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Robert Lee FFA Team Competes In State Contest

The F. F. A. Greenhand Quiz team earned a berth in the State Contest by defeating seven other Area II teams Dec. 7 in Big Spring. Team members include Rocky Counts, Jerry Quisenberry, Donny Robertson and James Harmon.

The boys and local vocational agriculture teacher, Hulan Harris, leave Friday for Huntsville to carry the laurels of Robert Lee and Area II at the state meet. The last Robert Lee team to compete in the state contest was in 1955.

Rocky Counts for his second time was high point individual in the entire contest. He first accomplished this feat Nov. 20 at the District Contest. The team had an average score of 92, defeating New Home by a total of 6 points. Individual scores: Rocky Counts 97½, Jerry Quisenberry 92, and Donny Robertson 88.

To advance to a state contest is a feat in itself because to do so you must first win district and then area. Area II covers 44 West Texas counties, 82 schools and 4,100 boys enrolled in vocational agriculture.

This is the 27th annual State Leadership contest and it is to be held on the campus of Sam Houston State College in Huntsville Dec. 14. The State Contest is sponsored by the Sam Houston Collegiate Chapter of the Future Farmers of America and is rated as one of the top Texas Future Farmer events.

The state contest began in 1931 and the event attracted only five teams with 15 contestants. This year entries will be well over 100 teams with some 600 contestants.

The radio team composed of Jamie Schooler, Douglas Robertson and Marlow Wojtek placed third in the area radio contest. Eight West Texas schools competed in this contest. Only first place winners are eligible to advance to the state contest.

The groups received their awards and banners at the area meeting held after the contest. L. M. Hargrave, professor of agricultural education at Texas Tech, former Robert Lee citizen in 1924, presented the area awards.

Five Students Will Try Out For Regional Band

Five members of the Robert Lee High School Band will go to Abilene Saturday to compete in the Regional Band Contest.

They will be pitted against all the musicians from this area including San Angelo, Abilene, Snyder, Ranger and all schools between.

Robert Lee will be represented by Ronnie Sims, cornet, Jerry Dean, trombone, Don Weathers, saxophone, Brenda Cowley, French horn, and Vicki Wojtek, clarinet.

If any of these students make the first chairs in their sections, they will then be sent to the all-state band at Houston in February.

It would be a signal honor for any of Robert Lee's students to be selected for the all-state band.

Mothers of pupils in the 4th grade are requested to meet at Varnadore Cafe at 2 p. m. Monday, Dec. 16, to complete arrangements for their Christmas Party.



MRS. JIMMY SMITH
...leaves teaching position

Robert Lee To Have New Home Ec Instructor

Mrs. Jimmy Smith has resigned as home economics teacher in Robert Lee high school, effective Dec. 20 when the Christmas holidays start.

Her resignation was accepted at a meeting of school trustees last Thursday night, and at the same time Mrs. G. L. Hodge of Silver was hired as her successor.

Mrs. Hodge will begin her work here when school resumes on Dec. 30. She has had several years of experience and taught at Silver a couple of years ago. Mrs. Hodge's husband is chief clerk at the Texas Natural Gasoline Corp. plant southwest of Silver.

Mrs. Smith's resignation was due to the fact that her husband was transferred from Robert Lee to Panhandle where he is continuing his work in the Soil Conservation Service.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Smith graduated from Texas Tech last June and immediately established their home in Robert Lee. They have made many friends here who regret their departure.

O. B. Jacobs qualified as a member of the Robert Lee school board to fill a vacancy caused by the recent resignation of Jack Cowley. J. F. McCabe has been advanced to president of the board and Will Percifull is secretary. A vice-president has not been named.

Other members of the 7-man board of school trustees are Bert Blaylock, Melvin Childress, Fagan Parker and Finnell Smith.

BUILDS NEW WAREHOUSE

Will Percifull has completed a new warehouse across the alley back of his hardware store. It is constructed of sheet iron and has dimensions of 16x24 feet. The warehouse will be used for heavy hardware items, including windmills, pipe, etc.

Honor Roll

ROBERT LEE ELEMENTARY DEPARTMENT

1st Grade — Darrell Pitcock, Robbie Jane Smith.

2nd Grade — Ross Adkins, Lois Heuvel, Patricia Hughes, Vernay Vaughan, Kathy Ruth Service.

3rd Grade (Mrs. Watterson) — Della Dean, Rinda Wojtek.

3rd Grade (Mrs. Olson) — Keith Waldrop, Jean Preslar, Rhea Jean McCutchen.

4th Grade — Farrell Jean Fikes, James Pentecost.

5th Grade — Mary Wojtek.

6th Grade — Diane Samuelson, John Jacobs.

Funeral Services Held Wednesday For Mrs. McDonald

Last rites for Mrs. Fred E. (Katherine) McDonald 77, were held Wednesday at 3:30 p. m. from Bronte First Methodist Church. The Rev. Lin Loeffler, pastor, officiated, assisted by the Rev. Douglas Brown, pastor of Bronte First Baptist Church.

Burial followed in the Old Fort Chadbourne Cemetery, north of Bronte, under the direction of Cliff Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were Floyd Fancher, Jacob Morrow, Noah Pruitt, Billy McDonald, Joe Rawlings, T. M. Wylie, Ben Keys and Matthew Caperton.

A long time Coke County resident, Mrs. McDonald died at 9:45 a. m. Tuesday, Dec. 10, in the Bronte hospital, after a two-year illness.

She was born January 8, 1880 in Olive Branch, Mississippi, the daughter of the late W. J. Robinson and Nancy Crow Robinson. She was married to the late Fred E. McDonald in Sweetwater, Tex. on Aug. 10, 1899.

The family lived in the Fort Chadbourne community until 1924 when they moved to Bronte. Mr. McDonald was a prominent stock farmer and Coke County ginner for many years.

Mrs. McDonald was a member of the Presbyterian church. She pursued her hobby, raising flowers, until her health failed.

Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. A. N. Rawlings of Bronte; two sons, W. C. McDonald of San Angelo and W. D. McDonald of Bronte; 6 grand children and 10 great grandchildren. Another son, Fred E. McDonald, Jr. of Robert Lee, died about two months ago, as a result of injuries sustained in an auto accident.

Robert Lee Band Gets Top Rating In District Meet

Robert Lee High School Band took sweepstakes honors in the district contest Saturday at Winters. It is the second year that Robert Lee's band has gained this distinction.

Robert Lee was the first band on the field, and after some delay in starting, Richard Sims raised his baton to begin the performance. From the first note to the last it was evident that each student was doing his best. The playing was precise, as was the marching.

Robert Lee had one of the smallest bands in the contest, several of the other B size bands had as many as fifty or more members.

When the results were announced it was Robert Lee 1st in inspection and 1st in marching. It was the only Class B Band rated a 1st in marching, and only three Class A bands rated as high. They were Mason, Ozona and Albany.

