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AUDITOR GIVES STATEMENT OF COUNTY FUNDS

Important to every citizen is the annual Financial Report of Coke County for the year of 1956 published in this newspaper.

The report in detail as to the various funds and offices was compiled by County Auditor Weldon Fikes, who also prepares a monthly statement for guidance of the Commissioners Court. County records are also audited by a certified accountant of Lubbock.

The statement is complete except for a table showing Coke County's warranted and bonded indebtedness, and a recapitulation of funds showing receipts, disbursements and balances. Lack of space prevented these appearing this week, but they will be published next week to wind up the entire report.

Auditor Fikes advises that the Commissioners' operating funds which are used for road and bridge work are separated into the four commissioner precincts.

This results from the agreement reached some time back which provides that money be divided among the precincts on the following percentage basis:

Precinct 1	32%
Precinct 2	26%
Precinct 3	22%
Precinct 4	20%

Funds included in this agreement are Road and Bridge Regular, Road & Bridge Special, Farm to Market and Flood Control and Lateral Road.

Source of money for these four funds includes a 15c per \$100 valuation county tax levy for both Road and Bridge Regular and Road & Bridge Special, making a total levy of 30c for the two funds.

Money for the Farm to Market and Flood Control fund is derived from a 30c state levy after the Upper Colorado River Authority receives a set amount each year. The remainder is turned back to the county for use in building Farm to Market Roads and for Flood Control.

Since taxing values of Coke County have increased materially during the past ten years that the FCRA has been functioning, there is also a greater increase in the amount turned back to the county.

Money for the Lateral Road fund is received from the State of Texas, being Coke County's share of the surplus funds derived from the

Silver Lions Will Collect For Newspaper

Silver Lions Club will again collect subscriptions for The Robert Lee Observer. They will receive a 25% commission and all money earned will be used in promoting community projects.

Members of the Lions Club have been given cards showing the name of all subscribers in the Silver area, and the date the subscription expires.

It is pointed out that persons who renew before July 1 have the opportunity to get in on the old rate of \$2.00 per year. Renewals for a couple of years will also be accepted at the old rate.

The Observer carries a Silver news section each week, and the newspaper has 100 subscribers in that community.

Lions club members are hoping to complete the canvass by July 1.

state gasoline tax.

Sinking and interest funds will be shown in the recapitulation of various county funds, the schedule of which is to appear next week.

County-wide sinking and interest funds are set up to pay off bonds and interest on the Hospital, Court House and Park bond issues.

These bonds were authorized by a majority vote of the people to be issued against the Permanent Improvement Fund, commonly referred to as the Court House and Jail Fund, and no additional tax levies were required.

Last year 25c was levied for the Permanent Improvement Fund and 18c of this went into the sinking and interest fund created to retire the above bond issues.

Precincts 1, 2, and 3 have road bond levies voted by two-thirds majorities in their respective precincts. Extra taxes levied for this purpose in these precincts last year were as follows:

Precinct 1	13c
Precinct 2	35c
Precinct 3	20c

FAMILY GATHERING

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Bloodworth of near Silver were happy to have all their children and their families home for a reunion over the weekend. The event was planned especially to greet the oldest son, Allen Bloodworth, who recently returned with his family from two years in Thailand. The other children are Raymond and Ernest Bloodworth of Silver, Clayton of Fort Worth, Mrs. W. Alan Robertson and Mrs. J. C. Walker, Jr. of Robert Lee and Mrs. Willie R. Price of Crane. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Walker were also dinner guests on Sunday and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Walker joined the group later in the day.

J. W. Eads and family and Mrs. Lillie Gaines returned Monday night from a two weeks' trip to Hill City, Kans., where they visited the F. L. Wanker family. Mrs. Wanker is the former Bertie Mae Gaines. The Robert Lee folks report lost of water all the way up to Kansas.

Sonora Comes Sunday For Twister Tilt

Robert Lee Rabbit Twisters entertain Sonora next Sunday at 3 at the new county park diamond. The locals will be strengthened with Norman Roberts in the lineup and possibly Lester Bird.

In an early season contest the Twisters defeated Sonora without trouble, but Pat Lyles and his Broncos are reported to have better pitching now, and they will be hard to handle.

Robert Lee was idle last week. Only two Concho Basin League contests were played, Kirby winning a double bill from Miles, 9 to 1 and 5 to 4.

A ruckus has developed over the other scheduled twin bill. Sonora appeared at the Goodfellow diamond, but the Skyhawks didn't show up and both games were forfeited to Sonora.

Skyhawk manager claims the grounds were too wet and for that reason he did not attempt to field a team. The matter is to be arbitrated at a hearing this week.

EARLY MAIL TO BRONTE

Postmaster H. S. Lewis, Jr. announces a change in star route mail service between Robert Lee and Bronte. Carrier R. L. Read now leaves for Bronte at 6:00 a.m. and returns here at 7. It is two hours earlier than the former schedule and permits mail coming down from Maryneal and Sweetwater on the Santa Fe to be delivered at Silver without laying over here until the following day. Mr. Read now goes on his run to the Divide and Edith before 8 a.m., which is also the departure time for Sam Williams' trip to Sanco and Silver.

SILVER GOSPEL MEETING

Bill Pugh will preach at the Silver Church of Christ beginning Sunday, June 9, through June 16. The public is invited to attend services each night at 8 o'clock. Regular preacher at the Silver Church is Foy L. Moore.



W. J. LEACH of Ballinger is doing the preaching at Gospel Meetings this week at the North Side Church of Christ in Robert Lee. Good singing is featured and much interest has been expressed. Services are held each evening at 8. The meetings will be concluded with services next Sunday at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. The public is invited.

Many Attended Sparks Family Annual Reunion

Annual reunion of the Sparks family took place in Robert Lee over the past weekend. Kinfolks began arriving last Wednesday and others came later in the week. Headquarters were maintained in the home of Mrs. E. T. Sparks where a barbecue dinner was featured Sunday noon. The food was served by a catering firm from San Angelo.

Mrs. Sparks, who has been a Coke County resident 51 years, was happy to have seven of her nine children present for the annual gathering. Unable to be present was a son, W. M. Sparks of Roswell, New Mex., and a daughter, Mrs. Jerry Hasty of Sweetwater.

The children, most of whom were accompanied by their families, who were present included Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Stewart (Annie Lee) of Albuquerque, New Mex., Mrs. G. L. Swanson and daughter of Stephenville, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Blair (Ruth) and daughter of Phoenix, Ariz., Curtis Sparks and family of Sterling City.

Also Rev. and Mrs. H. W. Hulse and family of Wichita Falls, S. B. Sparks and family of Pecos and C. L. Sparks and family of Robert Lee.

Married grandchildren present were Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Stewart and children of Albuquerque, New Mex., and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Walker of Mullin.

LAMBS BROUGHT \$22.65

Aldwell & Rudd this week delivered 1,200 blackface crossbred lambs to Midwest feed yards in San Angelo. Considered the best the yard had handled in more than 10 years, the lambs were raised on the Weaver Ranch, south of Robert Lee. They weighed from 88 to 94 pounds and averaged around 91 pounds. Fred Ball of the Midwest yards purchased the lambs in a sealed bid sale some time ago. The price was \$22.65 per hundred pounds. Jack Rudd of Robert Lee is a partner of Lea Aldwell of San Angelo in operating the Weaver spread.

The energy obtained yearly from crude oil and natural gas is the equivalent of the work of 33 servants for every man, woman and child in the nation.

RAINS LET UP AND FARMERS GO TO FIELDS

Clear skies this week were welcomed by farmers anxious to get on with field work after a month of nearly continuous rainy weather.

Some crops are up and need plowing, but most feed crops and cotton are yet to be planted. There is plenty of time for planting. June is regarded as cotton planting month in West Texas, while feed crops can be put in most any time during the summer.

A good oat crop will also be ready for harvesting with a few days of dry weather. Oat fields look good and should yield well, if no rust damage develops.

Rains continued over the past weekend. Heavy downpours occurred, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, with small showers following on Sunday and Monday.

May turned out to be a wet month with a total of 7.10 inches. June started out in grand style with 2.20 inches being gauged during the first four days.

It brings the 1957 total rainfall up to 15.20 inches, according to a record kept by D. J. Walker, Sr. Here's the May report:

May 2-3	.30
May 10	2.10
May 11	.60
May 12	.80
May 13	.40
May 17	.90
May 23	.50
May 26	.25
May 27	.35
May 31	.90
May total	7.10

June 1	.90
June 2	1.00
June 3	.20
June 4	.10
June to date	2.20

Here's the rainfall since January 1 gauged by Mr. Walker at the north edge of Robert Lee:

January	.90
February	1.25
March	.75
April	3.10
May	7.10
June	2.20
Total	15.20

Total rainfall at Robert Lee during the entire year of 1956 was 12 inches.

