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MR. AND MRS. R. B. ALLEN

... retiring from Silver to San Angelo

WINTERS MAN HIRED AS NEW WATER SUPT.

Robert Lee has a new water superintendent. He is Cecil Mayfield of Winters who took over his position Wednesday.

Mayor W. D. McAdams says Mayfield comes well recommended. He is a licensed water man and served as superintendent at Winters for seven years. Recently he had been engaged in a plumbing business at Abilene.

He will fill the vacancy which arose when Sam Jay was relieved as city water superintendent early this month. Mayfield's salary will be \$350 per month. Mr. Jay was drawing \$375.

Mayfield is married and has a daughter in high school. He plans to move his family to Robert Lee in the near future.

Preslar Angus Steer Entered At State Fair

A heavy weight Angus steer owned by Kathy Preslar is being shown this week in the junior division of the State Fair livestock show in Dallas. The animal was taken to Dallas on Monday by County Agent Sterling Lindsey.

Kathy is the 11-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Preslar. The Preslar family and Howard's mother, Mrs. Loma Preslar of San Angelo, went to Dallas Tuesday to be present when the animals are judged on Wednesday. Sale of prize winning baby beeves will take place Friday.

The Steer weighed only 650 pounds when it was shown at the Coke County Show here last January. In March it placed 5th in the Houston show. The animal now weighs about 1,050 pounds and is in good show condition.

Mr. and Mrs. Cotton Kerlin of Texon spent a couple of days here the first of the week with their friends, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Conley. Cotton is starting a month's vacation from his duties as a pumper for Plymouth Oil Co. The families are long time friends.

Tom Peays and Vida Key Married 50 Years Ago in Ceremony Near Edith

Congratulations are extended to Mr. and Mrs. Tom Peays on the occasion of their golden wedding anniversary. The couple were married Oct. 14, 1909.

The bride was the former Miss Vida Key and the wedding ceremony took place at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alf Key, in the Paint Creek community near Edith. Rev. W. K. Simpson officiated.

The bridegroom was the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Peays. The family moved from Johnson County in 1889 and settled west of Edith. Alf Key and his family came to Coke from Menard.

Four years after Tom and Vida married they went to Montana where they homesteaded government land. They spent several years there, proved up on their homestead and made a stake so that they could buy land near his father's place and start ranching back in Coke County.

The couple retired from the ranch in 1948 and moved to Rob-

HOME FROM HAWAII

Bobby Walker is home on a furlough from Hawaii where he is stationed with the U. S. 14th Infantry Division. After expiration of his leave he will return there for six more months until his discharge is due. Bobby and his wife, the former Joyce King, have been visiting friends and kinfolks during her two weeks' vacation from her position as secretary in the county agents' office. Bobby is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Walker.

Wildlife Group Meets and Names New Officers

Finnell Smith was elected president of the Coke County Game Management Association at the annual meeting and barbecue held by the group last Thursday. The meeting was held at Oak Creek Lake with Walter Stapp and a group of Blackwell area residents acting as hosts.

Other officers named for the new year include: J. O. Rudd, vice president; Sterling Lindsey, secretary-treasurer. New directors include W. C. Shamblin, James Arrott, James Phillips, Edward Rawlings and Bert Blaylock.

Floyd Modgling invited the association to meet with him at his place near Edith next year.

James Taylor, local game warden, was in charge of the program. Luke Proctor, who is with the State Fish Hatchery at San Angelo, spoke to the group and two short movies were shown. A general discussion of game laws was also held.

D. K. Glenn is the retiring president of the wildlife group. He said about 150 persons were present for the supper and program.

BIRTHDAY OPEN HOUSE

J. J. McKinley's 97th birthday will be observed with open house at the home of his grandson, A. C. Pinkston, 910 East 17th in San Angelo, from 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 25. Mr. McKinley came to Coke County in 1907, settling on the Divide between Water Valley and Robert Lee. He resided there most of the time until 1949 when he moved to Robert Lee to live with his late sister, Mrs. Emma Cox. He now lives in San Angelo.

Steers Tackle Hermleigh; Had Two Weeks Rest

Robert Lee Steers return to the gridiron wars Friday when they journey to Hermleigh to engage the Cardinals in a 6-B conference game.

Hermleigh is not as strong as in some previous years. They were defeated two weeks ago by Bronte Longhorns 44-0 and last week lost to Rule by a count of 10-6.

The Steers had an open date last week and the extra rest period should be of benefit. The squad is reported in top condition except for Donnie Robertson and Pat Lomas who are out for the season because of injuries.

Robert Lee goes to Trent next week and entertains Loraine in a homecoming game here Nov. 6. The Steers wind up the season at Bronte Nov. 13.

BRONTE SHOWS POWER

Bronte Longhorns defeated the Loraine Bulldogs Saturday night by a score of 36-6. Bronte made five touchdowns, one field goal and added 3 conversion points. Loraine's lone tally came in the final period when they blocked a punt against Longhorn second stringers. Benny Corley ran for four touchdowns and passed for another in the Bronte victory.

Bronte is now tied with Eldorado to lead the conference, each with two victories and no defeats. But the Longhorns have disposed of Hermleigh and Loraine, while Eldorado was licking Robert Lee and Trent. Bronte has an open date this week and plays Eldorado next week. The loop title will no doubt be decided when the Eldorado Eagles play in Bronte Oct. 30.

In other games last week Eldorado defeated Big Lake 7-6, Menard downed Junction 21-14 and Roby licked Trent 38-16.

Trent meets Loraine this week, while Eldorado and Bronte have open dates.

Commissioners Court

Coke County Commissioners Court has advertised for bids on a new car for use of the sheriff. Specifications are that the auto be either a 1960 model Ford Fairlane or Chevrolet Biscayne, 4-door, automatic transmission, etc. The Chevrolet now being used by the sheriff will be traded in. Bids are to be opened Nov. 2.

At a recent meeting the court voted to pay Claude Ditmore, commissioner in Precinct 4, \$75 monthly expense money for operating his own car on county business. The other three commissioners use county owned vehicles.

The sum of \$18,500 in county funds has been made available for surveys in connection with the Kickapoo water shed flood control project north of Bronte.

Since it will not be used immediately, most of the cash received from sale of recently voted \$150,000 Precinct 1 road bonds has been put on time deposit at the Robert Lee State Bank. \$35,000 of the amount will draw interest for 90 days and \$100,000 for six months.

Mrs. Frances Middleton and daughter, Dana Sue, have gone to Waco to make their home. Their address is 4105 South 3rd, Rt. 6, Box 113.

JAMES CONLEY VISITS

James Stewart Conley of New Hartford, Conn., made a brief visit here over the weekend with his father, J. P. (Snipe) Conley, and his brother, John, of Perkins-Pothro camp. A graduate of Texas A & M College, James later obtained a law degree and for a number of years has been on the engineering staff of Pratt & Whitney, manufacturers of airplane engines. He stopped off here while on a business trip to the west coast.

Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Thompson and son, Paul, came from Guyton, Okla., for a few days visit last week with Mrs. Thompson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Sumadore. Mr. Thompson is engaged in oil field drilling in the Oklahoma Panhandle.

