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Service Held Sunday For Pallie Phelan

Death came last Thursday afternoon to Mrs. Loyd (Pallie) Phelan, former Silver resident who had lived in Robert Lee the past 14 years.

Her passing occurred at 6 p. m. June 30 in the Bronte hospital where she had been a patient five weeks. She had been in failing health for some time of a heart ailment. She died unexpectedly of a stroke while her husband was at her bedside.

Funeral services were held at 4 p. m. Sunday at the Robert Lee Baptist Church with Bro. Foy Moore, Church of Christ minister, officiating. Burial was in McKenney cemetery under direction of Clift Funeral Home. Grandsons were pallbearers.

Pallie Allison was born Feb. 11, 1882, in East Texas, the daughter of W. M. and Martina Brookins Allison. She married J. W. Arnold and they lived on the Spade Ranch 15 years before moving in 1922 to their own farm on the Colorado River west of Silver. Mr. Arnold died Feb. 10, 1933, and on Sept. 21, 1934, she married a neighbor, Loyd Phelan. They retired from the farm in 1946 and moved to Robert Lee where they built a new home several years ago.

Mrs. Phelan was a member of the Church of Christ. She was a good friend and neighbor and was loved and admired by everyone who knew her.

Surviving are her husband; two sons, Charlie Arnold of Silver and J. W. (Bud) Arnold of Slaton; and seven daughters, Mrs. Mayme Neill, Monahans, Mrs. Vela Garrett, Midland, Mrs. Earline McFerrin, Alpena, Ark., Mrs. Johnnie Proctor Harrison, Ark., Mrs. Marjorie Clifton, Colorado Springs

Mrs. Jean Hendrickson, Amarillo and Mrs. Dorothy Spicer of Lubbock.

She is also survived by five sisters, Mrs. J. S. Walker and Mrs. Studie Clepper of Robert Lee, Mrs. Ruel Ellis of Coleman, Mrs. Frank Mathers of Sierra Blanca and Mrs. Thad Walls of Grand Prairie.

There are 30 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.



NORMAN ROBERTS
Steelers want him

Roberts Going To Pittsburgh With Pro Team

Norman Roberts leaves next Tuesday for Pittsburgh, Pa., where he will try out for a berth with the Pittsburgh Steelers professional football team.

After graduating from East Texas State a year ago, Norman signed with Pittsburgh, but later changed his mind and was a high school coach the past year at Wilson, near Lubbock.

But he loves football and decided

to try out with the pros this year and his contract was still in effect.

The Steelers are one of the top professional clubs in the National Football League and many of their games are televised during the season. The team will work out at the California Teachers College near Pittsburgh for several weeks before starting play early in August.

Norman was a star at Robert Lee high school and later at San Angelo College. His last two years of college work were at East Texas State at Commerce, where he continued to attract nationwide attention. He received All-American junior college citations and later All-American small college awards. At a bowl game in Orlando, Fla., he received the outstanding player award.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Lenn Roberts, he is married to the former Hattie Jane Snead, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Snead of Bronte. They have three children, the youngest born only a few days ago. His family will remain in Bronte while he is in Pittsburgh.

The above photo shows Norman when he played at San Angelo College. He's older and bigger now, and not quite so handsome. He has kept in good trim, but expects to take off several pounds from his present weight of 205. He plays an end position.

Norman's wide circle of friends wish him good luck and are confident he will make the grade with the crack Pittsburgh club, whose quarterback is the famous Bobby Lane, former University of Texas star.

Mrs. Ava Lou Hanna and two sons, her mother, Mrs. A. M. Tubb, and Mrs. Lois Williams left Sunday for a vacation at Red River, New Mex. They will be guests at Katie Stroud's Wagon Wheel Courts.

Coke Gives \$1077 To Cancer Fund

Coke County citizens contributed \$1,077.34 to the Cancer Crusade this year, thus exceeding the county quota of \$600 by 179 per cent. The announcement was made this week by A. J. Kirkpatrick, Robert Lee newspaper publisher, who was chairman of the campaign for the fifth consecutive year.

Previous highest collections for Cancer Control were in 1958 when the total was \$870.63. Coke County did not sponsor a crusade last year.

Co-chairman of the drive was Editor Ben Oglesby of Bronte, who was in charge of the campaign in the east one-half of the county. Figures show that Bronte and the east half of Coke County collected an even \$500.00. Robert Lee and the west half reported

\$577.34.

The entire amount was forwarded to Raymond C. Gee, treasurer of the Texas Division of the American Cancer Society. A receipt for the amount of \$1,077.34 with a letter of congratulations was received by Mr. Kirkpatrick from Mr. Gee.

Most sections of the county were well canvassed, although no workers were secured for a few localities. Contributions were boosted by a gift of \$100 from a Bronte family and a \$50 check from a Water Valley rancher.

Break-down of collections in the west side of the county:

Robert Lee	\$302.79
Silver	144.05
Walnut (Water Valley)	78.00
Divide	30.00
Wildcat	22.50

\$577.34

Among those taking an active part in the crusade were:

Silver: Mrs. Paul Gilbert, Mrs. C. G. Walker, Mrs. Frank Mulligan, Mrs. C. E. Palmer, Mrs. Allan Cartrite, Mrs. Nancy Green, Mrs. W. W. Paul, Mrs. Jack McCallie.

Divide: Mrs. Fred McCabe Sr. Walnut (Water Valley): Frank Demere Jr.

Wildcat: Mrs. Finis Millican.

Robert Lee: Mrs. J. O. Rudd, Mrs. Frank McCabe, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Tubb, Mrs. Frank Smith, Mrs. J. S. Ferrell, Mrs. Jack Cowley, Mrs. Lois Mae Smith, Mrs. Kenneth Lackey, Mrs. Jimmy M. Mathis, Mrs. Lendy Devoll.