Methodist Ministers Appointed

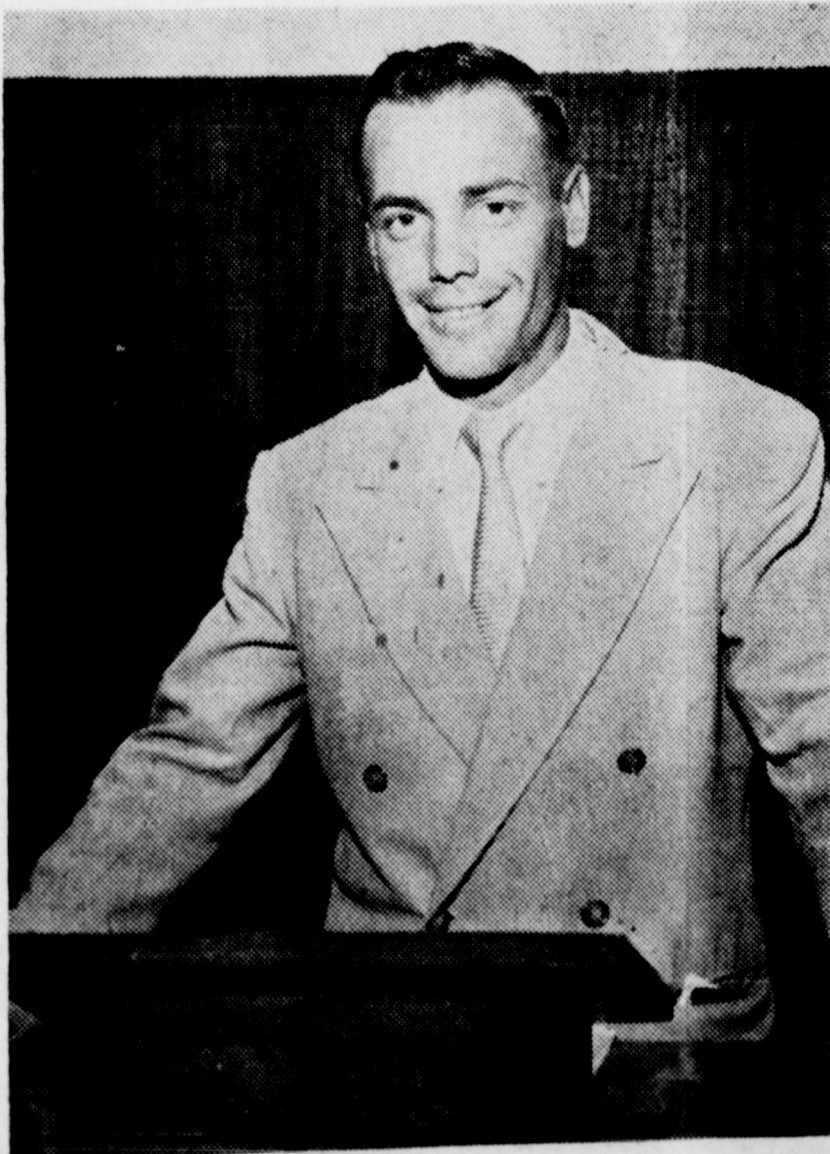
The Rev. Travis McNair was returned to Robert Lee in the assignment of ministers at conclusion of the Southwest Conference of the Methodist Church in San Antonio last week.

Rev. McNair served on the cabinet during the conference. His wife accompanied him to San Antonio but no lay delegates from Robert Lee attended.

Rev. McNair came to the Robert Lee church in the autumn of 1955, succeeding Rev. Warren Ellis, who was transferred to Junction.

The McNair family is held in high esteem by the entire community. The pastor and his family were honored with a "pounding" and congregational dinner at the church parlor Wednesday night.

Other appointments of local interest: Rev. Warren Ellis returned to Junction; Rev. Lin Loeffler to Bronte-Hayrick, and Rev. Charles A. Camp to Silver.



BILL PUGH

... to preach at Silver next week

Silver News

Jack McCallie was named president of the Silver school board at a meeting Monday night. He was chosen for the position after Ernest Clendennen resigned. Mr. McCallie is production foreman for Perkins-Prothro and resides in the company's camp six miles southwest of Silver.

Mrs. Ann York and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Callaway of Corpus Christi spent the past two weeks here with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Latick. Both ladies are sisters of Mr. Latick.

W. L. Carr was over from San Angelo Tuesday looking after his property west of Silver. He had some recent damage from hail to his farm buildings.

Mrs. Bob Odom attended the Postmaster's Convention in Dallas the fore part of this week. She spent Sunday night with relatives in San Angelo and made the round trip to Dallas by air in company with a postmaster of Eola. Mrs. C. T. Wilkes, Sr., has been in charge of the Silver post office during the absence of Mrs. Odom.

The L. B. Carden family was honored with a farewell coffee Thursday morning at Sun Recreation Hall. Mrs. Carden was presented with a George Washington bedspread and Mr. Carden received a leather brief case. He resigned as a Sun Oil Co. pumper and has moved to Waco where he will be a district agent for International Life Insurance Co.

Mrs. Shaney Evans left Tuesday for her home at Bakersfield, Calif., after an extended visit here with her daughter, Mrs. George Fugate, and family.

W. H. Keener and wife are making a week's visit with their daughter and her family at Carthage.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Post and two daughters left Wednesday for Louisiana where they will visit relatives during his week's vacation from Jameson gasoline plant.

Kay Stewart is a new stenographer at Jameson Gasoline Plant, and is the first woman employee to work in any of the Sun Oil offices at Silver. The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John T. Stewart, Kay recently completed her freshman year in commercial work at Tex-

as Tech. It is a permanent position.

Other summer roustabouts reporting for work at Jameson plant the past week were Tommy Kirkpatrick of Robert Lee, Tommy Jamison of Colorado City and John Avant of Laredo. Still to report is Hollis Gainey of Colorado City. He is a member of the crack University of Texas sprint relay team which has been taking part in late meets.

Jack Morgan is the owner of a new air conditioned Ford station wagon purchased the past week from Ivey Motor Co. in Robert Lee. Mr. Morgan is a Sun production engineer.

Earl Barnard spent the weekend with home folks at Kilgore and Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Goodwyn visited in Waco.

Don Albright and his wife will serve as counselors next week at a Lake Brownwood camp for young people of the Christian Church of Colorado City. Mr. Albright is a field clerk at Sun production office here and resides in Colorado City.

Earl Lindsey, C. G. Walker and John Clifton are among Sun employees now on vacations. Also Lewis Heuvel, pumper at the Millican field.

Hale Kincaid was called to Abilene on Memorial Day by the death of his step-mother. Funeral services were held Friday.

Mrs. R. S. Anderson visited over the weekend at Slaton with her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. O. O. Burleson. She reports that Mr. Burleson is much improved from a recent illness.

W. E. Moore and Jim Herford, Sun Pipeline Co. employees, have returned from vacations.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. McClusky have left on a two weeks' vacation visit with relatives and friends in the Beaumont area. Their daughter, Dorothy, who attended San Angelo College the past semester, has gone to Snyder where she will have summer employment in the Sun Pipeline Co. office. Mr. McClusky is foreman of Sun Pipeline for the Silver station.

Sonny Palmer has begun summer work with Sun Pipeline Co. here. The son of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Palmer, Sonny has completed his third year at Texas A & M.

Mrs. J. D. Jett and Mrs. C. A. Dukes and children returned Monday from a week's visit with kinfolks and friends at Sour Lake and other Gulf points.

Marshall Jennings, Sun Pipeline connection foreman, entered the Colorado City hospital Monday for observation and treatment. Mrs. Postlewaite, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jennings, and her children recently arrived for an extended visit here. The husband and father has entered a veterans hospital at Houston for treatment of arthritis.

Mike McCollum, 11 years old, of Liberty is here for a week's visit with his uncle, W. L. (Pete) Ashmore and family. Mike made the trip by air from Houston to San Angelo.

FFA Boys Gross Over \$4,000 in 56-57

The Robert Lee FFA boys have just completed totaling their stock show records for 1956-57 and find they sold \$4,260.00 at the various livestock shows.

The records show the chapter members received \$311.50 in prize money, \$2,425 in premium sale money and \$1,835 in non premium sale money.

Those attending by the group included the various livestock shows Coke County Jr. Show, Abilene, Houston and San Angelo. The chapter concluded the year with 30 FFA members.

A breakdown of the shows include:

21 boys exhibited 61 head of

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stock at the County Show winning \$283 in prize money and selling \$1,601.24 in prize winning stock.

8 members exhibited 11 animals at the Abilene Show winning \$6.00 in prize money and \$265.10 in sale money.

7 boys exhibited 11 animals at Houston and received \$23.50 in prize money and \$408.62 in premium money.

6 members exhibited 9 lambs at San Angelo winning no prize money and a premium sale of \$150.00.

This makes a total of \$311.50 in prize money and a premium sale list of \$2,424, non-premium animals amounted to \$1,835.

The total gross sale of \$4,260 is not the net profit made for the year but is only the total gross sale from FFA fed animals.

Without the Coke County Jr. Livestock Show and the individuals and business men backing the Robert Lee FFA Chapter the boys certainly would not have been able to bring back to Robert Lee the \$5,260 received for their animals.

A big business indeed to Robert Lee and Coke County.

S. D. Hoots of Bronte was in this week to renew The Observer, having been a continuous reader since World War I. He is in Robert Lee this week spending much time at the bedside of his wife, who was brought to Coke County Memorial Hospital Saturday night after suffering a stroke. She had been recovering from a heart attack when she was stricken.

HEAR FAMOUS ORCHESTRA

Several Robert Lee residents enjoyed a concert by the Philadelphia Philharmonic Orchestra in San Angelo last Thursday night. Sponsored by the San Angelo College Entertainment Association, the great orchestra gave two concerts in San Angelo, its only stop in Texas on a tour back from the west coast. City Auditorium was filled both nights to see the famous Eugene Ormandy conduct this outstanding group. San Angelo dedicated the appearance of the orchestra to other symphony cities of Texas and their conductors. Those attending from Robert Lee were Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Webb, Mrs. Sam Powell, Mrs. Frank Coalson and daughter, Mrs. Tractell Rogers, and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Allen.

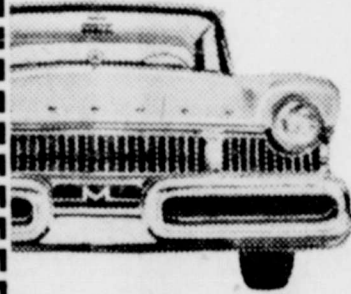
PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Jim L. Reid, Jr. and children, Wilbert Lee, Loyd Ray, Berth-el and Eldred, came out from Grand Prairie to visit among kinfolks and attend the Saco reunion. Jim is in the radio-TV repair business at Grand Prairie.

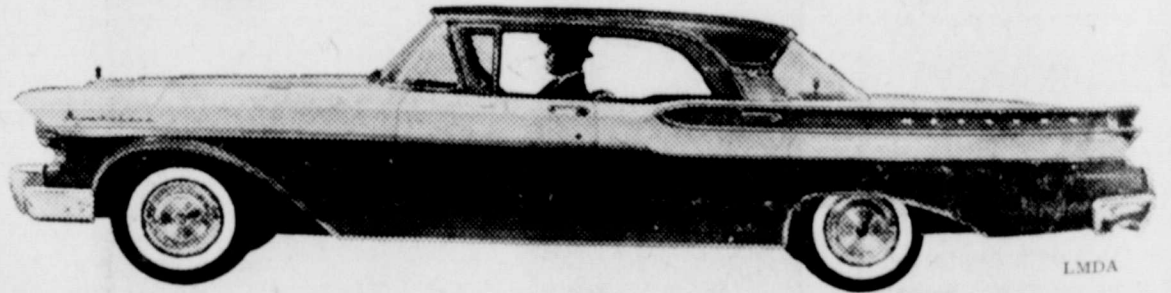
Mrs. Ray Lee arrived Saturday for a week's visit with Robert Lee friends and is a house guest of Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Crum. Her husband, the late Ray Lee, was a Methodist pastor here a few years ago. Mrs. Lee resides at Midlothian where she manages a department store owned by her sister.

