

Robert Lee State Bank's Beautiful New \$50,000 Building

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## STEERS READY FOR INVASION OF HERMLEIGH

Hermleigh Cardinals come to Robert Lee Friday night to battle the Steers. The game is of prime importance to both clubs and will likely determine the winner of 6-B conference.

The Cardinals racked up their first district contest last week with a 27-21 win over Bronte Longhorns. Billy Mack Davidson ran wild for 21 points, and Morris broke loose for 73 yards for the other touchdown.

Hermleigh held a 20-0 lead before the Longhorns could score, then held off a last minute Bronte attack. Davidson counted on runs of 35, 20 and 25 yards. Jimmy Lee passed 30 yards to Tommy Latham and later completed a 20-yard aerial, and a 12-yard pass to Gene Walker accounted for the Longhorn touchdowns.

### STEERS DEFEAT MENARD

Robert Lee took a 26-13 win from the Yellowjackets at Menard last Friday night. Fumbles accounted for touchdowns by each club in the first half, but the Steers settled down and played real football the rest of the game. In the third quarter Robbie Don Godwin sprinted 68 yards to score. He carried over again from the 2-yard line. Fred McDonald accounted for the Steer final touchdown. He set it up with a 28-yard run, then plunged over from the 2. Sammy Joe Duncan sprinted 32 yards for Robert Lee's initial touchdown, after Menard had fumbled.

Robert Lee rolled up 14 first downs, compared to 5 for Menard. The Steers led in rushing 295 yards to 112. Robert Lee completed two of four pass attempts for 23 yards. They lost the ball on fumbles on three occasions and were penalized nine times for a total of 85 yards.

### READY FOR HERMLEIGH

The Steers are optimistic as the big game Friday night looms up as the one they've got to win. Tommy Sawyer, Byron Russell

and Melvin Duncan have been sidelined, but the rest of the squad is in top condition.

Fred Ashworth is handling the quarterback slot in fine style, and signal calling rests solely on the shoulders of Sammy Duncan, who has also been named captain of the team.

"Stop Davidson" is the big job facing Robert Lee. The Steers believe they can do it. He may get loose a time or two, but the Steers will display a potent offense, too. They might uncover some plays that the Cardinals haven't been able to scout.

### CLAUDE DITMORE WEDS

Claude Ditmore, county commissioner in Precinct 4, was married Thursday afternoon of this week to Mrs. Lillian Jennings of Ballinger. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Rogers at the Presbyterian parsonage in Ballinger. Mrs. Jennings resided in the Norton community before moving to Ballinger. Commissioner and Mrs. Ditmore have the best wishes of their many friends. They will reside on their farm north of Tennyson.

## Absentee Voting Began Oct. 17th

Absentee voting for the Nov. 6 General Election began Wednesday and will continue until Nov. 3.

Voters who expect to be absent on election day may take advantage of the absentee balloting by going to the office of County Clerk J. L. (Chilly) Tinkler or writing his office requesting a ballot.

The ballot this year has a full slate of Democratic nominees, with the Republicans having candidates for the national ticket and state offices.

At the bottom of the ballot appear eight Constitutional Amendments to be voted upon. One more amendment which failed to be properly certified at the legislative session will be voted upon at a special election Nov. 13.

## Court House Dedication Big Success

Coke County's new court house was dedicated with fitting ceremonies Saturday. Hundreds of people were shown through the building during the day, and many former residents came back to see the fine court house and renew old friendships.

The afternoon program began at 2 p.m. with a parade featuring the Robert Lee and Bronte school bands and the Silver Indians pep squad. Twirling exhibitions and band music entertained the crowd prior to flag raising ceremonies, and the dedication program followed in the district court room.

County Auditor Weldon Fikes was master of ceremonies and introduced the speakers and special musical numbers. Former county officials were guests of special honor and were introduced.

The day's festivities closed with a barbecue served at the football stadium, when about 200 persons were served.

A Pet and Doll Parade Saturday morning drew hundreds of spectators and a group of 160 contestants in the various divisions. A list of the winners will be published next week. Following the parade a Talent Show Contest furnished entertainment for an hour. The forenoon program was arranged as a feature of courthouse dedication day, and cash prizes for the winners were furnished by Robert Lee business firms.

### BARBECUE FOR EMPLOYEES

Annual barbecue for its employees and their families was scheduled for Thursday of this week starting at 4 p.m. at the Texas Natural Gasoline Corp. plant southwest of Silver. Supt. Ervin Fulkerson stated that several company officials from other points had been invited, as well as representatives of the Railroad Commission.

### NEW CHEVROLETS HERE

The 1957 line of Chevrolets will be shown to the public Friday of this week, Oct. 19. Many changes have been made in the new cars, according to advance information. Vaughan Chevrolet Co. will have at least four of the new Chevrolets on display here Friday and the public is invited to come by and inspect them. Coffee will be served throughout the day.

## HEAVY RAINS FALL IN COKE

Soaking rains this week brought relief to many section of Coke County to break the worst drouth in history.

Measurements of from three to four inches were reported in the central and northern parts of the county.

Heavy rains fell Sunday night and early Monday, amounting to nearly 2 inches at Robert Lee. Toward Sanco, Hayrick and Bronte 2½ inches and more moisture was received.

Heavy downpours occurred again Wednesday night. Robert Lee gauged close to 2 inches and amounts varied in other sections.

The rainfall also overflowed Mountain Creek reservoir. Sunday night's showers brought the lake to within 1½ feet of the top, and it was running 6 inches over the spillway Thursday morning.

It was July of last year since the lake had received any fresh water and it was lowered 16½ feet. Water Supt. Sam Jay said the reservoir was two-thirds depleted, but enough water was left to have supplied the city's needs until well into next spring.

Fields and pastures will receive untold benefit. Most stock tanks, many of them dry, have filled. There is sufficient moisture now to bring up small grain, and a lot of it will be planted. It is too late to grow much grass, but some feed patches will revive and make grazing.

Spotted rainfall has been general in this section of West Texas and more showers are a possibility.

## Robert Lee State Bank Is Finished; Plan Open House

Robert Lee State Bank's \$50,000 building was completed this week and the institution opened for business Thursday morning in its new home.

Open house for visitors from out of town has been set for Friday from 3 to 9 p.m. Local people are invited to see the new building on Saturday from 3 o'clock until 9 p.m. Regular banking business as usual will be conducted Saturday until noon.

The new bank occupies a prominent location across from the northwest corner of the courthouse square. The site was purchased from Mrs. Effie Roe at a price of \$10,000. Two old mercantile buildings were torn down to make room for the bank structure.

Plans were drawn by Max Lovett, well known San Angelo architect, and the general contract was let to Rutherford & Freeman, San Angelo builders. They were assisted by several sub-contractors who handled various phases of the project.

The new bank building is highly attractive and modern in design. Facing the new court house, these two splendid structures have added greatly to the appearance of the Coke county seat. They will serve the community for many years to come, and are outstanding additions to numerous other fine improvements which this county has achieved in recent years.

### PLAN BRIDAL TEA

Invitations have been issued for a Bridal Tea honoring Miss Wanda Sue Walker on Saturday, Oct. 20, from 2 to 4 p.m. in the home of Mrs. J. S. Walker. Co-hostesses include Mrs. Virgil Streng, Mrs. Roy Walker, Mrs. Bobby Walker, Miss Cynthia Bryan and Miss June McKinley. Miss Walker will wed Doyle Calder of Bronte Oct. 27.

# Haynes Electric Co.

SAN ANGELO, TEXAS

We are proud to have installed Electric Wiring and Fixtures in the beautiful new Robert Lee State Bank. Congratulations to the bank officials and to the community upon this fine achievement.

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ord vault. Ample storage space and rest room facilities are provided in the rear.

The building is completely year around air conditioned. It has dimensions of 50 by 80 feet and is constructed of concrete, steel and brick. The style of architecture is contemporary and has acoustically treated ceilings throughout the lobby and work areas.

Terrazzo floor is provided in the public area, while the work areas are covered with asphalt tile. Wall surfaces are plaster with oak wainscoting.

It is believed Robert Lee now has one of the most functional banking institutions in the country.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith left yesterday to spend a week in Dallas with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Grubenman, and children. Mr. Smith is much improved from a long illness from arthritis.

## HOSPITAL NEWS

Oct. 10 — Mrs. E. A. Burgess, Mary Frances Wylie admitted. Patricia Fowler dismissed.

Oct. 11 — R. C. Russell, Marion Cox admitted.

Oct. 12 — John Allen admitted.

Oct. 13 — Son born to Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Self. Mrs. W. O. (Dick) Skipworth admitted. Mary Frances Wylie dismissed.

Oct. 14 — Ernest Bloodworth admitted.

Oct. 15 — G. C. Casey, E. C. Davis admitted. Ernest Bloodworth, John Allen dismissed.

Oct. 16 — Mrs. W. J. Cumbie, Mrs. Willie L. Barnett, Mrs. Lee Roberts, Mrs. Sam Jay admitted. E. C. Davis, Mrs. J. E. Self and infant son dismissed.

Oct. 17 — Mrs. Sam Jay, Mrs. Dick Skipworth dismissed.

## NEW BANK WAS DESIGNED FOR GOOD SERVICE

In response to inquiry by The Observer publisher, Architect Max Lovett said he was able to work in many features which are essential to good planning for a bank the size of the Robert Lee State Bank.

Mr. Lovett's architectural firm has worked on several bank projects in recent years and has made a study of their functions and needs. One of the features included here are the clerestory windows which surround the public lobby and work area, allowing natural light to come in.

Desk and work spaces for the bank executives are so arranged that the officials and the customers in the lobby are free and have easy access to each other. Also a private office has been provided for confidential matters.

The directors room is on back of the executive section. This room is large enough to accommodate not only directors meetings, but also small civic groups and committee meetings. It will actually take care of 25 people.

Ample work space is provided behind the tellers cages, permitting employees to work at either bookkeeping or at the teller windows.

The vault arrangement is as convenient as possible. The safe deposit vault along the north wall is near the tellers cages and the lobby. Access to this vault is gained through a gate which is electrically controlled.

The money vault is reached from the work area and is under constant observation of bank employees. On back is a large rec-

## BIRTHS

SELF — Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Self of Robert Lee are parents of a son born at 3:55 p. m. Oct. 12 in Coke Memorial Hospital. He weighed 8 pounds, 13½ ounces and has been named Paul Wayne. There are 10 other children in the family. The father is a truck driver for Dual Drilling Co.

G. C. Cesey underwent major surgery Monday night at Coke County Memorial Hospital. Latest report indicates he is making a satisfactory recovery.

## Year Round Air Conditioning In Bank Building

The General Electric year around air conditioning system in the new Robert Lee State Bank building was installed by Comfort Control Co. They have been authorized G-E dealers in this territory for the past ten years.

Mr. John Bright, owner of the business, is a former Coke County resident, and started in the air conditioning business in this locality in 1946. The business started with one employee and the organization has grown to the point where it now employs an average of fifteen persons. They recently installed 2-way radio equipment to enable faster dispatch of service calls.

Comfort Control Co. extends an invitation to everyone to visit them in their air conditioned showroom at 311 N. Chadbourne in San Angelo and see the various models of G-E air conditioning and heating equipment, including the fabulous G-E "Weathertron" that heats and cools without fuel or water.