Coke had one of the best showings among the 21 counties composing District 4 of the Cancer Society's organization. Kimble County exceeded its quota of \$500 by 301% and Mason County went over the top 203% on its quota of \$625.

Each of the counties conducted a campaign except McCulloch and Menard. Late reports indicated the district reached 64% of its \$31,375 quota.

Class of 1957 Holds First Reunion Here

Members of the Robert Lee high school graduating class of 1957 held their first reunion here the weekend of June 25-26. The group gathered at the County Park community building Saturday night for a social affair, featured by showing a movie film of the graduation three years ago. A picnic dinner was enjoyed on Sunday.

Attending were Carolyn Simpson, Joe Harmon, Van Schooler, Jo Ann Millican, Jerry Harmon and family, Carolyn Lee (Box) Clark and children, Jo Alice (McDonald) Scott and family, Richard Dumas and family.

Also Mary (Vaughan) Bessent and family, Cynthia (Bryan) Martin and family, Jack Gray, Edwin G. Davis and wife, Donald Walker, Mary Beth Schooler, Joyce Hester, Sharon (Hester) Pettiet and Vicki, Sammy and Nancy Duncan and June McKinley.

Ozona Victim Of Twisters Long Hitting

Home runs, two each by Jerry Tinkler and Norman Roberts, were largely responsible for the Robert Lee Rabbit Twisters' 9-1 victory at Ozona last Sunday.

The contest was pretty even during early innings. Jerry's first circuit swat opened the third frame and the score was 2-1 up until the sixth when Tinkler led off with his second round tripper. Paul Tinkler and John Conley got on base and Roberts delivered his smash over the fence to rack up four tallies for the Twisters in that inning.

Norman connected again in the eighth inning with two mates on board to run the score to 9-1.

Richard Dumas pitched a whale of a game, permitting only five hits. His hurling is much improved this season and he's not grooving any pitches for the long ball hitters.

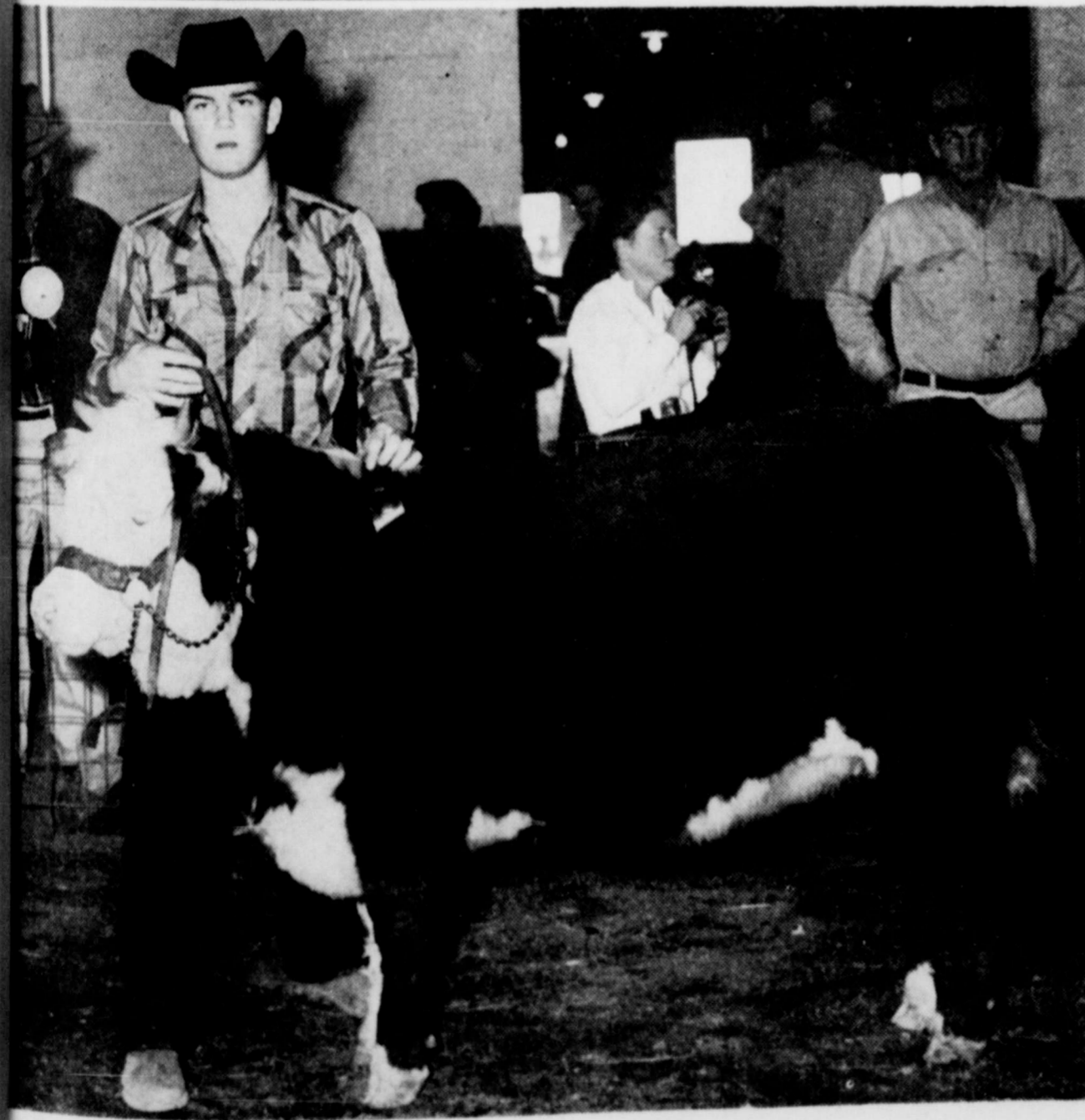
Next Sunday the Twisters play the National Guard club at Brownwood. It will be the last game for Roberts who is leaving next week to try out with the Pittsburgh professional football team.