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Home Demonstration Agent's Column

By FAY C. ROE
Home Demonstration Agent

By the time you read this I will be nearing the end of a short vacation.

Thought I'd go to East Texas to see if they are as wet as we are! The rains are nice, but goodness we are about to mildew! My family and I will spend our "free time" near Paris and Honey Grove with my kin. I'll be back in office Tuesday June 11 for H. D. Council.

On Friday, June 14 at 1:30 p. m. Mrs. C. N. Cornwell of San Angelo will conduct a training meeting on rug making. Leaders from H. D. Clubbs and others are invited to come to this meeting to be held in the Conference room in the court house. She will show and tell how to make rugs from rags including cutting, dying, and actually making the rugs.

HOSPITAL NEWS

May 29—Bill Ledbetter admitted. Mrs. J. W. Service, Jr., and infant daughter, Konny, dismissed.

May 30—Mrs. Dick Skipworth, Mrs. Lee Roberts admitted.

May 31—Mrs. Lee Hallmark admitted. Mr. V. G. Goodwin expired at 5:45 p. m.

June 1—Mrs. Mary McKool, Vicki McAdams, Mrs. S. D. Hoots admitted. Leslie Hatfield dismissed. Also dismissed were Mrs. Bert Sheppard and infant daughter, Deborah Lynn.

June 2—James W. Osborne admitted for first aid treatment and dismissed. Mrs. Gale A. Brown admitted.

June 3—Mrs. Mary McKool dismissed.

June 4—Billy Ledbetter, Vicki McAdams dismissed.

June 5—J. C. Hamilton dismissed.

LEGAL NOTICE

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF COKE ss

Pursuant to an order of the Commissioners Court of Coke County, Texas, passed and entered on the 3rd day of June, 1957, notice is hereby given that at 10:00 o'clock a. m. on the 1st day of July, 1957, in the Commissioner's Court room in the Coke County Court House in Robert Lee, Texas, Jeff Dean, a special Commissioner appointed by said court, will hold and preside over a public auction and sale where in the following described land, belonging to said Coke County Texas:

Being 14 acres of land, more or less out of H. & T. C. Ry. Co. Survey No. 308, Blk 1A, described as follows, to-wit:

Said tract being out of the Southwest quarter of said Survey 308, and being triangular in shape and bounded on the South by the South Boundary line of said Section 308, on the West by the West Boundary line of said Section 308 and on the North and Northeast side by the South Boundary line of the old Robert Lee-Colorado City Public Road, said land being the same land described in that certain deed dated June 13, 1931, executed by W. H. Bell, County Judge of Coke County to B. W. Bilbo recorded in Vol. 52 at page 483 of the Deed Records of Coke County, Texas, reference to which said deed as the same appears of Record is here made for all of the particulars

will be sold to the highest and best bidder.

Jeff Dean
Commissioner for sale
Publish June 7-14-21.

Woman From India to Speak Here June 13

Robert Lee people will be privileged to hear an interesting speaker next Thursday night, June 13, at 8 o'clock in the Methodist Church.

She is Mrs. Marguerite Bunyard Randhawa of Calcutta, India, who is making a visit among relatives in San Angelo. A former Tom Green county resident, Mrs. Randhawa married a native of India who was a fighter pilot during World War II.

Several local people have heard her speak and report that she tells a most interesting story of the people of her chosen homeland.

The event is being sponsored by the Methodist ladies and the public is invited to attend.

Ben Goodwin, Oil Operator, Dies Suddenly

V. G. (Ben) Goodwin, 47, veteran drilling superintendent for J. C. Dozier, was fatally stricken with a heart attack near Silver late Friday afternoon. He died at 5:45 p. m. a few minutes after being brought to Coke Memorial Hospital.

Goodwin and his wife had been here the past two months while he was looking after the wildcat well on Billie Hanks. He was at the location when stricken.

The Goodwins occupied a garage apartment at the W. B. Clift home. Mrs. Goodwin said her husband suffered a serious heart attack seven years ago.

He had headquarters at Wichita, Kans., and Denver, Colo. The body was taken to Sterling, Kans., in the Clift funeral coach. Funeral rites were pending arrival of a son who was stationed in Europe.

Relatives from Kansas, including a married daughter and a brother of Mr. Goodwin, hurried here and went back with the funeral party.

Mr. and Mrs. Clift, who drove the funeral coach, returned to their home here Monday night.

LOCAL NEWS

Norman Roberts and family arrived last week from Commerce where the former is a student at East Texas State. They have moved into the C. E. Benningfield rent house for the summer while Norman is employed at Texas Natural Gasoline Corp. plant southwest of Silver.

Roland McArthur recently finished the term at Cisco Junior College and will be employed this summer as a Sun Oil Co. production roustabout at Silver. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. McArthur of Millican Camp. Richard Howlett, who was also a student at Cisco Junior College, is working for Sun this summer at Delhi, La.

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Clark left Sunday to spend a few days with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Craddock, and children on their ranch near Medina.

Mrs. Bryan Yarbrough last week completed here eighth year as teacher in the third grade at Lake View, where she also teaches public school music in the 3rd, 4th and 5th grades. Mrs. Yarbrough plans to spend most of the summer at her home in Robert Lee.

Delmir Morris Sheppard and family left this week for Watford City, N. Dak., where he is handling tools on a rig owned by Rutledge Drilling Co. John Auten is his drilling superintendent. Delmir Morris was on a two weeks vacation and spent the period here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Delmir Sheppard.

HERE COMES THE BAD NEWS!

NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS

Effective July 1, 1957, subscription rates of The Robert Lee Observer will be as follows:

IN COKE COUNTY

One Year in Advance - - - - \$2.50

OUTSIDE COKE COUNTY

One Year in Advance - - - - \$3.00

This is the first subscription raise in 11 years. While other small papers have gone ahead and advanced prices and everything else has gone up, we hesitated to make this announcement. However, increased costs of printing a lively newspaper, using lots of pictures and other factors have made it imperative to increase subscription rates.

It isn't such a big jump. Only from 4 to 5 cents per copy for folks here at home, and from 5 to 6 cents an issue for the papers sent off which we have to wrap separately and pay the postage.

HERE'S THE GOOD NEWS

From now until July 1 you can renew or send a new subscription at the old rates. You can even pay a year or two ahead before the increase goes into effect. Your cooperation is requested in getting all subscriptions on a current basis before July 1.

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Swimming Lessons

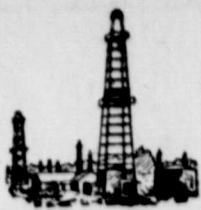
TO START JUNE 3

Swimming lessons will be offered at the new pool in Robert Lee starting next Monday morning, June 3, at 9 a. m.

Lessons will be given to children six years of age and above. The fee is 75c per lesson, plus the 15c pool admission.

Lessons will be given twice a week, probably on Mondays and Thursdays.

Instruction will be in charge of Freddy McDonald and Tom Sawyer.



Notes From The Oil Field

Humble Tries For Completion On I. A. Bird

Humble Oil & Refining Co. has set 5 1/2-inch casing at 6,806 feet for completion attempt at the No. 1 I. A. Bird, et ux, in 474-1A-H&TC, Coke County multipay prospect located 12 miles northwest of Robert Lee.

Operators the middle of this week squeezed off Ellenburger perforations between 6,709-6,727 feet. The section was acidized with 1,500 gallons and swabbed dry.

Strawn reef production was virtually assured when the project flowed oil at the rate of 8.34 barrels per hour for three hours and 34 minutes on a test between 6,200-218 feet. Reversed out, was a full string of oil.

Sun will drill another offset to

its Cynthia Malone discovery at Panther Gap, 15 miles northwest of Robert Lee.

Its No. 1 Florine Price, a northwest offset, was plugged and abandoned this week at 5,796 feet. Dugger & Herring will move rotary equipment to the second offset location.

Gulf 1-A Marvin Simpson, drilling early this week at 5,900 feet.

Chevrolet Sales Are Reported

Vaughan Chevrolet Co. of Robert Lee reports the following sales of new Chevrolet units during the past three months:

MARCH

J. F. Hamilton, Jr., Bel Air
Richard V. Beck, Bel Air 4-dr.
Paul Burns, 4-dr. Sedan
Marvin Asbury, 1/2-ton pickup
K. L. Bolen, 4-dr. Bel Air
B. G. Bruce, 1/2-ton pickup
John Rives, 2-dr. sedan
Frank Dickey, Jr., station wagon
Ralph Blair, 4-dr. Bel Air

Jerry Thomason, 4-dr. sedan
Ed Kinard, 4-dr. sedan
Bobby Hood, 4-dr. sedan
Ilario Valenzuela, 2-dr.
W. E. Burns, 4-dr. Bel Air
Frank Montgomery, 4-dr. sedan

APRIL

Tommy Black, 4-dr. sedan
L. F. Pope, 1/2-ton pickup
Canyon Truck Co., 4-dr.
Arthur M. Tubb, 4-dr. sedan
Sun Pipe Line, 1/2-ton pickup
Otis Foster, 1/2-ton pickup
A. D. Martin, 1/2-ton pickup
H. W. Brock, 4-dr. sedan
Buddy Harmon, 4-dr. Bel Air
Tom Romine, 1/2-ton pickup
Ard Drilling Co., 4-dr. sedan

MAY

C. N. Mayo, 4-dr. sedan
William A. Payne, Jr., 4-dr.
John Voelkel, 4-dr. sedan
Al Holt, 4-dr. Bel Air
Perkins-Prothro, 4-dr. Bel Air
Orville W. Davis, 4-dr. sedan
A. E. Bell, 2-dr. sedan

You get more value and more health for less money at the air-conditioned Crazy Water Hotel in Mineral Wells.

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6.95 to 10.95

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3.95



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Sport Shirts
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ROACH'S

Want Ads

FOR RENT—Furnished house. See Mrs. H. L. Scott at Roach's.

FOR RENT—Large unfurnished house \$45. Nellie Simpson, 610 East 19th St., San Angelo. Phone 3-9122.

LET'S SWAP—Have nearly new 26-inch girls bicycle to trade for a 24-inch girls bike. Vaughan Chevrolet Co.

