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## UCRA Will Issue Bonds to Repair Dam Spillway

A riprap job, estimated to cost \$77,000, was approved by directors of the Upper Colorado River Authority for spillway repairs at Mountain Creek Dam.

This action was taken at a meeting in the directors room of the Robert Lee State Bank Friday afternoon. However, it is subject to approval of the State Comptroller before the Authority can issue bonds to cover the expenditure.

Robert Lee city officials met with the UCRA directors. Mayor W. D. McAdams reported that Robert Lee would prefer the \$120,000 plan which provided for a 10-foot concrete drop.

The two plans with specifications had been submitted after a long study by the engineering firm of Forrest & Cotton of Dallas. Neither of the repair projects was guaranteed to withstand damage which might result from a serious flash flood.

Since the UCRA has at present an investment of \$80,000 in the project, directors realized that raising the sum to \$200,000 would be a debt that the city of Robert Lee could never pay off before the lake filled up with silt.

City officials merely stated their choice in the matter, and are happy that the UCRA will proceed with the riprap repairs, although more maintenance costs are expected.

Carl Runge, legal advisor of the UCRA, is taking the matter up with the State Comptroller. If the Authority is given permission to issue the required amount of bonds, another meeting will be called soon and steps taken to advertise for bids and let a contract.

Since the engineers' estimate was figured high, it is quite possible that a contract may be let at a figure considerably less than \$77,000.

Following the meeting here Friday directors of the UCRA and the City Commissioners were guests of the Robert Lee BCD at a dinner at Varnadore Cafe.

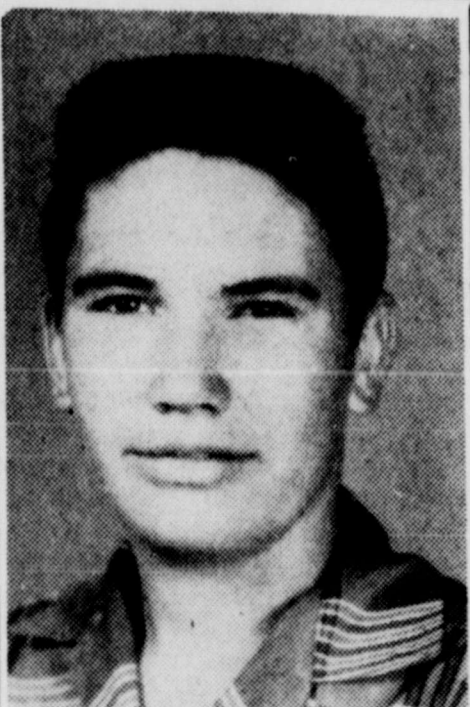
## State Agrees to Maintenance of New Paved Highway from Edith to Silver

The 17-mile stretch of county road, extending from Pecan Church west of Edith to the new Colorado River Bridge near Silver, and around the west side of the Silver Loop is to be taken over by the Texas Highway Department as a part of the Farm to Market Road system.

Final action in the matter took place Monday of last week when the Coke County Commissioners Court signed an agreement with the Highway Department. The contract provides that this project will take up all of Coke County's F-M Road allotment for the coming year.

No other piece of road in the county would qualify at this time as a Farm to Market project, according to District Highway Engineer A. J. Snell of San Angelo. Mr. Snell has met with Coke Commissioners previously and the agreement became official last week with all members of the Commissioners present and in accord with the action.

Some time back an effort was made to establish a F-M Road east and west from Highway 208



FRANKIE CASEY, 17 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Casey of Robert Lee, has enlisted in the Marine Corps. He joined up at Houston early this month and was sent to San Diego, Calif., for basic training.

### MRS. DENMAN RECOVERING

Mrs. Guy Denman is making improvement at Coke County Memorial Hospital after having been brought here Saturday in the Clift ambulance from a Uvalde hospital. Mr. and Mrs. Denman recently went to Corpus Christi, moving some household articles for their sister-in-law, Mrs. Millage Gartman, and also visited their son there. Enroute home Monday of last week Mrs. Denman suddenly became violently ill. She was treated by a physician in a small town and then taken to a hospital in Uvalde. It is thought she suffered a stroke caused by high blood pressure. The Denmans were driving their pickup truck.

### GREEN MT. MUSICAL

September musical program at Green Mountain Community Center will be held Saturday, Sept. 27, and will continue during the football season to be held the fourth Saturday night in each month. Sammie Joe Duncan is now in charge of the Green Mountain programs and will serve as master of ceremonies.

## Generous Rains For Coke County During Past Week

Good rains the past week have greatly improved farm and ranch prospects in Coke County. Nearly 2½ inches were gauged in Robert Lee from showers of Saturday and Sunday nights.

The rainfall was spotted but most sections of the county received at least 1½ inches of moisture. The Silver area had a big rain Tuesday forenoon and previously had received other showers, with almost 1½ inches reported at Perkins-Prothro camp the fore part of last week.

Most of the showers were gentle and little or no runoff was reported anywhere. Stock tanks are getting very low.

Some damage may have resulted to the cotton crop which is too far along to receive much benefit. The cotton acreage is low in Coke County this year anyway.

Biggest boost will be to pastures and field crops. Late feed will benefit and good pasture is assured for the fall months.

Probably most important is the fact that another record oat acreage will get a good start. Many fields of volunteer oats already have made a good start and will provide immediate grazing.