Band director Keith Farris said Robert Lee's rating was not an accident, but was the result of hard work by all the band students. It was the 7:30 practice sessions every Thursday morning and the many band rehearsals that paid off. The students had a fine spirit all along and wouldn't settle for a second.

The Robert Lee Band has a new motto. It is "Sweepstakes or bust." That means the band must make a 1st in concert and a 1st in sight reading at another contest next April.

SILVER PANCAKE SUPPER

Silver Lions Club is making big plans for its Pancake Supper Friday of this week. The event takes place at the school house and serving will continue from 5 to 8 p. m. Both the cafeteria and auditorium will be used to handle the crowd and there will be entertainment features during the evening. Tickets are 50c for adults and children for the plate of pancakes, bacon, syrup and coffee or cold drinks.

MORE COLD WEATHER

Coke County continues to have more early cold weather than usual, with this week's temperatures dropping to the lowest of the season. Wednesday morning the thermometer reading was 22 degrees. A warming trend is in prospect and the temperature Thursday morning was 30.

Farm Bureau Buys County Ag Building

Coke County Farm Bureau has purchased the former Ag Annex Building, across the street west of the court house.

The Farm Bureau bid of \$1,001.95 was the only offer submitted to the Commissioners Court Monday, after the county had advertised for bids to sell the property.

Included in the sale is a 25-foot lot with a depth of 150 feet, and a double army barracks building. The county reserved a 1,000-gallon butane tank.

The structure formerly housed the various county and federal agricultural agencies which now have office space in the new court house.

The Farm Bureau will use the building as a meeting place and for its various service programs.

FINNELL SMITH INJURED

Finnell Smith, well known stock farmer west of Edith, lost the end of his left thumb Saturday afternoon when he mashed it with an 8-pound hammer. He was making repairs on his tractor when the blow caught the end of his thumb. Mr. Smith is being treated at Coke Memorial Hospital here.

Tom Walker was released the last of the week after being a medical patient for some time in Coke Memorial Hospital. He is much improved and has gone for a stay with the E. L. Jones family in Abilene.



WILL MARRY — Mrs. Bonetia Robertson announces the engagement and approaching marriage of her daughter, Charlene, to Richard Dumas, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Dumas. The wedding has been set for Dec. 21 at the Robert Lee Baptist Church.

Expect Crowd For Xmas Party Here Saturday

Robert Lee's second annual Christmas Party is coming up on schedule Saturday, Dec. 14, and a gala occasion is in prospect.

The event is sponsored by the City Commission and business firms who are contributing a big list of prizes to be awarded late in the afternoon.

The Christmas Party has been arranged especially for the youngsters who will enjoy free movies and free skating at the roller rink from 1 to 4 p. m.

Santa Claus is due to arrive at 4:15 and distribute candy gifts to all children, including babes in arms up through high school seniors. There will be a sack of Christmas candy for everyone of the several hundred youngsters who are expected to greet Santa here Saturday.

The prize drawing will take place on the court house square at 4:30. Read the page advertisement in this newspaper which sets forth rules, the firms who are contributing prizes, etc. It is important to know that you must be present to claim the prize if your name is drawn, and that only one award will be permitted to the same person.

Another feature of the Christmas Party is the Turkey Shoot sponsored by the Quarterback Club. This event will be held in the Fred Roe building, across the street west of the court house.

Christmas business has been good according to reports of Robert Lee merchants, and holiday stocks are still adequate.

A warm invitation is extended to the entire community to come to Robert Lee Saturday for the Christmas Party.

Jackets Given To 19 Steers At Grid Dinner

Jackets were awarded to 19 members of the Robert Lee Steer squad at the annual high school football banquet Tuesday night. Letters are given to those who played at least in 16 quarters during the season.

Also receiving jackets were Coach C. D. Manire and Garland Davis, assistant coach, and the two team managers.

Main speaker at the banquet was Max Baumgartner, coach at San Angelo College.

The turkey dinner was prepared by the school cafeteria staff and served in the band room at the high school.

Robert Lee had an excellent football season, winning 7 and losing three games in the regular schedule. They won the 6-B district championship, but lost the bi-district playoff to Wink.

While the 1947 team had eight seniors, there is material coming on for a strong club again next year.

MRS. HADEN NEAL

Friends in Robert Lee have been advised of the recent death of Mrs. Haden Neal, 81, whose passing occurred Nov. 22 in a hospital at Ranger. She was the mother of Mrs. Lillian Eastland, who resigned as a teacher here a short time ago to be with her ailing mother. Mrs. Neal resided in the Ranger locality the past 66 years. She is survived by her husband, two daughters and a son.

THE OBSERVETTE

Published by Students of Robert Lee High School

Branding Iron

(SANDY BAKER)

WONDERING:

What Troy and Dale did over the Thanksgiving holidays?

What surprise Peggy got on a blind date????

Why Frances had to stay home last Friday night????

What girl Frankie W. was with last Sunday night?

What is Mike's big secret?????

Why Lexie is mad at Brenda? Couldn't be over a certain boy, could it???????

Why these Home Ec III girls are suddenly so interested in "going steady"???

Whom Melvin was with last Monday night?

Whom Peggy was with last Sunday???????

Whom Doris has been getting letters from? Secret, huh?????

Where Melvin was when Don was at Sandra's house last Wednesday night?

Whom Troy was looking for last Wednesday night?????

Whom did Keith Farris SWITCH in Winters. Were they Brenda and Martha?

Did the band members work hard to win first place so they wouldn't have to come out so early every Thursday and practice?

Will those boys ever get that white shoe polish off the band bus?

WONDERING if Martha won't now be ready to take care of Freddy with her left "base drum" hook?

Steer Corral

(FREDDY McDONALD)

The girls' basketball team took their first win out of three starts last Friday night. It was a close game all the way, being won in the final seconds by a free shot by Doris Sparks. The final score read 35 to 34. Coach Davis emptied the bench in winning. He played all the girls he had but it paid off.

BUS LOAD OF BOYS TO DALLAS

The Robert Lee Steers went to Dallas over the weekend to see S. M. U. play Notre Dame. The boys left at 3:00 a. m. Saturday. Sponsors going along were Coaches P. E. Petross, Garland Davis, and Coston Sawyer and Mike Lomas. All stayed at the Y. M. C. A. The boys went out to the fair grounds that afternoon to see S. M. U. get beat 54-21. Despite the score, everyone enjoyed the game.

That night all the boys went to some kind of show. The boys stopped by the zoo in Ft. Worth. They arrived in Robert Lee at 6:30 Saturday night.

This trip proved very educational to these boys. First, they learned by experience that men's dormitories are places in which one does NOT sleep. The boys returned without serious casualties, but Bill Mundell received a little education about sleeping on the top bunk with Hoot Gibson as the instructor. Also Melvin Duncan kept the bunch always guessing why he was the last one to bed. Coach Garland Davis returned with a new slant on the "segregation problem."

The trip was a very enjoyable and successful one. Already the boys are looking forward to another such excursion next year.