FOR SALE OR RENT—Our house in Robert Lee. Jack Loney, Rte. 1, Park Hill, Okla. 442

FOR SALE—One set double garage raise up doors, complete with all hardware. \$75.00. Vaughan Chevrolet.

FOR SALE — My home and three lots in Robert Lee. Any one interested in the purchase of same is requested to contact me. Frank Percifull, Dial GL 3-4581.

FOR SALE — 6-volt electric switch butane system for car or truck, with 25 gal. butane tank. Jim Harralson, Dial GL 3-2051.

FOR SALE—Because my husband has been transferred to South Texas, we wish to sell our nearly new home. Well located in the north part of Robert Lee, close to school, 3 bedrooms. Interested persons are invited to come and see it. Mrs. N. B. Geer, GL 3-2461.

Lose Ugly Fat IN TEN DAYS OR MONEY BACK

If you are overweight, here is the first really thrilling news to come along in years. A new & convenient way to get rid of extra pounds easier than ever, so you can be slim and trim as you want. This new product called DIATRON curbs both hunger & appetite. No drugs, no diet, no exercise. Absolutely harmless. When you take DIATRON, you still enjoy your meals, still eat the foods you like but you simply don't have the urge for extra portions and automatically your weight must come down, because, as your own doctor will tell you, when you eat less, you weigh less. Excess weight endangers your heart, kidneys. So no matter what you have tried before, get DIATRON and prove to yourself what it can do. DIATRON is sold on this GUARANTEE: You must lose weight with the first package you use or the package costs you nothing. Just return the bottle to your druggist and get your money back. DIATRON costs \$3.00 and is sold with this strict money back guarantee by:

Farris City Drug—Robert Lee
Mail orders filled

Annual Statement

for Coke County for Year 1956, From January 1, 1956, to December 31, 1956, as taken from Coke County Annual Audit which was made by Weldon Hikes, Coke County Auditor.

COKE COUNTY COURT HOUSE & JAIL FUND RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS 1956

Balance January 1st, 1956	\$ 97,976.32
RECEIPTS	
Ad Valorem Taxes	22,794.30
Sales	215.00
Refund Telephone, etc.	31.73
Total Receipts and Balance	\$121,017.35
DISBURSEMENTS	
Maintenance of Courthouse	
Caretaker and Asst's. Salaries	5,102.31
Utilities	3,466.26
Telephone	2,024.28
Repair and Supplies	6,135.76
Miscellaneous Labor	405.72
Furniture and Fixtures	17,899.08
Equipment (Photostat Machine)	6,787.75
Refinishing Old Furniture	288.15
Total	42,109.31
Bonds and Interest	
Interest on Hospital Bonds	925.00
Hospital Bond	8,000.00
Total	8,925.00
County Valuation Engineer	
Thos. Y. Pickett & Co., Inc.	500.00
Total	500.00
County Auditor	
Supplies and Equipment	183.38
Sheriff & Tax Collector	
Supplies and Equipment	433.35
County Clerk	
Supplies and Equipment	732.76
County Treasurer	
Supplies	41.34
Justice of the Peace	
Supplies	19.52
Extension Service	
Supplies	35.55
Miscellaneous	
Insurance	3,092.07
Advertising	30.00
Dismantling Old Courthouse	6,000.00
Withholding Taxes	172.80
Jail Expense	41.00
County Attorney Expense	4.10
Coke County Livestock Ass'n.	1,000.00
Total	10,339.97
Securities Investment	
Coke County Courthouse Bonds	30,342.50
Total Disbursements	\$ 93,662.68
Transfers to	
Courthouse Bond Int. & Sinking	3,200.00
Balance December 31, 1956	\$ 24,154.67

COKE COUNTY OFFICER'S SALARY FUND RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS 1956

Balance January 1st, 1956	\$ 17,902.57
RECEIPTS	
Fees—Sheriff & Collector	21,100.02
Fees—Clerk	4,851.19
Fees—County Attorney	2,565.20
Fees—County Judge	109.50
Fees—Justice of Peace No. 1	335.50
Fees—Justice of Peace No. 2	1,028.00
Commission on Auto Registration	230.30
State Comptroller	676.32
Total Receipts	\$ 30,896.03
Transfers From	
General Fund	10,000.00
Total Receipts, Transfer & Balance	\$ 58,798.60
Sheriff's Salary (After deductions)	4,783.80
Sheriff's Deputies (After deductions)	6,952.07
Extra Help Sheriff's Office	2,063.80
Total	13,799.67
County Judge's Salary (After Deductions)	3,776.73
County Clerk's Salary (After deductions)	4,879.20
Deputy Clerks' Salaries (After deductions)	3,622.55
Extra Help Clerk's Office	424.20
Total	8,925.95
County Attorney Salary (After deductions)	2,810.40
Justice of Peace Salary	1,710.60
Constables Salaries	1,764.00
Treasurer's Salary (After deductions)	3,374.00
Withholding Taxes	3,827.70
Insurance	1,093.45
Refund over Payment	1,823.20
Total Disbursements	\$ 42,905.70
Balance December 31, 1956	\$ 15,892.90

COKE COUNTY

General Fund

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

1956

Balance January 1st, 1956	\$ 81,214.48
RECEIPTS	
Ad Valorem Taxes	69,292.06
Hospital Employees Soc. Sec.	1,230.58
Royalty on Oil	404.96
Sales	23.80
Interest on Bonds	660.00
Fees	1,208.16
Refund	243.18
Total Receipts	73,062.74
Total Receipts and Balance	\$154,277.22
DISBURSEMENTS	
Commissioners' Court	
Salaries (After deductions)	10,585.20
County & District Clerk	
Office Supplies	918.19
County Auditor	
Salary (After deductions)	4,879.20
Asst. Auditor Salary (After deductions)	1,576.15
Office Supplies & Equipment	279.65
Total	6,735.00
Sheriff & Tax Collector	
Sheriff's Car Expense	1,560.04
Deputy Sheriff's Travel Exp.	420.00
Office Supplies	231.47
Base Radio & Expense	565.26
Feeding Prisoners	132.70
Peace Officer's Ass'n. Expense	150.00
Total	3,059.47
County Treasurer	
Office Supplies	14.88
County Judge	
Office Supplies	28.97
Extra Help	108.00
Total	136.97
County Attorney	
Office Supplies	126.35
Extension Service—Agriculture	
Salaries (After deductions)	4,648.86
Travel Expense	1,955.63
Office Supplies	298.87
Co. Agent's Pickup Expense	101.46
Bounties	162.50
Total	7,167.32
Justice of the Peace	
Vital Statistics	48.00
Inquests	40.00
Total	88.00
Maintenance of Courthouse	
Supplies	887.33
Irrigation System	435.42
Contract Labor	512.55
Furniture	123.00
Total	1,958.30
County Valuation Engineer	
Thos. Y. Pickett & Co., Inc.	7,500.00
Coke County Hospital	
Operating Expenses	15,020.00
Miscellaneous	
Miscellaneous Salaries	557.00
Other Travel Expense	332.97
Insurance	1,068.30
Interest on Bonds	330.00
Withholding Taxes	1,590.30
Official Bond Premiums	397.82
Contract Auditor	950.00
Election Expenses	1,982.80
Refund	377.00
Expense—Fire Truck	28.78
Advertising	1,226.20
Night Watching	80.00
Engineer's Fees	2,578.57
Oil Property Taxes	11.00
Total	9,510.74
Charity	
Services, Medical & Hospitalization	2,148.76
Total Disbursements	\$ 64,969.18
Transfers to	
Social Security Fund	5,000.00
Officer's Salary Fund	10,000.00
Coke Co. Available School Fund	330.00
Total	15,330.00
Balance December 31st, 1956	\$ 73,978.04

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Weather Fails To Halt Sanco 70th Birthda y

Despite wet roads and rainy skies, the Methodist church was well filled and the tabernacle crowded afterward with home comers and local people Sunday at the annual Homecoming event marking the 70th anniversary of the founding of Sanco.

Farthest comers were Randall Gartman, from Durango, Colorado, who travelled 1015 miles, and Mr. and Mrs. Tee Green and Pruett (Prue) Green of Phoenix, Arizona. Third was Tennis Creighton, of Bristow, Arizona.

Guy Denman, president of the Sanco Community Association, which sponsors the homecoming, welcomed the visitors. Rev. H. L. Bloodworth of Silver, formerly pastor of the Sanco Baptist Church, brought the sermon.

"Looking Forward from Seventy Years" was the general theme, and the fact was stressed that such a rural community with its history of home building and its people spread over the land is a living thing, whose future does not depend on oil wells, but in the spirit of its people.

Hymns of home and heaven were sung by a quartette and a double quartette of Sanco people: Bryan Gartman, Guy Denman, Mrs. Velma Denman, Harvey Reid, Miss Lvon Reid, I. A. Bird, Rev. John E. Early, and Miss An-nice Gartman.

Miss Julia Nell Killam sang "The Love of God." Mrs. Josephine Bird, Sanco postmaster, was pianist.

Eleven persons seventy years of age or older, were recognized. Of these, Mrs. Emma McGallian, 79, was presented a corsage as the oldest person present. Mrs. Julia Bird, 78, was a close runner-up.

Mrs. I. A. Bird, who furnished the flower arrangements from her own garden, also presented the corsages and boutonnières to those recognized. Randall Gartman as the one who traveled farthest, Is-ham Austin as the oldest person present born in Sanco community, I. A. Bird as the person having lived longest in Sanco community, all received boutonnières of white carnations.

Besides Mrs. McGallian, those receiving corsages were Mrs. T. Green as the lady who traveled farthest; Mrs. Viola Scarborough Boswell of San Angelo, as the oldest lady present born in the community. Considerable merriment arose from demands from the audience that Mrs. Moswell be more explicit about her age, but without yielding she was awarded the token when it was found she had no feminine competition.

Long after the highly heaped tables under the tabernacle were cleared away, groups of old friends stood and visited in the approved country fashion laughing over old jokes and incidents that also sometimes brought a choke in the throat and a mist-filled eye.

CIVIL SERVICE EXAMS

The U. S. Civil Service Commission has announced examinations for substitute clerk-carrier at \$1.82 per hour for employment in the Robert Lee, Tex. Post Office.

Further information and application forms may be obtained at the Post Office or from the Regional Director, Eighth U. S. Civil Service Region, Room 103, 1114 Commerce Street, Dallas, Texas.

Applications must be submitted on or before July 1, 1957.