Last year's oats were phenomenal in this area. They provided wonderful grazing during fall, winter and early spring months and then made a grain crop.

## Farm Traded For Motel At Odessa

Mrs. E. J. Roberts is moving to Odessa this week where she will operate a motel.

She and her son, Stroud, traded their 600-acre farm north of Bronte to D. P. Walling for the Rancho Motel at 621 East 2nd street. Final papers are being signed this week and Mrs. Roberts expects to take immediate charge of the business.

Stroud had previously purchased the interest in the farm owned by his sisters, Mrs. Jake Clark of Midland and Mrs. Joe Ed Scott of Bronte.

Mr. Walling and his wife, former Robert Lee residents, have another motel in Odessa but they are looking forward to moving to the Bronte farm at some future time.

The Rancho is a first-class layout with 19 units and is well located on Highway 80, one of the most traveled east-west routes in the United States.

Mrs. Roberts has had previous hotel experience and her friends feel she will make a fine success of the venture. Her son, Stroud, who is a partner in the business, is returning to oil field work for a time. He expects to leave within a month for Central America where he will be employed by a well logging service concern.

### AT NORTH TEXAS STATE

Waymond (Copey) Davis enrolled the past week at North Texas State College at Denton where he is majoring in finance. His wife has a secretarial position with Firestone Rubber Co. in Dallas. The couple is living in their new trailer house at Tower Trailer Park, 10108 Hines Place, in Dallas. During the past year Mr. Davis had taken work at San Angelo College.

### DAY BROTHERS RE-ASSIGNED

T/Sgt. L. C. Day arrived last week for a visit with his mother, Mrs. Hattie Day, and his brother, R. D. Day, and family. L. C. spent a month at Rantoul, Ill., where he took special training as an Air Force weather observer. Previously he was stationed at Goodfellow AFB at San Angelo, but will report Sept. 30 at Kelly AFB at San Antonio.

His older brother, M/Sgt. Merle Day, who returned recently from a year of duty in Iceland, is now stationed at Lake Charles, La.

Their brother-in-law, Capt. Bob Burpo, returned recently from a three year tour of duty in Porto Rico, and is now stationed with the army at White Sands Proving Grounds in New Mexico. Capt. Burpo and family were here the past weekend for a visit with kin-folks.

## Elzie Wright Services Held Here Wednesday

Funeral services were conducted for Elzie Wright, long time resident of Coke County, Wednesday, at 3:00 p. m. in the North Side Church of Christ.

Tommy Williams, minister of the Turkey Church of Christ, and Rev. Fred Blake, pastor of the Robert Baptist Church, officiated. Burial was in the Robert Lee Cemetery under the direction of Clift Funeral Home.

Mr. Wright died in Coke County Memorial Hospital Monday at 11:15 a. m. He had been ill since last June of a heart ailment.

He was born in Brady on April 25, 1905. He married Miss Ruby Summers May 24, 1926. The couple moved to Robert Lee in 1928. Mr. Wright worked for 20 years as a mechanic. Most of that employment was for J. S. Craddock when the Ford Motor Co. in Robert Lee. At the time of his death he was employed on the S. E. Adams ranch.

He is survived by his wife and two children, Mrs. Geraldine Owen, Colorado City, and Jimmy Wright of Big Spring. Also three brothers, Pat and George Wright of Big Spring, and Frank Wright of Bronte and six grand-children.

Pallbearers were Herbie Taylor, Lendon Landers, W. D., Clayton and Royce Latham of San Angelo and Curtis Walker of Robert Lee.

The Observer joins the many friends in extending sympathy to the bereaved family.

Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Higgins attended the Ruidoso races over the weekend. It was the final racing program of the season for the Ruidoso track.

## HOSPITAL NEWS

Sept. 10 — Mrs. Hershall Hall, John Jacobs admitted.

Sept. 11 — W. J. Capps, Mrs. Melvin Childress dismissed.

Sept. 12 — Mrs. Hershall Hall dismissed.

Sept. 13 — E. W. Wright, Mrs. Guy Denman, Mrs. Elmo Bell admitted. John Jacobs, Mrs. Sam Fowler dismissed.

Sept. 14 — Lexie Lewis admitted.

Sept. 15 — Mrs. R. C. Russell, Mrs. Dick Skipworth, Mrs. Lillian Caraway admitted. D. J. Walker, Jr. dismissed. E. W. Wright expired at 11:15 a.m.

Sept. 16 — Son born to Mr. and Mrs. Buddy McGuire of Silver. Mrs. R. C. Russell dismissed.

## Jim Ned Indians To Meet Steers Here This Week

Jim Ned Indians tangle with the Robert Lee Steers on the home field at 8 o'clock Friday night.

The Indians, who represent a new Jim Ned Valley high school at Tuscola which took in Ovalo and Lawn, will be looking for their third win. Opening the season with a 28-0 victory over Wylie, Jim Ned downed Roby last week by a 24-0 score. They are considered one of the leading contenders in District 7-B.

Robert Lee lost its opener here last Thursday night to Sweetwater B squad. The visitors scored single touchdowns in the second and third period, running over the extra points for a total score of 16-0. The Steers scarcely threatened the Mustang goal line, although first downs were about even.

The Steer backfield is made up of Richard Sims, quarterback, Freddy McDonald and Ronnie Sims, halfbacks, and John Walker, fullback. John Kinsey replaced Richard as defensive quarterback.