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The Range Rider

(JO ANN HOOD)

STAGE BAND PERFORMS

Thursday, December 5, at 10:00 an assembly was held in the auditorium. The seventh through the twelfth grades attended. There were also several parents attending. Part of the concert was given by the stage band, directed by Mr. Keith Farris. The name of the first playing was "China Boy". Mack Tubb gave a bit of comedy. The next number was dedicated to Mr. Petross. It was "The Principal, My Special Angel" sung by the well known quartet, Don Weathers, Richard Sims, Jerry Dean, and Ronnie Sims. Next was "The American Patrol", by Glenn Miller, a number remembered by everyone during World War II, and the "B Flat Blues" was the final number. Other numbers during the program were "September in the Rain", and "Solitude."

Members of the band are:

Brenda McDorman, piano; Don Weathers, sax; Vicki Wojtek, and Tootsie Favors, alto saxophone; Ann Smith, tenor sax; Richard Sims, baritone sax; Jimmy Bell, Mack Tubbs, cornets; Ronnie Sims, Jerry Dean, Martha Humphrey, trombone; Gayle Lewis, French horn; Joe Jones, bass horn; Brenda Cowley, drums.

There has been great discussion about teen-agers going steady. Parents and children have arguments about this topic. If the parents and children don't agree, sometimes the teen-agers will go steady without letting the parents know about it. So to help the parents and teen-agers, there was a panel discussion last week for the seventh to the twelfth grades.

Several questions were asked and the panel came to these conclusions. A person shouldn't go steady unless he has marriage in mind when he starts going steady. The result of going steady is breaking up; someone is always hurt. If they are in school, grades are lower, and going steady limits one's choice for marriage. Also going steady is just another step

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Roundup Time

(FRANCES WYLIE)

December 11, 12 and 13 — Christoval tournament for high school teams.

December 11, 12 and 13 — Westbrook Tournament for grade school teams.

December 13 — Grade School Operetta

December 14 — Regional Band Contest at Abilene

December 16 — FHA Christmas Party 7:00

December 16 — Basketball game for Junior High at Bronte

December 17 — Basketball Game with Water Valley, there.

December 17 — Eighth grade Christmas Party

December 18 — Basketball game with Mertzon, here

December 18 — Winter Band Concert

December 19 — Sophomore play, "All is Calm"

December 20 — Out for the Holidays

December 21 — Senior Bake Sale

in getting engaged. It was decided that a person needn't go steady before engagement, and he doesn't need to go steady to be popular.

The panel was composed of Sandra Baker, Nettie Bob Bell, Tootsie Favors, Vicki Wojtek, Freddie McDonald, Sam Skipworth, Hoot Gibson, Mrs. Pauline Coalson and Mr. Garland Davis. Kenney Sawyer presided over the discussion.

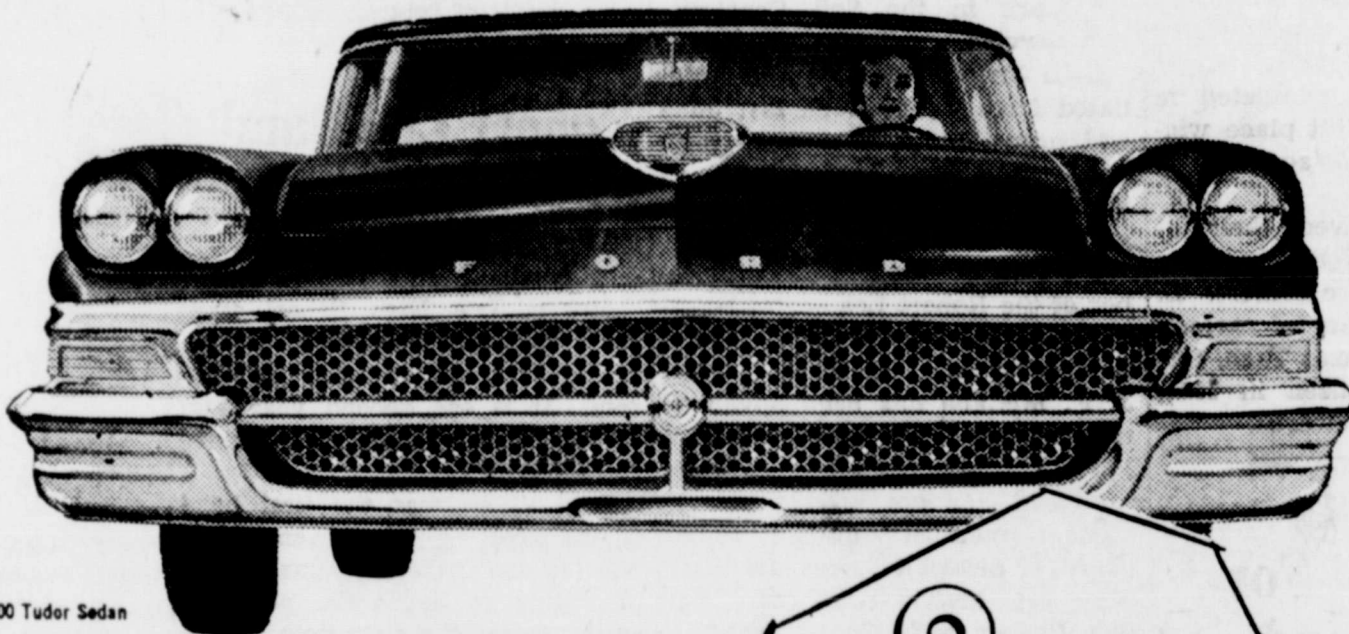
Sophomores To Have Play

The sophomore class is working on a play, "All is Calm," to be given before the school is let out Thursday week at 2:30 p. m. It is a very entertaining Christmas play. Eight students are to perform in the play, and understudies for each part have been assigned. The third period study halls, and sometimes the world history classes are used as practice periods. "Butch" Davis, an ex-student, is helping to produce the play. All the parents and friends are urged to come to this play. There is no admission charge.

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The Art Wrangler

(JANE AUSTIN)

Monday night, December 2, at 8:15, the San Angelo Symphony opened their scheduled program with "Overture to Marriage of Figaro." Following was Mrs. Scott Johnson and her interpretation of Grieg's 1st Concerto in A Minor for the piano. Three movements of that number are Allegro molto, Adagio, and Allegro moderato. After intermission the curtains opened to the 1st scene in the Opera "Almahl and The Night Visitors." Playing the part of Almahl was Robert Thompson, a boy chosen from the Boys State Choir for his singing ability. Portraying his mother was Jean McDonald. The story of the opera describes the little crippled boy, Almahl, who lives with his mother in a hovel. Three kings, guided by a brilliant star, find their way to the hut where in the occurrence of events, to the surprise of every one, he, by a miracle, is suddenly enabled to walk without his crutch. The singing of the shepherds and the dance of the girl lent color to the scene.

It was certainly a treat to attend such a magnificent performance.

