ability to overcome injury. Bear in mind that one of the general rules for pruning is to cut off all dead or injured limbs to make way for new growth.

The Bronte W. H. D. Club had a nice meeting last week when Miss Eudora Hawkins, of West Texas Utilities, showed a film on "Safety." The meeting was in the James Allen home with 7 members and 3 visitors present.

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WHD COUNCIL

The WHD Council met in its regular session on Tuesday March 13 in the agricultural building with 9 members, 3 children and Mrs. Fay Roe, home demonstration agent present, representing three clubs. Mrs. Tom Rives, Jr., president, called the meeting to order. Mrs. Glenn Waldrop led the group in repeating the WHD prayer for the opening exercise.

Civil Defense and Health and Safety Committees were combined.

Mrs. Roe gave her monthly report and led the group in recreation due to the absence of the recreation chairman.

The meeting adjourned early.— Mrs. Glen Waldrop, Council Reporter.

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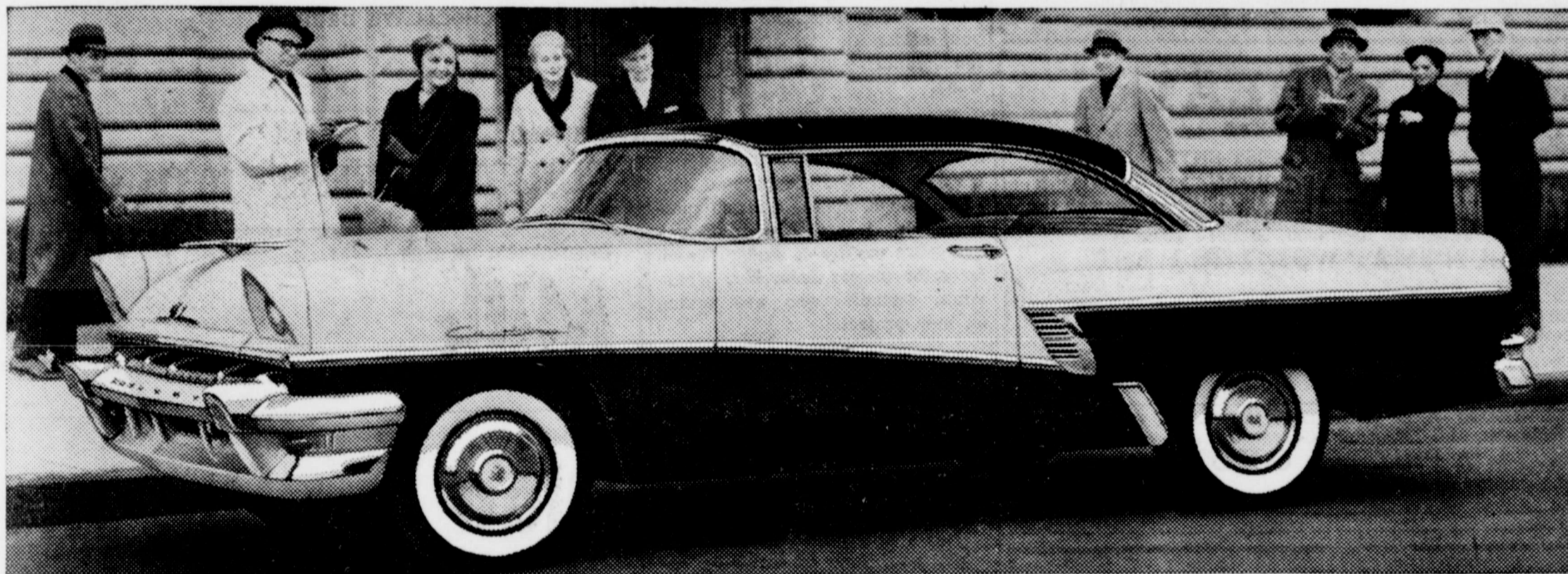
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School Board Hires Teachers For Next Year

At a called meeting of Robert Lee Independent school trustees Wednesday night of last week, the positions of High School English teacher and Band Director were declared vacant.