No passes were completed for any distance. Ronnie did the throwing but wasn't given too much protection. Sam Skipworth's punting was not spectacular and one of his efforts was blocked. He did a bangup job as linebacker and offensive center, however.

The Steer line looked pretty good all the way across. Brightest spot in the lineup was the performance of Jerry Tinkler at end. He was in every play. He can catch passes, too, but didn't have a chance. Jerry is a senior, but wasn't out for football last year. His brother, Paul, a junior, was at the other wing and looked good.

Reports indicate the squad has worked hard this week and a lot of improvement can be expected when they take the field against Jim Ned.

Bronte opened last week at Eden. The game resulted in a scoreless tie, with the Longhorns making by far the most yardage. Other 6-B conference teams last week fared well. Hermleigh licked Aspermont 24-0, Trent defeated Knox City 20-8, Loraine won from Grandfalls 20-0, and Elodrado lost to Sonora 8-0.

Wylie plays in Bronte this week. Knox City at Hermleigh, Baird at Trent, Richland Springs at Eldorado and Loraine at Coahoma.

## Mrs. Dumas Heads Friendship Club

The Friendship Club met Thursday afternoon, Sept. 11, in the home of Mrs. Pat Rives. Mrs. D. A. Dumas, president, called the meeting to order.

Roll call was answered by six members and one visitor. Council report from July and September was read, and Minutes were read and approved.

The following officers were elected:

Mrs. D. A. Dumas, president.  
Mrs. A. D. Fields, vice-pres.  
Mrs. Leon Byrne, Secy-Treas.  
Mrs. Bobbie Baker, Delegate.  
Mrs. J. P. Conley, Alt. Delegate.

Mrs. Byrne moved that the club have a bake sale Saturday, Sept. 20, at 9 a.m. in Robert Lee. Be sure to come early if you want a good cake or pie. The program was given by Mrs. D. A. Dumas on Time and Energy Savers.



# THE OBSERVETTE

Published by Students of Robert Lee High School

## Editor Chosen For Student Interviews

(Sandra Baker & Jerry Tinkler)

Frances Wylie, the editor of the Observette and an outstanding senior student, was chosen for this week's interview. She is five feet, five inches tall and has dark brown hair and blue eyes. Frances' favorite food is shrimp; her favorite class is physics, and her favorite color is black. Frances spends most of her spare time "runnin' around." Football season happens to be her favorite time of the year, because football is the sport she likes best.

Frances has a good average in school and participates in many of the school activities. She had a part in the Junior play last year. Frances has belonged to the FHA for four years and has received two degrees. She has served as an FHA officer for three years. Frances has worked on the Observette staff for three years and has been editor for the last two years. She represented Robert Lee in the Typing Contest last year and won first place in district and eighth place at regional. Frances also participated in a declamation contest when she was a sophomore. 4-H works have been an interest of Frances for eleven years. During the Soil Conservation Contest two years ago, Frances' essay won first place. This senior girl served as class reporter her Junior and senior years.

Frances has attended Robert Lee School for twelve years. Her plans after graduation are to attend college at San Angelo, College and then the University of Colorado. She plans to major in journalism and minor in education.

## "Ideut's Delite"

(Jerry Dean)

A man who got cut on the head. Thought he might die if he bled. A tourniquet he put round his neck.

He said, "It feels worser, by heck!"

Someone by the name of Joe Weep.

Was selling canaries and sheep. Near one of the birds.

He wrote in large words, "Canaries for sale—cheep!"

A girl who took sleeping pills from morn' until—

Night, told her husband to bring her a pill.

He was busy weight-lifting, getting much stronger.

She said, "Well please hurry. Can't stay awake much longer."

(Edited by Jo Ann Millican and Pat Conner.)

## "Saw the Birdie"

(Joydell Deen)

On Tuesday, September 16, school pictures were taken. The photographer began with the grammar school. Of course, there were some of the children who were snaggle-toothed and didn't want to "smile for the birdie." There were others that had played football at recess and had freshly skinned noses and torn shirts. All in all, it went of pretty well, with the exception of these few incidents—for grammar school.

The high school students' main trouble was remembering the facial pose they had practiced the night before.



MISS MELBA BROWN

## Miss Brown Joins Faculty

(Betty Hood & Richard Sims)

Would you like to meet someone young, lovely, and talented? Then let us introduce to you, Miss Melba Brown.

Miss Brown, who is 21, graduated from Abilene Christian College in May, 1958. She finished college in three years and has her Bachelor of Science degree. After graduation Miss Brown was employed as a secretary for the summer at the Magnolia Petroleum Company.

Miss Carole Hooper, the Home Demonstration Agent, and Miss Brown are sharing one of the A. B. Sheppard Apartments.

Kappa Delta Pi and "W" Club which are Honor organizations, were only two of Miss Brown's activities while she attended ACC. She was also a member of the Zeta Rho, Pi Epsilon Beta (Art), T. S. T. A. and A. C. E. From this list of activities Miss Brown was quite busy her three years in college.

Hunting, art, designing her own clothes, playing the piano, bowling, water skiing and many others are included in Miss Brown's hobbies.

In Miss Brown's class, there are 40 students. She teaches the fourth grade.

Miss Brown, we want to welcome you as a member of the Robert Lee faculty and our community. We hope you are as happy to be here as we are to have you.

## Seniors Receive Class Rings

(Frances Wylie)

Thursday, September 11, was a long-awaited day for 24 seniors; the class rings arrived.

