

# Robert Lee Observer

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## Bronte Will Host Bulldogs Thursday

Coach Bob Howard's Bronte Longhorns will host the Eden Bulldogs in a Class B Regional football contest at 2:00 p.m. at Stephenson Field Thursday, Thanksgiving Day.

Eden defeated Gorman Friday night at Eden, 13 to 6, in a Class B bi-district contest.

Bronte romped over Canutillo at Bronte in another class B bi-district contest, 39 to 20, Saturday night.

The Bronte Longhorns will be handicapped Thursday afternoon due to the lack of the services of starting fullback Buddy Walker. Walker received a broken leg Saturday night in the first quarter of the bi-district contest.

Back Dee Arrott was the big offensive gun for the Longhorns by running over two touchdowns and connecting three passes for touchdowns with teammates Eddy Glenn for 63 yards, Charles Lee for 18 yards and Tommy Boecking for 25 yards.

Charles Lee scored in the 4th period for the home team by running his right side for 7½ yards and the score.

Canutillo's quarterback Manny Molina connected with two touchdown passes in the third quarter with teammates Ricky Salinas and

Sylvester Reyes. With three seconds left in the game Molina passed to Rey Ochoa for short yardage and the TD. The extra points were made on overtime when Vincente Arias ran over for the 2 points.

Jack Corley, 200 lb. tackle, was the outstanding defender for the Bronte Longhorns.

The first score of the ball game came in the second quarter when Dee Arrott ran into the end zone around his right end. Shortly before the end of the half Arrott connected a 63 yard pass to Eddy Glenn for the second TD. Arrott skirted his right side for the extra points.

Bronte's third tally came minutes later when Arrott returned Molina's punt to Canutillo's 18 yard line. On the next play Charles Lee caught Arrott's aerial to put the Longhorns out front 20 to 0.

In the third period Canutillo dominated the scoring by scoring twice on Molina passes.

The Longhorns decided the 4th quarter belonged to them by scoring 3 times to Canutillo's 1.

A near capacity crowd, many from Robert Lee, witnessed the bi-district contest in chilling weather.

Eden has a season record of 8-2-1 and Bronte has a season record of 6-3-2.

## Mrs. Bob Patterson, Resident of County 66 Years, Dies After Long Illness

Mrs. Bob (Ninnie Modgling) Patterson, 81, died Friday evening, November 17, in Cowper Clinic-Hospital in Big Spring. She had been ill for the past 3 years and seriously ill since June of this year.

Mrs. Patterson was born in Williamson County, November 16, 1880, and moved to Llano County

with her parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. William M. Modgling, at the age of 2.

She moved to Coke County at the age of 15 with her parents and she lived here for the remainder of her life.

Mrs. Patterson, a member of the Robert Lee Baptist Church, was married to Bob Patterson in Robert Lee on November 14, 1906. The couple resided 1 mile west of Robert Lee until 1919.

Mr. and Mrs. Patterson purchased a farm 5 miles southwest of Robert Lee in August of 1919, which is still owned by the Patterson family.

A few years ago Mrs. Patterson and her husband purchased a home in Robert Lee where they resided when they weren't living on their farm.

Funeral services were held for Mrs. Ninnie Patterson at 2:30 Sunday in the Robert Lee Baptist Church with the Rev. Robin Guess officiating. Burial was in Robert Lee Cemetery with Cliff Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Two sons preceded her in death. S. E. Patterson died August 28, 1912, and Clifford Patterson died August 28, 1943.

Mrs. Patterson had been living in Big Spring with a son, W. H. Patterson, since last June.

Survivors include the husband; two other sons, Eddie Patterson of Big Lake and R. C. Patterson of Robert Lee; three daughters, Mrs. Aubrey Denman of Bronte, Mrs. Sid Compton of Colorado City and Mrs. Crowley Harmon of Robert Lee; a sister, Mrs. Betty Northcutt of Childress; and 12 grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Aubrey Don Denman, Lanny Denman, James Darrell Harmon, Larry Compton, J. H. Escue and Irvin Escue.

## Teenager Is Recovering from Shotgun Wound

Michael Krall, 15, son of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Krall, is reported to be recovering satisfactorily from an accidental shotgun blast that occurred Sunday at about 7:30 p. m.

The local teenager was rushed to a San Angelo hospital in a Clift ambulance after receiving first aid treatment at Coke County Memorial Hospital. It is said that it was about 1:45 a. m. Monday when he was moved from the surgery room to his hospital room.