Gartman Sisters Enjoyed Reunion

Five Gartman sisters have enjoyed a reunion the past two weeks. They gathered first at Sanco and the past weekend continued their visit together at Brownwood. They also visited the old Gartman farmstead in San Angelo county.

The group includes Mrs. J. L. Reid, Sr., Mrs. Green Preslar and Mrs. Guy Denman of Sanco and Mrs. W. F. Scarborough and Mrs. J. C. Crocker of Brownwood.

Joining the group at Sanco was her brother, Bryan Gartman, and his family. Also present were the six children of Mrs. Reid, including Mrs. Robert Walker, E. Reid of Grannis, Ark., Harvey Reid of Sanco, Jim L. Reid of San Angelo, Mrs. Al Otte of Midland and Mrs. Louie Frizelle of Sweetwater.

Also attending the reunion was Mrs. Scarborough's daughter, Ruth Davis and son, Donald, Moriarty, N. Mex. Because of the death of her husband and their son, Mrs. Scarborough gave up living in Oklahoma and recently had been with her daughter in New Mexico.

Now she is moving back to West Texas and will reside with her mother, Mrs. Crocker, at 1319 A Avenue, Brownwood.

R. B. Allens, Silver Couple, Moving To City

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Allen are retiring from their ranch west of Silver and will move to San Angelo where they purchased a home at 1801 Live Oak St.

Formerly owned by Reece Albert, the home is constructed on an irregular shaped lot, surrounded by three streets. It is a short distance south of the Village shopping center.

With some 2,100 square feet of floor space, the home has three bedrooms, two baths, a 29-foot family room featuring a big fireplace, and a utility room.

A double carport and large paved patio are included in the home. The house has central heating, refrigerated cooling, carpeting, drapes and built-ins such as a china cabinet and bookcases.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in May, 1956. A year following their marriage in 1906, they moved to Silver where he taught school for some time. Both resided south of Tennyson before their marriage.

The Allens have been prominent citizens of Silver and Coke County more than a half century. They take with them the best wishes of a wide circle of friends throughout the community.

After spending a few days at home, Henry Briscoe was readmitted last Wednesday to Coke County Memorial Hospital. His condition is not encouraging.

BIRTHS

McDANIEL—Mr. and Mrs. John McDaniel (Peggy Jackson) are parents of a daughter born at 2:45 a.m. Oct. 19 in Coke County Memorial Hospital. She weighed 8 pounds and has been named Dinah May. She has two sisters, Elizabeth Ann, 3½ yrs. old and Marcia, 19 months of age. The father is employed by West Texas Utilities Co. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. N. L. Jackson of Big Spring and Dr. and Mrs. J. D. McDaniel of Robert Lee.

Silver News

Mr. and Mrs. John Hollis enjoyed a trip to South Texas points over the Oct. 10 weekend. They visited their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Potts at Falfurrias and with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Sawyer and Tom Jr. at Delmita. A fish fry was enjoyed there with the O. L. Snyder and Elmo Hargis families being present, as was Roland McArthur, who is attending college at Kingsville. The group went across the Rio Grande at McAllen on a sight seeing tour of Reynosa.

Leaving the last of the week on a deer hunting expedition in the Colorado mountains will be John T. Stewart, Bob Coffman and N. K. Cheatham. They will occupy a lodge with a number of other West Texas friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Edwards and daughters, Twila and Carol, enjoyed a weekend trip to East Texas. The attended a homecoming at Gaston high school at Jonerville, where both Mr. and Mrs. Edwards graduated. Mrs. Edwards has a younger brother, who is a star player on the football team, and they easily won their homecoming contest.

James Furr and family spent the weekend with his parents at Junction.

W. F. Gill of Sun Station near Nederland is in charge of Sun Pipeline Co. office here this week while Curtis Parish, the chief clerk, is on vacation. Mr. Gill came here from Snyder where he relieved Harold Spivey for a similar period.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Herford went to Dallas Monday where Mrs. Herford will undergo a medical checkup.

C. F. Patterson, Sun gang pusher, is on vacation this week. Earl Boggus, Sun pumper, leaves Thursday on a week's vacation.

Charles Arledge, Sun production clerk, has returned from a vacation of two weeks. He and his wife visited in East Texas and points in Oklahoma and New Mexico. They were in Dallas for the Oklahoma-Texas game at the Cotton Bowl Oct. 10.

The series of Lectureships at the Silver Church of Christ closed Friday. The five lectures were well attended.

J. D. Gilbert has gone on a week's hunting trip in the Colorado mountains. He is a guest of G. A. Swann, Ballinger butane dealer.

Mrs. Fred Theis left Thursday for an extended stay with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Sherman, at Manhattan, Kans. Mr. Theis took his wife to Lubbock where she boarded a Santa Fe train to Topeka. Douglas, serving an Air Force enlistment, is stationed at Ft. Riley.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Odom left Wednesday of this week on an interesting eastern trip of three weeks. They boarded the T&P at Colorado City and went by rail to Washington, D. C., where they will attend a postmasters convention and do some sight seeing. At Washington they will be joined by Mrs. Odom's sister, Mrs. L. D. Evans of Winslow, Ariz., who will visit a son in college there. The Odoms and Mrs. Evans will then spend a few days in New York City and continue to Poas-

set, Mass., where they will visit their brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Clegg. During their absence Mrs. C. T. Wilkes will be in charge of the Silver post office.

The Methodist Youth Fellowship of the Silver Methodist Church had a hayride Saturday evening. Butch Arnold furnished the tractor and "hay" and the group enjoyed a weiner roast at the end of the ride. Rev. and Mrs. Charles Simpson sponsored the activity.

Several persons have attended the series of studies which have been given at the Methodist Church these past two weeks. The course is a Teacher's Course and has been given through visual training. Rev. Charles Simpson has been advisor for the study.

There will be a Neighborhood meeting of all leaders and committee mothers of Girl Scouts at 9:30 Tuesday at the Methodist Church.

We failed to mention last week that George Fugate is also the owner of a Falcon, Ford's new economical car. Mr. Fugate is a pumper for Sun Oil Co.

SILVER GIRL SCOUTS

The Silver community recently organized to carry on an active program for the Girl Scouts and Brownies.

In charge of the Brownies are: 1st troop, Mrs. J. P. Jameson, leader, Mrs. Jamie Henderson, assistant. 2nd troop, Mrs. Ross Cone, leader, Mrs. Jack Denman, assistant.

The Girl Scouts are in charge of the following: Troop 1, Mrs. Fred Wilcox, leader, Mrs. Lil White, assistant. Troop 2, Mrs. George Fugate, leader, Mrs. Wayne McCabe, assistant.

Leaders and committee mothers

meet monthly to outline programs and their next session will be at 9:30 a. m. next Tuesday in Fellowship Hall of the Methodist Church.

Serving as neighborhood chairman is Mrs. Fugate, while Mrs. Wilcox is troop chairman.