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**COKE COUNTY
ROAD & BRIDGE FUND, PRECINCT NO. 1
RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS**

1956

Balance January 1st, 1956	—\$ 178.48
RECEIPTS	
Taxes, Fines & Auto Registration	27,959.02
Sales	630.25
Refund on Road Contract	1,009.54
Transfer Materials	603.95
Total Receipts	\$ 30,202.76
DISBURSEMENTS	
Commissioner's Salary	200.00
Commissioner's Travel	300.00
Road Hands' Salary (After deductions)	10,608.43
Total	11,108.43
Withholding Taxes	497.45
Insurance	310.95
Total	808.40
Contract Labor	425.75
Repair & Parts	304.81
Total	730.56
Time Warrant	825.00
Interest on Time Warrant	16.50
Total	841.50
Total Disbursements	\$ 13,488.89
Balance December 31, 1956	\$ 16,535.39

**COKE COUNTY
ROAD & BRIDGE FUND, PRECINCT NO. 2
RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS**

1956

Balance January 1st, 1956	—\$ 682.07
RECEIPTS	
Taxes, Fines & Auto Registration	22,721.69
Loan	3,310.00
Sales & Machinery Hire	595.15
Refund	160.50
Total Receipts	\$ 26,787.34
DISBURSEMENTS	
Commissioner's Salary	200.00
Commissioner's Travel	300.00
Road Hands' Salary (After deductions)	6,398.95
Total	6,898.95
Withholding Taxes	394.10
Insurance	131.60
Total	525.70
Gas & Oil	1,380.34
Parts & Repair	909.61
Maintenance & Supplies	1,005.31
Contract Labor	420.50
Lights	14.76
Water	16.00
Lumber & Material	614.06
Wire & Posts	3,527.90
Building Fence	1,771.90
Tires	93.00
Total	9,753.38
Dump Truck & Bed	3,310.00
Total Disbursements	\$ 20,488.03
Balance December 31st, 1956	\$ 5,617.24

**COKE COUNTY
ROAD & BRIDGE FUND, PRECINCT NO. 3
RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS**

1956

Balance January 1st, 1956	—\$ 637.14
RECEIPTS	
Taxes, Fines & Auto Registration	19,221.81
Sales & Machinery Hire	811.98
Total Receipts	\$ 20,033.79
DISBURSEMENTS	
Commissioner's Salary	200.00
Commissioner's Travel	350.00
Road Hands' Salaries (After deductions)	7,016.20
Total	7,566.20
Withholding Taxes	209.50
Insurance	175.00
Total	384.50
Rent	5.00
Supplies	8.00
Total	13.00
Time Warrant	825.00
Interest on Time Warrant	16.50
Total	841.50
Machinery & Equipment	1,750.00
Total Disbursements	\$ 10,555.20
Balance December 31, 1956	\$ 8,841.45

**COKE COUNTY
ROAD & BRIDGE FUND, PRECINCT NO. 4
RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS**

1956

Balance January 1st, 1956	—\$ 524.68
RECEIPTS	
Taxes, Fines & Auto Registration	17,474.41
Sales & Machinery Hire	83.00
Total Receipts	\$ 17,557.41
DISBURSEMENTS	
Commissioner's Salary	200.00
Commissioner's Travel	300.00
Road Hands' Salaries	6,428.90
Total	6,928.90
Withholding Taxes	304.35
Insurance	363.70
Total	668.05
Wire & Post	26.30
Total Disbursements	\$ 7,633.25
Balance December 31, 1956	\$ 9,399.48

**COKE COUNTY
RECAPITULATION ROAD & BRIDGE FUND
ALL PRECINCTS
RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS**

1956

Balance January 1st, 1956	—\$ 2,022.37
RECEIPTS	
Taxes	41,575.25
Loan	3,310.00
Sales & Machinery Hire	2,125.38
Fines	204.50
Auto Registration	45,592.18
Refund on Road Contract	1,009.54
Transfer Material	603.95
Refund	160.50
Total Receipts	\$ 94,581.30
DISBURSEMENTS	
Total Disbursements	\$ 52,165.37
Balance December 31, 1956	\$ 40,393.56

**COKE COUNTY
ROAD & BRIDGE SPECIAL FUND
PRECINCT NO. 1
RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS**

1956

Balance January 1st, 1956	—\$ 3,610.49
RECEIPTS	
Taxes	13,304.07
Sales	800.00
Total Receipts	\$ 14,104.07
DISBURSEMENTS	
Machinery Warrant	15,301.50
Interest	907.78
Total Disbursements	\$ 16,211.28
Balance December 31, 1956	\$ 5,717.70

**COKE COUNTY
ROAD & BRIDGE SPECIAL FUND
PRECINCT NO. 2
RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS**

1956

Balance January 1st, 1956	—\$ 5,071.19
RECEIPTS	
Taxes	10,809.58
Sales	200.00
Total Receipts	\$ 11,009.58
DISBURSEMENTS	
Machinery Warrants	14,422.50
Interest	1,600.45
Total Disbursements	\$ 16,022.95
Balance December 31, 1956	\$ 10,084.56

**COKE COUNTY
ROAD & BRIDGE SPECIAL FUND
PRECINCT NO. 3
RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS**

1956

Balance January 1st, 1956	—\$ 2,741.65
RECEIPTS	
Taxes	9,146.54
Total Receipts	\$ 9,146.54
DISBURSEMENTS	
Machinery Warrants	9,090.00
Interest	869.20
Total Disbursements	\$ 9,959.20
Balance December 31, 1956	\$ 3,554.31

**COKE COUNTY
ROAD & BRIDGE SPECIAL FUND
PRECINCT NO. 4
RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS**

1956

Balance January 1st, 1956	—\$ 706.49
RECEIPTS	
Taxes	8,315.06
Total Receipts	\$ 8,315.06
DISBURSEMENTS	
Machinery Warrants	6,100.00
Interest	491.86
Total Disbursements	\$ 6,591.86
Balance December 31, 1956	\$ 2,429.69

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Heard at the Homecoming

Josephine Bird, Sanco postmaster, doesn't take much stock in the sad talk she hears now and then from some passer-through about the place being a ghost town. A young FBI man dropped by looking for somebody who was once here for awhile, and he casually remarked something about the place being dead as he looked at vacant house on the hill nearby.

Josephine's answer was quick and to the point. "All that's here is alive." The G-Man chuckled and drove to where live more and deader people!

T and Prue Green grew up on the farm now known as the Gaspman place. Old friends still tell a story T. has forgotten. When he was a very small boy in school he memorized an old nursery rhyme: "Pussy cat, pussy cat where have you been? I've been to London to see the queen."

T. said it so well and so convincingly that the older kids always wanted him to say it whenever they got together. At last it got a little monotonous for the very young speaker and, as friends recall, on one such occasion, T. remarked in an aside as he got back to his seat—"I hate my little old speech worse than the d—v."

So came down the expression among some of us—when something becomes especially burdensome—"I hate that worse than T. Green hated his speech!"

Heard at the Homecoming

O. R. Smith, a tiny little fellow who can look down on a six-footer and locks his arms around a big bale of cotton, was having a big time grabbing the hands of old friends in his copious hands and calling each by name before the victims could recover and recognize Smith.

He would give his name in great dignity as O. R. Smith and watch merrily while the other fellow looked puzzled until he said "Orville Smith", then enjoy the back-pounding and reminiscing. Orville looks so much bigger and better than he did as a young fellow around here that he was able to get the draw on most of his old cronies.

Pres, his brother was here too, from San Angelo, but Pres couldn't pull such tricks, for he's been around here enough for everybody to keep a line on him, and he didn't keep growing after he got grown like Orville did. Their mother, too, was with them enjoying the get together. Orville works for Humble Refining Co., at Baytown, 200 California Street.

Tennis Creighton, who was brought up on a ranch on Yellow Wolf Creek is now ranching at Bowie, Arizona. Tennis takes a great interest in the Baptist church he, with help of a few neighbors built near his ranch. In a moving prayer Tennis returned thanks at the dinner spread under the tabernacle where he and many other home boys got some of their greatest inspiration toward God and Christian living. Tennis is as forthright in his faith as he was in riding his pony when his father, Cliff Creighton, was ranching here in bygone years.

Mrs. Rena Riney (nee Creighton) had the largest family group present — eight, including her husband, two sons, two daughters, and their husbands, from Denton, 812 Westway.

**COKE COUNTY
RECAPITULATION ROAD & BRIDGE
SPECIAL FUND. ALL PRECINCTS
RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
1956**

Balance January 1st, 1956	—\$ 10,716.84
RECEIPTS	
State Comptroller	1,000.00
Taxes	41,575.25
Total Receipts	\$ 42,575.25
DISBURSEMENTS	
Total Disbursements	\$ 48,785.29
Balance December 31, 1956	—\$ 16,926.88

**COKE COUNTY
LATERAL ROAD FUND. PRECINCT NO. 1
RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
1956**

Balance January 1st, 1956	\$ 3,914.79
RECEIPTS	
State Comptroller	4,050.84
Total Receipts	\$ 4,050.84
DISBURSEMENTS	
Commissioner's Travel Expense	200.00
Labor	3,265.64
Insurance	138.20
Withholding Taxes	191.60
Total Disbursements	\$ 3,795.44
Balance December 31, 1956	\$ 4,170.19

**COKE COUNTY
LATERAL ROAD FUND. PRECINCT NO. 2
RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
1956**

Balance January 1st, 1956	\$ 3,206.33
RECEIPTS	
State Comptroller	1,855.52
Total Receipts	\$ 1,855.52
DISBURSEMENTS	
Commissioner's Travel Expense	200.00
Labor	2,730.05
Post	1,906.20
Insurance	65.80
Withholding Taxes	123.60
Total Disbursements	\$ 5,025.65
Balance December 31, 1956	\$ 36.20

**COKE COUNTY
LATERAL ROAD FUND. PRECINCT NO. 3
RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
1956**

Balance January 1st, 1956	\$ 2,346.46
RECEIPTS	
State Comptroller	1,570.06
Total Receipts	\$ 1,570.06
DISBURSEMENTS	
Commissioner's Travel Expense	150.00
Labor	2,019.70
Insurance	60.90
Withholding Taxes	90.20
Rent	15.00
Total Disbursements	\$ 2,335.80
Balance December 31, 1956	\$ 1,580.72