# Rutherford & Freeman

## General Contractors

San Angelo, Texas

Congratulations to the Robert Lee State Bank upon their attractive new banking home which is being dedicated this week. We are proud to have been the general contractors on this project.

**J. E. Freeman**

**W. C. Rutherford**

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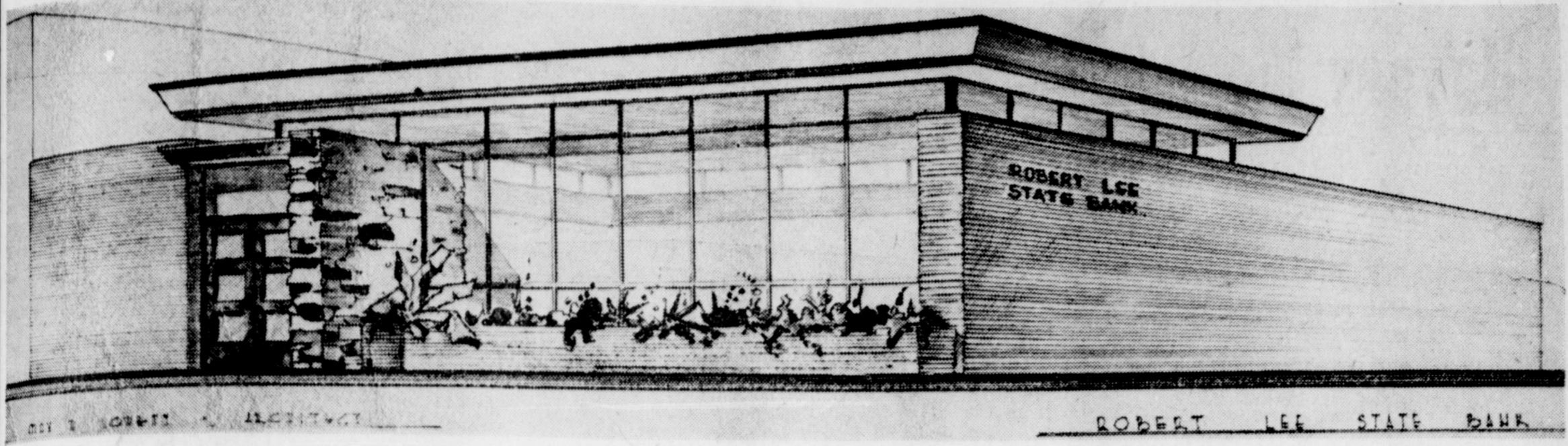
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THE OFFICERS, DIRECTORS AND EMPLOYEES

Of The

# Robert Lee State Bank

wish to extend a cordial invitation to all

people of the community to attend the

## *Formal Opening*

Of Our

## *New Bank Building*

# Saturday Oct. 20, 1956

Open House From 3:00 P. M. Until 9:00 P. M.



## PRESENT BANK WAS ORGANIZED IN YEAR OF 1936

Pictured around the table in the new directors' room of the Robert Lee State Bank are its official board which includes T. A. Richardson, director and cashier; Cumbie Ivey, Sr. and Victor Wojtek, directors; G. C. Allen, executive vice-president and director; and Willie I. Tubb and Henry Briscoe, directors. Not present for the photo was R. C. Russell, president of the bank.

The Robert Lee State Bank was organized in 1936 when it purchased some of the assets and succeeded the old First State Bank. A charter issued at that time for 20 years was recently renewed by the State Banking Department.

The present bank started with capital of \$25,000 and a \$17,500 surplus. Deposits were less than \$150,000.

A steady growth has been enjoyed by the institution over the years and today Robert Lee State Bank has deposits of \$1,500,000 and capital and surplus of \$100,000, besides an additional \$14,000 of undivided earnings.

None of the present stockholders were connected with the old First State Bank.

The late D. R. Campbell was president of the institution and was followed by Willis Smith. After the latter's death R. C. (Cortez) Russell became president, the position which he now holds.

T. A. Richardson has been with the bank for 20 years and is its cashier.

Most active in management of the bank is G. C. Allen, former druggist, who became a full time employee in 1948. He had been a stockholder and director the previous ten years.

Gerald is executive vice-president. He manages the banking operations, but consults with the directors before making sizeable loans.

The Robert Lee State Bank is audited twice a year by state bank examiners as well as by officials of the FDIC, an agency of the federal government which insures loans up to \$10,000.

The other directors shown in above photo are among the community's most substantial citizens, and they are always ready and willing to give attention to bank matters.

Officers and directors of the

bank endeavor to give every possible service to the community and its people. Their faith in the future is fully expressed by their decision to spend more than \$50,000 for a new banking home.

## PERSONALS

Fern Havins returned Tuesday evening from Farmington, New Mex., where he visited his son, Buddy Havins and family. Mrs. Havins and daughter, Kay, remained for a few days longer visit.

Mrs. J. K. Lofton arrived Friday from Blythe, Calif., for a visit with her mother, Mrs. W. B. Bessent, and other kinfolks. She is the former Ethel Bessent.

Weldon Fikes was in Fort Worth the first of the week where he attended a convention of the state association of County Auditors.

Mrs. W. E. Milam and son, Joe, are moving this week to San Angelo where they will reside at the Laurel Apartments, 131 West Harris, while the former is attending business college. Mrs. Milam has rented her Robert Lee home to Rudy Ford, engine operator at Jameson gasoline plant at Silver.

Commissioner and Mrs. Ed Hickman plan to leave Friday for a visit at Artesia, New Mex., with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Turner. They will also visit Mr. Hickman's sister, Mrs. Sally Long at Eunice.

### ATTEND HANNA SERVICES

The tragic death of Vincent Hanna Sunday brought great sorrow to many Coke County relatives and friends. Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Tubb and son, Mack, were immediately taken to Perryton by Mr. and Mrs. Alton Roberts, and were joined there by Vincent's parents and other kinfolks from Yazoo City, Miss. Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Garrett of Midland also hurried to Perryton from Houston where they were visiting.

After services in Perryton Tuesday the funeral party traveled to Robert Lee, accompanied by Vincent's wife and son, Jerome. Others in the party included B. A. Goodman, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Roberts and Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Jackson. Other kinfolks from Yazoo City came to Robert Lee for the services here Wednesday.

Coming by plane and rail from New York state were Vincent's two older children, Robert Earl and Patricia Ann Hanna, and their mother.

Mrs. Hanna and Jerome will remain here with her parents, and will have their trailer home moved to Robert Lee.

### INJURED IN AUTO CRASH

Mary Frances Wylie crashed her father's auto into a utility pole Wednesday night of last week near the Ollie Roe home. She had been visiting in the R. C. Sawyer home and departed about 9 o'clock. She said she must have fainted after turning the corner to go south from the Martin Casey home, and didn't remember anything until being revived after

the crash. Mary Frances was taken to Coke Memorial Hospital where she was found to have head bruises, a cut lip and broken tooth, cracked rib and a knee injury. She was dismissed from the hospital Saturday and returned to school this week. The 16-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Wylie, Jr., Mary Frances is a member of the sophomore class. The car, a 1951 Ford, was badly

damaged. T. M. has traded it on a new '57 Ford.

Mrs. Ella Lackey recently spent a week here with her son, Kenneth Lackey and his wife. She is now in San Angelo. Mrs. Lackey is making her home at Wasco, Calif., with her mother, Mrs. Nancy Clement. The two ladies came to Texas recently to visit Mrs. Clement's sister at Hillsboro.



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- Mr. Bankers"

I want to congratulate you on your new home. It's nice to know you included me in your plans. You see, I'm all over the place — I provide you lights, operate your business machines, keep you cool and perform many other services to make you happy.

Yes, it's nice to be with you in your new home and we thank you for including us in your plans.

Yours truly,  
Reddy Kilowatt

**West Texas Utilities  
Company**

### Robert Lee BCD Members Attend Dinner at Silver

Silver Lions Club was host at dinner meeting Tuesday night. Members of the BCD organization of San Angelo and Robert Lee were present. Preceding dinner the visitors were escorted through Jameson central gasoline plant as the guests of Supt. John Shimer.

Open house is being observed this week at the Sun Oil Co. plant as a feature of Oil Progress Week. The excellent chicken dinner served by ladies of the Methodist church in the school cafeteria.

W. Kincaid, Lions club president, presided over the program which was featured by colored slides taken in South America during the year by Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Pope of San Angelo. A well known Sun land man, Mr. Pope was present to comment on various portions of their tour.

Entertainment was furnished by popular Robert Lee string trio composed of Jack Denman, Sam Joe Duncan and Robbie Don.

Others attending from Robert Lee were Jack Cowley, J. F. McNeill, Jr., H. S. Lewis, Jr., T. W. Morris, W. D. McAdams, C. S. Brown, Sam Jay, A. J. Kirkpatrick, J. S. Ferrell, Robert L. Hagan, O. B. Jacobs, Frank D. Nelson, Hulan Harris, Fred McNeill, Jr., Cumbie Ivey, Sr., Curtis Walker, J. L. Tinkler, Fern Wins, G. C. Allen and Dr. J. D. Daniel.

#### BAPTIST CONFERENCE

Runnels Baptist Association will hold a workers' conference at the Robert Lee Baptist Church next Tuesday, Oct. 23. A board meeting is scheduled for 5 p.m. with supper served at the church dining hall at 6 o'clock. Rev. Ben Smith of Robert Lee is moderator of the association and will preside over the night program.

#### BAND PARENTS MEETING

All parents of band students are requested to attend the club's regular meeting Tuesday, Oct. 23, at 8 p.m. in the Band Hall.—Helen Ford, Reporter.

### PERSONALS

Bobby F. Roberts and wife, who had been living in Abilene the past year, recently moved to Bryerton where the former resumed his old job as a Baker & Taylor roughneck. He was a member of Vincent Hanna's crew and narrowly escaped injury when accident was fatally injured Sunday. Bobby and his wife accompanied the funeral party to Robert Lee.

Mrs. Fred Parker and sons, Fred Bruce and William Wayne, came from Stephenville for a weekend visit with her parents, Sheriff and Mrs. Paul Good. Other kinfolks who came for the court house dedication Saturday were Homer Wood of Ozona and Mrs. Bob Presler and her son, Bill Baker and family of San Angelo.

W. D. Powers of Paducah came from town Thursday to attend dedication of the new court house and visit his brothers, George and Denver Powers.

Mrs. J. R. Joplin of Levelland arrived last week for a visit with her sister, Mrs. Mettie Russell, and her brother, Cortez and Bail Russell.

#### Hayrick Lodge

No. 696 A.F. & A.M. Meets second Tuesday night in each month. Visitors welcome.

BOBIE GOOD, W. M. J. DALE BROWN, SEC'Y



RAYMOND CAULDER

### Raymond Caulder Killed in Wreck In Naples, Italy

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Caulder of Bronte received a telegram Wednesday that their son, Seaman Raymond Caulder, was killed Tuesday in a collision at Naples, Italy. The wire, which came from Rear Adm. Kenneth Craig, acting chief of naval personnel, said the 20-year-old Navy man was killed while riding a motorcycle which in a collision with a truck.