Peggy McCallie Of Silver Queen At C-C Homecoming

Peggy McCallie, daughter of the Jack McCallies, was crowned Homecoming Queen Friday night at the Colorado City stadium. She was chosen from six candidates.

Peggy, a senior, has been active in many of the school functions in her junior and senior years. As a junior she was secretary-treasurer of her class; a cheerleader; elected to the Quill and Scroll, National Honorary Society. She was in the Queen's Court for Howl Night, a nominee for Miss Mitchell County, secretary for Jet Masters, a speech organization, vice-president of the Future Teachers of America club, and was on the staffs of the school paper, Howl, and the annual, the Lone Wolf.

As a senior she is head cheerleader, secretary of the senior class, page editor for the paper, on the annual staff, secretary of Quill and Scroll, an officer in the Jet Masters and FTA. With all this extra activity Peggy made the A honor roll this six weeks.

Rounding out her busy life, Peggy is president of the Youth Fellowship at the Silver Methodist Church and is a member of the church board representing the youth in the church.

Peggy plans to enter college after graduation but hasn't decided

if she will attend Southwestern at Georgetown or Northwestern at Wichita Falls.

HONOR ROLL

Silver Public School First 6 Weeks

"A" STUDENTS

9th grade — Allen Clendennen, Twila Edwards, Dwain Walker, Pat Wilkes, Kenny Beggs.

8th — Carolyn Vinson.

7th — Dennis Gartman, Raynelle Bloodworth.

6th — Karen Fugate, Sandra Welch.

5th — Steven Kohutek, Carl Bloodworth, Robert Mathers, Debbie Hines, Susan Newell, Sherry Beggs.

4th — Lonnie Bloodworth, Steve Gilbert, Gene Kincaid, Ricky Whitaker, Rose Ann White, Linda Wilcox, Tommy Weigel.

3rd — Sandra Cone, Phyllis Davis, Kathy Denman, Ann Hollingsworth, Betty Post.

2nd — Brenda Henderson, Donna Jo Ramsey, Carol Ann Edwards.

(The 1st grade does not complete an honor roll).

"B" STUDENTS

9th — Stanley Post, David Lindsey, Norman Butcher, Richard Ramsey, Adron Welch, Anne White, John Paul Ashby.

8th — Mike Simpson, Mary Beth Walker, Jack McCallie, Raymond Kincaid.

7th — Allana Cartrite, John Reed, Bill Paul, Larry Mullican, Billy Jones, Sue Kennedy, Jann Mills, Lynette Mills, Patricia Post.

6th — Currie Mayo, Aletris Ac-

kerman, Esther Conley, Brenda Jameson, Robert Jameson.

5th — Larry Paul, Donnie Higginbotham, Jim Clendennen, Charles Kennedy, Cynthia Davis.

(No honor roll reported below the fifth grade.)

PERKINS-PROTHRO CAMP

John Conley and family spent Sunday in Robert Lee visiting with his brother, Stuart Conley of West Hartford, Conn.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Smith of Tulsa, Oklahoma visited this past weekend with the Zeddie Beal family.

Mrs. Elizabeth Wilcox of Tulsa, Oklahoma is spending part of her vacation in the home of her son, Fred Wilcox, and family. The Wilcoxes gave a barbecue Saturday evening in their backyard and had as guests Mr. and Mrs. Marion Cox, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Arnold and JoAnn, Mr. and Mrs. Rod Boyd and Wayne and Mrs. Wilcox.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy M. Jones and Keith and Scott went to Leveland last Friday and Saturday to see the Hubert Moores, former residents at Perkins-Prothro. The Moores now have an appliance store.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack McCallie and Peggy and Jackson went to Breckenridge to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. McCallie. Mr. W. W. McCallie has just returned from Shreveport, La., where he had surgery and was seriously ill for some time. He is up and about and doing splendidly now.

Thousands of Texas drivers run into trouble every year; hundreds of them never walk away from it.

RAILROAD FEATHERBEDDING:

\$500,000,000 LOSS

TO THE NATION—INCLUDING YOU—EVERY YEAR

Featherbedding on the railroads — pay for work not done or not needed — is costing the American people the shocking total of more than \$500,000,000 a year.

You pay for it every time you shop, because featherbedding costs are hidden in the price of everything you buy.

Obsolete union work rules, involving the railroad operating employees, are responsible for this gigantic burden. Right now, for instance, these rules require every diesel locomotive to carry a fireman — even though diesels have no fires to stoke, no boilers to tend.

The forthcoming negotiations between the railroads and the unions are urgently important to the whole nation.

In asking the unions to drop these featherbedding rules, all the railroads ask for is a fair day's work for a fair day's pay.

AMERICAN RAILROADS

Hayrick Lodge

No. 696 A.F. & A.M.
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Visitors welcome.

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ROBERT LEE, TEXAS

Elected New MYF Officers

Methodist Youth Fellowship recently elected the following officers:

Don Weathers, President.
Marilyn Weathers, Vice-Pres.
Gayle Lewis, Secretary.
Mack Tubb, Program Chm.
Prescilla Wylie, Worship Chm.
Other members of the group include Carolyn Parker, Mary McClaude, Brenda McDorman, Clark Nair, Jimmy Caraway, Ronnie Godwin, Jimmy Caraway, Ronnie Sims, Kenny Sawyer, Tommy Allen, Judy Allen, Lexie Lewis, Carol Hester, Pat Lomas, Betty Tinkler, Richard Sims.

Leaders of the Methodist young peoples organization are Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Shoemaker. Meetings are held at 6 p. m. each Sunday evening.

TEXAS NATURAL CAMP

This has been a dull period around our camp and not much news to report.

Mrs. Rex Snell remains as a patient in a San Angelo hospital, but reports indicate she is recovering.

Since news items are scarce we might use the space to do some bragging which is a popular pastime in Texas. We have two boys who play on the undefeated Silver Indians Junior high football team. They are Mike Ledbetter, son of Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Ledbetter, and Eddie Parker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Parker.

Also two older Ledbetter boys play with the Robert Lee high school Steers. They are Gary, a senior, and Bill, a sophomore.

Congratulations to our neighbor, Peggy McCallie, who was crowned football queen at Colorado City high school Friday night during the game with Andrews. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack McCallie of Perkins - Prothro camp.

WORDS OF APPRECIATION

We wish to express our gratitude to all who were so thoughtful of us during the death of our loved one. We also wish to thank Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Clift and Mr. and Mrs. Sam Williams who came to our aid.

Also the dear friends and neighbors who supplied us with delicious food and words of comfort; all of those near and far who sent flowers; the members of North Side Church of Christ for the beautiful singing; and to Mr. and Mrs. Foy Moore for services rendered.

We wish each to know we will never forget their deeds of kindness. We pray that God will bless you and that your needs will be met. — Odessie Clawson and Children, Willis McCraw and Family; Winifred Beck and Family; Nora May Pruet and Family.

DEATH OF J. KUYKENDALL

Jim Kuykendall, 62, resident of Big Lake for 35 years, died in Shannon hospital Oct. 9. Funeral services were held at 3 p. m., Oct. 11 in Johnson's funeral chapel in San Angelo and burial followed in Robert Lee cemetery.