**COKE COUNTY
LATERAL ROAD FUND. PRECINCT NO. 4
RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
1956**

Balance January 1st, 1956	\$ 2,078.00
RECEIPTS	
State Comptroller	1,427.33
Total Receipts	\$ 1,427.33
DISBURSEMENTS	
Commissioner's Travel Expense	200.00
Labor	1,680.36
Insurance	81.60
Withholding Taxes	73.60
Total Disbursements	\$ 2,035.56
Balance December 31, 1956	\$ 1,469.77

**COKE COUNTY
RECAPITULATION LATERAL ROAD FUND
ALL PRECINCTS
RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
1956**

Balance January 1st, 1956	\$ 11,545.58
RECEIPTS	
State Comptroller	8,903.75
Total Receipts	\$ 8,903.75
DISBURSEMENTS	
Total Disbursements	\$ 13,192.45
Balance December 31, 1956	\$ 7,256.88

**COKE COUNTY
FARM TO MARKET FUND. PRECINCT NO. 1
RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
1956**

Balance January 1st, 1956	\$ 22,399.44
RECEIPTS	
Taxes	21,143.10
Total Receipts	\$ 21,143.10
DISBURSEMENTS	
Gas & Oil	6,286.26
Maintenance & Supplies	7,884.44
Repair & Parts	3,378.46
Labor	728.39
Moving R. E. A. Poles	1,294.61
Lights	16.50
Wire & Post	606.35
Contract Fencing	1,092.70
Contract Labor	1,940.60
Damages	50.00
Tires & Batteries	969.41
Total	\$ 24,247.72
Machine Warrant	12,000.00
Interest	488.00
Total	\$ 12,488.00
Total Disbursements	\$ 36,735.72
Balance December 31, 1956	\$ 6,806.82

**COKE COUNTY
FARM TO MARKET FUND. PRECINCT NO. 2
RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
1956**

Balance January 1st, 1956	\$ 17,412.45
RECEIPTS	
Taxes	17,178.75
Total Receipts	\$ 17,178.75
DISBURSEMENTS	
Gas & Oil	1,911.36
Labor	478.70
Maintenance & Supplies	2,423.72
Repair & Parts	2,705.19
Right-of-Way	2,754.62
Wire & Post	5,480.45
Contract Labor	1,360.31
Lights	12.18
Water	16.00
Right-of-Way Damages	3,690.38
Machinery & Equipment	314.10
Total Disbursements	\$ 21,147.01
Balance December 31, 1956	\$ 13,444.19

**COKE COUNTY
FARM TO MARKET FUND. PRECINCT NO. 3
RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
1956**

Balance January 1st, 1956	\$ 19,180.96
RECEIPTS	
Taxes	14,535.89
Total Receipts	\$ 14,535.89
DISBURSEMENTS	
Gas & Oil	2,549.42
Maintenance & Supplies	4,261.86
Repair & Parts	2,510.67
Fencing	2,954.75
Right-of-Way	2,576.17
Moving R. E. A. Poles	1,758.29
Wire & Post	2,249.62
X-ray	10.00
Labor	269.20
Lights	19.60
Contract Labor	60.00
Rent	15.00
Tires, Batteries, etc.	37.79
Total	\$ 19,272.37
Pickup (less trade-in)	700.00
Total Disbursements	\$ 19,972.37
Balance December 31, 1956	\$ 13,744.48

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**With Our
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SENDS COFFEE BANDS

1328 Kenwood Rd.
Santa Barbara, Calif.
May 13, 1957

To The Observer:

We were thru your town the other day. My son's name is Robert A. Lee. We bought two of your papers and I mailed him one. He is in the Navy up in New Hampshire.

He is a lithographer 1st class and is at the head of the Print Shop Re-Training Command, U. S. Navy, Portsmouth, N. H. He is at the naval prison as an instructor in the printing office. So he will be doubly interested in your paper, because of his name and his line of work.

We noticed you'd like Folger bands for a new coffee maker for the County Park. That is a fine idea. Enclosed find two bands. We enjoyed your paper and our stop-over in your nice town. Thank you. — Sincerely yours, Esther Lee Allen.

FROM JOHN VOWELL

Enclosed is \$2.50 for the renewal of our paper. We surely do enjoy reading all about our old friends and relatives. Here is a recent clipping out of the Clinton Daily News that the folks there might enjoy. Our mailing address has been changed to Rt. 1, Box 118, Arapaho, Okla. — Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Vowell.

"Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Vowell, pioneer residents of the Stafford community, returned last week after a five-months visit in Arizona and California. They visited with relatives and friends in Los Angeles, San Diego, Yuma and other western cities. They are now back at their home one mile north of Stafford. Vowell came to this area with his father in 1898 when the family homesteaded on a farm west of Clinton. Except for seven years spent in New Mexico and West Texas, Vowell has lived in this community ever since. He has lived on his present farm at Stafford since February, 1918."

TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE ESTATE OF Laura Lee Westbrook, Deceased, No. 569, County Court, Coke County, Texas. C. S. Westbrook, Administrator in the above numbered and entitled estate, filed on the 1st day of June, 1957 his verified account for final settlement of said estate and requests that said estate be settled and closed, and said applicant be discharged from his trust.

Said application will be heard and acted on by said Court at 10 A. M. on the first Monday next after the expiration of ten days from date of publishing this citation, the same being the 17th day of June, 1957, at the County Courthouse in Coke, Texas.

All persons interested in said estate are hereby cited to appear before said Honorable Court at said above mentioned time and place by filing a written answer contesting such application should they desire to do so.

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

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF SAID COURT at office in Robert Lee, Texas, this the 1st day of June, A. D. 1957.

J. L. Tinkler
Clerk of the County Court,
Coke County, Texas,
Bl Winnie Waldrop
Deputy

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**COKE COUNTY
FARM TO MARKET FUND, PRECINCT NO. 4
RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
1956**

Balance January 1st, 1956	\$ 13,075.39
RECEIPTS	
Taxes	13,214.43
Total Receipts	\$ 13,214.43
DISBURSEMENTS	
Gas & Oil	2,124.47
Repair & Parts	1,758.42
Maintenance & Supplies	1,516.17
Wire & Post	472.50
Right-of-Way	254.80
Contract Labor	575.65
Total Disbursements	\$ 6,702.01
Balance December 31, 1956	\$ 19,587.81

**COKE COUNTY
RECAPITULATION FARM TO MARKET FUND
ALL PRECINCTS
RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
1956**

Balance January 1st, 1956	\$ 72,068.24
RECEIPTS	
Taxes	66,072.17
Total Receipts	\$ 66,072.17
DISBURSEMENTS	
Total Disbursements	\$ 84,557.11
Balance December 31, 1956	\$ 53,583.30

**COKE COUNTY
JURY FUND
RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
1956**

Balance January 1st, 1956	\$ 55,422.93
RECEIPTS	
Ad Valorem Taxes	13,858.44
Total Receipts	\$ 13,858.44
DISBURSEMENTS	
Tax Valuation Engineer	3,590.36
Court Reporter Salary	525.84
Asst. Dist. Atty. Salary	149.04
Steno. to D. A. Salary	91.68
Court Reporter Travel Expense	12.16
Total	778.72
Jury Commission	30.00
Jurors	133.00
Bailiff	66.50
Meals for Jurors	11.40
Total	240.90
Court Reporter Transcript for Grand Jury	284.30
Lunacy Court Costs	67.70
Total Disbursements	\$ 4,961.98
Balance December 31, 1956	\$ 64,319.39

**COKE COUNTY
STATEMENT OF CASH
COKE COUNTY MEMORIAL HOSPITAL
RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
1956**

Balance January 1st, 1956	\$ 8.74
RECEIPTS	
Receipts from Patients, etc.	47,249.05
Received from Coke County	15,020.00
Total Receipts	\$ 62,269.05
DISBURSEMENTS	
Salary Checks (After deductions)	28,036.84
Withholding Taxes	3,376.94
Social Security Taxes	1,230.58
Hospitalization Insurance	1,203.60
Total	33,847.96
Office Supplies	1,080.28
Food	4,483.18
Housekeeping Supplies	338.38
Laundry	1,485.37
Plant Expense	3,507.56
Medical & Surgical Supplies	1,846.32
Anesthesia & Oxygen	296.55
Drugs	10,428.00
X-ray Supplies & Expense	1,105.27
Laboratory Supplies & Fees	392.55
Blood for Transfusions	440.00
Dr. Pepper	102.80
Refund on Ins. over payments	186.25
Loss on Group Hospitalization	2,138.55
Equipment	416.37
Staff Purchases	40.30
Anesthesia Fees	55.00
Miscellaneous Expense	6.00
Linen Replacement	82.57
Total	28,431.30
Total Disbursements	\$ 62,279.26
Balance December 31, 1956	\$ 1.47

**ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE OF
COKE COUNTY HOSPITAL
FOR 1956 AND PREVIOUS YEARS**

Year	Amount
1950 & 1951 Accounts Receivable	\$ 371.60
1952 Accounts Receivable	850.30
1953 Accounts Receivable	3,864.66
1954 Accounts Receivable	3,808.90
1955 Accounts Receivable	5,380.23
1956 Insurance Accounts Receivable	3,633.75
1956 Personal Accounts Receivable	9,002.94
Total	\$26,912.38

**COKE COUNTY
COKE COUNTY PERMANENT SCHOOL FUND
RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
1956**

Securities	Interest Yield Per Annum	Amount
City of Cross Plains	3½%	\$ 5,000.00
Fabens Ind. School Dist.	3¼%	14,000.00
City of Sweetwater, Texas	2½%	4,000.00
Gonzales County (Water Dist.)	3¼%	13,000.00
City of Ganado, Texas	2¾%	14,000.00
Town of Buda, Texas (Water Works)	4¼%	10,000.00
City of Paducah, Texas	2½%	16,000.00
City of Navasota, Texas	2¾%	15,000.00
Coke County, Road & Bridge (Series 1942)	2%	33,000.00
U. S. Government Bonds (Ser. G)	3%	23,000.00
TOTAL SECURITIES OWNED		\$147,000.00
Cash in Bank December 31, 1956		77.93
Total Securities and Cash		\$147,077.93

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PERSONALS

(Intended for Last Week)

Dean Flowers and family recently vacated the Katie Stroud house and moved to the J. S. Walker place at the north edge of town. John McDaniel and family now occupy the Stroud residence and the John Brown property they vacated is the new home of Robert Moore and family. Mr. Moore is employed by Texas Natural and was transferred here from Gainesville.