He's been a potent factor in the Robert Lee lineup both at bat and in the field. Lew Heuvel is reported to be getting back in shape and there are hopes that Marlon McCutchen will be on hand for the rest of the season.

Goodfellow licked the Brownwood Colts last week 5 to 2, while Kirby had its hands full in defeating Brownwood National Guard by a 4-2 score.

HORACE YOUNG HERE

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Young and children, Randy, Vicki Lynn and Lisa, arrived Sunday afternoon from Westfield, New Jersey, to visit the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Young, and his sister, Mrs. Victor Wojtek and family. Horace has a three weeks vacation from a hospital equipment manufacturer where he has been employed 15 years. His last visit in Robert Lee was seven years ago and he finds many outstanding improvements since then.



CHAMPION HEREFORD HEIFER—Douglas Ashworth and his reserve champion Hereford heifer at the San Angelo Fat Stock Show. The animal was fed and exhibited by Douglas, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ashworth of Edith. The heifer was bred by Douglas Gartman.

Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Key visited recently at Amarillo with their daughter, Mrs. G. B. Shellburne and family, and went on to San Jon, New Mex., to visit Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Key. The men are brothers.

Weekly Meditation

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Assemblies of the Church:
Sunday, 10:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.

Local News

Mrs. Jasper Gaines and children, Joyce and Linda, of Moriarty, New Mex., arrived Thursday for a visit with Robert Lee kinfolks.

T-Sgt and Mrs. H. L. Springer and their five children left Thursday evening for their home at Wichita, Kans., where the former is stationed at a U. S. Air Force Base. During their two weeks' vacation here they made headquarters with Mrs. Springer's sister, Mrs. Roy Wyatt and family, and also visited the ladies' father, Jake Richardson, in San Angelo.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Walker have been at Christoval the past five weeks, where Mrs. Walker is taking treatments at the sanitarium. She is suffering from sciatic rheumatism which developed after a siege of flu in February. Mr. Walker, in Robert Lee Tuesday, said his wife was showing improvement.

Plaintiff Gets Verdict For Oil Field Injuries

A civil suit for compensation insurance tried before a jury in 51st District Court in Robert Lee the last of the week resulted in a verdict for the plaintiff.

The suit was brought by James F. Bureson of San Angelo against Bituminous Casualty Co. He sought damages following an injury sustained on a drilling rig in Coke County.

The plaintiff was working on the floor during a drillstem test, when a 30-ft. steel hose broke off and struck him. He alleged to have sustained serious injuries, including a ruptured spleen and broken ribs, and claimed permanent total disability.

The man drew weekly pay of \$110 and asked for 101 weeks at full pay, 90% pay for the next 300 weeks and \$35 per week for the next 401 weeks.

Judge Joe L. Mays prepared special issues in his instructions to the jury, and the verdict indicated the jury found that Bureson's injuries were considered permanent incapacity. The judge's ruling has not been filed.

Serving as jurors were D. K. Glenn, chairman, Carl Brock, Sloan Boone, J. B. Morrow, J. O. Rudd, Oscar Renshaw, Joe Ed Scott, C. N. Webb Jr., Royce Smith, R. C. Lasswell, Charles Sims and J. D. Harmon.

Mr. and Mrs. Delmir Sheppard spent the holiday weekend at Spearman, being accompanied by their grandchildren, Janie and Bud Sheppard of Midland and Donna, Randy and Ricky Sheppard of Bronte. All of the Sheppard's four sons are now at Spearman. Bert and Delmir Morris are employed by Baker & Taylor Drilling Co. and Harold is associated with his brother, Jerome, who invented an oil field pipe laying machine and has developed a big business.

County Auditor and Mrs. Weldon Fikes and their three daughters left early Wednesday for a week's stay at Glorietta Baptist Assembly, east of Santa Fe.

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The Observer, Robert Lee, Texas

July 7, 1955

LIGHT RAINFALL

Robert Lee received a scant half inch of rain Tuesday afternoon and night, while heavy downpours occurred to the northwest and the South Plains. Cloudy weather and showers brought welcomed relief to a period of three weeks of above normal temperatures. Predictions indicated more scattered showers for Wednesday and Thursday.

Skeet Phelan of Stanton and J. D. and Les Phelan of Lamesa were called here last week by the death of their sister-in-law, Mrs. Loyd Phelan.

Mr. and Mrs. Linzy McDorman enjoyed a weekend trip to Lamesa where they visited their daughter and sister, Mrs. John Wagley, and family.

BETTER Today,
BETTER Tomorrow;
ROBERT LEE!

MRS. AUSTIN HOVING

Mrs. I. M. Austin has leased her ranch north of Robert Lee to Mr. and Mrs. Chris Millican, who will occupy it soon. They have been living in the Ben Keyes house southwest of town. Mr. Austin and son, Clint, are moving to the new Park Plaza Addition in Abilene. Their address will be 201 North Bowie.

Larry Bell sustained a shoulder fracture while playing one day last week. He was hospitalized the night Friday. Larry is the 12-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Bell.



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Robert Lee, Texas

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	Sugar	5 lbs.	49c
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PRESSED	Ham	lb.	49c

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Silver News

and Mrs. R. B. Sears of Snyder were holiday weekend guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. ...

and Mrs. James Furr went to Dallas over the weekend and returned Sunday with their little David, who recently underwent surgery on his foot at the Rite Crippled Childrens Hospital. David will return to the last of the month.