The general structure of the ring is round. In the center on the stone or metal is "R. High School." On each side is an initial and still farther is "1959." Three colors of stones, blue, red and purple, were ordered.

Because of the weather last Thursday, September 11, coffee and hot dogs were not in demand. When it becomes cooler, more food is expected to be sold. Friday night more candy and cold drinks in number and variety will be on hand.

## The Observette

Published by the Journalism Class of Robert Lee High School.

Editor Frances Wylie  
Arts Jane Austin  
Student Interview Sandra Baker  
Sports Freddie McDonald  
Elementary Marian Mason  
Faculty Interview Betty Hood  
Personalities Kenney Sawyer  
Club Interview Joydell Deen  
Humor Section Jerry Dean  
Staff Members: James Blankenship, Richard Sims, Sam Ed Skipworth, Sue Parker, Lavada Box, Jo Ann Millican, Pat Conner, Vicki Wojtek, Brenda Cowley, Jerry Tinkler, Eunice Blair.

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## Students Vacation Across N. America

(Eunice Blair & Jane Austin)

Since Eunice and I have had the pleasure of vacationing in states from California to New Brunswick, Canada, we will write some continued accounts of our sojourn in each place. Eunice spent a week or so in California, so we will begin with her stay there. She made the trip by car and visited with relatives, so she will have some interesting things to tell about her trip, including people, places and things. When she finishes, I will begin telling of my Canadian trip. So be watching for our continued accounts of our vacations.

Perhaps you are wondering why Eunice and I are writing about our vacation when others in school may have had an interesting vacation, too. The answer is: these articles will be graded in Journalism class as lessons.

"It was the most exciting day in my life because I was leaving for a twelve day trip to California. I put my night clothes on top and sat on my suitcase to get it closed."

"We were off at last. I was wide-eyed and wanted to see everything at first. By three p.m., I settled back for a nice nap. Then suddenly I started bouncing and jumping around in the back seat. Had we lost a wheel or had a flat? Neither—we had just entered New

Mexico and the road was rough!

"Now that I was wide awake again, I looked around. There was nothing but sandhills as far as I could see. After many miles of sandhills (and a few bushes of sagebrush), I noticed that the ground was covered with odd looking, black rocks. I looked at the map and learned that we were on the lava beds of New Mexico."

"As we went farther west, we entered the mountains. It was nice and cool up there. We saw a sign that read, 'Billy the Kid lived and died here.' I realized we were standing on once-hostile land. The night in the mountains was wonderful and the next morning found I needed a sweater. No Bermuda shorts today!"

Next week's paper will tell of her journey through Arizona, Nevada, and her arrival in Sacramento, California.

## SOPH REPRESENTATIVES

The Sophomore class met Monday, September 15, with the sponsor, Mrs. Frank Coalson, to elect the Student Council representatives. One boy and one girl were to be elected in each high school class. These students must be capable of handling a lot of responsibility, and have a B average. The Sophomore representatives are Vicki Wojtek and Richard Sims.



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## STUDENTS ON THE CAMPUS

(Kenny Sawyer and James Blankenship)

This year's captain is Freddy McDonald. He was chosen by the team in the early part of September. Along with Freddy, two co-captains, Melvin Duncan and Sam Ashworth, were chosen. Each year the captains and co-captains are elected from the Senior boys. The boys that were selected for managers this season were volunteers from the squad. These boys are: Morgan Ashworth, freshman; Pat Lomas, sophomore; Hutch Service, junior. Drum Major for this year's team is Brenda Cowley. Brenda also serves as head majorette. The majorettes are Gayle Lewis and Gladys Rives. All of these girls are sophomores.

### Lunchroom Menu

September 22

Baked Macaroni and cheese, fried okra, blackeyed peas, sliced tomato, corn bread, butter, half pint milk, cherry cobbler.

September 23

Hamburger steak and gravy, buttered rice, green lima beans, apple-celery salad, hot rolls, butter, half pint milk, lemon graham royal pie.

September 24

Bologna sandwiches, potato salad, W. K. corn, lettuce leaf, half pint milk, chocolate cake and ice cream.

September 25

Pan fried liver and onions, creamed peas (with white sauce), baked potato, cole slaw with carrots, hot rolls, butter, milk, fresh grapes.

September 26

Tuna whirles, cheese sauce, green beans, buttered potatoes (with parsley), fruit salad, milk, sugar cookies.

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### NEW 8TH GRADER

The eighth grade recently acquired Carol Sue Harmon from Levelland Junior High School.

Carol Sue's father, W. G. Harmon, is a seismograph worker and was sent to Robert Lee after three months in Levelland.

Carol Sue has two younger sisters. One is in the first grade and the other in the third grade.

Before going to Levelland, Carol Sue lived in Louisiana for over a year.

### Safety Comes First

(Marian Mason & Sue Parker)

The topic which is the most talked about and the least observed, or obeyed, is safety. Each year, hundreds of people lose their lives simply because they do not observe safety rules.

Like education, safety begins in the home and then in school. The things a person learns while growing up are the things which stay with him the longest. If he learns safety while he is still young, he will follow the rules more carefully when he is older.

Already, in the first few weeks of this school term, several students have been injured. Although none of them was serious, the need of safety still should be stressed.

Mr. Hervey Latham, the new elementary principal, has stressed to each of the classes the importance of refraining from running in and out of buildings, or to the playground. He also reported that several students run to the cars in which their parents are waiting for them. This, too, is very dangerous.