Young Caulder enlisted in the Navy Jan. 26, 1955. He was born July 27, 1936, in Robert Lee. The family lived at Silver for about ten years before moving to Bronte eight years ago. Raymond attended Bronte schools and was drummer in the Longhorn Band.

Mr. and Mrs. Caulder said they wired the Navy department to send their son's body to Bronte for funeral services. Funeral arrangements are pending, as the family has not received any word as to how long it will take for the body to arrive in Bronte.

Survivors include his parents; four brothers, Doyle, Earl, Kenneth and Wayne Caulder; two sisters, Shirley and Jean Caulder; two grandmothers, Mrs. Susie Caulder of Bronte and Mrs. Onie Adams of Midland.

### Want Ads

FINISH HIGH SCHOOL or grade School at home. Spare time. Books furnished. Diploma awarded. Start where you left school. Write Columbia School, Box 5061, Lubbock, Texas.

FOR SALE—Young Rambouillet bucks. See or call Floyd Modgling.

HOUSE FOR SALE—5-room modern house, newly re-finished. Requires only a small down payment.—Fred McDonald, Jr. 47tf

VICTORGRAIN OATS Deliver within 10 miles. We honor drouth certificates. Red Chain Feed Store, Bronte.

FOR RENT—2-bedroom house with all conveniences, redecorated; also furnished apartments. Frank Dickey, phones 137 or 137-J. 20w2p

DUB ARNOLD Sanitary Service Septic tanks, cesspools and grease traps cleaned and repaired. Reasonable rate. Call 34095, Snyder.

HOUSE FOR RENT — Three rooms and bath, furnished or unfurnished. Mrs. H. L. Scott.

FOR RENT—Unfurnished house, six rooms and sleeping porch, \$55. Write or call Mrs. Nellie Simpson, 610 E. 19th St., San Angelo. Phone 39122. 9 tf

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

#### PEACE OFFICERS COMING

Fall meeting of West Central Texas Peace Officers Association is scheduled for Robert Lee Friday of this week. Sheriff Paul Good is president of the association and will be host to 150 or more officers who are expected to attend. There will be a forenoon and afternoon programs, with a barbecue dinner at noon.

### PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Edward F. Hickman and children, Bonnie Ruth and Billy Ed, of Killeen, and Mr. and Mrs. Freddie (Pete) Hickman and son, Terry, of Ozona were weekend guests in the home of Commissioner and Mrs. Ed Hickman. They came especially at this time for the court house dedication.

Mrs. L. W. Welch of Kerrville came in the last of the week, bringing her mother, Mrs. W. B. Bessent, who had spent a week there. Alvin (Blackeye) Bessent and wife of Pecos joined other kinfolks in a visit over the weekend.

Frank Herrington, Robert Lee boot and shoe shop owner, had two joints of his right forefinger amputated Wednesday in the Bronte hospital. He injured the finger several weeks ago while using his stitching machine and an infection followed.

OUR VERY BEST WISHES TO THE

## Robert Lee State Bank

In Its Beautiful

NEW HOME

We're Happy to Have Had the Privilege Of Being Your Neighbor

OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

## First National Bank

Bronte, Texas

## BAKER'S Groc. & Mkt.

LIGHT CRUST

Flour 25 lbs. \$1.89

JACK SPRAT

Pork & Beans 2 CANS 19c

AUSTEX CHILI - - - - - 1 1/2 Lb. Can 57c

MARYLAND CLUB

Coffee 1b. \$1.03

PUMPKIN, Del Monte - - - No. 300 Can 15c

LIPTON TEA - - - - - 1/4 Lb. Pkg. 37c

LIPTON TEA BAGS - - - - - 16 Count 23c

TUNA, Del Monte - - - - - 3 Cans \$1.00

PEANUT BUTTER, Kimbell, 12 Oz Glass - 3 for \$1.00

TIDE OR CHEER - - - - - Giant Box 69c

PURPLE PLUMS, Hunt's - - - No. 2 1/2 Can 25c

ZESTEE PEACH OR APRICOT

PRESERVES, 20 Oz. Glass - - - - - 2 for \$1.00

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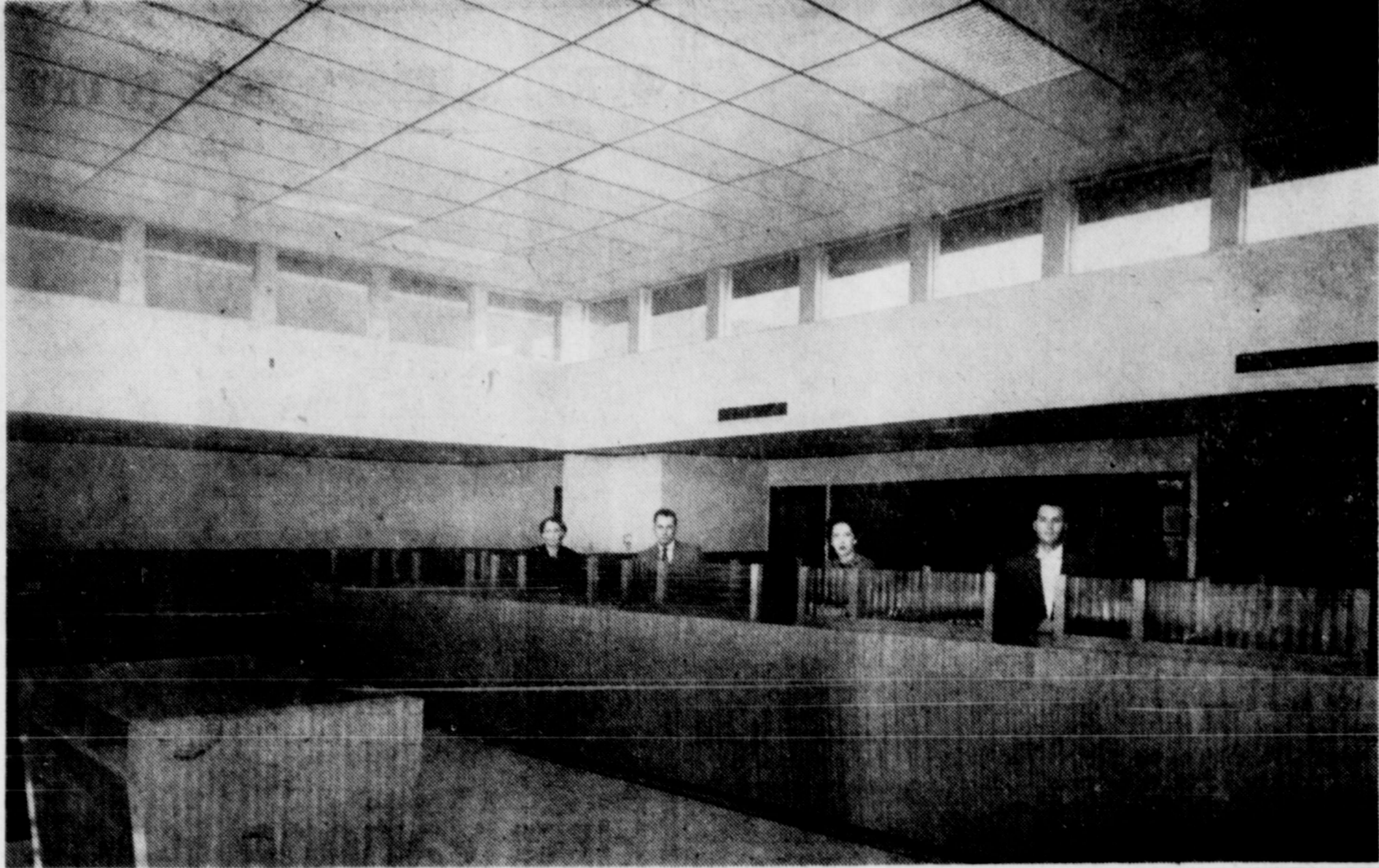
Sausage 2 lbs. 79c

GOOCH'S THICK SLICED

Bacon 2 lbs. 89c

Round Steak 1b. 65c

Club Steak 1b. 49c



### Bank's Interior Is Well Lighted And Attractive

The above photo shows the interior of the new banking home which the Robert Lee State Bank is occupying this week.

Pictured at the teller windows from left to right are Gladys Waldrop, Wm. H. Allen, Zelda Caraway and Willis Wayne Smith. There are six windows.

Willis Wayne has been with the bank 8½ years and is a son of a former president, the late Willis Smith, who served many years as county clerk.

Miss Caraway has been employed in the bank five years and Bill Allen and Miss Waldrop joined the staff a couple of years ago. Bill's father is executive vice-president.

The bank has a rule that requires all of its employees to learn various departments of the book-keeping system and also be able to operate the posting machines.

An enclosed work room is provided in the new building for the posting machines. It will be seen just back of the tellers.

#### HANES ELECTRIC CO.

Hanes Electric Co. of San Angelo had a sub-contract for electrical wiring and installations in the new Robert Lee State Bank. The business is owned and operated by Gregory S. Hanes. He does general contracting business in the electrical line, but refuses to bid on jobs where he has to substitute quality for price.

#### FORMER PREACHER HERE

Among former residents coming for the court house dedication Saturday were the Rev. and Mrs. Roy L. Crawford, who at present reside at Crawford, Texas. Mr. Crawford was pastor of the Robert Lee Methodist Church back in 1926-27. During his pastorate here the old church was destroyed by a tornado and the present structure was built. Mr. Crawford recalls helping in the Observer office when A. W. Puett was editor.

Mrs. Ernest Varnadore left Sunday night via bus from San Angelo to Colorado Springs for a visit in the home of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Mac Mathis. Mr. Mathis had been unable to work the past few weeks and was scheduled to undergo surgery Tuesday at a Veterans Hospital in Denver.

### Student Council

By ROBBIE GODWIN

On Thursday, Sept. 27, the members of the Robert Lee Student Council met and discussed several moves toward the organization of the Council. All members were present and filled positions as follows:

- Robbie Godwin—President
- Dennie Blair—Vice-President
- Joe Harmon—Secretary-Treas.

All class representatives were present, with the exception of June McKinley. They are as follows:

- Seniors: Butch Davis, June McKinley
- Juniors: Gary Jackson, Doris Sparks
- Sophomores: Jamie Schooler, Jane Austin
- Freshmen: Kenneth Wink, Marilyn Reid

The Faculty Advisors are Mr. Petross and Mr. Harris.

We received a notice of a meeting of Students Councils at Eldorado but it came too late for any of the delegates to make plans to go.

It was disclosed that some money had been left by previous senior classes and their accounts left open. The committee appointed to ask about acquiring part of it as funds was told that the Council would have access to a part of it.

A discussion of ways to elect the editor of the Observette led to the appointing of a committee of five to nominate prospective editors. This committee will report at the next regular meeting which will be held Wednesday, Oct. 17. The editor will be elected by secret ballot at an appointed balloting place after the nominating committee has reported.

### Angelo Firm Contractors For New Bank

General contractors in charge of constructing the Robert Lee State Bank's new building were Rutherford & Freeman of San Angelo.

W. C. Rutherford and J. E. Freeman make up the partnership which was formed two years ago. Both have had many years of experience in the construction field.

The firm's office is at 79 E. 23rd street and they have a material yard and warehouse on Santa Fe tracks.