Mumford resumed his week at Jameson gasplant after a sick leave of weeks. He underwent surgery in a San Angelo hospital.

J. D. Jett family accompanied their guests Mrs. Palma and children, Jack and ...

Clay Mullins and daughter, Jeanie, returned last Wednesday from a ten days trip to ...

Parish and family left on a two weeks vacation to California where they will ...

Mr. Parish is chief clerk of the Sun Pipeline Co. office and in his absence David Mullins is in charge of the office.

John T. Stewart has resumed duties as a Sun Pipeline Co. gauger after a vacation of three weeks. They visited in South Texas and last week a fishing expedition at Leon Dam.

O. F. Bradham and daughter, Rosalind, returned the last week from Dallas where Rosalind consulted specialists. She did not have to submit to additional surgery at this time.

Sun production department employees on vacations: C. A. Ramsey, 3 weeks; Hubert Payton, 2 weeks; Bob Hughes, 3 weeks; Walter Paul sick leave.

Wegne Godwyn and family spent the holiday weekend with relatives at Waco.

Mac Tunnell and family returned Monday from a weekend visit to kinfolks at Van. They report the heaviest traffic they had ever experienced on the highway west of Dallas and Fort Worth.

Mrs. T. Z. Phillips is reported to be making a good recovery from surgery which she underwent Saturday in a San Angelo hospital.

Mrs. C. M. Haigood returned Monday from a two weeks' visit with relatives at points in South Texas.

G. A. Jameson and family of Big Bend were over night guests the last of the week in the parental home of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Jameson.

Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Herford and children, Belinda and Jay, of Longview have been guests of the former's brother, Jim Herford and family.

ASE—Mr. and Mrs. Joe Russell Ash (Donna Jean Jameson) are parents of a daughter born June 23 in a Ft. Worth hospital. She weighed 6 pounds, 12 ounces and has been named Cynthia Juanice. She has a brother, Russell, 2 years old. The couple reside at Weatherford where the father is employed by Lone Star Gas Co. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ash of Bronte and Mr. and Mrs. Jahew Jameson of Silver. A family gathering was enjoyed

over the holiday weekend at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Walker. All of their children and their families were present. Guests included Mr. and Mrs. Claudie Walker and son, Mike, of Kermit, Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Eaton and children, Jenean and James Jr. of Ranger, and Mr. and Mrs. Wilton Robertson and children, Claudia and Corky of No-trees.

Franklin Mullican Jr. and family of Lubbock were weekend guests in the parental home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mullican of Silver. The Lubbock visitors had recently returned from a motor trip to California where Franklin was a delegate to an educators meeting. He is a teacher in the Lubbock schools.

Mrs. George Fugate was a recent patient in the Colorado City hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Allen of San Angelo and several of their children and their families enjoyed a 4th of July weekend gathering in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Odom.

Bro. Rex Kiker, speech instructor and summer dean at Abilene Christian College, spoke at last Sunday services at the Silver Church of Christ.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Wheeler returned Friday from a vacation trip of ten days to Tampa, Fla. Mr. Wheeler assumed his position of school superintendent here July 1.

Paul Ashby, former superintendent, and his family moved the past week to Lubbock where he is operating a Humble service station.

Joe Russell Ash and his family of Weatherford came to Silver the

last of the week. Mrs. Ash and the children will remain for a time in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jahew Jameson. The latter had been with the Ash family since the birth of their new daughter June 23.

Union Texas Natural Camp

(FOR LAST WEEK)

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Weatherbee and family spent the weekend at Amarillo, Texas, visiting relatives.

Mrs. Tom McDaniel left Sunday by plane from Abilene, for Mt. Carmel, Illinois. She will visit her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Novie Seaton, also her mother and sister at Mt. Carmel. She plans to return home the middle of July with the Seaton, as they will spend their vacation here.

Johnny Kohutek and M. C. Hendry accompanied Bill Matlock to Big Bend over the weekend. Bill attended to some business matters while there.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Geist and girls motored to Odessa for the weekend. They experienced car trouble just as they reached Odessa, so traded their old car off and returned home in a nice late model Buick.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Printice and family will leave Thursday afternoon on a two week vacation trip. They will visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Marquis, at Albuquerque, New Mexico the first week and plan to spend the second week in Louisiana. They will visit the F. G. Fisher family in New Orleans while there.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Hodge and family returned home last Friday

from a two week vacation. They had quite a bad experience their first night of camping at Lake Whitney. That was the night of the freak weather condition in which the temperature rose to around 140 degrees with 70 to 80 mile per hour winds. They suffered very little damage to their camping equipment compared to what most people had. Other than this one bad experience, they reported having a wonderful vacation.