When a person is crossing a street, he should always look both ways for oncoming traffic. If he does not do this, the consequences may be harmful.

Mr. Latham also expressed the value of playing softball instead of hardball in the elementary grades. Since this is hunting season, each person should take every precaution in handling guns and ammunition, especially while he is hunting. There are many more rules to follow in hunting, so if each person would always do his best, there would be fewer accidents caused daily from improper use of guns.

Another important safety rule to follow is the handling of matches and fire. Broken windows and scattered glass are very hazardous. Glass should always be cleaned up immediately after being broken, especially if small children are around. These are not the only safety rules to follow, but if everyone kept them in mind, added to others, there would be fewer accidents. Remember, "Safety Comes First."

### Pupils Cause New Problem

(Frances Wylie)

This month, thousands of students entered public schools to learn more about the world and society in which they live. But some problems, which many are not prepared to meet, will arise. The tensions of the world will cause undergraduates to be a little frustrated.

But there are problems that start at home—mainly, the motorist. With the daily increasing population, there will be more pedestrians for the paths of the increased number of hurrying motorists. Something definitely has to be done about this. It would be difficult and nearly impossible to halt the pupils in their rush to school, so the other obstacle of the problem must be drawn to a decreased speed.

The young and old, motorist and pedestrian, pupils and teacher are to be cautioned of the increased danger of school days.

A child, hardly older than a toddler, can not be expected to remember the safety rules constantly drilled to him. His mind will have things which, to him, are more important than safety rules.

But even an adult (a person, in this case, who is a legal motorist), who wishes no one harm, can become careless or thoughtless.

They should plant in mind the habit to "stop, look, and listen." This can be used with double stress near a school ground, a path of the route to school, and a playground.

Remember, an excited child is as likely as not to run into the path of a truck or car.

### Sweetwater "B" Bops Steers 16-0

Robert Lee Steers looked good at times while suffering a defeat from the well-balanced Sweetwater "B" team.

Sweetwater scored in the second and fourth quarters. Robert Lee was unable to score in the duel. Sweetwater's Mustangs made seven first downs to Robert Lee's six, but the Steers outrushed the Mustangs 108 yards to 104.

The Mustangs passing attack developed better than the Steers. They connected for four out of twelve, while the Steers completed one of seven.

The Mustangs intercepted one Steer pass. Each team lost three fumbles. The Steers defense looked good at times while the offense was off and on.

Robert Lee Steers entertain Jim Ned here next Friday night at 8 p.m. So far this season Jim Ned shows to have a strong team. They have knocked off two class A schools by impressive scores. They have a swift backfield, moving behind a strong and heavy line.

The Robert Lee Steers will have a tough job handling the Indians, but will be looking forward to winning.

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### Elementary News Items

(Marian Mason & Sue Parker)

Carl Mize of Levelland and Dave Balders of Robert Lee are the new students starting in the first grade the second week of school.

Along with the other students, the first graders have been urged to observe all safety rules. To help familiarize them better and stress the importance of safety, they have been taught a clever safety song.

A meeting was held Sept. 10 for the mothers of the first graders. The purpose of it was to divide them into groups to serve as room mothers. Mrs. Maurine Vasburg was selected Room Mother chairman.

The second grade has been the first to have an accident occurring at school. Jesse McGallian, a student in the third grade, and Elaine Fikes were running into the building when they hit each other and both fell to the floor. In the fall, Elaine cut her head. Later, two stitches were taken. This accident was not serious, but let it remind each student to be more careful and do not run in or out of a building.

The third grade students have entered this school year very enthusiastically and are eager to learn what Mrs. Olson has prepared to teach them.

The third grade mothers have also had a room mothers meeting. The meeting occurred Sept. 10 in Mrs. Olson's third grade room.

The fourth grade students are becoming better acquainted with one of elementary's new teachers, Miss Brown.

The fifth grade has two new pupils in their class this year. They are Linda Thetford of Bronte and Andy Mundell of Sweetwater.

Two officers in the fifth grade have been named. These offices are not for the entire year but for two or three weeks. They are Jerry Burson as lunch secretary and Robert Wink as news reporter.

The sixth grade students seem to be enjoying their education and each is looking forward to next year when they will be entering the high school building.

One of their students, Nancy Manire, has been out of school several days with a mild case of mumps. Nancy has recovered and is back in the class room studying with the other pupils.

### Cheerleaders Begin Year

(James Blankenship)

Thursday night, September 11, five girls began a year which will be full of fun and work. But their work started long before September. In mid-July, they started practicing new yells. Cheers and costumes were the first job outlined for them.

The girls who will be doing the cheerleading this year are: Kenny Sawyer, head cheerleader and a senior; Sandra Baker, a senior; Lavina McDaniel, Jerry Dale Sparks, Bonnie Butcher, juniors.

Their costumes consist of black corduroy skirts, lined with orange material. A black sweater, with the orange emblem, tops the set. Kenny Sawyer, head cheerleader, wears a white sweater. White shoes, socks, gloves, and earmuffs finish out the suit.

### SCHOOL CALENDAR

September 19—Jim Ned team, here.  
September 22—FHA meeting.  
September 26—Melvin, there.

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## Silver Downs Hermleigh In Grid Opener

Silver Indians opened the football season with a 46-6 victory over the Hermleigh junior high eleven at Silver Thursday night of last week.