Michael, who lives with his parents about 3 miles west of Robert Lee, had been hunting Sunday afternoon with his father and hunting companions, Ricky Hatch and Robert Holland.

The youths were at the Effie Roe residence examining a 4-10 gauge shotgun that had not been used for a long period of time and it was thought the gun was unloaded. The gun was accidentally fired and Michael's right arm, between the wrist and elbow, and the lower part of his abdomen received the blast.

## City Observes Thanksgiving Holiday

The merchants, bank, city and county offices of Robert Lee is observing Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 23, as a legal holiday.

Many families will join together for the traditional holiday in cities and towns throughout the country. Numerous relatives and friends are expected to be visiting in many homes in Robert Lee and on ranches and farms in the county.

The classic "Turkey Day" football games will attract thousands throughout the state.

All motorists are urged to be extremely cautious while traveling the highways during the 3 day holiday period.

## J. C. Furr Killed In Auto Collision



JAMES C. FURR  
... In 1952

James Carlton Furr, 31, of Silver was killed at about 11:30 p. m. Friday approximately 5 miles north of Menard in a head-on automobile collision on U. S. Highway 83.

Furr was alone in his late model Buick traveling north at the time of the crash with Rudolfo Vela, 22, of 806 Murphy St., San Angelo, who was alone and driving south. Vela's injuries were not considered serious. He was released from Menard Hospital Sunday.

Shad Bryson of Eden, state highway patrolman who investigated the accident, said both vehicles were demolished.

Furr, born Feb. 23, 1930, in Junc-

tion, was a Korean War veteran, and a member of the Silver Methodist Church where he was an active worker in the church program. He married Billie Jean Aury of Eden March 8, 1952, in Brady. He attended Sul Ross State College. He was employed on the clerical staff of Sun Oil Jameson Gas Plant at Silver at the time of his death. Furr and his family resided at Silver for the past eight years.

Mr. Furr had been visiting his parents in Junction and was returning to Eden to visit his children who are visiting with his wife's parents. He was planning to leave Eden Saturday morning for Dallas to visit his wife who is a patient in a hospital there.

Funeral services were held at 2:30 p. m. Monday at the Junction Methodist Church, with burial in Junction Cemetery directed by Mission Funeral Home of Menard.

Survivors include his wife; a son, David Carlton Furr, 9, a daughter, Carla Jean Furr, 7, all of Silver; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Furr of Junction; and two sisters, Mrs. Wilda Meixner of Slaton and Miss Andra Sue Furr of Junction.

Pallbearers were Johnny McDaniel of Junction, Bunyon Milligan, Walter Paul, A. J. Roe, all of Silver, Howard Preslar of Robert Lee and Bob Edwards of Colorado City.

## LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP IN LOCAL UNIT AWARDED TEACHER

During the regular meeting of the Robert Lee P. T. A. Thursday night, Mrs. Sam Powell, a second grade teacher in the local elementary school, was awarded a lifetime membership certificate to the Parent-Teachers Association unit here, and a lapel emblem pin.



PICTURED ABOVE FROM LEFT TO RIGHT is Mrs. Sam Powell, a second grade teacher in the Robert Lee School system, receiving a lifetime membership certificate and lapel emblem pin to the Robert Lee P.T.A. unit from Mrs. Hulan Harris, immediate past president of the local unit.

Mrs. Hulan Harris, immediate past president of the local P. T. A. unit, said "this is the first time that a lifetime membership has been awarded to the Robert Lee P. T. A., and I cannot think of anyone more deserving of the honor than Mrs. Sam Powell."

The lifetime membership awarding ceremony was a complete surprise to Mrs. Powell. She said that she was thrilled to the point that she was hardly able to express her gratitude to the membership of the Robert Lee P. T. A.; however, she did say that she considered it a privilege and was honored to be selected the first person in Robert Lee to receive the lifetime membership.

Prior to the membership awarding ceremony, a panel discussion was presented with representatives from organizations that comprise the "School Team." Each member of the panel gave a short talk about the group that he represented and the part which his organization played in the school's program.

Hervey Latham, superintendent of the Robert Lee Schools, served as moderator and presented the administration's part on the "School Team." Mrs. Sam Powell, a teacher, Raymond McCutchen, a school board member, Bob Vaughan, vice president of the B. C. D., and Mrs. Vic Wojtek, a parent of children in school, comprised the panel.

A social hour followed the business meeting of the local P. T. A. unit.

The next regular meeting of the Robert Lee P. T. A. will be at 7:30 p.m., December 7.