Mr. Kuykendall was born Sept. 1, 1897, in Robert Lee.

He is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Sam Matthews of Gustine, a brother, Ava Kuykendall of Big Lake, and two sisters, Mrs. Emma Mott of San Angelo and Mrs. Nell Wall of Sonora. He was a brother-in-law of Mrs. Mittie Kuykendall of Robert Lee.

INSURANCE

Life, Sickness and Accident, Polio, Cancer. Travel

G. C. Allen

STUDENTS AT SAC

San Angelo, Oct. 19 (Special)—Six students from Robert Lee are among the 993 currently enrolled at San Angelo College. This is the largest enrollment in the 32 years of the institution.

Included are Bobby Darrell Cowley, Sam Skipworth, Vivian Ybarra, Sandra Kay Baker, Jamie Lee Schooler and Doris M. Sparks.

Funds Needed For School Band Jackets

Robert Lee Band Club holds its next meeting Tuesday, Oct. 27, at 7:30 p. m. at the Band Hall. All parents and members are urged to be present.

The club needs funds to purchase new uniforms to replace some that have worn out. Recently a canvass was made resulting in the following contributions:

\$2.00 each — Sterling Lindsey, Ivey Motor Co., Blair Sinclair Station, West Texas Utilities Co., A. J. Kirkpatrick.

\$1.00 each — Percifull Hardware, Snea Barber Shop, Hugh Lewis, Jr., W. B. Gardner, Victor Wojtek, Sam Jay, Jerry Thomason, Sid Ferrell, Honey Hutt, J. O. Rudd, Varnadore Cafe, Ross Service Station, Elsie Latham, Mettie Kuykendall, Bahlman Cleaners, Add Davis, Bruce Clift, Farris City Drug, Walker Service Station, Hillcrest Laundry, Mrs. Sam Powell, Vaughan Chevrolet Co., Mrs. O. B. Jacobs, Steve Parker, Opal Baker, A. B. Sheppard.

Also Mr. R. E. McWilliams, San Angelo, and Mrs. Curtis Sockwell, 50 cents each.

On The Campus

Robert Lee Public Schools

By JO ANN HOOD

ANNUAL STAFF AT WORK

The "Corral" has gotten off to a good start this year. The annual staff, which is composed of Jerry Blair, Jerry Sparks, Brenda Cowley, Pat Lomas, Bernice Seltz and Gayle Lewis, as editor, has met twice.

The staff has also met with the representative to choose the yearbook. The staff selected the color and found that it would cost \$1,179 to put the 59-60 annual together.

The annuals go on sale October 19. Be sure to see one of the annual staff for your '59-60 "Corral."

STUDENT COUNCIL

Have you been wanting popcorn at the football games? Now you will be able to get it. At its regular meeting, the Student Council voted to buy a popcorn machine. The machine will be used by the Junior class at football and basketball games. Any other organization may use it for different activities.

SENIOR EVENTS

The Senior Class sponsored a hayride Friday night of October 16. Two wagons were taken out the Sanco road. When the farthest point from town was reached, the "riders" enjoyed a marsh-mellow roast. Several sponsors accompanied the seniors and the guests.

Another event sponsored by the seniors will be the "Womanless Style Show" to be held Halloween night, Oct. 31. The businessmen of Robert Lee and Silver, several students and faculty members

will participate in this fine program. You will get a million laughs. Everyone come, you might see part of your own family on the stage.

The Seniors have received their cap and gown pictures from the Fox Company

The basketball girls have officially begun basketball practice. Coach Chester Dowell has been working the girls pretty hard and he expects to have a good team.

There are six lettermen returning from last year. They are Pat Fowler, Lavina McDaniel and Jo Ann Hood, forwards. The returning guards are Marilyn Reed, Ellen Counts and Jerry Sparks. Eighteen girls are attempting to make the team.

The first game (now scheduled) will be against Winters, November 20.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

October 20 — Steers at Trent
October 31 — Womanless Style Show.
November 6 — Steers vs Lorraine (Homecoming).
November 13 — Steers at Bronte
November 19 & 20 — Six weeks

test. November 25 — Out for Thanksgiving holidays.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that the Commissioners Court of Coke County, Texas will receive sealed bids in the office of the County Judge until 10 o'clock A. M. Monday, November 2, 1959 for the following:

SHERIFF'S CAR

One new 1960 Fairlane or Biscayne, 4 door, 8 cylinder sedan with Fordomatic or Powerglide transmission, radio, large heater, air conditioner, oil bath, air cleaner, turn signals, seat covers, anti-freeze and regular equipment 4-ply tires.

Trade-in to be one 1958 4-door, V-8 Biscayne Chevrolet Sedan, with Powerglide transmission.

The Commissioners Court reserves the right to reject any and all bids and waiver any technicality.

Weldon Fikes
County Auditor
Coke County, Texas

INSURANCE RATES ARE STILL HIGH

Why not insure where you can be safe and still draw substantial dividends? Fast, fair Claim Service on Auto and Fire Claims. Legal Reserve Life Insurance Program designed to meet every need. Life, Auto, Fire and Comprehensive Liability.

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HERE'S WHAT MAKES THE CORVAIR REVOLUTIONARY



Short and sweet! Engine's in the rear—where it belongs in a compact car. With more weight on rear wheels, you get extra road-gripping traction for cornering and driving on ice, mud or snow. Also, by avoiding nose-heaviness of front-engine compact cars, Corvair handles easier, brakes better, rides smoother. Styling of both 4-door models is clean and uncluttered... as fresh and functional as modern architecture.

AIR COOLED

You never have to fuss with antifreeze. Turbo-Air 6 warms up quicker, with less wear on parts. Air-plane-type heater* goes to work almost instantly.

*Optional at extra cost.

Unpack Power Team

Engine, transmission and drive gears are neatly wrapped in one lightweight package. Takes less space, leaves you more.

Practically FLAT FLOOR



Corvair is America's only compact car with a virtually flat floor that gives you full 6-passenger comfort. For extra space, folding rear seat* converts easily to make room for 17.6 cu. ft. of cargo.

*Optional at extra cost.

TRUNK'S UP FRONT

Lots of luggage space under the hood, where it's convenient for groceries, packages.

4-Wheel Independent Suspension

Springs at each wheel cushion bumps independently of each other for a ride that rivals much costlier cars.



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Silver Indians Defeated Robert Lee 36-0 In Junior High Gridiron Game

Silver Indians defeated Robert Lee Steer Calves here last Thursday night 36-0 in a junior high football game. The Indians scored early after recovering a fumble on the Robert Lee 35 yard line. Raymond Kincaid carried for big gains and went over for a touchdown. A pass completion added two conversion points.

In the middle of the second period Butch Ashby got thru left tackle and scampered 35 yards for another TD. Conversion failed and the Indians led 14-0 at half time.