The visitors were not as strong as usual and Coach Guy Wheeler was able to use all of his 22 squadmen during the contest. The coach was well pleased with the showing of the Silver boys and is looking forward to a successful season.

Colorado City junior high plays here Thursday night of this week. Kickoff is at 8 p.m. and admission prices are 50c and 25c.

The remaining games on Silver's 10-game schedule are as follows:

Sept. 25—Bronte, there.  
Oct. 2—Roscoe, here.  
Oct. 9—Lorraine, here.  
Oct. 16—Lorraine, here.  
Oct. 16—Hermleigh, there.  
Oct. 23—Open.  
Oct. 30—Coahoma, there.  
Nov. 6—Bronte, here.  
Nov. 13—Lorraine, there.  
Nov. 20—Colorado City, there.

Silver has a number of players on the Colorado City high school Wolves this season. Mike Wheeler, 154-pound junior, is a starting guard. Jay Shimer, formerly of Silver, is helping as a quarterback. Bill Newell, Wayne Reed, Rusty Whitaker and Larry Lindsey, all sophomores at Colorado City, are on the squad and most of them will see plenty of action.

## Silver Students Off for College

Silver has a fine group of young men and women who will attend college this year. A number of them are freshmen, while others are continuing studies in the various institutions of higher education.

The Observer is grateful to Mrs. W. W. Koonce, school secretary, who has helped compile the following list of college students:

North Texas State, Denton — Charles Palmer, Joe Windham, Rex Mason.  
Texas Woman's University, Denton — Wanda Lea Koonce.  
Texas Tech, Lubbock — Tommy Stewart, Elaine Higginbotham.  
Texas A & M, College Station — Sonny Palmer, Bobby Koonce.  
Seaton School of Nursing, Austin — Anne Reed.  
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JENNIE LOU ANDERSON

## Miss Anderson Will Marry Abilene Man

Mr. and Mrs. Hal Anderson of Silver announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Jennie Lou, to Alfred Wayne Hennesay of Abilene.

The wedding will take place Oct. 4 in the home of the bride's parents.

Mr. Hennesay is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hennesay of Abilene.

A 1958 graduate of Robert Lee high school, Miss Anderson is a granddaughter of Mrs. Jennie Bilbo of Robert Lee. She is employed by Timex in Abilene.

## Silver News

Lee Lisby and James Furr, Jameson gasoline plant employees, have returned from vacations of two weeks. Mr. Lisby and family visited during the period with kinfolks in East Texas. Mr. Furr and his family made an extensive sight seeing trip through southeastern states, going as far as the Carolinas.

Mrs. C. A. Dukes underwent a tonsilectomy Friday at Clinic-Hospital in San Angelo. She is making a good recovery and was expected to be home by the middle of this week.

Buster Jones is taking a three weeks vacation from his duties as station operator for Sun Pipeline Co. He and Mrs. Jones and their daughter, Mrs. Billy Wayne Roe, have gone on a trip to points in East and South Texas.

"Tootsie" Favors recently resigned from a position at Timex factory in Abilene and accepted a secretarial position with the Rocky Ford Transportation Co. She has been visiting here with her sister, Mrs. J. D. Jett, and family.

Mrs. Douglas Sherman has arrived from Ft. Riley, Kans., for a stay with her parents while her husband is taking special Air Force training in Alabama. She is the former Fredine Theis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Theis.

Billy Wayne Roe brought his wife in from El Paso the last of the week and returned to Fort Bliss after a brief visit with kinfolks at Silver and Robert Lee. Mrs. Roe is the former Dolores Jones, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Buster Jones. Billy Wayne has been training with an anti-aircraft artillery unit which is being shipped out, probably to Formosa.

Mrs. Delbert Coalson returned the last of the week from a stay in the Bronte hospital where she

was a medical patient.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Jameson were weekend guests of their son, G. A. Jameson, and family near Big Lake.

Sunday guests in the parental home of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Allen were the R. D. Allens of Van Court, the Walter Jones family of San Angelo and Bill Allen and his family of Sweetwater.

New residents of Silver are the Charles Sommers family. They moved from Colorado City and are occupying the Myrle Jameson residence. Mr. Sommers is employed at Sun's Jameson gasoline plant.

The Silver Home Demonstration Club observed family night with a picnic supper and party Monday night at Sun Recreation Hall.

## H D Agent's Column

By Carole Hooper

Myself and the Agricultural Agents spent three days last week in a District Communications meeting. While there we assisted with the judging of district record books.

DaNell Dixon entered her record book in Food Preparation and placed first in the district. Her book will go on to the state contests.

Prescilla Wylie won a second

place with her record book in Junior Clothing achievement.

Marjorie Gladys Rives, as a result of being the 1958 Coke County dress revue winner and one of three top winners in the District 7 dress revue, entered her book in Senior Dress Revue. These three district winners' books will be judged on a state level only.

The communications phase of

the meeting was conducted by Reagan Brown, Extension Bureau Sociologist, Jack Barton, Soil and Water Conservation Specialist and Miss Irene Gromatzky, Assistant Editor, Agricultural Information office. These specialists have recently attended the national training laboratory in communications skills and the training they passed on to us was very valuable and timely.