Recent contracts handled by Rutherford & Freeman include a \$100,000 National Guard Armory in San Angelo, \$48,000 Lake Vista school addition, five Conoco service stations in San Angelo, a 10-room hospital costing \$216,000 and a \$50,000 medical clinic in Orange and a \$140,000 school addition in Junction.

#### BETHANY S. S. CLASS

Mary Martha Sunday School class of the Baptist Church had a called meeting Oct. 10 to discuss business matters and elect officers for the coming year. It was voted to change the name of the group to the Bethany Class along with flower, scripture and motto. Seven ladies were present. Next meeting will be at 6 p.m. Oct. 24. In observance of Layman's Day last Sunday, Gerald Allen taught the Bethany Class when 13 members were present.

### Grade School News

By JUDY ALLEN

The first grade has been doing tempera painting. In science, they are making a leaf collection.

The second grade had four girls who twirled in the parade Saturday. They were Brenda Robertson, Rhea Jean McCutchen, Cynthia Ann Davis and Kathleen Preslar.

In the fifth grade, John Jackson and O. W. Davis were promoted from the Beginners Band to Steerettes.

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## Sports Highlights

By BYRON RUSSELL

Well, they did it again!! The Steers romped over the Yellowjackets, in Menard last Friday, at home with a 26-13 victory. The Steers looked bad in most of the first half, as fumbles and penalties kept their backs to the wall. In the second half, the Steers had the field. Holding the Yellowjackets to one touchdown, Goddard led the Steers offensive at the line with one 68 yard run for a first down, and time after time drove through the line for needed yardage. Duncan, McDonald, and quarterback Ashworth also had good runs. Jackson, Wyatt, Peterson and Hatfield were stand-

outs on the Steer defense. This week Robert Lee shall defend her undefeated title against the visiting Hermleigh squad. I wonder what Hermleigh will think after she gets her taste of the Steers. Who knows?????

## Stock Market

Latest quotations:

Judy and Sherman—up 100%.  
Sandra and Dennie—nose to 85% last week.  
Charlene and Richard—up to 85%.  
Gay and Tom—up 90% and rising fast.  
Couples at a Glance:  
Nancy and Sammie.

Kenney and Jack.  
Carolyn B. and Bam.  
Carroll B. and Troy.

Open Stock:

Carolyn Simpson.  
Butch Davis.

Market Trends:

Romance—up at R L H S to 80%.

Grades—expected to rise or lower when report cards come out.

Weather Report

Windy—Kenny.

Fair—Fred.

Breezy—Carolyn S.

Sunny—Sammie.

Settled—Carolyn C.

Bright—Robbie.

Cloudy—Tom.

C-o-o-l—Nancy.

Lovely—Martha.

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## Band News

Officers of the Band this year are:

President, Larry Jack Rabb.  
Vice President, Frankie Casey.  
Sec'y-Treas., Gay Hollis.  
Reporter, June McKinley.  
Librarian, Ann Smith.  
Drum Major, Butch Davis.  
Majorettes, Martha Humphry, Jerry Sparks, and Charlene Robertson.

The Band students have elected a Band Favorite for this year. Band students nominated candidates from all of high school and the nominees were narrowed to three top candidates. The Favor-

ite will be announced at our Winter Concert in December.

The Band took part in the Dedication activities of the court house last Saturday. The Silver Indian Princesses pep squad, Bronte Longhorn Band and Robert Lee Steer Band paraded from the Methodist Church down Main Street to the Court House where the Robert Lee Band entertained the audience with some close order drills and special twirling routines.

The Bronte and Robert Lee Bands combined to play the Star Spangled Banner at the beginning of the afternoon services.

# Announcing!



A DISPLAY OF CURRENCY, ALL THIS COMING WEEK, SHOWING MONEY IN USE FROM THE EARLY DAYS OF OUR COUNTRY TO THE PRESENT.



"Well, if that is the case," said King Charles, "let them issue their own coins if they have a mind to. They must be honest dogs, after all, to use the Royal Oak."

You and your family are invited to view this display which, we feel, will prove both interesting and educational.

The showing is in the Bank's lobby. It starts tomorrow, October 20th, and lasts through October 25th. There is no charge, of course.

In this interesting presentation is paper money from early Colonial days that in our imagination we might see as having passed through the hands of George Washington or Alexander Hamilton or Thomas Jefferson.

There is money that was in use when the White House was burned in the War of 1812... money that could have been used to buy or release slaves... Texas' own Treasury Notes from the stirring period when this State was a Republic... money used on both sides while the battle of Gettysburg raged. Practically all phases of history are represented by the money currency in use in each period.

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### Notes From The Oil Field

#### Wildcat Test North of Edith

Tucker Drilling Co. of San Angelo has filed application to drill a 7,000-foot Ellenburger wildcat in Coke County, seven miles west of Robert Lee. It will be drilled as the No. 1 Charles Thompson. Operator spudded Wednesday.

Location, on an 80-acre lease, is 660 feet from the southwest and 1,363.9 feet from the west lines of T. A. Youngblood survey No. 3. Elevation is 1,963.2 feet.

The prospector is 3 1/4 miles northeast of Ginther-Warren & Ginther No. 1 Davidson, a 7,159-foot failure, plugged and abandoned Aug. 20, 1955.

Miami Operating Company, Ind., Abilene, No. 1-N Fred McCabe, section 26, block Z, D&E survey, 7 1/2 miles southeast of the Millican pool, was quit at 6,661 feet in barren Strawn sand, topped at 6,610 feet.

A wildcat drilled 15 miles northwest of Robert Lee was abandoned at 7,515 feet. It was Dugger & Herring, et al, of Abilene No. 1 Cynthia Malone Estate, Section 465, Block 1-A, H&TC Survey. Location was on top of Meadow Mountain. Two good oil shows were reported in Strawn sand and lime. Three major companies were interested in the test.

Mrs. Irene Maples returned Tuesday to her home in Odessa, having been called here over the weekend by the serious illness of her father, G. C. Casey.

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Behind the Scenes of Big Business with Van Heflin in  
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#### BANK PRESIDENT ILL

R. C. Russell has been a patient the past week in Coke Memorial Hospital because of a heart flareup. He is making good improvement, however, but will continue to rest for a few days. Mr. Russell is president of the Robert Lee State Bank. Because of his illness he was not included in the photo of bank officials which appears in this newspaper.

#### FARM BUREAU MEETING

Farm Bureau members will hear a discussion on "Changes in the Blue Shield and Blue Cross Insurance Program" at their meeting Oct. 23 in Robert Lee. K. O. Anderson representative of the Blue Cross, of San Angelo, will speak to the group and answer any questions from members.

Everyone is invited to attend the free barbecue and following meeting next Tuesday night at 6 p.m. in the school lunch room at Robert Lee.

#### SMALL TALK

By A. J. K.

Sorry to have run out of last week's issue, but we didn't print enough and they were gone in a hurry. Not an extra one left.

Now that it is finished we just realize what a beautiful thing the Robert Lee State Bank building really is. It's a fine asset to the community, and we congratulate the bank folks on this progressive move. It shows they have genuine faith and confidence to take such a step in the midst of our worst drouth. It takes men with vision to make things go.

This week's school news is rather mixed up, due to promotion of the new bank and Oil Progress Week. We'll have it back under its proper heading next week. Worried now that these kids will come around and tell us we don't know much about running a newspaper.

Biggest football game of the season Friday night. Here's our prediction: Robert Lee 33, Hermleigh 20.

We are backing city officials in the proposal to license all dogs. The dogs are just about taking the town. Skunks, too.

Visitors at the Robert Lee State Bank will also be privileged to see a wonderful display of currency that was furnished by the Federal Reserve System. Can't touch, however.

## RIG ACCIDENT TAKES LIFE OF VINCENT HANNA

Vincent Hanna, 34, former well known Robert Lee resident, met death Sunday morning about 9:30 in a drilling rig accident in the Spearman-Perryton area of the Texas Panhandle.

He was a driller on a Baker & Taylor rotary.

B. A. Goodman, pusher on the rig, was in Spearman 11 miles away, when notified on the accident. Hanna was rushed to a Spearman hospital where he was pronounced dead upon arrival.

Goodman advised The Observer that his investigation of the tragedy indicated the crew was preparing to cut off a section of the steel cable drilling line.

The line had been slacked and Hanna was marking a spot where the line was to be cut, when the slips gave way and allowed the blocks to fall to the floor. That caused the drilling line to tighten and as it did so, Hanna was struck by the cable on the back of his head.

Funeral services were held at 10 a.m. Tuesday at the Methodist Church in Perryton, with the pastor, Rev. A. B. Cockrell officiating. Pallbearers were H. H. Chevalier, B. A. Goodman, B. G. Thorne, Jack Pritchard, R. D. Garrett, J. D. McCoy, Gene Ballew and Bobby F. Roberts.

The body was brought to Robert Lee where it remained at Clift Funeral Home until Wednesday when another service was held at the Robert Lee Methodist church at 10 a.m. The pastor, Rev. Travis McNair, officiated. Burial followed in Fairview cemetery at Bronte under direction of Clift Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were Jerome Sheppard, A. V. Hughes, Will Percifull, Lowell Roane, Bob Fields, Lendy Devoll, J. C. Jackson and Willis Wayne Smith.

Vincent was born Oct. 14, 1922, at Yazoo City, Miss., and met death on his 34th birthday. He grew up in that locality and finished high school. Later he served 18 months in the army.

He came to Robert Lee in the spring of 1947 as a member of a Stanolind seismograph crew. He married Miss Ava Lou Tubb of Robert Lee on Nov. 21, 1947. A few weeks previously he began working for Baker & Taylor Drilling Co. as a roughneck. He was on J. C. Jackson's crew for some time and in 1951 was promoted to driller.

Vincent was with the last Baker & Taylor rig to leave Coke County nearly two years ago, and since that time their operations have been near Spearman and Perryton.

After nine years of service he was considered one of Baker & Taylor's outstanding drillers, and was expected to have had other advancements. He was promoted to daylight driller a year ago and also served as relief pusher for his rig.

Survivors include his wife and son, Jerome, 5 years old; two children by a former marriage, Robert Earl and Patricia Ann Hanna, of Elmira, N. Y.; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hanna of Yazoo City, Miss., and four sisters and two brothers.

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# Fat Hen Week

This week we are giving away five nice, big fat Hens, just right for roasting. The first five lucky names drawn out of the box at 7 p.m. Saturday will be awarded a

## Dressed Hen

There will be plenty of hot specials throughout our store Friday and Saturday, so come on in. It will pay you to trade here and you may win one of those fat hens. You don't have to be present to win.

### LAST WEEK'S WINNERS:

- \$10.00 — Mrs. Willis Wayne Smith
- 5.00 — Dale Wojtek
- 5.00 — Dr. J. D. McDaniel
- 5.00 — Mrs. J. W. Denman

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Second Section

## OIL ACCOUNTED FOR COKE'S BIG TAX PAYMENTS

Coke County gained 149 new producing wells during the year 1955, to offset a decrease in production in older wells and thus prevent a sizeable cut in the taxable valuation.

This report was compiled by Thos. Y. Pickett & Company, evaluation engineers of Dallas, who are employed by the county to assess oil properties, railroads and public utilities.

The number of wells on Jan. 1, 1955, was 759 and the figure increased to 908 by the end of the year.