Mystery Cowhands

(FRANCES WYLIE)

Mystery Cowgirl:
Class — Upperclassman
Favorite subject — Typing
Most difficult subject — English
Favorite color — Blue
Favorite Food — Chicken
Favorite Sport — Football
Color of eyes — Brown
Height — 5'5"
Ambition — Housewife
Pet Peeve — Stuck-up People
Favorite Pastime — Dancing.
Mystery Cowboy:
Class — Underclassman
Favorite Subject — P. E.
Most difficult subject — World History
Favorite Color — Blue
Favorite Food, Steak and french fries

Favorite sport — Baseball, he is a pitcher
Color of eyes — Blue
Color of hair — Blonde
Height and Weight — 5'11", 130
Ambition — To be a professional baseball player
Pet Peeve — Girls with big mouth
Favorite Pastime — Dating.

REMEMBER!
"THE BEST STORY OF ALL"
OPERETTA GRADES 1-3
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FRIDAY, DEC. 13 7:15 P. M.
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Jests from the West

(JERRY DEAN)

A man whose name was Shadrack Sat on a sharp-pointed tack. He couldn't lean up more, So he cussed and he swore. But then was too tired to lean back.

If dogs eat cats, and cats eat mice, then "Late to bed and early to rise makes a man have blood-shot eyes."

A man named Sloane rolled down a mountain and broke his back. He was buried under a cross. This proves that "A rolling Sloane got a cross."

Why did the South have to surrender to the North in the Civil War? (1) the North used dirty tactics (2) the North used very dirty tactics (3) The North used very, very dirty tactics.

Senior News

(NETTIE BOB BELL)

The Senior Class had a bake sale last Tuesday and Wednesday. They sold all of their cakes and pies and made approximately \$40. There will be another bake sale sponsored by us Saturday, December 21. The Seniors would like to express their appreciation for the cooperation which they received at the last bake sale.

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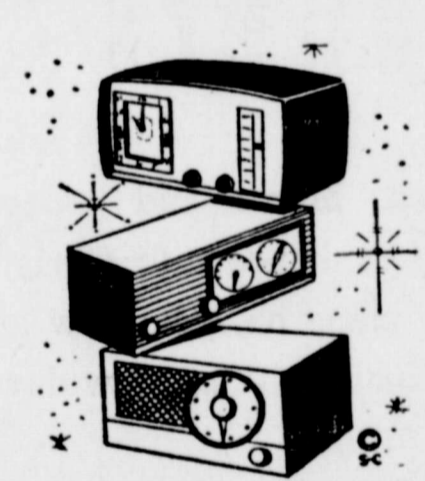
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Unlimited Supply of Dressed Turkeys
THREE SHOTS FOR \$1.00

NOTICE

The Turkey Shoot is to be held at the south end of Mountain Creek Dam on Highway 158 just outside Robert Lee. In case of bad weather the event will be held indoors, at the Fred Roe Building next to the Robert Lee State Bank.

State Highways In Coke County To Be Improved

The Texas State Highway Department will spend \$46,500 for improvements on highways in Coke County during 1958, D. C. Greer, State Highways Engineer, has announced. This is in addition to the regular construction and maintenance program.

The State Highway Commission has approved this appropriation to improve already existing highways in this county, and there will be little or no additional right of way requirements, Greer said. At the December meeting of the Highway Commission, \$20 million was allotted to 44 Texas counties for road improvements during 1958.

The \$20 million is being spent for shoulder widening, seal coat jobs, additional surfacing, and for widening of structures and highways up to date.

"We should have this program moving by spring," Greer said. "We believe the money will go a long way toward bringing these highways up to date."

Projects for Coke County are:

State 158, from Robert Lee to Bronte, length 11.9 miles, level up and seal coat.

State 208, from Robert Lee to Tom Green County line, length 14.8 miles, level up and seal coat.

U. S. 87, from Sterling County line to Tom Green County line, (Sections), length 3.0 miles, seal coat.

SHEPPARD HOME SOLD

Roland Willis has purchased the A. V. Shepard residence and moved his family to Robert Lee this week from Stanton. Mr. Willis is the new conservationist for the Coke County Soil Conservation District, having been appointed to succeed Mr. Sheppard, who was transferred to Mitchell county. The Sheppard family has moved to Colorado City where they bought a home at 1938 Chestnut street. Mr. Sheppard purchased his Robert Lee home a few years ago from B. M. Mundell. It is located three blocks southeast of the courthouse.

FOR SALE—Fresh frozen dressed hens, 3 to 3½ pounds, \$1.25 each. J. E. Quisenberry, Dial GL 3-3031.

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COKE COUNTY TELEVISION

Robert Lee, Texas

Christmas Flowers



Poinsettias, Mums and other attractive pot plants will enhance your Christmas decorations. We have many on hand now and will receive a new shipment within a few days.

Table Arrangements

We are proud of the special Christmas groups that we've arranged, and hope you will come by and see them. Special orders will be taken, but they require time.

Sprays and Wreaths

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Robert Lee



Methodist Church News

Sunday, Dec. 15, the Methodist Choir will present the Christmas Story in song. The Choir has been working hard the last few weeks to make this one of the most inspiring services of the Christmas Season. This will be a service you will not want to miss, make plans now to attend. The Christmas Contata will start at 7:00 p. m. Everyone is extended a cordial invitation to attend. New choir robes have been purchased which will add greatly to our fine Choir. Don't miss this occasion.

Last Sunday evening the Methodist Youth Fellowship sacked candy for the City's Christmas Program which will be presented Dec. 14. This is the second year the young people have helped in the preparation for this program. All had much fun in the sacking of the candy. Afterward games of "ping pong", "four-square ball" and "Singing" was held in the Fellowship Hall of the Church.

Monday, Dec. 16, the Women's Society of Christian Service will meet at the Church. Time for the meeting is 3:30 p. m.

On Saturday evening, Dec. 14, the Young Married Couple's Sunday School Class will have a covered dish supper. This will be held in the Fellowship Hall of the Church. Time is 7:00 P. M.

The Methodist Men's Bible Class had their monthly social two weeks ago. There were 60 in attendance. After enjoying a fine meal, games of "52" and "dominoes" were played.

We welcome our new members who have recently joined our Fellowship. These new members are: Mr. and Mrs. Mack Mathis, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Haralson, Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Lindsey, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Thompson, and Mr. and Mrs. Roland Willis.

CHARLENE FRANKLIN WEDS

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Franklin, Jr. of Colorado City, former Robert Lee residents, announce the marriage on Nov. 28 of their daughter, Charlene, to C. G. Fisher, Jr. also of Colorado City. The bride is a 1957 graduate of Colorado City high school and has been employed in Berman's Department Store. The bridegroom graduated from Westbrook High in 1954. The couple will live in Kingsville where Mr. Fisher is stationed with the U. S. Naval Air Force.

The Dogie Roundup

(DON HESTER)

Freddy Smith, Sharon Walker, Phyllis Davis and Larry Wojtek, were not absent a day the last six weeks.