As the third period opened Silver was well back in their own territory. It was fourth down and 4 yards to go. Kincaid called a punt formation, but ran with the ball instead and went to the Robert Lee 44. Two first downs carried to the 15 and Ashby circled end to the 2 yard line. Silver lost the ball on a fumble but they blocked a Robert Lee punt and got the ball behind the goal for a touchdown. Kincaid added 2 more by going around his right end.

In the last period Dwain Walker got the ball and ran for a TD after a punt by Taylor Jones for Robert Lee had been blocked. Kincaid completed a pass to Ashby to convert. After taking a punt on the Robert Lee 36, Silver rolled for another touch down with David Lindsey being shifted from the line to halfback position and making long gains. His toss to Ashby failed to convert, but Silver had rolled up 36 points and the Steers 0.

GAMES THIS WEEK

Silver has a record of 4 victories and 2 ties for the season. Thursday night they journey to Sterling City.

Kincaid is a 13 year old eighth grader and is quite a gridiron prospect. He was out of action because of an injury when Silver and Robert Lee played to a 6-6 tie a few weeks ago. Young Butch Ashby, a ninth grader, showed good speed and fancy broken field running. A standout in the line is big Stanley Post, who weighs 185 pounds. Norman Butcher was at the other guard post, with Pat Wilkes, 99 pound center between them. Pat was used throughout the game in the absence of Jim Arnold, who was ill.

BRONTE JUNIORS HERE

Robert Lee entertains Bronte in a junior high game Thursday night of this week at 7:30.

Some of the Robert Lee players were ineligible last week because of their grades.

Junior high cheer leaders who will be in action at the game are Elaine Robertson, Lexie Lewis, Carol Hesier, Mary Wojtek and Sheila Roe.

HOSPITAL NEWS

Oct. 13 — Mrs. Dick Skipworth admitted. Mrs. Doyle Caulder and infant daughter and Mrs. J. W. Kinsey dismissed.

Oct. 14 — Henry Brisco re-admitted. Mrs. W. B. Clift dismissed.

Oct. 17 — Mrs. R. C. Russell, Mrs. Pete David admitted.

Oct. 17 — Mrs. Hershall Hall, Mrs. Dale Wojtek admitted. Mrs. Dick Skipworth dismissed.

Oct. 18 — Pete Davis, Mrs. Oscar Collett, Mrs. John McDaniel admitted.

Oct. 19 — Daughter born to Mr. and Mrs. John McDaniel. Mrs. R. C. Russell dismissed.

The Old Timer



"Maybe the dog is called man's best friend because the wag is in his tail instead of his tongue."

Want Ads

NOTICE—This is to advise that the Edward Trimble pasture and old Jeff Davis place, both under lease to the undersigned, have been posted against hunting and trespassing. — Ed S. Roberts 19w4p

FOR RENT—Nice house, 2 bedrooms and bath, hardwood floors, carport, TV antenna. Mrs. Daisy McCutchen, Phone GL 3-2161.

WANTED — One or more oil wells to contract pumping, years of experience, references furnished if requested. Frank Mullican, Box 163, Silver, Tex. Ph. Robert Lee GL 3-2884. 16w4p

FOR SALE — 20x50 three-bedroom readybuilt \$2200. 5 empty rent houses; hammer and trowel for hire; broncos busted reasonable. — Arnold Samuelson. 1p

FOR SALE — Good heavy Cordova barley \$2.00 per cwt.; good oats weighing 34 lbs., 90c at barn; both free of Johnson; few thousand bundles of Hegari at 5c. — Pat Havins, phone GL 3-2863. 19w2p

Good Today

Better Tomorrow

ROBERT LEE!

FOR RENT — Furnished apartment, two bedrooms. Mrs. H. L. Scott.

HOUSE FOR SALE — Wish to dispose of the ranch house on the Lem Cowley place which I purchased. It is a good house with 6 rooms and bath, of good frame construction and is movable from the site 5 miles south of Robert Lee. Alton Roberts, phone GL 3-2865. 19w2p

\$400 MONTHLY SPARE TIME

Refilling and collecting money from New Type high quality coin operated dispensers in this area. No selling. To qualify you must have car, references, \$600 to \$1900 cash. Seven to twelve hours weekly can net up to \$400 monthly. More full time. For personal interview write P. O. Box 4055, Boise, Idaho. Include phone number.

AVON COSMETICS—What section of Coke County do you live in? Do you have an Avon representative calling on you regularly? If you don't, perhaps Avon could offer you an earning opportunity. No obligation to inquire. Write today. MRS. SIDNEY ELLIS, 1641 Bridge Avenue, Abilene, Tex. 18 w3c

MISSIONARIES VISIT HERE

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Schoenhals and 13½ month old daughter, Lois Elaine, were recent overnight guests in the Kenneth Lackey home. The Schoenhals, missionaries under Wycliffe Bible Translators among the Mixe Indians in Totontepac, Oaxaca, Mexico, were returning to their station after a six months furlough in the States for further translation studies.

Mrs. Lackey became acquainted with the Schoenhals when they were college classmates at Wheaton College.

In renewing her Observer subscription Mrs. J. K. Davis of Mineral Wells writes that she could not do without it. Mrs. Davis is the former Julia Anna Padgett of Silver.

NOTICE

Additional equipment has been installed at Hillcrest Laundromat, including washers and dryers. An attendant is always on duty to assist you if you need help. Starch and soap available.

Wash where your neighbor washes—at Hillcrest. Plenty of clean, soft water. Also facilities to do your hand washing.

We do custom wash and finish work. White and western shirts at regular prices.

Hillcrest Laundry

Just West of Robert Lee on Highway 158

Reserve District No. 11

State No. 88-2182

REPORT OF CONDITION OF

ROBERT LEE STATE BANK

of Robert Lee, Texas, at the close of business October 6, 1959, a State banking institution organized and operating under the banking laws of this State and a member of the Federal Reserve System. Published in accordance with a call made by the State Banking Authorities and by the Federal Reserve Bank of this District.

ASSETS

Cash, balances with other banks, including reserve balance, and cash items in process of collection	\$ 464,925.81
United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed	491,710.75
Obligations of States and political subdivisions	202,008.17
Other bonds, notes, and debentures	20,000.00
Corporate stocks (including \$3,000.00 stock of Federal Reserve bank)	3,000.00
Loans and discounts (including \$221.41 overdrafts)	638,739.93
Real premises owned \$47,125.00, furniture and fixtures \$13,698.83	60,823.83
Bank premises owned are subject to \$ None liens (not assumed by bank)	
Other assets	478.95
TOTAL ASSETS	\$1,881,687.44

LIABILITIES

Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	\$1,103,512.74
Time Deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	490,445.89
Deposits of United States Government (including postal savings)	5,263.12
Deposits of States and political subdivisions	129,181.30
Deposits of banks	10,000.00
Other deposits (certified and officers' checks, etc.)	5,036.72
TOTAL DEPOSITS	\$1,743,439.77
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$1,743,439.77

CAPITAL ACCOUNTS

Capital*	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus	50,000.00
Undivided profits	38,247.67
TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	\$ 138,247.67

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS \$1,881,687.44
*This bank's capital consists of: Common stock with par value of \$50,000.00.