Daily allowable production during last year dropped from 61,305 to 60,880 barrels, a decrease of 425 barrels daily.

Actual production of crude oil in Coke County during the year 1954 was 11,511,170 barrels, and it dropped to 10,220,380 in 1955, an actual decrease of 1,290,790 barrels.

Value of oil produced in 1954 was \$33,382,400, compared to \$29,689,100 in 1955, which was a decrease of \$3,743,300.

Taxing value of oil production decreased about \$700,000 this year, but there was a gain of around \$400,000 in oil personal property due to a new gas plant.

Total taxing value of Coke County for 1956 was finally determined at \$29,326,340, while last year it was \$29,762,910.

In round numbers oil properties paid on close of 25 million dollars, while all other property in the county is paying taxes this year on 4 1/2 millions. Oil is paying 85% of the tax load.

## Texas Natural Plant Adds To Area's Payroll

When the new Texas Natural Gasoline Corporation Plant began operation a year ago, more than forty men were given permanent employment there.

Located nine miles southwest of Silver, the plant makes butane and propane, while remaining dry gas is piped out by El Paso Natural Gas Company.

Texas Natural was responsible for getting a new Santa Fe railroad spur built from Maryneal to Silver. The company loads out from 25 to 30 tank cars of liquid petroleum gas daily and is shipped by rail to all parts of the country.

Following is a list of employees and their classifications at the Texas Natural plant:

Ervin Fulkerson, Superintendent.  
Johnny Mason, Chief Engineer.  
Eldon Gotcher, Chemist.  
R. G. Hodge, Office Manager  
Willie Thorn, Chief Operator.  
L. R. Hatfield, Field Material-man.

E. E. Alberts, Slop oil Truck Dr.  
B. R. Barnes, Lab Tester.  
D. R. Coalson, Roustabout.

C. D. Davis, Roustabout.  
Donny Duncan, Loader.  
C. E. Elliott, Carpenter.

R. L. Fillipp, Lab Tester.  
F. G. Fisher, Column Operator.  
M. G. Garcia, Truck Mechanic.

F. R. Hearn, Compressor Operator.  
M. C. Hendry, Generator Operator.

O. D. Hill, Generator Operator.  
Hazel Holden, Clerk.

J. R. Kohutek, Lab Tester.  
G. L. LaFortune, Mechanic.  
R. D. Lambert, Truck Driver.

C. M. Ledbetter, Electrician.  
G. R. Lester, Lab Tester.  
W. J. McClure, Roustabout.  
T. W. McDaniel, Gang Pusher.  
F. K. Meadows, Warehouse man.  
R. F. Miller, Meter Man.  
R. B. Mitchell, Roustabout.  
J. C. Moon, Lab Tester.  
Ernest Moore, Roustabout.  
Frank Owens, Compressor Operator.

Glen Parker, Column Operator.  
H. L. Pendley, Loader.  
D. D. Peters, Roustabout.

R. A. Pond, Generator Operator.  
F. W. Prentice, Compressor Operator.

C. W. Schovajsa, Compressor Operator.  
A. D. Smith, Mechanic.

D. D. Snailum, Generator Operator.  
R. E. Specht, Column Operator.

C. E. Sheffield, Welder.  
J. B. Talley, Column Operator.

## 49 Permanent Employees At Jameson Plant

Sun Oil Company has a total of 49 permanent employees in its gas department in the Coke County area. Main operation is the Jameson natural gasoline plant at Silver, while the gas division also operates a re-pressuring unit in the Millican field and similar plants at Lake Trammel and the McCabe field.

Following is a list of Sun gas department personnel and their classifications:

C. N. Aldridge, Repairman 2/C.  
Henry Baker, Engine operator.  
C. W. Bradberry, Repairman 2/C.

J. W. Bradham, Plant chemist.  
J. B. O. Burgess, Const. foreman

J. E. Butcherl Engine operator.  
E. A. Byrd, Roustabout.

D. H. Caldwell, Engine operator.  
N. K. Cheatham, Compressor Station operator.

H. D. Clendennen, Roustabout.  
G. E. Conner, Engine operator.

T. A. Davis, Engine operator.  
J. R. Denman, Operator.  
V. M. Duncan, Roustabout.

B. G. Edwards, Chief Clerk.  
L. R. Feaster, Roustabout.  
G. D. Flowers, Roustabout.

R. F. Ford, Roustabout.  
J. C. Furr, Loading rack man.  
G. C. Garner, Plant Clerk.

J. D. Gilbert, Plant foreman.  
Eddie P. Good, Engineer.  
E. R. Hargis, Operator.

R. G. Henderson, Roustabout.  
V. H. Hendley, Roustabout.  
J. E. Hollis, Operator.

A. T. Holt, Distillation operator.  
R. D. Hull, Plant engineer.  
T. H. Hunter, Field Clerk.

V. D. Hurt, Engine operator.  
F. H. Kaiser, Senior field clerk.  
C. B. Jacobs, Distillation operator.

A. D. Leonard, Asst. meterman.  
T. W. Lyle, Engine operator.  
M. C. Marie, Loading rack man.

O. W. Newell, Distillation operator.  
E. R. Pace, Field foreman.

P. A. Post, Repairman 2/C.  
B. C. Ray, Engine operator.  
W. S. Reed, Maint. foreman.

John M. Shimer, Jr., Superintendent.  
Jerome Sirus, Repairman 2/C.  
O. L. Snyder, Distillation operator.

R. M. Tunnell, Operator.  
L. A. Weigle, Operator.  
W. E. Welter, Recovery plant operator.

H. G. White, Operator.  
O. L. White, Engine operator.

TRY A WANT AD!

## SUN IS COUNTY'S NO. 1 TAXPAYER; HUMBLE IS 2ND

Sun Oil Company continues to be Coke County's biggest taxpayer. Its tax bill this year is \$168,321 for state and county funds, and for the Silver common school district. Sun also pays something over \$20,000 to the Robert Lee Independent School District and additional amounts on its pipelines.

Humble remains in second place with \$85,569, and also will pay a big sum to help operate the Bronte schools.

Perkins-Prothro is a close third with \$77,510, a good share of this amount going to the Silver school.

Other big taxpayers in the oil industry have been charged with the following amounts on the Coke County tax rolls:

Ambassador Oil Co. ....	\$18,721
Associated Oil & Gas ....	4,335
Crescent .....	12,530
W. F. Eisenberg, Agt. ....	5,688
W. M. & A. P. Fuller ....	4,303
Hickok & Reynolds .....	2,418
A. G. Hill Trust .....	2,686
Chester Hunter .....	2,236
Kewanee .....	1,289
Laan-Tex .....	1,394
Magnolia .....	8,185
Miami Operating .....	2,038
Monsanto Chemical .....	2,970
Murray Oil Co. ....	1,901
Plymouth .....	1,229
Shamrock .....	2,028
Sinclair .....	3,461
Southwestern Natural ....	1,452
Stanolind .....	29,711
Sunray .....	2,349
Texas Hydrocarbon .....	16,002
Union Oil Co. ....	2,750
Zapata .....	1,968

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OIL PROGRESS WEEK  
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## LET'S MEASURE AN OIL WELL

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You can measure an oil well by its depth, by its production, or in any of a number of ways. But the real "measure" of an oil well is to be found in the jobs it creates, in the schools and highways it provides, in the stores, shops and industries it supports... in short, the real measure of an oil well is in the benefits it brings to all the people of an area. The West Texas Utilities Company, too, can be measured in the record it has made in helping the West Texas Oil Industry serve the people of West Texas.

West Texas Utilities  
Company

Congratulations to the OIL INDUSTRY on its service to the people.

## Silver News

Bruce McFerrin and family have moved to Arkansas, having purchased a 160-acre improved farm near Alpena. They were accompanied by their twin sons, Wayne and DeWayne, who have been attending high school in Colorado City. An older son, Robert, will continue in college at Texas A & I in Kingsville.

Mrs. McFerrin is the farmer Earline Arnold, a sister of Charlie Arnold, and is a daughter of Mrs. Loyd Phelan of Robert Lee. Mrs. McFerrin's sister, Mrs. Joe Proctor, and husband recently moved to Arkansas and purchased a place near Harrison. The two families will be only 30 miles from each other.

Marion Cox, pumper for Crescent Oil Co. here, is recovering nicely at Coke Memorial Hospital in Robert Lee where he underwent surgery last Friday for a hernia.

Keith Carden suffered a badly cut hand last Thursday night while he and his sister were playing with scissors in their home here. He was given emergency treatment at Coke Memorial Hospital in Robert Lee and then taken to a specialist in San Angelo. His injury is responding to treatment. Keith is the son of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Carden.

Glenn and Jerry Wilkes, students at San Angelo College, spent the weekend with home folks here.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Scoggin and son, James Barry, came from Millersview for a visit on Saturday with their daughter, Mrs. C. T. Wilkes, Jr. and family.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Allen and their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Odom, left on schedule Friday on a 17-days' eastern trip. They will be in New York City a few days for the National Postmaster convention and then continue to Massachusetts to visit their daughter and sister, Mrs. Elmer Clegg, the former Ruthell Allen. Mrs. C. T. Wilkes, Sr. is in charge of the post office during Mrs. Odom's absence.

Mrs. O. L. Snyder and family recently enjoyed a visit from her sister, Mrs. Millie Wichhusen of Los Angeles, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Haigood were called to Oklahoma the last of the week by the serious illness of his mother.

Hal Anderson returned early Sunday from a few days' business trip to Miami, New Mex.

A. T. Holt and family went to Dallas over the weekend to attend the State Fair. Mr. Holt will remain during the week for a meeting of Sun employee representatives. W. W. Paul left Tuesday to attend the meeting and will be joined there the last of the week by his wife and their sons, Billy and Larry.

Howard Robichaux and wife of Clairemont were overnight guests Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Newell. The former was stationed here a few years ago as a Sun Pipeline gauger. Mr. and Mrs. Robichaux were enroute to Austin on a vacation trip.

Silver and surrounding area received nice rains Sunday night and early Monday. Measurements were from an inch to more than 1½ inches in some sections.

Mrs. James T. Post underwent surgery Tuesday at a San Angelo hospital.

A new 50-foot flagpole has been placed in front of the office of Sun's Jameson Natural Gasoline Plant. The new silk flag was unfurled for the first time this week.

Hale Kincaid killed a fox in Jameson camp Monday. Since reports from over the state indicate many rabid foxes, the animal's head was sent to Austin for examination.

Frank Lacik and wife have gone on a three weeks' vacation. Mr. Lacik is a Sun pumper.

W. D. Shoemaker, Sun produc-

tion relief pusher, accompanied by his wife has gone to Delhi, La., to visit her kinfolks. While there Mr. Shoemaker plans to undergo surgery.

L. K. McKinnon returned to his home here Monday from Colorado City hospital where he was treated ten days. He is much improved following serious illness caused by bronchial pneumonia and neuritis. Mr. McKinnon is a Sun Pipeline Co. station engineer.

Jim Herford and family are vacationing near the Gulf coast. He is a Sun Pipeline employee.

John T. Stewart left Friday with a group from Colorado City for two weeks' of deer and elk hunting in the Rockies of western Colorado.

Kay Stewart, student at Texas Tech in Lubbock, spent the weekend at her home here.