First graders have a grocery store as an extra activity. They are learning new words, good manners and how to make change.

Third graders drew names for Christmas and Mrs. Watson said that since it's past Thanksgiving, they can start decorating the room for Christmas. Della Dean and Linda Percifull have brought some decorations for the room.

Fourth graders are making spelling trees. Every time they made above 90 they got a star for their tree. They are also making an exhibit on Switzerland.

In Mrs. McNair's class, they are learning to write letters.

Martha Sheppard has moved to Colorado City.

The Fifth grade is making snowflakes for window Christmas decorations. They are hard at work after a successful Thanksgiving holiday. They hope!

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Gifts for the Home That Everyone Will Enjoy

New on Display This Week TAPPAN GAS RANGE

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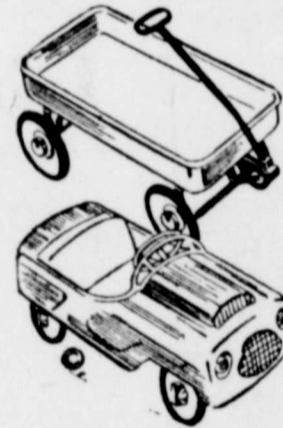
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Notes

From The Oil Field

Wildcat Staked On Luther Sparks

Coke County gained two of five wildcats scheduled in West Texas. The others were in Crockett, Garfield and Brown counties.

Zapata Petroleum Corp. of Midwest will drill a 7,000-foot rotary wildcat in Coke County, 12 miles west of Robert Lee. It will be the No. 1 Luther Sparks.

Rotary drilling to 7,000 feet will begin immediately.

Location, on a 320-acre lease, 660 feet from the north and 420 feet from the west lines of 420-1A-H&TC.

The prospector is one mile north-northeast of Midwest Oil Corp. No. 1 Forehand, a 7,284-foot failure abandoned June 26, 1956.

2ND COKE WILDCAT

L. E. (Lou) Scherck, et al, of San Angelo will drill a 4,200-foot rotary wildcat in Coke County, six miles northwest of Bronte and two miles north-northeast of the McCutchen field. It will be the No. 1 Mrs. Lula Hines.

Operations are to begin Dec. 14. Location is 2,047 feet.

Location, on a 40-acre lease, is

660 feet from the north and 467 feet from the west lines of 420-1A-H&TC.

It is also 1/2-mile west of the Scherck No. 1 McCutchen, a 4,760 foot failure abandoned April 17, 1956.

The Round-Up

(BETTY HOOD)

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Smart Girl: One who can hold a man at arms length without losing her grip on him.

Tact: The thing that if it's there, nobody notices it, but if it isn't there, everybody notices it.

Efficiency: The ability to do a job well, plus the desire to do it better.

Loud and disorderly party: A party at the Rec hall to which you have not been invited.

Luck: When you find the tune on the other side of the record you bought is one you also wanted.

PERSONALS

Denton Powers returned last week to the Veterans Hospital at Big Spring where he will undergo further medical treatment. Following major surgery two months ago, he was back home for a few weeks. His friends can write him in care of the Veterans Hospital, Room 5W, Bed 14, Big Spring.

Mr. and Mrs. Freeman Clark were in Lubbock early last week where the former underwent an examination by Veterans Hospital doctors. His many friends will be happy to learn that his report was highly satisfactory. Mr. Clark is laying off work a while and resting at his home in Robert Lee. He has gained 11 pounds since he began the rest treatment.

Gary Jackson is improving in Coke Memorial Hospital here from pneumonia. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Norval Jackson of Big Spring, former residents of Robert Lee, and is a brother of Mrs. John McDaniel.

First Lt. and Mrs. Jack Snead and little son, David, departed Monday after a visit of three weeks in the parental homes of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Snead, Jr. and Mrs. Lillian Caraway. Lt. Snead is stationed at Travis AFB, Calif., where he is a member of a B-36 bomber crew.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Eaton of Snyder were Sunday afternoon guests of their niece, Mrs. J. W. Service, Jr. and family.

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AT CHURCH HOME

Mrs. Thelma McAuley of Monahans writes that her father, Tom Whitt, is now living at the Church of Christ Home for the Aged at Gunter, Tex. She says it is a very nice home among Christians. He would be happy to hear from old friends around Silver. Address T. A. Whitt, Box 38, Gunter, Tex.

BRIDAL SHOWER

Miss Joydell Kinsey was honored with a Bridal Shower Monday night at the county park recreation building. Hostesses were Mrs. Nelan Bahlman, Mrs. Francis Jeffries and Miss Nettie Bob Bell. Miss Kinsey received many beautiful gifts. Her marriage to James T. Deen has been set for Dec. 21.

THINKING ABOUT COKE

In sending a remittance for The Observer, Mrs. Julia Johnson writes as follows from Truth or Consequences, New Mex.: "We used to take the paper, but since my husband passed away five years ago, I let it go. But today I found an old copy and it made me think about all the good people there."

The many friends of Mrs. E. A. Burgess will regret to learn that her condition has grown critical the last few weeks. She is a patient in Coke County Memorial Hospital. All of her daughters are here.

BAHLMANS BUY HOME

Mr. and Mrs. Nelan Bahlman have purchased Mrs. Zelma Milam's residence in Robert Lee. It is the former home of the late Mrs. John McCabe and is a nice two-bedroom property.

The Bahman's will get possession about the first of the year. Rudy Ford and his family have been occupying the house, but will move to the Mill Allen residence, south of the county jail. This place has been rented to Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Smith, who are soon moving to Panhandle.

Mrs. Milam has been living in San Angelo the past year where she has a good position with an accounting firm. She has purchased a beautiful 6-room home there at 1617 West Van Buren.

HOSPITAL NEWS

Dec. 4 — Mrs. Joe Dodson, Sr. dismissed.

Dec. 5 — Judy Kincaid dismissed.

Dec. 6 — Mrs. Fred Smith dismissed.

Dec. 7 — Finnell Smith, Linda Sue Gaines, Gary Jackson, Robert Craig Bessent admitted. Tom Walker, Monty Trimble dismissed.

Dec. 8 — Ira L. Coppedge admitted.

Dec. 9 — Mrs. Fred Wilcox, Patrick Lewis admitted. Mrs. Sam Jay dismissed.

Dec. 10 — Linda Sue Gaines dismissed.



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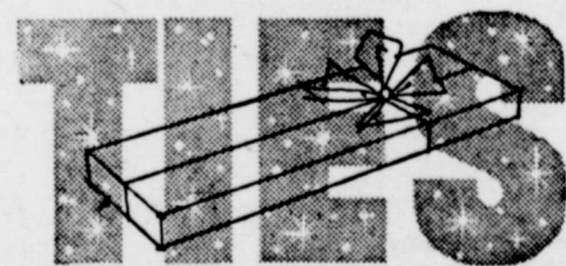
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CHRISTMAS PARTY

Saturday, December 14

Free Movies and Roller Skating
 Turkey Shoot For Adults
 Santa Claus Parade
 Candy Gifts For Children

Big Prize Drawing



FREE MOVIES, 1 TO 4 P. M.