MEMORANDA

Assets pledged or assigned to secure liabilities and for other purposes \$ 343,193.00

I, Willis Wayne Smith, Cashier of the above-named bank, hereby certify that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Willis Wayne Smith

CORRECT—Attest: G. C. Allen, Wm. H. Allen, L. C. Ivey, Directors.

State of Texas, County of Coke ss:
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 15th day of October, 1959.
Kenneth Lackey, Notary Public



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EAGLE SCOUT AWARDS

Eagle Scout awards have been achieved by Clark Godwin and Billy Rankin Roach. This is the highest rank in the Boy Scout organization. Presentation of the awards was made at the Methodist Church Sunday night by Scoutmaster T. M. Wylie Jr. Clark is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Godwin and Billy Rankin the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Roach.

PERSONALS

Mrs. Edna Varnadore and children, Bill and Helen Kaye, came from Big Spring for a visit over the weekend in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Walker. They also visited her brothers, D. J. Walker Jr. and Ralph Walker and their families.

Mrs. Pete Davis suffered a heart attack last Thursday and had been under oxygen at Coke Memorial Hospital until the middle of this week. Her husband was also hospitalized Sunday with chest ailment. Both were improved yesterday. Their daughter, Mrs. Dewitt Myers of Colorado City, has been helping care for them.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Roberts and little son, Kim, are here for a visit with home folks. Wayne has a two weeks vacation from his position with El Paso Natural Gas Co. at Jal, N. Mex.

The Elmo Bell and Wayne Roberts families were in Amarillo the last of the week where they visited the Gene Bells.

F. C. Clark took his wife back to Medina Sunday where she will stay awhile longer with her daughter, Mrs. Bill Craddock, and family. Bill is slowly recovering from illness but is not able to do any ranch work. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Craddock, returned last Friday to their home in Colorado City.

Mr. and Mrs. Hervey Latham and daughters motored to Texarkana for a weekend visit with Mr. Latham's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. McMinn.

Mrs. Tom Schooler and son, Tom, motored to Mosca, Colo., last week where they visited the Ray Schoolers.

Mrs. R. D. Day is a new addition to the nursing staff at Coke Memorial Hospital. She began her period of training this week.

ATTEND P-TA WORKSHOP

Mrs. Hulan Harris, Mrs. Willis Wayne Smith, Mrs. Fagan Parker and Mrs. David Key attended a P-TA fall workshop Oct. 15 at Colorado City. Theme of the

meeting was "Education—Whose Responsibility?" Three discussion groups included: 1. Education for Family Living; 2. Cultural Arts; 3. Curriculum Development. A noon luncheon was served at the Civic House.

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GREEN MT. MUSICAL

Monthly Green Mountain Musical is scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 24, starting at 8 p.m. The Rabbit Twisters, Colorado City

Playboys, Cornelius Brothers, Uncle George Powers and others will be on the program. Admission is free and everyone invited to attend.

For 1960-Mercury announces important price reductions on every model!

THIS POPULAR MERCURY MONTEREY,* FOR EXAMPLE, IS NOW PRICED \$136⁵⁰ LOWER THAN LAST YEAR

*Based on manufacturer's suggested delivered price for a Monterey 2-door Sedan, 1960 v. 1959.



1960 Mercury Monterey 2-door Sedan with deluxe interior and complete carpeting at no extra cost.

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The new lower Mercury prices now make it possible for you to own this truly beautiful car for practically the same amount of money you would pay for a car with a low-price name.

And we mean price comparisons using the same body style, equipped the same way—with typical equipment most drivers want (such

as radio, heater, and automatic transmission). Remember, this exciting price news applies to America's best-built car—now your best buy, too.

**Based on manufacturer's suggested delivered price for a 1960 Mercury Monterey 2-door Sedan v. comparable 1960 model of popular "low-price name" car, both with automatic transmission, heater and defroster, radio, white sidewall tires, air cleaner, oil filter, power-assisted wipers, wheel covers and electric clock; also includes Federal excise tax, suggested dealer preparation and handling charges.



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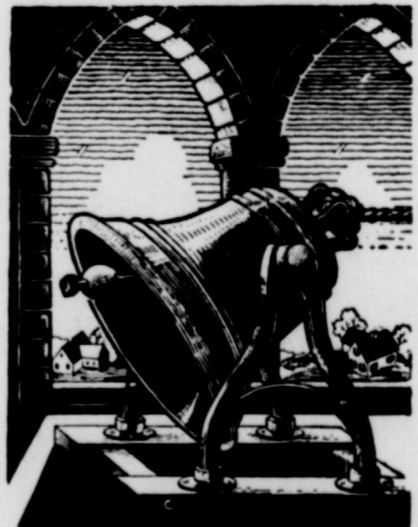
WILLIAM ALLEN WHITE and The Church Bell

"I don't need to advertise," an established merchant in Kansas once told William Allen White, renowned publisher of The Emporia Gazette. "Everybody knows me and knows what I sell."

"In that event," replied the thoughtful publisher, "we can dispense with the oldest advertising medium for the oldest institution in the world. See that church down the street," continued Mr. White, pointing to one of Emporia's oldest and most beautiful structures, "That church has been established here for many years. Everyone knows what it is and what it does. In the tower of the church is a bell and every Sunday it rings out to remind folks to come to church.

"Shoppers go where they are invited and stay where they are well treated," concluded the publisher.

"Regardless of how well established a firm may be, newspaper advertising is a repeated invitation and a reminder to come and do business with that store."



Texas Press Association
 1716 SAN ANTONIO ST. AUSTIN, TEXAS

Jesse Duplissey Writes from Venezuela Where He Is Stationed with Sun Oil Co.

(Note: The following communication from Jesse D. Duplissey was published in a recent issue of Suez Scribblings, publication of Suez Shrine Temple of San Angelo. A former Sun Pipeline Co. foreman at Silver, Mr. Duplissey was stationed at Corpus Christi before being sent to South America.)

Dear Ben:

As you know, we are located in Maracaibo, which is a city reported to have just under a half million population. The city is located on the northeast side of Lake Maracaibo which is about 75 miles long and 40 miles wide. The lake contains fresh water, being fed by jungle and mountain streams. Of course, the saline content varies at the mouth of the lake at the interface between lake water and the salt water of the Gulf of Venezuela. The lake water temperature, oddly, stays near 88 degrees regardless of depth, which extends to around 110 feet to 120 feet near the center of the lake.

My employer for the past nineteen years, the Sun Oil Company, as Venezuelan Sun Oil Co., is developing concessions owned jointly with Atlantic, Texaco and Pan Venezuelan. Drilling and producing is now well established

on concessions located almost directly in the center of the lake. Water depth averages about 115 feet. To facilitate this operation these companies own half interest in a materials and oil handling terminal located about 10 miles from Maracaibo. Sun Oil Company is the operator of lake concessions and is building and operating the terminal.

There is no good prediction as to ultimate production potential, but the overall picture is sure bright. Well depths run from 8000 feet plus to 9000 feet plus, requiring drilling and completion time of approximately 35 days. Two rigs are presently operating on our concessions. The better wells have as much as 1000 feet of oil sand and will produce as much as 5000 to 6500 barrels per day on a 3/4 inch choke.