Robert Lee Church of Christ
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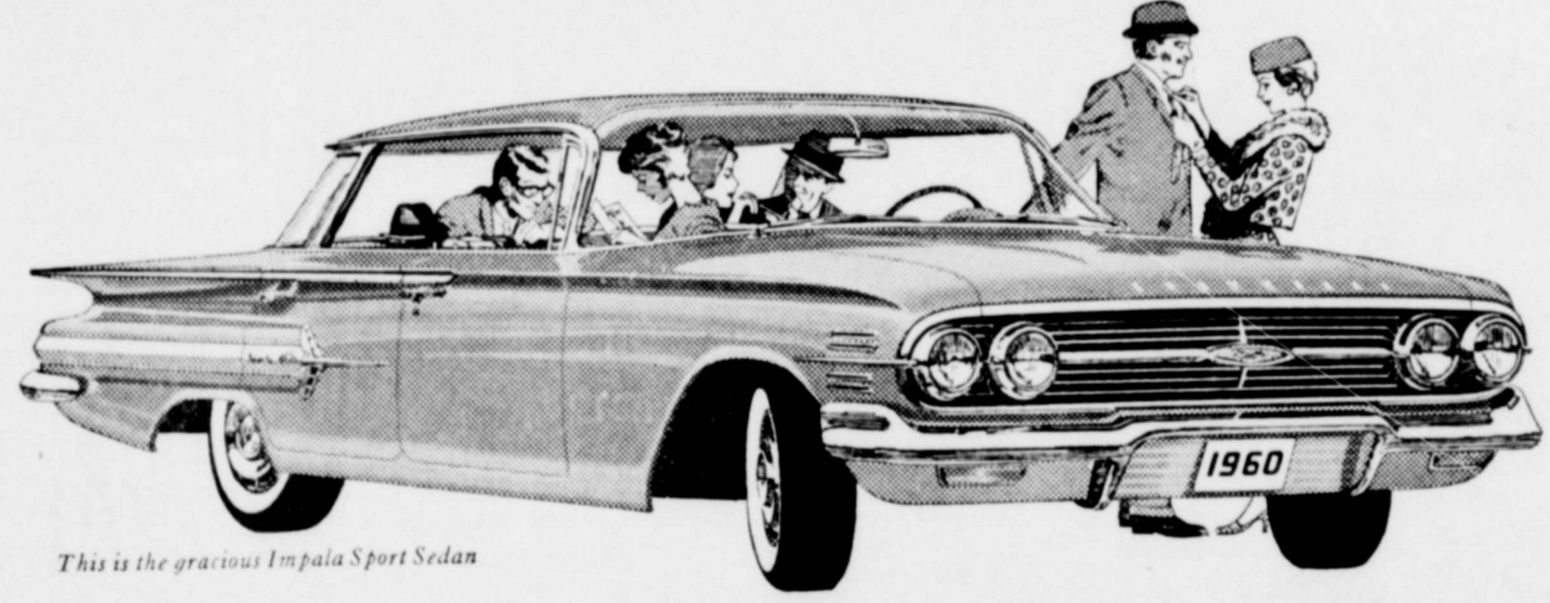
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Oil Production Allowed Only 55 Days During First Six Months of This Year

Coke County oil activities are at the lowest ebb in more than a dozen years. It was late in 1946 when Sun Oil Co. brought in its discovery producer on Allen Jameson at Silver.

The next year drilling started in earnest and later new fields were discovered around Bronte, Ft. Chadbourn, Edith and the McCutchen and Wendkirk fields between Robert Lee and Bronte.

Latest of the several important oil fields in Coke County was the I. A. B. (Menielle Penn) Field to the northwest of Robert Lee. Humble has 80 producers in that area and Sun has a dozen. There is more proven territory, but drilling has stopped.

The cutback in production has caused producing companies to reduce costs and very few oil field jobs are available this year, except those held by permanent employees.

The following Associated Press news story from Houston will be of interest to Coke County people:

Houston — The first six months of 1960 were disappointing to the domestic oil operator.

Numerous optimistic forecasts made six months ago have failed to materialize.

Optimism still exists for the last half of the year but sharp improvement is needed if 1960 as a whole is to equal, much less surpass, 1959.

Some company executives already have warned stockholders it will be difficult for 1959 earnings to be matched this year.

Numerous factors have been

earmarked to share the blame but most boil down to nothing more than a world-wide problem of over supply. The world oil supply simply is far greater than demand. New discoveries, particularly in foreign areas, are adding to the surplus each month.

Prices of both crude and products are weak and no strong stabilizer is in sight. The weak prices and lower grade production have held drilling operations well below 1959 levels.

\$3 AVERAGE

The current average price of about \$3 a barrel for crude compares with a year earlier \$3.04. A barrel of refined products draws about \$3.72 today, compared with \$3.90 a year ago.

Forecasts made six months ago were in general agreement 1960 domestic crude production should show a healthy increase. Most estimates indicated a gain of at least 5 per cent.

Actual production the first half of 1960, however, was about 1 per cent below the first six months of 1959.

An increase of about 2 per cent in drilling operations had been anticipated. But the total number of wells drilled the first half of 1960 was about 8 per cent below the January-June total for 1959.

Down about 5 per cent was the total number of feet drilled, a factor which in this modern era of deeper wells has become more indicative of oil industry economy than the number of wells drilled.

HIT BY CUTBACK

The 1960 economic troubles of

Texas oil operators, both large and small, have been intensified by production cutbacks that have been sharper than those of other oil states.

Monthly proration allowables in Texas the past six months have permitted production on only a total of 55 calendar days. The 1959 total for the same period was 71 days.

The 55 days the first half of 1960 compares to 56 days the first half of 1958, the period during which domestic crude output dropped to its lowest point after the rapid build-up during the Suez crisis.

The 1956-57 campaign to supply western Europe with oil during the Middle East emergency prompted Texas to permit production on 96 calendar days the first half of 1957. Domestic output reached a record average of 7,818,400 barrels a day the week ending March 22, 1957, with Texas posting an all-time high of 3,333,000 barrels a day.

GREEN MT. HD CLUB

Mrs. Finis Harmon was hostess for the Green Mt. Home Demonstration Club.

The program was given by the Robert Lee 4-H club members. Marjorie Rives gave a demonstration on broiled meat pattie using two different kinds of sauces, provolone cheese and basil butter.

Prescilla Wylie and Leta Robertson gave a very interesting first aid demonstration.

Mrs. Tom Rives from the Friendship club was a visitor.

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REVIVAL AT PECAN CHURCH

A Revival Meeting begins Thursday night, July 7, at Pecan Baptist Church and continues through July 17th. Elder Jack Welch of Grand Prairie will do the preaching. Morning services at 10 and evening services at 8 o'clock. Everyone is invited to attend.