Continuous Free Show at the Alamo Theatre from 1 until 4 P. M. Two complete shows of comedies and features. Free to children up to 18 years of age.

TURKEY SHOOT

A Turkey Shoot will be held from 1 to 4 P. M. under sponsorship of the Quarterback Club. The event will be held on the south side of Mountain Creek Dam just east of Robert Lee on Hiway 158. In case of bad weather it will be held in the Fred Roe Building south of the Robert Lee State Bank.

FREE ROLLER SKATING

Robert Lee Roller Rink will also be operated FREE from 1 to 4 P. M. We want everyone to have fun at Robert Lee's Christmas Party. Free skates for children up to 15 years of age.

SANTA ARRIVES AT 4:15

Yes, word comes from Santa that he'll be here at 4:15 and will ride into town on the big red fire truck. Santa Claus will distribute free bags of candy to all youngsters, including little tots and up through the 12th grade.

Many Free Prizes Given Away At 4:30 P. M.

A list of the prizes with the donor of each has been announced as follows:

Olene's Beauty Shop Tweed Gift Set, value	\$ 4.95
Wallace Grocery & Market Tenderized Ham	10.00
Key Feed Store Cash	5.00
Mona's Beauty Shop 'Intimate' Spray Mist Cologne	2.75
Vowell Automotive Service Cash	7.50
Reba's Beauty Shop Shampoo and Nail Cream	3.00
Percifull Hardware Steel Tool Box	4.95
West Texas Utilities Co. Ceramic T-V Lamp	6.95
Merle Norman Studio Cologne	3.00
Sheppard Service Station Cap Pack Thermos Kit	10.00
Mack's Grocery & Station Cash	5.00
Adams Abstract Company Cash	5.00

Snead Barber Shop Cash	5.00
Roach's Dry Goods Colored Sheets and Pillow Cases	7.50
Alamo Theatre Week's Pass for Two, or 4 Tickets	
Varnadore Service Station Car Mats	6.95
Robert Lee Observer Two-year Subscription	5.00
Ivey Motor Company Rear View Mirror Installed	8.95
Robert Grocery Box of Candy	
Linzy McDorman Foremost Dairy Products	5.00
Farris City Drug Store Choice of gift worth	5.00
Fralely & Company 100 Gallons Butane	9.00
Fran-Cilla Flowers & Gifts Fiddle Leaf Rubber Plant	4.00
Butane Service Company 100 Gallons Butane	9.00
Baker's Grocery & Market Choice of Merchandise Worth	5.00
Froggy's Hamburgers In Trade	5.00
Mrs. O. K. Rabb Avon Cologne Set	2.95

Special Prizes

Appreciation Day Merchants had some funds left over and will give away \$50.00 in merchandise certificates to be divided as follows:

Merchandise Certificate, value	\$25.00
Merchandise Certificate	10.00
Merchandise Certificate	10.00
Merchandise Certificate	5.00

NOTICE—These certificates are good for merchandise at any of the Appreciation Day Merchants, and it is requested that they be spent before Dec. 25.

Special Notice

The drawing will take place promptly at 4:30 P. M. on the Court House Square. Coupons for the Appreciation Day Drawings will again be used. In case new persons do not have their names in the big squirrel cage, they are requested to contact their local merchant who will provide them with tickets so they can get their names in with the others.

YOU MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN A PRIZE WHEN YOUR NAME IS DRAWN.

Only persons 16 years of age or older are eligible for these prizes.

In case the person whose name is called does not appear within 60 seconds, another name will be called. After a person wins a prize, he becomes ineligible to win thereafter.

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Silver News

Mrs. Fred Wilcox entered Coke County Memorial Hospital at Robert Lee for medical treatment.

Ernest Clendennen and family attended the football game Saturday in Amarillo where Abilene defeated the Sandies in the 4A high school quarter final.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Jones are parents of a son born at 7:30 a. m. Saturday in the Colorado City hospital. He weighed 7 pounds, 14 ounces and has been named Casey. Mrs. Jones was honored the previous evening with a pink and blue shower in the Methodist Church fellowship hall.

Mrs. Joe Ash came Sunday from Fort Worth and is spending the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jahew Jameson, while her husband is attending a poultry training school at Charles City, Iowa.

Willie Garrett, 14, and Jimmy Arnold, 13, were hunting Saturday on the Spade Ranch when the former brought down a 7-point buck.

R. L. Gaston of Durango, Colo. visited here recently with his sister, Mrs. R. B. Allen, and also spent some time at Tennyson with his mother and other relatives.

C. G. Walker, Sun pumper, was on vacation last week and visited folks in Leon County and at Gladewater.

Cecil Palmer made a business trip to Dallas the past weekend and was an overnight guest in the home of a sister at Cleburne.

J. D. Jett and family made a weekend trip to Fort Worth, taking his mother who had spent a few weeks in Silver.

Billy Wayne Roe of Robert Lee is being drafted into the armed services this week. While he is in basic training his wife, the former Delores Jones, will live at Silver with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Jones.

W. E. Welter, Jameson plant meterman, is a medical patient this week in the hospital at Colorado City.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bradham were in Dallas Saturday where they witnessed the Notre Dame-SMU football game in the Cotton Bowl.

John Shimer and Ross Cone left Tuesday for Dallas on business connected with Sun's gas department.

Hunting companions of J. D. Gilbert here Saturday were Bob Gaston of Lubbock and Billy Parramore, Winters ranchman.

Clayton Bloodworth will take up his work next week at Jameson natural gasoline plant, having been transferred from Sun Field in South Texas. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Bloodworth and his wife is the former Pansy Post. They will reside in Robert Lee.

Mrs. R. D. Arthur and son, Lane, went to Coahoma Sunday where they took part in a young peoples singing convention at the Church of Christ.

Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Lyle and son, Ronnie, plan to leave Saturday on a vacation trip until Dec. 26 in Oklahoma. They will visit folks in Sulphur and Cushing.

J. D. Gilbert, Jameson gasoline plant foreman, received a 10-year award pin this week from Sun Oil Company. Most of his service with Sun has been here as he was one of the employees when the plant opened in 1949.

BASKET BALL NEWS

Silver Indians defeated Robert Lee 35-17 in a junior high basket ball game here Monday night.

Silver girls lost their contest against Robert Lee fems by a narrow margin of 22-21.

Silver has entered boys and girls teams in the 8th grade tournament at Westbrook this weekend. In the opening round Thursday night Silver boys meet Ira and the girls will play Westbrook.

LIONS CLUB NOTES

Advance sale of tickets indicate a big turnout for the Silver Lions club pancake supper Friday night, Dec. 13. Serving will be from 5 to 8 p. m. in the cafeteria, while the auditorium will be used as a dining room.