It was previously announced that election of teachers would not take place until April 5.

Following is a list of teachers and employees who were re-elected:

- 1st grade, Mrs. Sam Powell.
- 2nd, Henrietta Byrd.
- 2nd, Lillian Eastland.
- 3rd, Viola Gramling.
- 4th, Melrose Russell.
- Mrs. Jeff Dean, music and assistant elementary teacher.

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Observer is authorized to announce the following candidates, subject to the Democratic Primary Election July 28, 1956:

For County and District Clerk
J. L. (CHILLY) TINKLER

For Sheriff and Tax Assessor
PAUL GOOD

For Commissioner, Precinct 1
J. W. SERVICE
FERN HAVINS

For Commissioner, Precinct 3
ED HICKMAN

6th, Eunice McLure.
7 and 8, Mrs. P. E. Webb.
7, 8 and High School, Mrs. B. C. Goodwin.

Science and coach, Henry Nease.
Home Economics, Mrs. Nease.
Commercial, Mrs. N. C. Pentecost.

H. S. Coach, C. D. Manire.
Voc. Ag., Hulan Harris.
(Teachers are hired subject to placement.)

Lunchroom, Mrs. Finis Harmon, mgr., Mrs. Homer Carwile, Mrs. Jim Mauldin, Mrs. Bonetia Robertson, Mrs. Fannie Green, extra.

Janitor, Sam Fowler.
Tax assessor-collector, H. S. Lewis, Sr.
Bus driver and mechanic, Finis Harmon.

Hired at a previous meeting were Supt. B. C. Goodwin and M. E. Petross and P. E. Webb, principals.

GARDEN CLUB NOTES

El Valle Garden Club members enjoyed an afternoon meeting recently in the home of Mrs. S. E. Adams in San Angelo. Mrs. Sam Powell was the co-hostess. A program feature was a book review on "Lydia E. Pinkham," by Mrs. Dean Chenoweth. Mrs. B. A. Austin, president of El Valle, headed a group which attended a district meeting of Garden Clubs in Del Rio last week. Others in the party were Mmes. J. S. Ferrell, Cumbie Ivey and G. C. Allen.

Olene's beauty shop remained closed this week while the owner, Mrs. Charles Sims, is recovering from a throat operation.

SMALL TALK

By A. J. K.

Upon inquiry we find that graduates of Robert Lee High School can obtain credits which will permit them to enroll in every college and university in Texas, or where any other high school graduate is accepted.

Here's a list of credits which may be earned at Robert Lee:

- 4—English
- 4—Mathematics.
- 4—Science.
- 4—Commercial.
- 4—Vocational Ag.
- 4—Vocational Home Ec.
- 3—History.
- 4—Band.
- 1—Drivers training and health.
- 1—Speech.
- 1—Physical Education.

Spring hangs her infant blossoms on the trees, rocked in the cradle of the western breeze. —Cowper.

Did you hear about the 17 year old youth, who wanted to marry his sweetheart, who was 16? Learning the couple planned to elope, the parents gave their consent to the marriage. During the wedding when the young bridegroom said "to thee I endow all my worldly goods," his mother nudged his father and whispered, "There goes Jimmy's bicycle."

Lots of election excitement coming up in the near future. We were serious a few weeks ago in advising that some competent and responsible candidates be urged to run for city offices. We'll give you details of the city's bonded indebtedness of \$165,000 next week.

County Agent Jack Waide has a highly interesting article in this newspaper. The douth has just about ruined farm and ranch operations and new ways of making a living are worthy of study. Watch for later stories from Mr. Waide about farmers who are taking on new projects.

Roy Ross and family have had to live out on the farm until their home is repaired from recent fire damage. Ricky says they did have six room and a bath — now it's three rooms and a path.

S. S. CLASS PARTY

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Waide entertained the Young Couples Class of the Methodist Church at a party at their home Tuesday night. Mr. Waide is the teacher. Dominoes were played and refreshments were enjoyed. Present were Messrs. and Mmes. Curtis Blair, Frank Owen, Eddie Garvin, Jack Brock, Harold Congdon, Melvin Krall and Travis McNair.

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