Generally, the oil industry in this area is the most fabulous I've ever heard of and would take hours of discussion for a simple review.

The country of Venezuela is much like other Latin American countries. Venezuela is quite rich in many ways and should become even more internationally important in the next few years. The present government seems to be very stable, and regardless of the

news you may read, is contributing certain elements which are proving healthy for the overall condition, both economical and social.

Our family of five thoroughly enjoyed the two years we've lived here in Maracaibo, and I'm sure have no regrets for having been assigned to this area. We presently expect to return permanently to the state about July of 1960. We found just about everything here that is found in the states including churches, schools, and lodges. The school is exceptionally good. It is staffed by Americans, with few exceptions, and extends to the ninth grade. This is our only reason for returning to the states so soon. Two of our children will be in the tenth grade or above in September of 1960.

There are various churches represented here, and the Masonic Lodge is very active. The people at home would be much surprised at the number of Venezuelans proudly presenting themselves as Master Masons.

We were proud residents of Silver for several years and have many good friends in that area. Our regards to any of these you may meet will be much appreciated.

Jesse D. Duplissey
c/o Venezuelan Sun Oil Co.
Apartado 663
Maracaibo, Venezuela

The Observer, Robert Lee, Texas

Oct. 22, 1959

Cumble Ivey Jr. Buys Property From American Legion; Other City Changes

Cumble Ivey Jr. has purchased the American Legion property in the northwest part of Robert Lee and his future plans include the construction of a new home on the site.

The Legion post here has been inactive in recent years, although it continues to have a membership between 25 and 30. Unanimous approval of selling the property was voted at a special meeting called by Commander H. S. Lewis Jr. and Arthur Tubb, secretary.

The property involves 2.7 acres lying in the corner at the intersection of Highways 208 and 158. The land was donated to the Legion post 12 years ago by McNeil Wylie, former county judge who now resides at Lubbock.

Mr. Ivey paid \$1,000 for the property and Legion members split the money with Mr. Wylie. The Legion voted to invest its \$500 in government bonds. Mr. Ivey sold the building to Elmo Bell.

A number of other city property sales have taken place recently and within the past few months.

Douglas and Virginia Waid purchased a small home in the north part of town from Mrs. H. L.

Scott, while Butch Davis bought the adjoining residence from Ronnie Baker.

A trade of city homes was recently completed by Mrs. W. P. McDorman and Otho Long, the deal being made by R. S. Young.

Richard Dumas purchased the new home constructed by D. E. Jackson, 1 1/2 blocks west of the county park and E. G. Lindsay bought the telephone office building from his employer, General Telephone Co.

Mike and Mona Casey purchased the residence in the south part of town which they have occupied for some time from Mr. and Mrs. Carl Brock.

Harold Knapp's property near the Otto Wojtek home, has been purchased by Bill Matlock. The new owner is repairing and remodeling the house and will occupy it soon. The Knapps moved to Colorado City.

O. H. Campbell has purchased from Marcus Turner a 100-foot residence site east of Campbell's present home in the north part of town.

R. S. Young bought a 25-foot vacant lot south of the Foreman dairy stand from W. M. Simpson.

Coke County Quarterly Statement

From June 30 To September 30, 1959

Fund	Balance June 30, 1959	Receipts	Disbursements	Balance Sept. 30, 1959
Jury	\$ 48,682.91	\$ 5.00	\$ 1,305.28	\$ 47,382.63
Courthouse and Jail	4,416.40	13.13	2,158.51	2,271.02
General County	43,390.21	1,830.07	27,459.89	17,760.39
Road & Bridge	21,155.17	14,927.38	23,320.50	12,762.05
Farm to Market, F. C.	40,701.52	38.05	25,254.87	15,484.70
Lateral Road	64.29	9,263.75	1,616.02	7,712.02
Courthouse Bond Account	2,612.92	0	0	2,612.92
Officers Salary	9,960.88	3,538.55	12,149.49	1,349.94
Rd. Bond No. 1, I&S, Ser. 39	3,153.84	70.00	40.00	3,183.84
Rd. Bond No. 2, I&S, Ser. 55	8,307.38	16.61	5,225.00	3,098.99
Social Security	3,993.07	500.20	2,221.37	2,271.90
Park Bond, I&S	7,464.90	16.38	0	7,481.28
Courthouse, I&S	6,898.67	39.32	0	6,937.99
Hospital, I&S	11,180.68	13.11	8,162.50	3,031.29
Rd. Bond No. 3, I&S, Ser. 55	3,322.86	13.56	0	3,336.42
Rd. Bond No. 3, I&S, Ser. 37	2,185.75	0	0	2,185.75
Rd. Bond No. 1, I&S, Ser. 54	23,070.28	20.36	0	23,090.64
Comm. Prct. No. 1 Rd. Bond Ser. 59		150,183.50	1,725.00	148,458.50
TOTALS	\$240,561.73	\$180,488.97	\$110,638.43	\$310,412.27

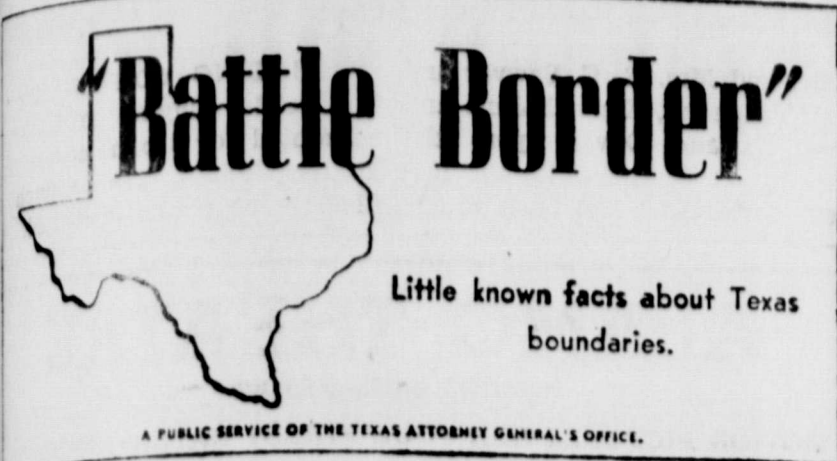
STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF COKE ss

Before me the undersigned authority on this day personally appeared Mrs. Gertrude Gray, County Treasurer of Coke County, Texas, who being duly sworn, says that the within and foregoing is a correct statement as taken from the Quarterly Report of the County Treasurer of Coke County, Texas.

Mrs. Gertrude Gray
County Treasurer, Coke County, Texas

O. B. Jacobs, Notary Public, Coke County, Texas

(Seal)



PART III

Editor's Note: This is the third in a series of articles outlining the numerous boundary conflicts dating back to 1716, pointing up little known facts which shaped the Texas of today.)

In claiming the Rio Grande to be the source in present day Southern Colorado, the Republic of Texas was faced with establishing possession.