The Charlie Arnold family leased the Boyd Yarbrough place and acreage at the northwest corner of Robert Lee. They had been living in one of the Jack Thomas houses in the south part of town.

CONTRACTOR'S NOTICE TEXAS HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Sealed proposals for constructing 1.277 miles of Grading, Base & Surfacing from FM 229 in Robert Lee West to FM 387 on Highway No. FM 229 covered by R 406-3-1 in Coke County, will be received at the Highway Department, Austin, until 5 P. M., July 19, 1960, and then publicly opened and read.

Plans and specifications including minimum wage rates as provided by Law are available at the office of H. L. Bailey Resident Engineer, Sterling City, Texas, Texas Highway Department, Austin. Usual rights reserved. Publish July 7-14.

PERSONALS

The Escue family enjoyed a holiday weekend reunion in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Higgins at Midland. Attending were Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Kosel and children of Norwalk, Ohio, the Irven Escue family of San Angelo and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cowley and family of Robert Lee. The Kosels came on to Robert Lee for a visit before returning to Ohio.

Travis McNair and Warren Ellis, Methodist ministers at Robert Lee and Silver, served as instructors last week at Mt Wesley Methodist Youth Camp near Kerrville.

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ASSETS

Cash, balances with other banks, including reserve balance, and cash items in process of collection	\$ 504,315.49
United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed	442,321.75
Obligations of States and political subdivisions	215,426.09
Other bonds, notes, and debentures	20,000.00
Corporate stocks (including \$3,300.00 stock of Federal Reserve bank)	3,300.00
Loans and discounts (including \$554.36 overdrafts)	667,010.76
Bank premises owned \$45,925.00, furniture and fixtures \$11,604.37	57,529.37
(Bank premises owned are subject to \$ None liens not assumed by bank)	
Other assets	93.75
TOTAL ASSETS	\$1,909,997.21

LIABILITIES

Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	\$ 930,643.48
Time Deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	409,595.61
Deposits of United States Government (including postal savings)	100,123.77
Deposits of States and political subdivisions	315,921.57
Deposits of banks	10,000.00
Other deposits (certified and officers' checks, etc.)	1,684.46
TOTAL DEPOSITS	\$1,767,968.89
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$1,767,968.89

CAPITAL ACCOUNTS

Capital*	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus	60,000.00
Undivided profits	32,028.32
TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	\$ 142,028.32

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS \$1,909,997.21

*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 \$ 335,000.00

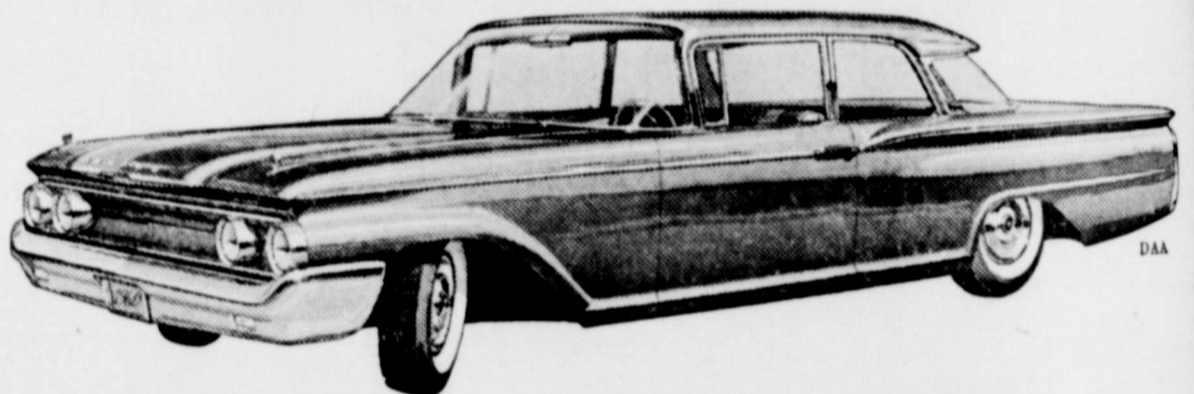
I, Willis Wayne Smith, Cashier of the above-named bank, hereby certify that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Willis Wayne Smith

CORRECT—Attest: G. C. Allen, Wm. H. Allen, Victor Wojtek, Directors.

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Hickmans Hold Annual Family Reunion

Annual reunion of the Ed-Hickman family took place over the weekend when the four daughters and three sons and their families gathered in a happy reunion. All the grandchildren were also present except two.

The group were guests Saturday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frankie Percifull southeast town. Mrs. Percifull, the former Dean Richards, is a granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hickman.

The County Park was the scene of festivities on Sunday when a barbecue and picnic dinner was enjoyed.

Coming for the event were Mr. and Mrs. Austin Sandusky, who divide their time between Midland and a farm in Arkansas. Their son, Gerald, of Levelland, the older son, Dr. Judge Sandusky and his family. The latter is now a licensed veterinarian, recently completing studies at Texas A & M, and is connected with a veterinarian clinic hospital in Fort Worth.

Mrs. Georgia Turner of El Paso, who has been here a few weeks, is accompanied by her grandchildren, Bill and Johnnie Lynn. Other daughters are Mrs. C. M. Trimble and Mrs. Hadley Richards of Robert Lee, whose families were present.

The sons are Edward of Killeen, who was accompanied by his wife and two children; Johnnie Mac of Levelland and his family and Freddie (Pete) Hickman of Ozona and his wife and son.

The Buster Fields family were guests at the Sunday picnic.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Caulder and daughter, Debbie, came from Midland for a holiday weekend visit in the parental home of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Walker.