James Petty, former Robert Lee resident, will receive a BA degree May 27 at Abilene Christian College. He majored in Bible and preached most of the past year in the Robert Lee Church of Christ. James has accepted a church at Nevada, Mo., where he will also be a partner in a cattle business. James is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Petty and is a nephew of L. B. Menielle.

The Truett Rogers family of Fort Worth arrived the first of the week for a visit with Mrs. Rogers' parents, Supt. and Mrs. Frank D. Coalson. Mrs. Rogers and their three children, Paula, Gary and Greg, will remain here three weeks while Mr. Rogers attends a National Guard camp at Ft. Hood. Mr. Rogers has completed his first year's work in the Baptist Theological Seminary at Ft. Worth.

B. C. Goodwin and daughter, Sue, came from Abilene Tuesday to look after business matters and visit friends. Formerly superintendent of Robert Lee schools, Mr. Goodwin and his wife have completed their first year as classroom teachers in Abilene. Mr. Goodwin teaches high school mathematics and American history, and will teach summer classes for the next ten weeks.

NOTICE!

Beginning Saturday of next week, June 8, both the undersigned auto firms will close their mechanical departments each Saturday at noon. Business offices will remain open during the entire day.

This is in keeping with our custom of closing the shops Saturday afternoons during the summer months.

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BIRTHS

REID—Mr. and Mrs. Jim Lohn Reid III (Ophelia Palmer) are parents of twin sons, Bobby Lohn and Billy Lee, born May 1 at San Francisco, Calif. The father is stationed in the Marine Corps and recently finished near the top of his class in electronics training. Grandparents for the first time are Mr. and Mrs. Jim L. Reid of Grand Prairie, former Robert Lee residents.

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4-H Girls Gave Club Program

Seven members of Friendship Home Demonstration Club met in called meeting in the home of Mrs. Bobby Baker Tuesday, May 28. The program was given by 4-H girls.

Marian Fikes gave a very good demonstration. She prepared a pear salad. This was Marian's first demonstration to this club. It was enjoyed a lot.

Glays Rives gave a demonstration of a good vegetable salad to go with most anything. Making her salad dressing.

The vegetables used were raw cauliflower, celery, sweet pepper, and tomatoes.

The dressing used: 1/2 cup lemon juice, 1 teaspoon grated onion, 1/2 teaspoon dry mustard, 1 teaspoon salt, 2 tablespoons sugar, 2 tablespoons salad oil. Mix and shake before pouring over cut vegetables. This was a very glossy dressing. The salad is very crisp.

A business meeting was held to elect delegates and alternate to be voted on in Council for the next meeting. Mrs. Pat Rives is delegate and Mrs. Tom Rives, alternate.

It was announced that Mrs. Cornwell will give a demonstration June 14 at 1:30 in the agent's office.

Frog Jordan and wife of Caddo Mills and J. B. Briscoe of Greenville visited here over the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Briscoe. The Robert Lee man is an uncle of Mrs. Jordan and J. B. Briscoe.

E. R. Green and his sister, Mrs. Alma Robinson, of Dayton, came up to attend the Sanco Homecoming and were guests in the home of their uncle, Green Preslar, and wife.

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CARLTON FIELDS MOVES

Carlton Fields and family moved this week to Weatherford, after having resided the past two years on the Alva Cole ranch in Sterling County. Carlton has leased a small place near Weatherford which is owned by Sheriff John Young. He will train horses and hopes to lease more grassland so he can run some stock. The family left Wednesday for their new home and stopped by to renew The Observer.

SCS Personnel To Be Increased In Coke County

J. R. Harralson recently began work in Coke County as a soil conservationist, and will be associated with A. V. Sheppard and others here in soil conservation work.

A graduate of Texas A & M College, Mr. Harralson served as assistant county agent in Rannels County prior to moving here.

He is a native of San Angelo and his wife is the former Mary Jean McKenzie of Fort Stockton. They have two little sons, Tommy and Mark. The family is living in one of Daisy McCutchen's residence properties in the north part of town.

Mr. Sheppard states that increased personnel is due to the Great Plains Conservation Program which will be activated July 1. The program was set up by the government to help cope with problems of wind and water erosion, as well as economics.

Jimmy Smith is also to be added to the staff this summer, having finished at Texas Tech. A student trainee is John McClellan of Balingier, who attends John Tarleton.

Local News

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Farris spent a few days last week in Austin. The former began summer classes Tuesday at Abilene Christian College where he expects to get a master degree in August. He will reside in Robert Lee and make daily trips to Abilene in company with Owen Cosgrove of Bronte. Mr. Farris will also continue to preach at the Robert Lee Church of Christ during the summer and will resume his position as high school band director in September.

Richard Sims leaves Saturday for Sol Mayer Boy Scout camp in Menard County where he will spend a week. He will serve on the camp staff in addition to participating in the various activities.

LOCAL NEWS

Robert Lewis Jay has been accepted to attend the Red Cross sponsored life saving and water safety school at Goodfellow AFB in San Angelo. After passing an examination he was permitted to skip the swimming class this week. The second week will be devoted to senior life saving and the third and fourth weeks instruction will be devoted to water safety. Robert Lewis and his family are spending the summer here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Jay. He will be a senior at Sul Ross College next year.

Beth Gilmore is here for a visit with her sister, Mrs. A. D. Fields, and family. She recently completed another year of teaching at Monahans.

Janie and Bud Sheppard of Midland have arrived for an extended visit with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Delmir Sheppard.

Buster Farris visited at College Station the fore part of the week with his son, Larry, who is a flying instructor of cadets at A & M College.

Mrs. Effie Roe and her family left Tuesday for Red River, New Mex., where they will operate their tourist court during the vacation season. She will be assisted by her daughter, Mrs. Louise Hatch. Freddie Lee Roe helped them open the camp but will return home to look after farming interests. Mrs. Katie Stroud, who now resides in San Angelo, is also returning to Red River to open her nearby camp high in the mountains of northern New Mexico.

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Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Webb left Sunday for Brownwood where Mrs. Webb will take a six weeks' summer course at Howard Payne College. Mr. Webb is principal of the Robert Lee elementary grades and his wife is one of the junior high teachers.

Mrs. W. T. Roach and their children left Friday for Roswell, New Mex., where they will spend a part

of the summer vacation with Mrs. Roach who is engaged on construction work near there.



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FROM ARIZONA

Dear Editor:

Please send me the home town paper for another year. I don't want to miss a single copy, as getting The Observer is like getting a letter from an old friend.—Yours very truly, Mrs. Augusta Puett, Solomon, Ariz. \$2.50 enclosed.

If you don't get The Observer, you don't get the news!

PERSONALS

Cais Hamilton was dismissed Wednesday from Coke Memorial Hospital and has gone to Silver where he will make his home with his daughter, Mrs. T. Z. Phillips, and family. Mr. Hamilton's condition is much improved.

Mrs. D. W. Spicer writes to advise that she and her family have moved from Lubbock to Amarillo where their address is Route 3, Box 835. Mrs. Spicer is a daughter of Mrs. Loyd Phelan.

Mr. and Mrs. John B. Cole came up from Wimberley to visit among old home town friends and attended the Sanco Homecoming. While here they stopped by to renew their Observer subscription for another year. Both Mr. and Mrs. Cole are enjoying good health. They have many Coke County friends who are always glad to welcome them back.

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Mr. and Mrs. Jack Brock came down from Shallowater Saturday to get their children, Jacki Nell and Darrell, who had spent ten days here with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Delmir Sheppard. Mr. Brock is high school principal at Shallowater and he and his wife had just returned from accompanying the senior class on a week's trip to points in Colorado. Jack will have employment this summer measuring cotton in the Shallowater area.

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Youth's Stake in Conservation

By FRANCES WYLIE

Below is the essay which won first place in the annual contest sponsored by the Coke County Soil Conservation District.

Youth's stake in conservation means our life in later years, though many of us do not realize it now. Our stake is the most important one we have. Our lives depend upon how we take this "stake" and make it progress. Everything we have and need comes from the soil. If it is not conserved, we would have very few chances of survival.

Our homes in the future will be made of products which were developed from the soil. The food we will eat and the clothes we will wear will have their origin in the soil. If we do not plan now to conserve it, there will not be any homes, food or clothes in the distant future.

For us to help conserve the soil, we should first gain knowledge of this subject. Everyone, especially those with intentions of becoming farmers, should have an important education of this vital topic. Even those who think they would never have anything to do with the soil, could do something for its conservation. If they have relatives or friends who are farmers, they could relate some of the new ways of farming.

If we are interested in the field, we could study to be soil conservationists, county agents, agriculture teachers or any other job affiliated with saving the soil.

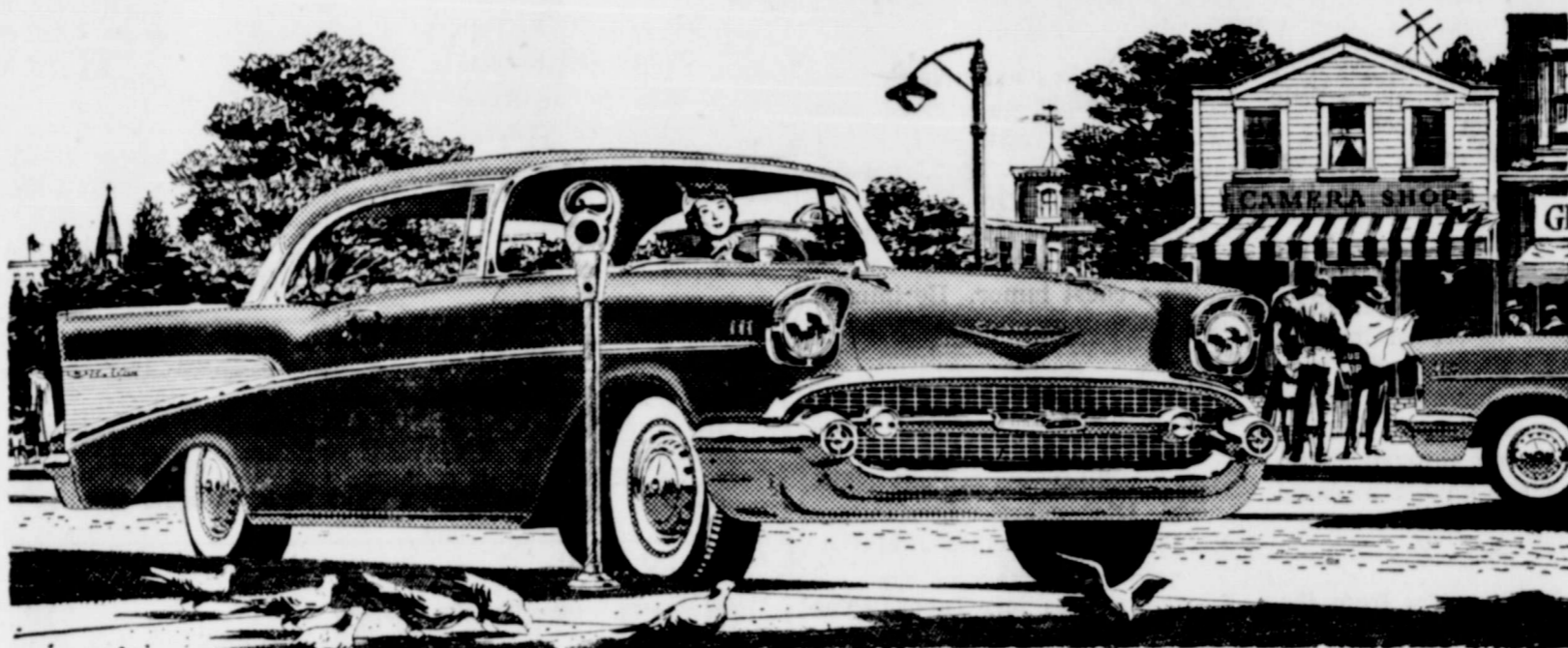
Will the people years from now be sheltered, fed, and clothed as we are? Will they try to save the soil? Those are questions we can help answer now. They can live as we, if we will start now and save the soil the best way we know how. If there is education, and we set an example now, I believe there will be soil saving progress.