Entertainment will be continuous over the 3-hour period. Mrs. J. B. Higginbotham will be in charge of one-half of the program, while Mrs. Jack Denman has charge of the other section. Tickets are 50c for both adults and children.

Ladies Night will be observed by the Lions next Tuesday night, when the dinner will also be enhanced by a Christmas party.

The Lions are sponsoring a community Christmas Party for all children in this area from infants up through 9th grade students. The event takes place at 1:30 in the school auditorium. Ice cream and cake will be served and there will be candy treats.

FIFTH GRADE NEWS

(By RAYNELLE BLOODWORTH)

The Fifth grade class at Silver met Monday, November 25, 1957 to elect Book Report officers. Those who were nominated for chairman were Glyn Jameson, John Reed, Larry Don Mullican, and Jimmy Talley. Those who were nominated for vice-chairman were John Reed, Mary E. Morgan, Raynelle Bloodworth Larry Don

Mullican and Jimmy Talley. Those who were nominated for Recorder were Gayle Dean, John Reed, Mary E. Morgan, Sue Ree Kennedy, Patricia Post and Jimmy Talley. Those receiving the offices were:

Chairman, — Blyn Jameson
Vice Chairman — Raynelle Bloodworth

Recorder — Mary E. Morgan
The fifth grade had a nice time at the Thanksgiving party Wednesday afternoon. We want to thank the room mothers also. We enjoyed the holidays too!

We have been making puppets for the last three months. We have enjoyed it. We are going to have a puppet show later.

We drew names for Christmas December 4th.

SILVER GIRL SCOUTS

Silver 5th and 6th grade Girl Scouts held a ceremonial on Nov. 18. One of the three large candles was lighted and each girl recited the Honor Pledge. Mrs. Morgan then awarded our pins, making each of us a registered Girl Scout.

Nov. 24th each of us made an octopus. Having bought them with yarn attached, we braided yarn into legs and sewed on eyes and pasted on a mouth. Black ribbons were placed around the legs, neck and over the head.

At our Dec. 2 meeting names were drawn for our Girl Scout Christmas Party to be held Dec. 16, at 3:15 in the Rec Hall.

Attending the meetings have been Rosalind Bradham, Ruth Palmer, Jeanette Higginbotham, Lynn Mills, Jan Mills, Mary E. Morgan, Jennie Arnold, Patricia Post, Linda Higginbotham, Raynelle Bloodworth, Sue Ree Kennedy, Daphne Roe and Judy Kincaid. — Mary E. Morgan.

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Mr. and Mrs. Huston Hill of Midland visited here Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Yarborough. Christmas Shop in Robert Lee.

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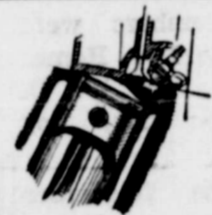
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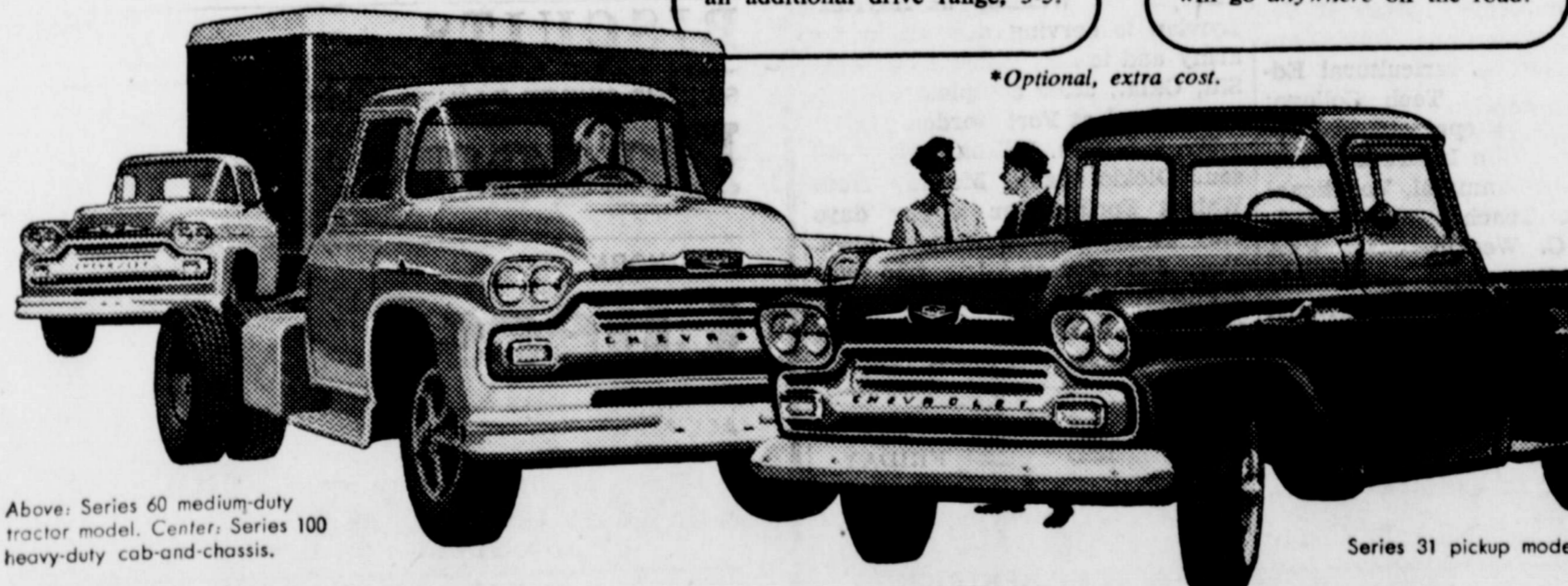


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Future Farmers Win District Contest

The Robert Lee F. F. A. chapter won three firsts, a second and a third in the Concho District F. F. A. Leadership Contest held in San Angelo Nov. 20. Competing schools included Robert Lee, Bronte, San Angelo, Eldorado, Ozona, Sterling City, Wall and Lake View of San Angelo.

First place winners only will compete in the Area Contest Dec. 7 in Big Spring and winners here compete in the State Leadership contest Dec. 14 in Huntsville. The last Robert Lee team to compete in the State Contest was in 1954. The Quiz team composed of Bub Burson, Dennis Blair and Charles Calder placed 3rd that year.

The F. F. A. Quiz team composed of Rocky Counts, Jerry Quisenberry and Donny Robertson placed first with individual scores of 97, 94 and 90 out of a possible 100. This makes the 5th straight year for a Robert Lee Quiz team to win first place. The Quiz contest is made up of F. F. A. questions and parliamentary procedure questions. Only first year VO-Ag boys are eligible to compete in the Quiz contest. Other placings included 2nd, Ozona; 3rd, Lake View; 4th, Wall.

The Radio Broadcasting Team composed of Jamie Schooler, Douglas Robertson and Marlow Wojtek won the radio contest with an informal panel discussion on the current farm problem with emphasis on the "Soil Bank." Lake View of San Angelo placed second.