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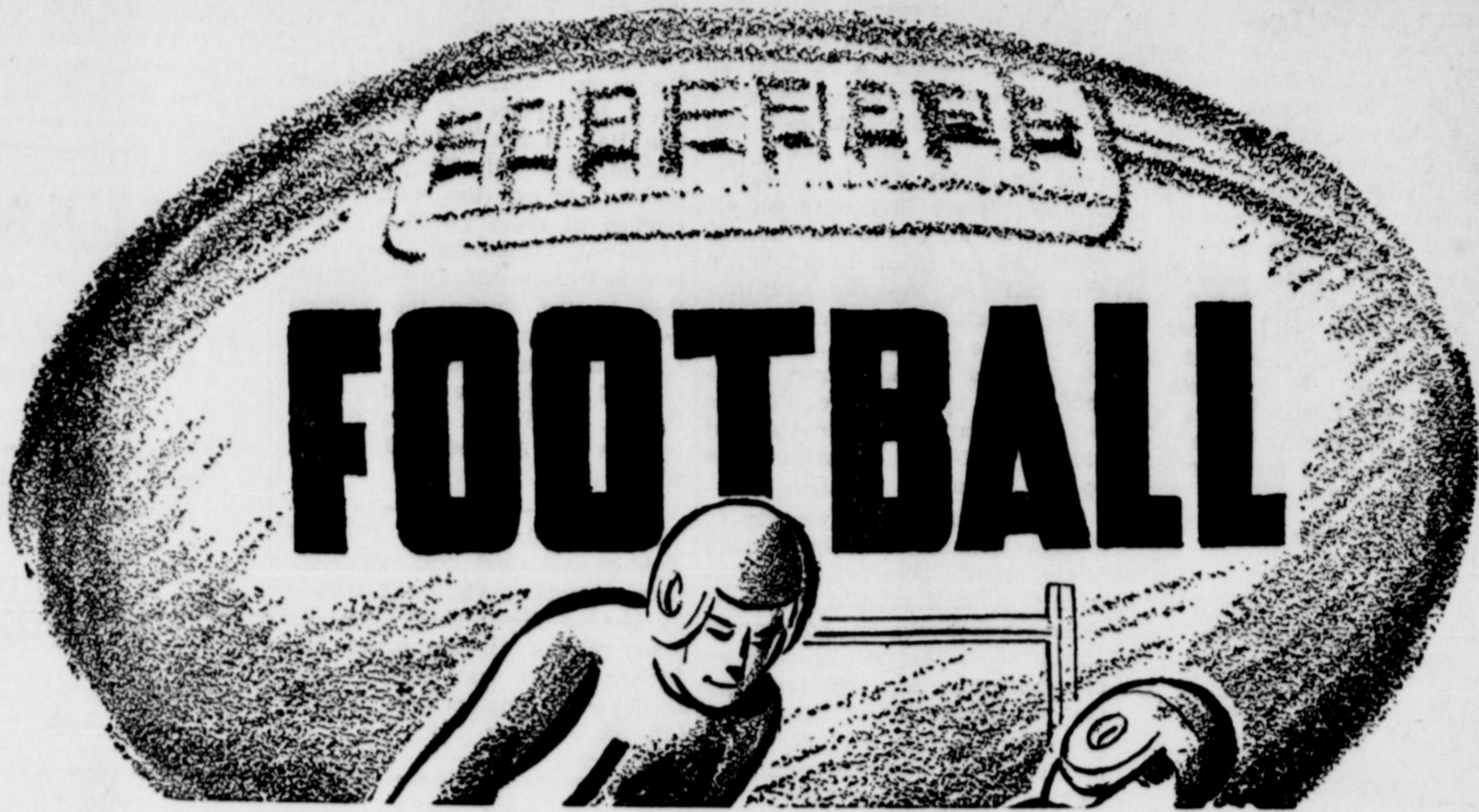
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**Robert Lee Steers  
1958 Schedule**

- Sept. 11—Sweetwater B 16, Robert Lee 0.
- Sept. 19—Jim Ned, Here.
- Oct. 3—Eldorado, There (\*).
- Oct. 10—Menard, There.
- Oct. 17—Hermleigh, Here (\*).
- Oct. 23—Stamford B, There.
- Oct. 31—Trent, Here (\*).
- Nov. 7—Lorraine, There(\*).
- Nov. 14—Bronte, Here (\*).

\*Denotes district game.



**DON'T MISS THIS BIG GAME**

**Friday, September 19, 8:00 P. M.**

**Jim Ned Indians**

VS.

**Robert Lee Steers**

**Robert Lee's Football Roster**

11	John Kinsey	HB	133
12	Ronnie Sims	HB	147
14	Freddie McDonald (Captain)	HB	152
15	James Harmon	E	140
16	Danny Arthur	E	154
18	Donny Robertson	E	135
19	John Walker	HB	145
20	Gary Ledbetter	G	140
22	Mike Lomas	E	140
23	Jimmy Bell	G	143
25	Bobby Cowley	G	145
27	Kenneth Wink	E	130
33	Richard Sims	QB	135
41	Jerry Blair	T	165
42	Melvin Duncan (Co-Capt.)	T	177
47	Douglas Ashworth	T	166
46	Bill Mundell	G&C	149
48	Butch Service	G	133
49	Paul Tinkler	E	135
50	Sam Skipworth (Co-Capt.)	QB&C	159
57	Jerry Tinkler	E	143
20	A. J. Summers	G	135
44	Marlow Wojtek	G	145
	Jerry Quisenberry	T	153
	Pat Lomas	G	132
	Morgan Ashworth	G	125

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## SMALL TALK

By A. J. K.