Would these people, if they could, thank us for conserving the soil? That, surely, can be answered now. If we work and strive to save and purify it, they will be thankful.

GAVE McKNIGHT ADDRESS

The Rev. Travis McNair of Robert Lee gave the address at graduation Saturday of the nursing class at McKnight Sanitarium. The event was also observed as a homecoming for former graduates of the institution. A feature of the program was the singing of the Robert Lee "Bachelors," a group directed by Mrs. Jeff Dean and composed of Ronnie and Richard Sims, Jerry Dean, Don Weathers and Mack Tubb. Mrs. McNair assisted in arranging the program for graduation and homecoming.

Tommy Kirkpatrick came in Thursday from Denton where he has been attending North Texas State College. He obtained a bachelor degree in business management last January and is now taking graduate work. Tommy has employment as a summer roustabout at Sun's gasoline plant at Silver. It is the fifth summer he has worked there.



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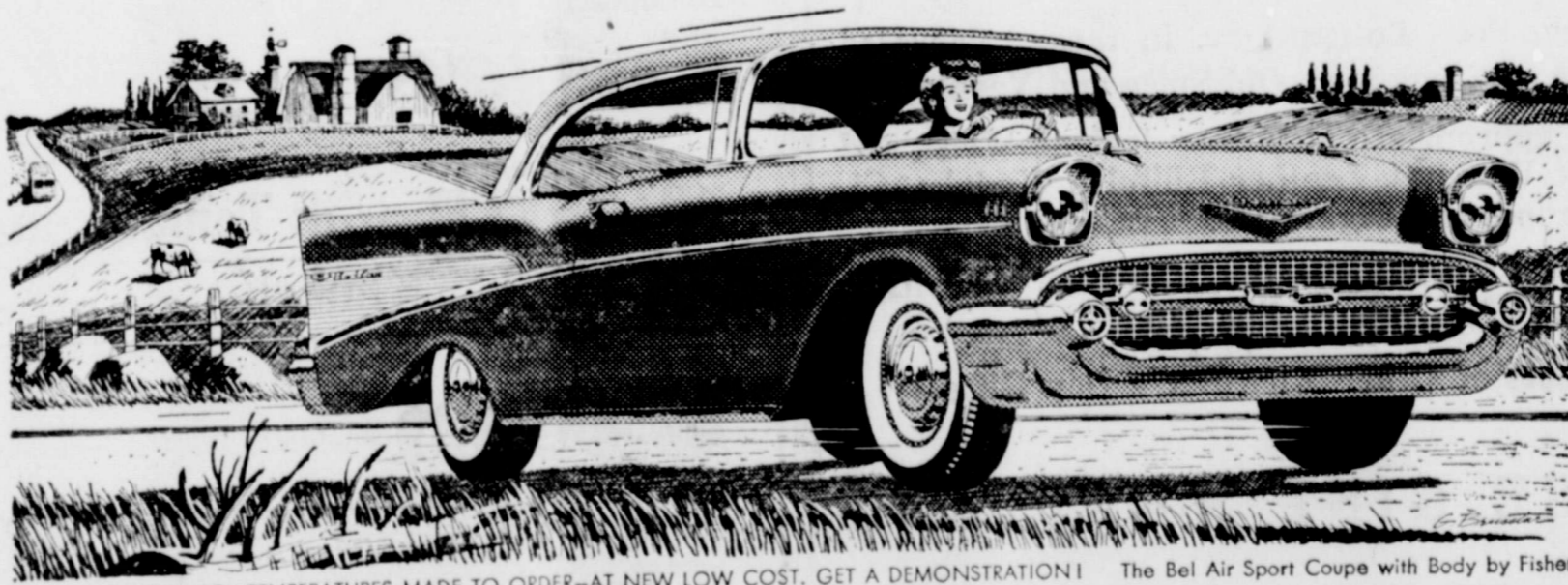
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SMALL TALK

By A. J. K.

We put off as long as possible raising subscription rates. The Observer was \$2.00 a year when we bought the business eleven years ago, and a few years ago we advanced the price on subscriptions out of the county to \$2.50. Effective July 1 the rates will be \$2.50 for subscribers residing in Coke County and \$3.00 to those outside.

It will mean that the price goes to about 5 cents a copy to home folks, and 6 cents to those away.

I don't know whether or not it is worth it. The Observer is a small newspaper, but one thing sure is that it carries exclusive news. These little folksy items you read here don't appear in the dailies.

You can renew before July 1 at the old price. We hope lots of you do that very thing. In fact it is possible that a couple of bucks now might do me more good than \$2.50 a year from now. Of course, there is also a possibility that you could better spend \$2.50 next year than \$2.00 now.

What we are trying to get over is that if you want to save a little dough, just pay up before July 1 for a couple of years in advance.

This issue starts a new volume for The Observer. Started in June 1891 as the Coke County Rustler, the paper now is off on its 67th year. I don't believe it ever missed an issue. We have a lot of files doubled up in an old rusty trunk, but hesitate to go through them. Nowadays we are having a bound file made up each year.

Six radar bombardiers from the 5th Bomb Wing and three tactical squadrons at Travis AFB, Calif., participated in a recent air training mission to keep their professional know-how at a high peak of proficiency. Mission over, scores

tallied, and the winner was 1st Lt. Jack Snead. He was presented with a cigarette lighter by his wing commander, and Jack wrote his folks here that "was just what I needed."

Jack never has smoked. He is a home town Robert Lee boy, the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Snead, Jr.

It was a pleasure to work on the recent Cancer Crusade, and we are proud of Coke County folks who contributed nearly 150% of their quota. Workers found that most everyone was happy to help the cancer fund. A new look at cancer shows that one victim in three is now being saved instead of the previous one in four.

The American Cancer Society has released a report saying 800,000 people in the nation have been "saved from cancer" and are alive five years after treatment.

The report reaffirmed the belief that "one-half of all cases of cancer can be cured with present knowledge alone" if the individual seeks attention early enough.

An outstanding example of benefits which might be derived from the recent free chest X-ray examinations is Bob Wilson, popular young barber at Bronte. His report was positive and further examination by local physicians indicated a chest tumor. He immediately submitted to surgery and a fungus growth was removed. He is doing fine and everyone was happy to learn that there was no malignancy.

Nearly 800 persons in Coke County had free chest examinations when they were provided in March.

Garland Davis left Tuesday for Canyon where he will attend summer classes at West Texas State College. He recently concluded his first year as English teacher in the Robert Lee high school, and has been re-elected.

4-H STATE ROUND-UP

2000 4-H members and their leaders will attend the Annual 4-H Roundup June 11-13 and will launch the People-to-People Program throughout Texas.

This People-to-People Program is an outgrowth of an effort by President Eisenhower to create closer understanding among the peoples of the world.

Girls attending from Coke County will be:

June and Jean Moore, Marjorie Gladys Rives, Peggy Boone, and Mrs. Foy L. Moore, adult leader.



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MISS BRYAN HONORED

A Bridal Tea honoring Miss Cynthia Bryan, bride-elect of L. C. Martin, was given Wednesday from 2:30 to 5:00 p.m. in the new Community Building at the County Park. Hostesses were Mmes. Cur-

tis Walker, Pat Rives, A. D. Field, Lowell Roane D. A. Dumas, Bobby Baker, Leon Byrne and Weldon Fikes. Miss Bryan received many beautiful gifts. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Bryan and is a recent graduate of Robert Lee high school.

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Bacon 1b. 57c

LONGHORN

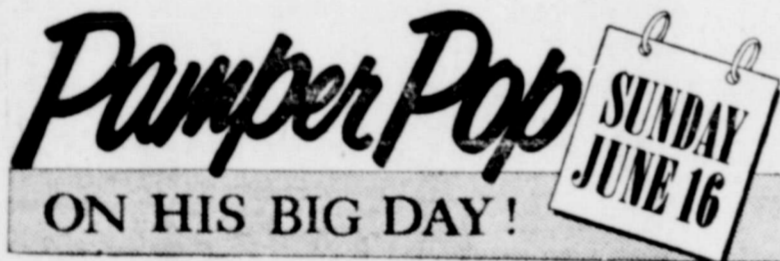
Cheese 1b. 45c

ALL MEAT

Bologna 1b. 39c

DAD DESERVES A BREAK

REMEMBER HIM ON



May we suggest one of the finest gifts and one that will be appreciated during the years to come. It's a

Schick Electric Razor

We also have Norelco, Sunbeam and Remingtons in beautiful styling.

Shaving Sets, Lotions, etc. in those celebrated brands of Kings Men, Old Spice and Yardley.

Other appropriate gifts may include Wrist and Pocket Watches, Leather Billfolds, Kodaks, Cigars, Pipes and Cigarettes.

And why not sweeten the "Old Boy" up with a nice box of Pangburn fine candy?

Lots of Other Nice Dad's Day Gifts.

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