James T. Hayes and wife are vacationing for two weeks at points on the Gulf and in Louisiana. He is a Sun Pipeline assistant gauger.

### PROVED RESERVES AT RECORD HIGH

Proved reserves of liquid petroleum have been increasing steadily through the years, despite a

corresponding increase in consumption and demand.

The American Petroleum Institute said this fact alone is testimony of the industry's foresight and determination to protect the country's security and prepare for the future.

Currently, proved reserves of liquid petroleum amount to 35 billion, 400 million barrels, a record high.

By 1975 it is estimated that oil men will have to drill about 81,000 wells every year to supply the nation with adequate petroleum and petroleum products.

Exploration for oil and gas since 1930 has cost the petroleum industry 13 billion dollars.

In the 96-year history of the oil industry in the United States, only 150 wells have ever been drilled below 15,000 feet. Over one-third of these wells were drilled last year.

According to one estimate, it appears that by 1958, it will take a fuel of about 95 octane to get top performance out of 90 per cent of the cars on the road.

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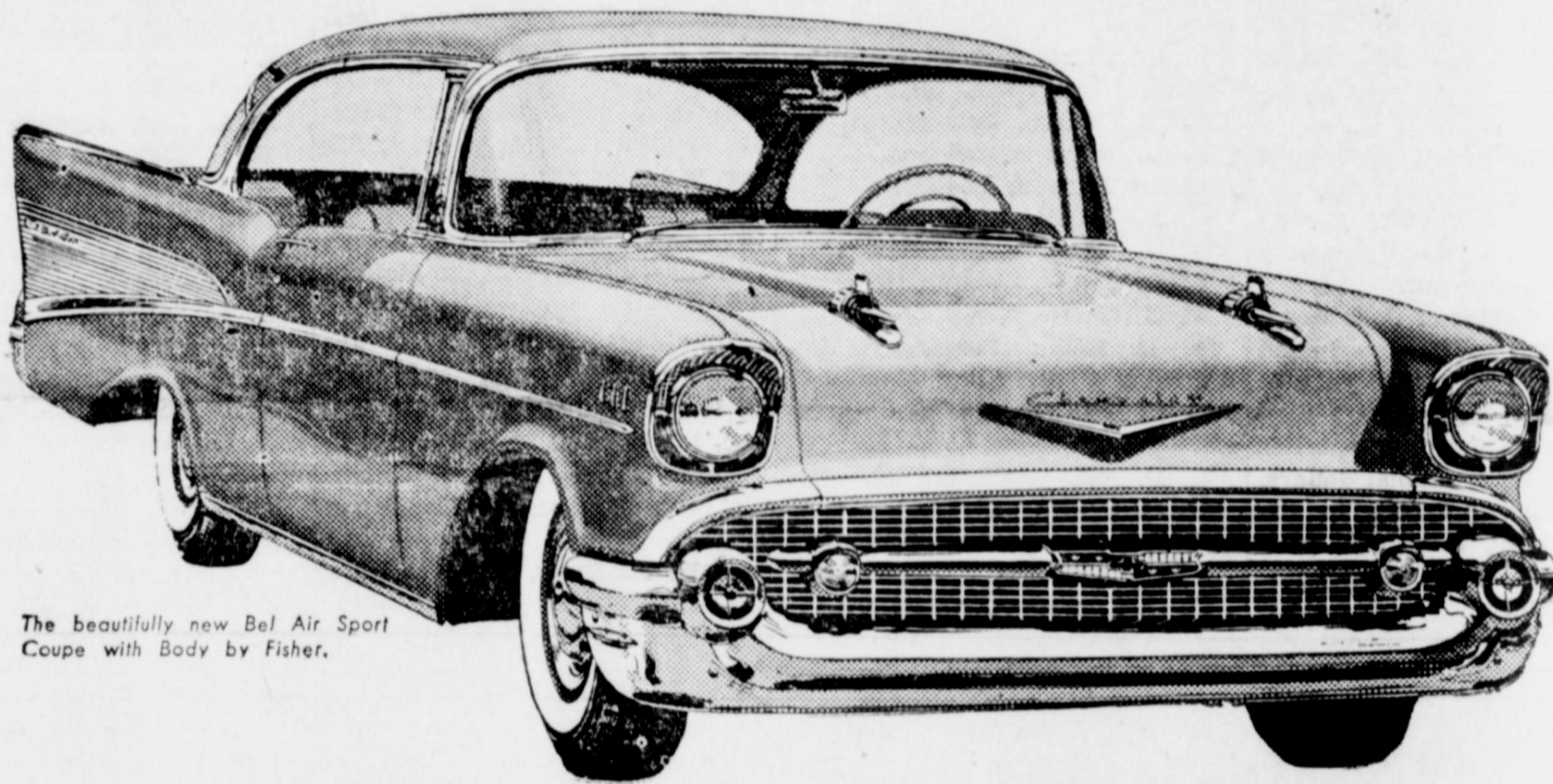
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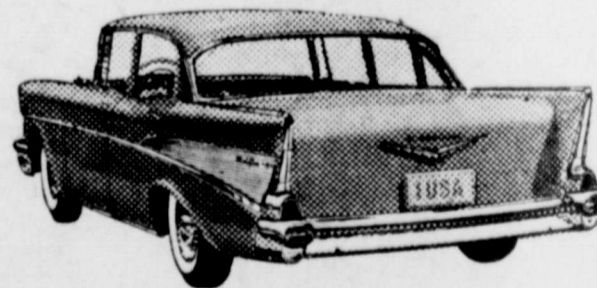
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## Emergency Feed Program Extended

Walter T. McKay, State Director, Farmers Home Administration

tion, today advised Paul C. Shillingburg, County Supervisor, of the extension of the Emergency Feed Grain Program in Nolan and Coke Counties. Under this extension,

This extension of the Emergency farmers and ranchers may now file applications through December 3, 1956 for a supply of feed grain. The Emergency Feed program now coincides

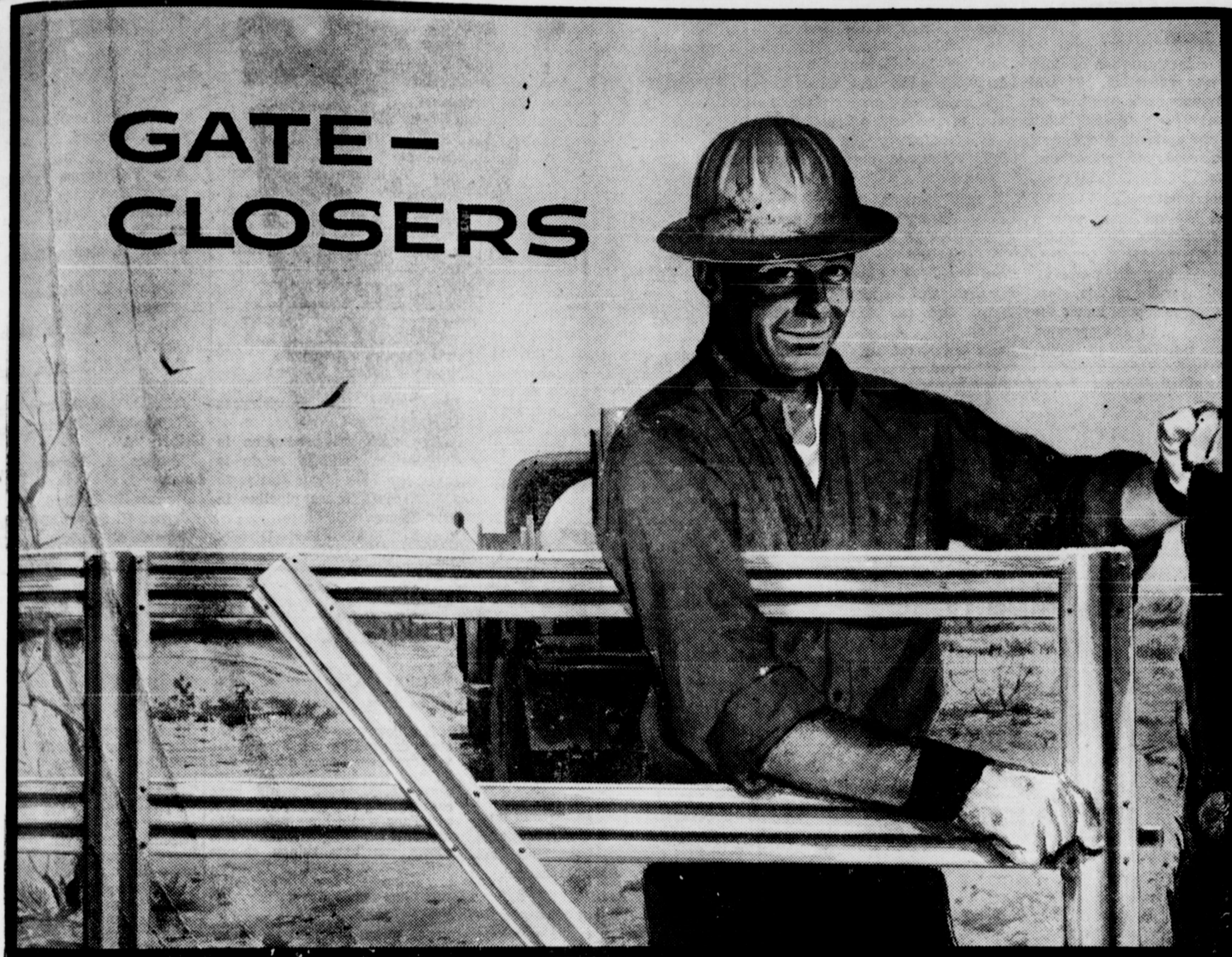
The Observer, Robert Lee, Texas

Oct. 19, 1956

necessary to carry basic livestock herds through December 31, 1956, with the assistance available under the Roughage Program for Texas

and enables county FHA committees to consider total feed requirements, both roughage and grain, through December 31, 1956.

# GATE - CLOSERS



*Dear Friends*

A farmer friend of ours paid Humble's field men a fine compliment recently.

He said, "There's one thing about you Humble people, you close gates."

Well, of course we do.

All of us at Humble want the good will of the folks with whom we do business. And among those folks, the farmers and ranchers who lease their land to us for exploration and production are right at the top of the list.

In fact, you farmers are partners with us in the development of a vital natural resource. If our efforts are successful then everyone involved benefits.

Keeping the gates closed and the fences mended—things like that are the least we can do.

We know. A lot of us grew up on farms and ranches.



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**October 14-20**

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## McCabe's Service Station

Robert Lee, Texas

## Silver Is Center Of Oil Activity For Coke County

Silver and surrounding area accounts for a large portion of Coke County's oil production. It will soon be 10 years since Sun brought in its discovery well on Allen Jameson, and a steady program of drilling followed for more than eight years.

Silver community has built up because of the oil play, with a number of business firms which supply the oil and ranch families. Among the leading firms are R. S. Anderson's service station, store buildings and residential units; the Sun Grocery, owned and operated by Vaughan and Waymond Davis,

and Ernest Clendennen's welding service.

Also the Silver Trucking Co. owned and operated by H. K. Kirkpatrick, and J. P. Jameson's Roustabout Service, which handles almost all kinds of oil field work. Joe Weddle is a contractor who furnishes labor crews for Sun's gas department. The Silver Cafe is an important meeting place. Located in the post office building, it is operated by Mr. and Mrs. Henry Skrabanek, experienced restaurant people.