Dr. R. T. Stenberg and family of Austin visited Robert Lee kinfolks over the weekend. They were accompanied by Ronnie Sims, who is a summer student at the University of Texas and is staying in the Stenberg home. Mike Stenberg remained here for a longer visit in the R. C. Sawyer home.

Mr. and Mrs. Weldon (Jiggs) Lofton and three children, Jan, Kirk and George Leslie, have been here for a few days visit with home folks. Jiggs is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Lofton and his wife is the former Ronda Farris, granddaughter of Druggist and Mrs. T. W. Farris. Jiggs has a good position in a large Union Carbide and Chemicals Co. plant at Texas City. He is enjoying a week's vacation.

Royce Smith suffered strained muscles as he climbed over a fence while helping extinguish a grass fire near the cemetery Friday afternoon. He was a patient in Coke Memorial Hospital several days and is now recuperating at his home.

HENRY VARNADORES HERE

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Varnadore arrived last week from Mena, Ark., for a visit with relatives and friends. Their headquarters have been with their daughter, Mrs. Royce Smith and family. The Varnadore family enjoyed a reunion over the holiday weekend in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Fisher at Water Valley. Other children of the Henry Varnadores who joined their parents here were Mrs. Wilton Scott and family of Kempner, Morris Varnadore and family of Midland and W. K. Varnadore and family of Big Spring. Also Clell Varnadore, his wife and their two sons, of Ft. Smith, Ark. Clell is employed as a pilot for a Ft. Smith business firm and was given permission to use the company plane in coming to West Texas. Henry and his wife have visited their sons at Midland and Big Spring this week and will be back in Robert Lee for a visit before returning home. He and his son, Clell, have a herd of more than 100 head of registered Angus cattle on their farms near Mena.

COSGROVES TO CLYDE

Bro. Owen Cosgrove and his family are moving from Alpine to Clyde where the former will become minister of a large Church of Christ later this month. They have been at Alpine two years where he preached and took graduate work at Sul Ross. His wife, the former Martha Sue Richardson, has also been a student at Sul Ross and lacks but a few hours of obtaining a degree. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Richardson of Robert Lee. Bro. Cosgrove formerly preached in both Robert Lee and Bronte and is a graduate of Abilene Christian College.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our thanks and deep appreciation to the friends and neighbors for their sympathy and many acts of kindness during our bereavement. The floral tributes were beautiful and we appreciate the food and thank the Baptist congregation for use of their church. — Loyd Phelan and Family.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Jones came to Robert Lee for a short visit the last of the week, being called here by the death of their former neighbor, Mrs. Loyd Phelan. Marvin is employed on a large ranch between Alpine and Marfa. It's antelope country and he says there are probably 1,000 head on his spread.

LOCAL NEWS

(For last week)

Mrs. Melvin Childress is showing improvement and has returned to her home after a stay in the hospital. She spent several days in Shannon hospital at San Angelo and the past week was a patient in Coke Memorial Hospital here. Her daughter plan to be here with their mother during the next week or two.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hurley have received word from their son, Jerry, that he has been transferred to the USS Mahan, a Navy ship carrying guided missiles. Jerry was formerly stationed on the USS Bridgett, a destroyer. He is spending three months at the Fleet Training Center at San Diego, Calif.

Frankie Casey writes his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Casey, that he is soon leaving Okinawa for the States and should be home on a 30-days leave before the end of July. Only 19 years of age, Frankie has earned the Marine grade of lance corporal.

Mr. and Mrs. Garland Davis and little son, Glen Allen, and Kenney Sawyer spent the weekend in Austin with Ronnie Sims and the Dr. R. T. Stenberg family. They report Ronnie is doing fine with his summer studies at the University of Texas.

HOSPITAL NEWS

- June 29 — Larry Bell admitted.
- June 30 — Larry Bell, Mrs. J. W. Service Jr. dismissed.
- July 1 — Terry Kinsey admitted. Mrs. Dick Skipworth, Mrs. Ivey Eubanks dismissed.
- July 2 — Royce Smith admitted. Terry Kinsey dismissed.
- July 4 — Mrs. Sam Jay admitted.
- July 5 — E. W. Olson admitted. Royce Smith dismissed.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. McNeill Wylie and daughter, Jane, visited among Robert Lee kinfolks and friends Tuesday. They were enroute to San Angelo to visit Milton Wylie and Dick. Former Robert Lee residents, the Wylies have resided in Lubbock a number of years. Mr. Wylie, former Coke County judge, has a position with the city schools safety department and Mrs. Wylie teaches high school English and Spanish. Jane has completed her first year at Texas Tech.

A family gathering of the Frank and Wilson Bryan families occurred over the holiday weekend. Guests included Capt. and Mrs. Frank D. Bryan and son, Pat, of Ardmore, Okla., Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Martin and Jimmy of Santa Anna, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Hinard and "Cookie", and Mrs. Kate Dodson. The Frank D. Bryans also visited kinfolks in San Angelo and her mother, Mrs. V. H. Simpson, accompanied them to their home at Ardmore.

Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Cain departed Wednesday for their home at Jasper, Ala., after a ten days visit with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Waid. They were accompanied on their trip to West Texas by a grandson, Halden Shipp, also of Jasper.

FAMILY GATHERING

The W. A. Payne family held a 4th of July gathering at the family home six miles east of Robert Lee on Monday, July 4th. Barbecue was prepared by Earl Reed, a son-in-law of Mrs. W. A. Payne and the late Mr. Payne.

Those present besides Mrs. Payne and her son, Loyd, were Mr. and Mrs. George A. Snyder and daughter of Van Horn, Mr. and Mrs. Barney Payne of Ft. Worth, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Reed and children of Andrews, Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Payne and family of Robert Lee, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Bazor and family of Andrews. Morris Payne and his family of Andrews were unable to attend.