Attorney General Will Wilson points out:

"Since possession is nine points of the law, the Texas weakness was its claim to a chunk of territory not occupied by settlers or controlled by militia."

In the northwestern reaches of the Texas' claim was old Santa Fe. Lamar, President of the Republic of Texas, figured that if these people would consent to being Texans it would go a long way toward solving the problem of actual occupation," Wilson says.

The Attorney General is an authority on Texas history.

Out of Lamar's idea sprang the disastrous Santa Fe Expedition. The real purpose was to persuade the New Mexicans peacefully to accept and recognize the jurisdiction of the Republic of Texas.

Over 300 men, including traders and soldiers, left Brushy Creek near Austin.

"I have a goat ranch on Brushy Creek and I cherish the old camp site of Kinney's Fort about two miles east of present Round Rock," Wilson observes. The site is recorded by a marker erected by the school children of Williamson County.

They thought Santa Fe was only 100 miles away. It turned out to be 1,200 miles in the long way the expedition traveled.

Three months on the trail, Indian attacks, starvation, and poor leadership put Texans in New Mexico in no condition to defend themselves from the sudden appearance of the Mexican militia.

As captives they were marched 2,000 miles to Mexico City under the order "If one of them pretends to be sick or tired on the road, shoot him down and bring me his ears."

Forty Texans died on the march. Those who lived were put in the dark dungeon of Castle Perote and in other Mexican prisons with lepers and criminals.

News of the Texans' fate reached the United States in January, 1842. Enraged, the Texas Congress resolved to annex all of Chihuahua, Sonora, New Mexico, Baja and Alto California and parts of Tamaulipas, Coahuila, Durango and Sinaloa.

"They believed that if Texas was going to war with Mexico they might as well make it worth their

while," Wilson explains.

"Instead of fighting over half of New Mexico they would scrap over the whole hog. It is interesting to note that President Sam Houston vetoed the measure because he feared it would be taken as a bit of legislative horseplay."

Congress, however, immediately passed over his veto.

Texans wanted war but had no money, troops, or equipment.

The failure of the Santa Fe expedition left the Republic of Texas with no possession of the disputed part of present day New Mexico and Colorado.

The next two articles will describe the sale of this territory by Texas.

GREEN MT. HD CLUB

Green Mt. Club met on Tuesday, Oct. 6, in the home of Mrs. Floyd Harmon. Seven members two visitors, two children and Miss Carole Hooper were present.

Miss Hooper gave a very interesting demonstration and talk on the importance of life insurance.

The club will meet on Oct. 20 in the home of Mrs. Finis Harmon.—Club Reporter

Good Today
Better Tomorrow
ROBERT LEE!

Please Notice

We have gone to the State Fair in Dallas this week where Kathy is showing her Angus steer. During our absence call

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- Ranch Wagon
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Tanks can be put on tower, ground, stood up, laid down, made into tank wagon.

See

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Ballinger, Texas

SMALL TALK

By A. J. K.

A PLEASANT SURPRISE

When American Legion members discussed selling their property recently, it was generally agreed that the proceeds should be divided with McNeil Wylie, who donated the site.

The deed had no reservations and the only obligation to cut the donor in on the sale was a moral one.

McNeil has a lot of friends here who are happy that the Legion post acted as it did. Following is his letter written to Bub Lewis, post commander:

I received your letter of Oct. 3rd with a \$500 draft, and may I say it was one of the nicest letters I have ever received from anyone. Had not even dreamed of such a thing. The motive and the thought of the boys in doing this means more to me than a share in the proceeds of the sale. However, this money will go a long way in putting Jane through college. Therefore I accept this generous share with deep gratitude and appreciation of the Legion members for their loyal friendship which has lasted these many years.

It is my hope that this summer I may be able to come back to Robert Lee for a stay of several days and shake hands with my old friends of yesterday — the best friends that any man ever had. — McNeil Wylie, 4807 Canton Ave., Lubbock, Tex.

Should report that Mrs. Bob Patterson found her purse. She didn't leave it in the theatre but found it at home.

In the past ten years Texas prison population has rocketed from 5,000 to 11,000. In citing what he feels are the reasons more Texans are getting behind bars, Warden O. B. Ellis put "urban movement"



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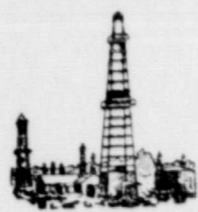
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at the top of the list. A good old country boy moves to the city, Ellis explained, has a 40-hour week and doesn't know how to use his time. Ellis also blamed no jobs for youngsters and misplaced values — "too much emphasis on the big home, the big auto."

I'm just about to quit quarter-backing. Some of my friends, who claim to be football experts, think it is okay to let the seniors sit on the bench so younger players will get experience. We wonder if these boys will find themselves sitting out when they become seniors.

Come on, Steers. Let's win these next three games.



Notes From The Oil Field

Russell Well Completed For Flow of 89 Bbls.

The 5,070-foot Pennsylvanian pay in the IAB multipay field of Coke County has been extended 1/2-mile southeast with the completion of Humble Oil & Refining Co. No. 1 Lena Russell, 10 miles northeast of Robert Lee, for a daily flowing potential of 89.58 barrels of 41.6 gravity oil, plus one-tenth of 1 per cent water. Gas-oil ratio was 744-1.

Production was through a 3/4-inch choke and perforations between 5,006-016 feet, which had been fractured with 10,000 gallons.

Location is 467 feet from the north and 3,587 feet from the west lines of 471-1A-H&TC.

The new producer will result in Humble drilling an offset to the north on I. A. Bird and Sun on Menielle an offset to the northeast.

The Russell well was completed in a sand formation, having been plugged back from a deeper lime section where water was encountered.

McCutchen & Graham, drilling contractors of Wichita Falls, moved in rotary the last of the week on the Wendland test being drilled by Shamrock.

Tucker No. 1 Willcockson & Blackburn drilling Tuesday at 4,207 feet in shale, lime and sand.

GOOD Today,
BETTER Tomorrow;
ROBERT LEE!

WHD COUNCIL MEETING

Council met Oct. 13 and elected the following council officers for 1960:

Chairman, Mrs. Curtis Walker; vice chairman, Mrs. Taylor Emerson; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. R. L. Page; Parliamentarian, Mrs. Pat Rives.

Reports were read from the clubs represented and annual reports were given by the council officers.

THDA chairman, Mrs. Glenn Waldrop, and delegates, Mrs. Pat Rives and Mrs. R. L. Page, gave a report on the state meeting held in Galveston.

Six members, Miss Hooper and district Agent, Miss Thelma Casey, were present.—Reporter

We acknowledge a subscription renewal from Mrs. George Pond, whose address is 7452 Hyatt St., San Diego 11, Calif. She writes that she likes to get The Observer to keep up with the news from home.

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Oct. 22, 1959

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Sawyer and their daughters, Kenneth June and Mrs. Garland Davis, spent the weekend at Whitney with the former's sister who has been ill.

SINGING CONVENTION
A district singing convention scheduled for 3 p.m. next Sunday at the Robert Lee Church Christ. The public is invited.

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