A new modern school, which teaches through the ninth grade, is a center of community activities, and has an enrollment of more than 130. Silver has three churches, the Baptist, Church of Christ and a new Methodist Church.

Sun Oil Company's recreation



REV. GEORGE M. BASTAIN is preaching at a week's Revival which opened Sunday and will continue through Oct. 21 at the Silver Baptist Church. In charge of singing is Mr. Earl Cook. Good attendance is reported at the services held daily at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. Rev. Ray Sparks is pastor of the church.

hall is also used for community-wide events, and a new Lions Club is fostering civic projects in the community.

### Sun Employees In Production And Operating

While drilling slowed down the past year in the Silver area, Sun Oil Company's production and operating department requires more than fifty permanent employees to carry on the company's business.

Sun did considerable drilling this year in nearby Nolan County and developed a section of the growing field west and northwest of Maryneal.

Following is a list of Sun production permanent employees and their classifications:

- Area Supt., J. B. Higginbotham.
- Foreman, B. B. McDougale, Hale Kincaid, I. C. Snead, R. L. Hughes, J. D. Followill.
- Area Engineer, J. A. Morgan.
- Jr. Pet. Engineers, C. F. Crowson, W. A. Goodwyn, P. T. Wall.
- Area Chief Clerk, A. P. Gilbert.
- Sr. Field Clerks, O. H. Ramsey, W. E. Stone.
- Field Clerks, D. W. Albright, J. H. Byrd, F. P. Ferguson.
- Jr. Field Clerk, E. D. Bernard.
- M. M. Winget, Jr.
- Oil Tester, J. A. Clifton.
- Gang Pushers, O. F. Bradham, W. S. Shingleton.

- Roustabout Derrickmen, C. M. Bradberry, W. D. Shoemaker.
- Roustabouts, G. R. Brasuel, T. H. Dixon, B. C. Green, F. L. Haley, H. D. Payton, B. R. Rhea, J. W. Service, Jr., C. L. Sockwell, Ldeen Hill.
- Pumpers, Earl Boggus, L. B. Carden, G. C. Fugate, O. W. Gatlin, R. H. Godwin, C. M. Haigood, L. E. Heuvel, O. W. Higginbotham, C. A. Kennedy, F. E. Lacik, E. E. Lindsey, G. E. Lomas, C. N. Mayo, E. C. McArthur, E. W. Olson, W. W. Paul, W. A. Preston, C. A. Ramsey, J. D. Smith, Jr., J. A. Voelkel, C. G. Walker, F. S. Wycoff.
- Foreman, Cecil E. Palmer, Ass't. District Foreman.
- Willie L. Ashmore, District Clerk
- Ronald F. Theis, Field Gauger.
- Robert L. Coffman, Ass't. Gauger.
- Curtis A. Duke, Ass't. Gauger
- James T. Hays, Ass't. Gauger
- Ole S. Johnson, Jr., Ass't. Gauger.
- John T. Stewart, Ass't. Gauger
- Edgar W. Taylor, Ass't. Gauger
- William W. Dean, Station Engineer.
- Albert H. Jones, Station Engineer.
- Leonard K. McKinnon, Station Engineer.
- William E. Moore, Station Engineer.
- Marshall J. Jenings, Connection Foreman.
- John D. Jett, District Mechanic
- Edward L. Patrick, Mechanic Helper "A".
- William B. Fawvor, Jr., Pipe Liner.
- James E. Herford, Pipe Liner.
- James H. Spivey, Pipe Liner.
- Johnnie E. Walker, Pipe Liner.

### SUN PIPELINE EMPLOYEES IN SILVER AREA

Following is a list of employees of Sun Pipeline Co. in charge of handling crude oil production in the Silver area. The crude is pumped from the Silver station to the Gulf West Texas pipeline in Scurry County.

Ernest E. McClusky, District

## Silver Trucking Company

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### A SALUTE TO

## Oil Progress Week

October 14 - 20

And to the oil operators and drilling contractors in this area whom we serve.

## Ernest Clendennen

Welding Service

SILVER, TEXAS

## Texans Find Ike Stands For Same Things We Do

A fellow was in our town the other day selling men's suits. He was from St. Louis, and he said he was a manufacturer's representative. Grandpa would have called him a dry goods drummer, and Papa would have referred to him as a traveling salesman. This shows you how things change with time. But actually that fellow from St. Louis was doing just about what the earlier visitors did—trying to sell suits.

You might say that he stayed in the same place but the names went off and left him. Reminded me some of the political situation in Texas.

I was reading a letter in the daily newspaper last week, from a man who said he was going to vote for Eisenhower. "I am a Democrat," he wrote to the editor of the paper, "but I feel like the party has run off and left me."

Come to think of it, a lot of conservative-type Texas Democrats are in that shape today. They haven't changed their views much on such things as local control, government spending, bureaucratic red tape, and freedom of the individual; they still travel down the same road they did 20 or 30 years ago, even if they do it at 70 miles an hour instead of 25.

They grew up believing that a man could live down nearly any-

thing except voting for a Republican. They always voted 'er straight, until a good many of them jumped over the traces in '52 and went for Ike.

"I can't figure out what's happened," one of them told me. "Seems like Eisenhower talks like a Democrat and Stevenson talks like a college professor."

The other day this same fellow said: "I think I've got it figured out. Ike stands for the things us Texas Democrats have always stood for. Adlai is too thick with Walter Reuther and that crowd to suit me. I'm going for Ike again."

That's the way with most folks in our town. They decided to give Ike a try at it in '52, and they like the way he has gone about the job. There are some things they wished he'd done a little different, but by and large they think he has made us a fine President. At least all the hometown boys are back from Korea, and as far as we can tell the government is being run honestly.

Somebody asked that Missouri suit salesman how Mr. Truman was getting along, and he said he didn't know. "He isn't in the clothing business any more," he explained. "In fact, as far as I can tell, he is clear out of all kinds of business."

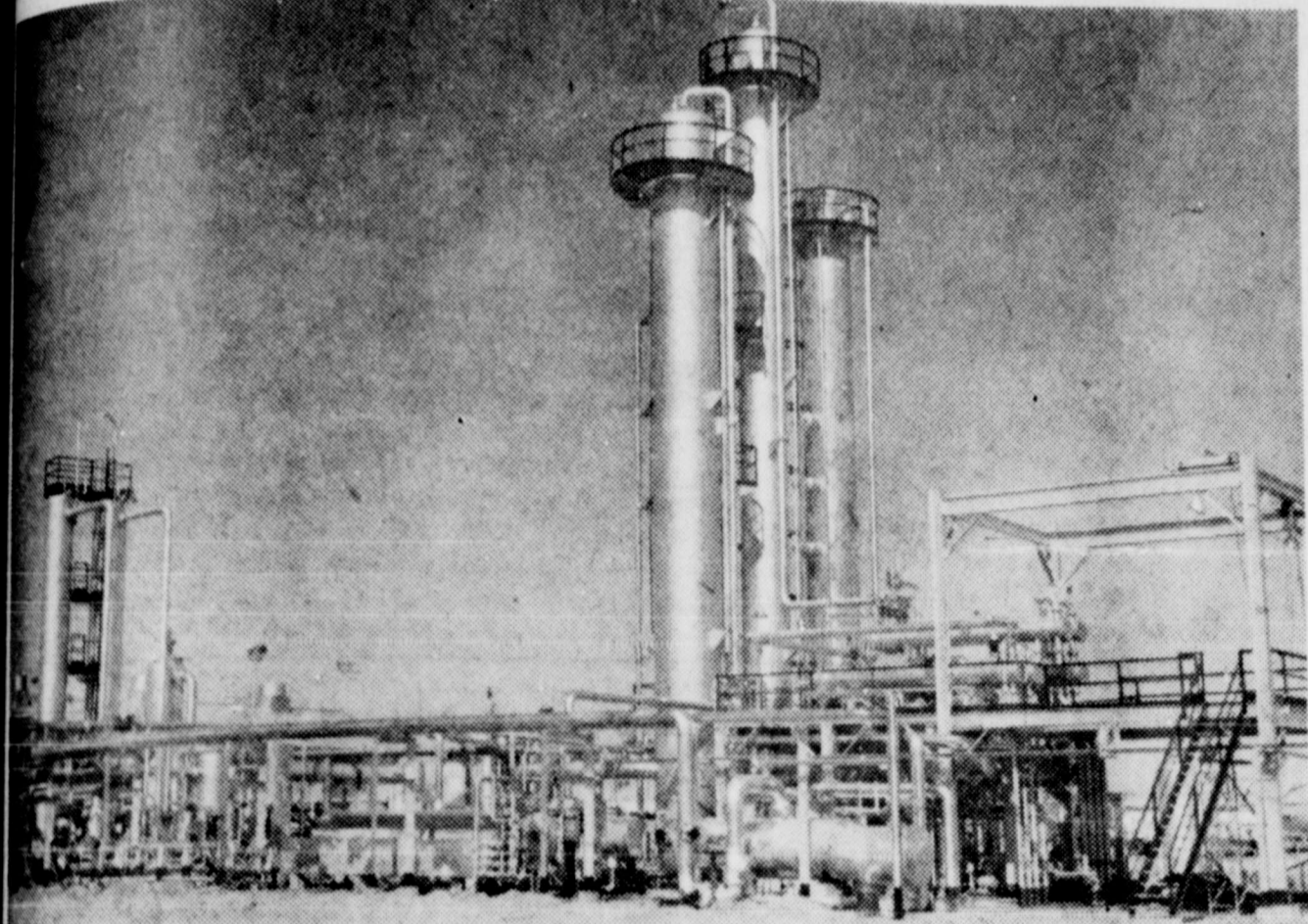
Yours Truly,  
*Tex*

(Pol. adv. paid for by Texas Democrats for Eisenhower, Weldon Hart, Director.)

## JOE WEDDLE

## Contractor

SILVER, TEXAS



SUN'S JAMESON NATURAL GASOLINE PLANT—The above photo shows one of the new cooling towers and a myriad of pipes installed as a part of the plant's expansion the past year. Large enough to process more than 50 million cubic feet of gas daily, the Jameson plant is now equipped to manufacture propane, while its liquid petroleum products were previously limited to casing head gasoline and butane. Butane from the Jameson plant is used almost exclusively in nearby territory for heating and cooking, while some is trucked a considerable distance and the company ships some of its products by tank car. Sun's loading rack on the new Santa Fe spur from Maryneal is located on the R. S. Anderson property north of Silver.

### Employed By Perkins-Prothro

Perkins-Prothro Oil Co. of Wichita Falls has upwards of 120 producing oil wells across the river southwest of Silver. They have their own office and warehouse and bellings for their employees in a camp a mile west of the new Colorado River Bridge. Following is list of the Perkins-Prothro employees and their classifications:  
T. E. Covington, Superintendent.  
Jack E. McCallie, Foreman.  
Fred W. Wilcox, Engineer.  
D. W. Riggs, Office.  
Calvin Stafford, Utility Man.  
John Conley, Lease Switcher.  
Doug Gartman, Lease Switcher.  
Leslie Copeland, Lease Switcher.  
Zeddie Beal, Lease Switcher.  
Wilbern Millican, Lease Switcher.  
W. R. Whitaker, Lease Switcher.  
Billy Muncrief, Lease Switcher.  
Billy Jones, Lease Switcher.