A number of Coke County people will be in Abilene Saturday night to witness the Abilene Christian College-East Texas State football game. Of course they are going mainly because Norman Roberts is a standout end and co-captain of the East Texas State Lions. It's Norman's last year of college football. He's a well known Robert Lee young man, who starred in high school athletics and at San Angelo College. He's the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lenn Roberts and his wife is the former Hattie Jane Snead, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Snead of Bronte.



This could represent a composite likeness of members of El Valle Garden Club, Robert Lee's only federated women's club. The organization has a number of new members this year and an interesting study program. Everyone should lend a hand in the club civic project, a timely "litter bug" campaign.

Taxes will be a most important problem in Texas during the years to come. The recent State Democratic Convention passed resolutions against a sales tax and state income tax. However, it is estimated the state will need 100 million dollars or more in additional revenue, but where will it come from?

Taxes are something for Coke County people to think about, too. The county's taxing valuation has dropped from near 30 million dollars to less than 25 because of decreased oil production. But we have lots of outstanding bonds to be paid and higher operating costs of county government.

Tax assessing will require more attention and many believe a full time tax assessor-collector should be elected for this important office. Tax paying voters will have the opportunity to make this a full time job by voting to separate it from the sheriff's office at the Nov. 4 election.

Fair and dependable assessment practices should be desired by every property owner.

Along with everybody else we were highly pleased with the high school band at its first appearance at last week's football game. Many top musicians are missing and it's pretty much of a young band this year. Much credit is due the new director, Robert Lewis Jay, and we expect fine improvements as the weeks go by.

Football attracts so many people because of the spectacle and the game would lose much of its glamour if it weren't for the cheering section and the attractive pep leaders, the cute drum majors and



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majorettes. We've got 'em all. Aren't they sweet!

We're reserving our opinion of this year's football team until after the Jim Ned game this week. The Steers didn't look good last week, that's for sure. But it was their first game, new boys were in positions where they were not experienced. It was a hot, muggy night and the squad wasn't in top condition yet. Sweetwater B was a good team, but better elevens are on the schedule. While the Steers are supposed to have a better offense than defense, the line was more outstanding in the first game. We'll have a more definite opinion Saturday morning.

Speaking of football, we wonder if enough attention is being paid to the future. This year's quarterback was not developed last year, neither was a punter. How about Junior high? Are we bringing on the youngsters who will make up the varsity squad a little later? How about making a bigger effort to keep Silver students coming to high school in Robert Lee?

Note to Mrs. Billy M. Jones and other friends at Perkins-Prothro Camp: "Marjorie Morningstar" will be showing Sunday afternoon and Monday night at the Texas theatre in Bronte. Recommend that you see it.

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Raising football game admissions to \$1.00 for adults and 50c for students (that includes first graders) came as a surprise to most folks. District 6-B officials set the prices for all games in the conference.

The Observer wasn't advised in advance of the new prices. In fact, we don't get any news releases from the football department, although this newspaper is the only news medium in the community.

About the scoring. New rules allow two points after a touchdown if the ball is passed or carried over. One point only by kick from placement. Guess kicking will become a lost art. It hasn't proved very successful here in recent years anyway.

### P-TA DATE CHANGED

The P-TA meeting set for Sept. 18 has been changed to Sept. 25 because more time was required to arrange for the style show. Local grade and high school girls will model the fashions. Door prizes are to be awarded. You are cordially invited to attend this P-TA meeting and see the new fall and winter fashions.

## Death Claims Nina Barger

Miss Nina Barger, 62, former Coke County resident, died at 11:15 a. m. Tuesday at Shannon Hospital in San Angelo.

Services were held at 4 p. m. Thursday at Pecan Baptist Church west of Edith, with burial in nearby Terry Memorial Cemetery. The Revs. James Rogers and Taylor Henley officiated.

The body remained at Johnson Funeral Home in San Angelo until 2 p. m. Thursday. Clift Funeral Home of Robert Lee was in charge of the funeral rites and burial.

Miss Barger was born near Cleburne and moved with her family to Coke County in 1901. They resided in the Edith Community and later moved to Robert Lee where she helped her father operate a store. In 1942 they moved to Sanderson and two years later to San Angelo.

She was secretary in the law office of C. T. Dalton until a month ago when she became ill.

Survivors include two brothers, Claude F. Barger of Alpine, Homer Barger of San Angelo; and two sisters, Miss Juanita K. Barger of Dallas and Mrs. Veleva Lovell of Kermit.

## HESTER-MYRICK REUNION

Descendants and kinfolks of the late Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Hester gathered in Robert Lee over the weekend for the reunion of the Hester and Myrick families. The event took place at the Recreation Hall in the County Park in Robert Lee, with 77 persons attending. It was the sixth annual reunion of these families. Heretofore the gathering has been held in Brownwood. It was agreed that in the future the reunion would alternate between Robert Lee and Brownwood. In addition to local people others came from Dumas, Ft. Worth, Cross Plains, Brownwood, Abilene and Jal N. Mex.

Mrs. Frank Dickey, Jr. and children returned last Thursday from a month's visit with friends in Mexico City. They came by plane to San Antonio where Mr. Dickey met them. Mrs. Frank Dickey, Sr. remained in Mexico City for a longer visit.

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Mrs. R. S. Crum recently went to Austin for a visit with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Davis. She planned to accompany Mr. and Mrs. Davis to

Alexandria, Va., to visit their son Douglas Davis. Mrs. Crum was taken to Austin by her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. W. Waldrop.

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