Also present were out of town friends of the family, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Naker and family of Odessa and Leslie Reed of Andrews.

Mrs. Winnie Waldrop is taking a two weeks vacation from her position as first deputy in the office of County Clerk J. L. Tinkler.

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SMALL TALK

By A. J. K.

The National Democratic Convention opening next Monday in Los Angeles will have the entire nation focused upon it. Texans are intensely interested because Senator Lyndon Johnson is a candidate and a real contender for the nomination for President.

We are glad former President Truman sounded the alarm last week that the convention was "rigged." His contention is misleading in a way, as the convention will be conducted honestly and fairly. The so-called rigging which put him away out in front referred to Kennedy's drive which put him out in front with delegate votes at least for the first ballot.

No candidate should have the nomination sewed up before the convention opens and Truman's press conference will be a good influence. Delegates shouldn't be pressured and stampeded to get on the Kennedy bandwagon. Other candidates must be considered for the good of the party and the nation.

State delegations were warned to come over to Kennedy or be left out of patronage and other favors which result from backing the successful candidate.

Johnson has gained strength right along and his press conference in Washington Tuesday gave him a further boost. Kennedy, too, took care of himself in fine style in his reply to Truman Monday afternoon.

One of the most pleasing personalities in the national political scene is Gov. Leroy Collins of Florida, who appeared on the Meet the Press TV program Sunday afternoon. He'll be permanent chairman of the national convention. No telling what other important office he may be called to fill.

Glad to get some political stuff for the next ten days. All those repeats are disgusting. Surely advertisers don't pay good money for them.

Rattlesnakes get into town occasionally. Mrs. Lois Mae Smith killed a big one in her garden the other day. Everyone should be careful.

It's wonderful what science is doing and especially in the field of petrochemicals. Jiggs Lofton, who works in a big plant at Texas City, says only natural gas is processed there for the manufacture of a wide variety of products. Principal products made from natural gas at his plant are alcohol and plastics. Three kinds of alcohol are turned out, wood, rubbing and ethyl, which have more important sounding chemical names. All the products are shipped out for use in various factories except Prestone anti-freeze which is a finished product. The big Union Carbide and Chemical plant employs 2,800 people. Jiggs has been there 7½ years and has a good paying position.

Everyone is pulling for Norman Roberts to make the grade when he gets his trial with the Pittsburgh Steelers. He's not as big or as speedy as some of the outstanding pro footballers, but he's a good tackler and blocker and we

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feel they will have a place for him. A professional club is allowed to carry only 36 players on its active roster. A rookie has to be good to stick.

My personal thanks for the generous contributions to the Cancer Crusade and to the group of willing workers in all parts of the county. With much of the money going for continued research, we have sustained hopes that a definite break through against cancer will result.

TRIP TO FARMINGTON

Mrs. Buddy Havins returned Thursday from a trip to Farmington, New Mex., where she attended to business affairs and arranged to bring her auto and house trailer to Robert Lee. She was accompanied by her brother and sister, J. C. Wallace Jr. and Mildred, and Mr. and Mrs. Fern Havins. Mrs. Havins is the former Edna Mae Wallace and is now residing in Robert Lee with her two little daughters. The family resided 4½ years at Farmington where Buddy suffered fatal injuries June 17 while working on a Haliburton well cementing rig.

ECKERT REUNION HERE

More than 100 persons were present for a reunion of the Eckert family at the County Park in Robert Lee July 4th. Mrs. Mattie Tinkler of Robert Lee was joined by a sister and three brothers and their families for the enjoyable occasion.



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COKE SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT NEWS

Present Supervisors —

C. N. Webb, Chairman; W. E. Burns, Vice Chairman; D. K. Glenn, Secretary and Treasurer; Bryan Yarbrough and Robert Walker.

Willis Smith has completed 6700 yards of diversion, and a 2400 yard earthen tank on his ranch south of Robert Lee. These were constructed for erosion control and stock water. Cost share was with ACP.

Gerald Allen is having constructed by contract a 4400 yard earthen dam on the Tucker Ranch. The tank will be used for stock water, and cost share was under ACP.

Foster S. Price has completed approximately 2300 acres of mesquite control by aerial spraying on his South Silver pasture. Prickly pear and Turkey pear is being chemically controlled on this pasture with 2-4-5T, and diesel oil. Both practices are being done under the Great Plains Conservation Program.

Manse Millican has constructed approximately 185 rods of cross fence on his place south of Bronte. This was built to protect an area which was recently root plowed and seeded to grasses, and will also allow deferment and rotational grazing of the pastures as part of his GPCP contract.

Courthouse Rainfall Record
This month 1.04
This year 7.84
This time last year 9.27



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LOCAL NEWS

Curtis Sockwell took a vacation last week from his position at Sun's Jameson gasoline plant at Silver. He and his family spent the period at Alpine where they also visited his sister, Mrs. W. R. Siler and husband. Both Mr. and Mrs. Siler are taking summer work at Sul Ross and will teach this year at Ft. Stockton.

The Bill Lloyd family visited here briefly Sunday with Mrs. Lloyd's sisters, Mrs. Carl Brock and Madine Burgess. They were enroute to their home at Bangs from San Angelo where Mrs. Lloyd recently underwent surgery.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Roberts and Kimberley came from Jal, N. Mex., for a weekend visit with relatives. They left Kimberley, 10 months old, with Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Vowell while they go on a vacation trip to Red River, N. Mex.

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Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Sawyer were called to San Saba Friday night by the illness of his uncle, John Sawyer, 81, who died at 4:40 Saturday afternoon in a San Saba hospital. The Sawyers attended

a gathering of former Lometa Creek residents Saturday night at the Brownwood Park, and attended for the funeral and burial of his uncle at Lometa Sunday afternoon.

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