### Jameson Strawn Field Showing Less Production

Oil wells in the Jameson Strawn field at Silver were producing an average of 1,277 barrels of oil

per month in April, 1955, but the figure dropped to 858 barrels a year later.

This situation has been cited by Henry Lee, of Sun Oil Company's Tax Department in Dallas, who is assigned to handle the company's tax matters in Coke County.

In April 1955 he reported 348 wells in the Jameson strawn field produced a total of 444,433 barrels of oil, but in May 1956 the production for 506 wells had dropped to 434,008 barrels.

The loss is said to have due by a cut in producing days, while some of the wells are not making their allowable permitted by the Railroad Commission.

Here's the table by months showing the number of wells and the amount of oil they produced during the month:

Year 1955		Year 1956	
No. Wells	Month	No. Wells	Month
348	April	499	January
370	May	502	February
447	June	498	March
465	July	504	April
476	August		
482	September		
485	October		
494	November		
494	December		
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506 May 434,008

Note: The field was shut in most of December to prevent wasteful flaring.

### Pumping Jobs For More Men

In addition to several major operators there are a number of smaller concerns who have production in the Silver area. Following is a list of their employees, largely classified as pumpers:

- Stanolind—R. D. Arthur, farm boss.
- Texas Co.—David R. Haught.
- Sinclair—Frank Mullican.
- Chester Hunter—Myrtle Jameson.
- Chapel Hill—J. C. Windham.
- Crescent—Marion Cox and Roy Walker.
- S. E. Adams and Southwester Natural—Charlie Arnold.

More than 80 million acres of federal lands are now under lease to private enterprises for oil and gas exploration and production in the United States, Alaska, and under the sea on the continental shelf.

The four biggest users of residual fuel oil are industrial plants, shipping, heating, and utilities.

## S. E. 'Skinny' Adams Oil Properties Insurance

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# The Sun Grocery

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## Telecast and Three Broadcasts to Be Aired by Humble

A live telecast and broadcasts of three Southwest Conference football games will be sponsored Saturday by Humble Oil & Refining Co.

The SMU-Rice game will be regionally televised from Rice Stadium in Houston. Kern Tips and Alec Chesser will be there to describe the play-by-play and color. Telecast time is 8 p.m. Stations in this area which will carry the telecast are KRBC-TV, Abilene; KBST-TV, Big Spring; KMBD, Midland; and KTXL-TV, San Angelo.

The Rice-Smu game will also be broadcast from Houston with Dave Russell and Eddie Barker relaying the play-by-play and color. Broadcast time is 7:50 p.m. Among others the following stations will carry the broadcast: WFAA, Dallas-570; WBAP, Fort Worth-570; KONO, San Antonio-860; KWKC, Abilene-1340; KCB, Lubbock-1590; and WACO, Waco-1460.

The Texas A&M-TCU game will be broadcast from College Station. Ves Box and Jim Wiggins will do the play by play. Stations which can be heard in this area which will carry the broadcast are: WFAA, Dallas-820; WBAP, Fort Worth-820; WOAI, San Antonio-1200; KRIG, Odessa-920; KWKC, Abilene-1340; KGNC, Amarillo-710; KCB, Lubbock - 1590; K X O X, Sweetwater-1240; KVMC, Colorado City-1320.

Texas and Arkansas play in Austin. Bob Walker and Dave Smith will be there to broadcast the action and color beginning at 7:50 p. m. (CST) over the following area stations: KRLD, Dallas-Fort Worth-1080; KENS, San Antonio-680; KLYN, Amarillo-940; KRBC, Abilene-1470; KWFT, Wichita Falls 620; KECK, Odessa-920; KFYO, Lubbock-790; KRUN, Ballinger-1400.

## Asphalt Important Product of Oil

Ever wonder where the asphalt comes from that you see every day on city streets, country lanes and broad highways?

Asphalt is a petroleum product. It comes from the same crude oil that supplies the gasoline that pushes your car down the highway.

Let's follow a batch of crude oil through the units of Humble Oil and Refining Company's Baytown refinery and see the black mass of asphalt emerge at the loading platform, ready for trucks to carry it out to do a road-building job.

The production of asphalt at the Humble refinery is basically a three-phase process. The crude oil flowing into the refinery first goes to the stills where it is boiled and the light fractions — propane, butane, gasoline, and others — vaporize and go to the top. The oil left in the bottom of the stills then flows to the Propane Lube Plant where oils which will later be processed for the production of lubricants are separated from the asphalt by a process known as desalting. The black, heavy residue that is one of the products of this plant is asphalt, which flows to the Asphalt Plant for further processing.

At the Asphalt Plant, the residue is processed to produce the various grades of asphalt that are required for various uses. The asphalts produced fall into two broad categories, penetration types and cutback types. The penetration type is thick and hard for use on modern super highways which need a surface to withstand continued heavy pounding. The cut-

back asphalts are used on city streets, most farm-to-market roads and for topping jobs of various types.

Specification testing on the asphalt is checked by Humble men and also by inspectors of the Texas Highway Department before it is delivered to roadbuilding contractors for use on state roads.

## Permian Basin Biggest Oil Field In United States

To anyone familiar with the petroleum industry, Permian Basin means oil — oil in such great quantities that it is difficult to imagine. The Basin area is the largest gas and oil producing area in the United States, providing one-fifth of the nation's oil from some 50,289 producing wells. Since the first commercial production 35 years ago, nearly five and one-half billion barrels of petroleum have been produced from this area, and there is still more oil to be recovered than has already been produced.

The Basin actually begins in Kansas and extends through portions of six states, but to oil people the area of most importance is made up of two counties in

southeastern New Mexico and 33 counties in western Texas — an area slightly greater than the state of Pennsylvania. Roughly, the Basin extends from Sweetwater, Texas on the east to Artesia, New Mexico, on the west; from Hall county on the north to central Pecos county on the south.

The use of the word "basin" in referring to the area might lead one to believe that the Permian Basin is a depression in the surface of the land. That is not true. The term refers to the structure of the underlying rocks in the area, not to the surface. The "Stake Plains" of the Panhandle, the highest continuous area in the state, are a part of the Basin, as are the level prairies, the sand dune areas, and the mountains and hills of other sectors.

## Oil Industry Makes Strides In West Texas

Crude oil production in West Texas rose from nearly 360 million barrels in 1954 to nearly 395 million barrels in 1955. Even before that, substantial increase in production West Texas led the oil regions in the nation in amount of

oil produced — in fact, flowing more oil than any state save Texas.

Major geologic feature of this region is the Permian Basin, which gave West Texas its first major production. Today, however, production isn't limited to Permian formations. Pennsylvanian, Mississippian, Devonian, Silurian, Ordovician, and even Cambrian ages are represented by producing formations.

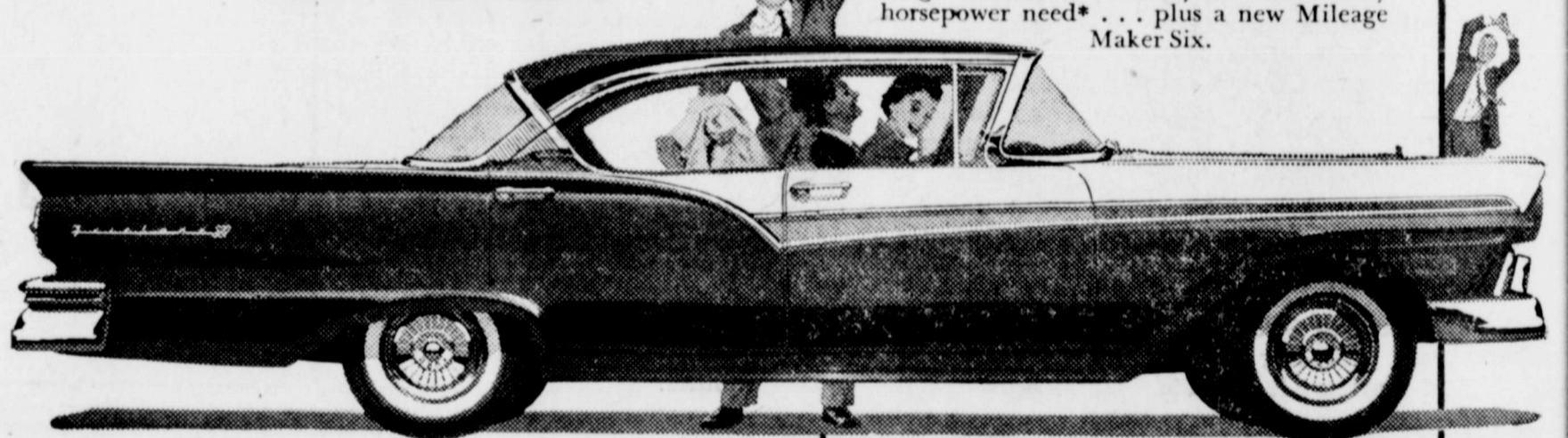
The area has 57 gas processing plants with a combined daily capacity of more than 2.5 billion cubic feet. These plants processed

more than 1.75 billion cubic per day in 1955. Liquid produced from these operations amounted to 133,511 barrels a day.

There are five oil refineries in West Texas, processing about 699 barrels of crude oil a day in 1956.

All types of wells drilled by industry in the area during first seven months of 1956 totaled 3,310. Of these 2,710 were oil condensate, 19 gas, 4 service and 565 dry holes. It is interesting to note that nearly 20 per cent of the attempts to find oil in West Texas were unsuccessful.

## What put the magic in the new kind of FORD?



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**The roof got lower.** And it's designed to let you make the easy entries and graceful exits you've always known.

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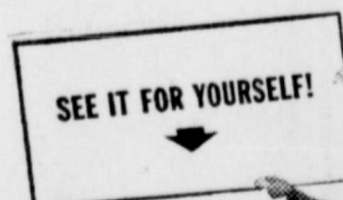
**The room got bigger.** There's head room to spare for a tycoon-type hat. There's real stretch-out leg room, too.

**The lines got sweeter.** They have the Touch of Tomorrow. Each graceful contour says, "Let's go!"

**The style got smarter.** With this new-look Ford you have a car that belongs anywhere! All Fairlane models look like hardtops.

**The value got greater . . .** the price is still Ford-low.

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WE RECEIVE MANY MORE BENEFITS

Yes, like everyone in the United States, we have the privilege of enjoying the use of high quality products which have been developed through years of research and the expenditure of lots of money. But here we are even more fortunate in having lots of oil under our county. Great benefits have resulted from taxes which the oil industry pays in this county. Only last Saturday a fine new court house, second to none, was dedicated. The schools at Silver, Robert Lee and Bronte all have fine new buildings and teaching equipment. Two county parks are being made realities right

now. Roads and streets have been paved with oil money, and county roads have been put up in good shape. The benefits have been far-reaching.

Not only has tax money benefited our county. Many jobs with good pay have been made available to our residents. Scores of folks from other places have moved into our midst, and they all help business and are assets to the social and cultural life of our community.

We're mighty proud to have the oil industry in Coke County. The many fine people and wealth it has brought are indeed welcome.

# Commissioners Court

COKE COUNTY, TEXAS