The Junior Chapter Conducting team placed first with Ozona 2nd, Lake View 3rd and Wall 4th. The Chapter conducting contest is made up of basic orders of parliamentary procedures and questions on parliamentary procedure.

Team members included Donny Robertson, president; James Harmon, vice-president; Jerry Quisenberry, secretary; Frankie Blair, treasurer; Rocky Counts, reporter; Jerry Don Calder, sentinel; Jim Bell and Carlton Boone, delegates; The team scored 945 points out of a possible 1000 points.

The Senior Chapter conducting team placed second being defeated by Ozona by 1 point. In the close contest Robert Lee scored 906 points and Ozona scored 907 points. Team members included Jamie Schooler, President; Kenneth Wink, Vice-President; Bobby Cowley, Secretary; Douglas Robertson, Treasurer; Freddy Ross, Reporter; Marlow Wojtek, Sentinel; Butch Service, David Waldrop and A. J. Summers were delegates. Other placings included Bronte third, Lake View fourth and Wall fifth.

The Senior Farm Skill team composed of David Waldrop, Kenneth Wink and Douglas Ashworth, placed third in the skill demonstration contest with their skill on docking and castrating lambs. The skill demonstrated the various methods used in performing these operations.

Judges for the contest included Clemon Montgomery, Area II Voc-Agriculture Supervisor; Ray Chaple, Professor of Agricultural Education at Texas Tech College; John Atkins, Representative of Nation Farm Life Insurance Company; James Trammel, Vocational Agriculture Teacher at Colorado City; E. C. Weekly, State FFA Executive Secretary; and E. L. Tiner, Subject Matter Specialist of Texas A & M College.

The Robert Lee first place winners will compete in the Area Leadership contest at Big Springs, Sat., Dec. 7 and the Area winners will compete in the State contest, Sat. Dec. 14.

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HORSE KILLED ON HIWAY

Five horses owned by Fred Roe got out of the pasture Monday night and a valuable brood mare was killed when struck by a motor vehicle north of town on Highway 208. A colt was also badly injured. Driver of the vehicle which struck the horses is not known.

TURKEY SHOOT INDOORS

At a meeting of the Quarterback Club Tuesday night it was definitely decided to hold Saturday's Turkey Shoot indoors because of prevailing cold weather. Fred Roe has given permission for use of his building next to the Robert Lee State Bank. A rifle range will be constructed in the building providing for ten targets. The event will be held from 1 to 4 p. m. Saturday. Three shots for a dollar and the best score wins a 10-pound dressed turkey.

HOMEMAKERS S. S. CLASS

The Homemakers Sunday School class of the Baptist Church held their monthly business meeting Nov. 24 in the home of Mrs. Curtis Walker, with Mrs. Sam Williams and Mrs. Roy Casey as co-hostesses.

Mrs. Walker brought the devotional thought for the evening. The secretary's report showed an increase in weekly Sunday School attendance. One new member was reported for the month.

Group captains' reports indicated a larger attendance for Mrs. Ollie Roe's class. One member was reported ill.

Christmas gifts for some underprivileged children were discussed. Mrs. Walker was asked to secure the names of such children and present them to the class.

The following members were present: Mmes. Ollie Roe, Homer Carwile, Frank Coalson, W. D. McAdams, Sam Williams, Roy Casey and the hostess.

Hostesses for the December meeting will be Mrs. A. D. Fields, Mrs. Melvin Childress and Mrs. Carl Hurley.

PERSONALS

(Intended for Last Week)

Harry and Larry, twin sons of Mr. and Mrs. Miles Tinkler of Mereta, were in Robert Lee for a Thanksgiving visit in the home of their uncle, J. L. (Chilly) Tinkler, and other relatives.

Sam Plumlee and family of Carlsbad, N. Mex., are visiting kinfolks in San Angelo and in Robert Lee with his mother, Mrs. Vela Plumlee.

John Read has returned from Lometa where he spent a few weeks looking after his ranch property. He makes his home with his sister, Mrs. Aminda Runion north of Robert Lee.

Lyndon Waldrop visited this week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Waldrop at Hayrick. Lyndon is serving a hitch in the army and is now stationed at Fort Sill, Okla., after completing a type school at Fort Gordon, Ga.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Bryan and son, Dickie, came Monday from Walnut Springs for a few days stay at their home west of town. Mrs. Joe Dodson, Jr., who was dismissed from the hospital Tuesday, will continue her period of convalescence with the Bryans.

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SMALL TALK

By A. J. K.

Coke County farmers voted 39 to 3 in favor of continued cotton acreage control in the nationwide referendum conducted Tuesday. Texas supported the control program by about 86%, while the national vote in 22 cotton states was 93% in favor of controlled acreage and price supports.

About 265 Coke County farmers were eligible to vote but less than 20% of them bothered to cast a ballot. Of course Coke hasn't produced much cotton in recent years because of the drought. There were a few good fields this year in spite of dry weather, and the producers have had a hard time getting it harvested because of late fall rains.

With the best moisture in the ground for a long time, all crop prospects are highly improved. Cotton is a good paying crop if a farmer can get any kind of a yield.

Snipe Conley is an early riser, gets up at 5 or before most every morning, he says. Well, we beat him Thursday. Got up soon after 4, but it was a mistake. Violet looked at the clock wrong. I ate breakfast alone and she went back to sleep.

The Observer's Christmas edition is scheduled for next week and most business and professional firms will be sending you Greet-

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ings of the Season through this newspaper.

The Observer will make a Christmas Gift that will be appreciated throughout the entire year. The price is \$2.50 in Coke County and \$3.00 a year elsewhere.

I've got to dig up something for this column. My scouts say it has been rather dull lately. Help! Help!

Mrs. Sam Jay, city secretary, returned to her work at the City Hall this week after recovering from pneumonia. She was hospitalized three weeks.

OCCUPY NEW HOME

Franky Percifull and family are now occupying their new ranch home on their place five miles southeast of Robert Lee. The residence is very attractive and has three bedrooms. Capps & Case were in charge of construction while some of the cabinet work was done by Jimmy Mack Math. Mr. and Mrs. Percifull have a son and two little daughters.



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Pure Lard 79c

SPINACH, Jack Sprat, No. 2 - - - 2 for 25c

CHARMIN TISSUE - - - - 4 Rolls 39c

PUMPKIN, Del Monte - - - - No. 303 13c

CRANSBERRY SAUCE, Kimbell's - Can 19c

ELBERTA PEACHES - - - - No. 303 23c

MAYFLOWER

CUT GREEN BEANS, No. 2 - - - - 2 for 29c

CHILI, Kimbell - - - - No. 2 Can 49c

CRACKERS, Wortz - - - - 2 Lbs. 47c

BISCUITS - - - - Can 10c

SWIFT'S SWEET RASHER SLICED

Bacon 1b. 49c

LONGHORN

Cheese 1b. 49c

ALL MEAT

Bologna 1b. 39c

Nice Selection of Christmas Trees

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