## a second glance

By JOHN H. KING II

From the reports of many hunters, deer and turkeys are plentiful in the county this year. I even heard that one hunter got two turkeys with one shot. By the time you've heard the story it may be three gobblers instead of two because it seems that hunters are kin to fishermen when it comes to relating stories about their experiences.

The light frost that was evident in the area last week has put a tint of color on the trees, and some farm crops.

This past week a subscriber inquired if I would publish a letter that might disagree with my views toward politics. It's been my belief that you knew that I would be most happy to publish letters from readers regardless of the subject matter as long as the letters are written in good taste and didn't deal with the private lives of persons.

Bob Vaughan said this week he sure hoped it didn't rain Thursday.  
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### Bids Called on Kickapoo Dams

Officers and directors of Coke County Kickapoo Water Control and Improvement District No. 1 have called for bids on construction of two flood control dams on the Kickapoo watershed. The bids are on sites No. 1 and No. 4. The bids will be opened at 2 p. m. on Dec. 19.

Site No. 1 is located on land owned by Barton Waldrop, while site No. 4 is located on W. D. (Pete) McDonald's property.

The Invitation to Bidders is being published in this week's Enterprise, and will be run for three consecutive weeks.

F. S. Higginbotham, chairman of the WCID, said this week that much work and preparation has gone into this project and that the opening of bids on the first two structures will be quite an occasion for the water district's board of directors.

Work toward getting the million dollar flood control project actually started soon after the disastrous flood in 1953. There was much talk and some meetings were held, but interest in the project lagged until another flood hit the area in 1957. This flood, not so damaging as the 1953 flood, served notice to residents of the area that they could expect the high water oftener than they liked. One estimate of damage says the Kickapoo Creeks have done more than \$2 million damage in the past 30 years, the heaviest of this in 1953 and 1957.

In December, 1957, the project had been pushed by Bronte Lions Club to the point where a steering committee was named to work on the project. Higginbotham was named chairman of this committee and members were W. D. McDonald, Noah Pruitt, Sr., Austin Sandusky, J. A. Percifull, Preston Davis and Edward Rawlings.

Many meetings were held, tours of similar projects were made, and the ball was started to rolling.

A special bill was passed by the Texas Legislature in June 1959, creating the water district. This was a major hurdle and gave the organization a legal status with authority to act. The next big project was to get the approval of the area embraced by the district to vote a tax to support it. The election was called in December, 1959, for Jan. 12, 1960. The election carried 132-27.

In July, 1959, organization of the district was completed. Higginbotham was named president; D. K. Glenn, vice president; J. A. Percifull, secretary; Preston Davis and Austin Sandusky, directors.

With its organization set up and preliminary planning taken care of the Kickapoo district was ready to start making concrete plans. First thing needed was assurance that federal money would be available for the project. The Congress approved the bill locating the money last fall.

Another big step on the project became a reality in March of this year, when a five-man survey crew arrived to make the survey for the dams.

Plans call for erection of six structures, the two mentioned in this story plus site No. 2 on Mrs. Eva Keeney, site 3 on Edward Rawlings, site 5 on Edward Rawlings, and site 6 on Mrs. Edna Butner.

Traveling to Boerne, Texas for the holiday are Mrs. Lucille Dean, Tony, Kitten, and Jerry, and Vernay Vaughan. They will be guests of Rev. and Mrs. O. N. Lewis and family. Rev. Lewis was formerly pastor of the First Methodist Church of Robert Lee and is pastor of the Boerne Methodist Church.

### Silver News

Charles Patterson, son of Mrs. and Mrs. C. F. Patterson, will arrive Thursday from San Antonio where he is a teacher at McArthur High School. A houseguest from San Antonio will be Miss Helen Klostermann, a junior student at Trinity University.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Lindsey left Saturday for San Antonio where they were to attend funeral services for his sister who died Friday night.

Visiting here with the Bob Odoms were his sister, Mrs. Lonnie Evans, Winslow, Arizona, and another sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Clegg of Pocasset, Mass., and her niece and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Williamson of Boston, Mass. They will be here for the holiday and will then go to San Angelo where they will visit other relatives.

#### Transfers

The Lee Weigels left Friday for Rockport where Mr. Weigel has been transferred by the Sun Gas Dept. Mr. Weigel had worked here twelve years. The couple was presented with a gift of pottery from Silver friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Post and girls left Saturday for Sun Field in Starr County where Mr. Post has been transferred after being here three and one-half years. A covered dish supper held Thursday night in the school cafeteria honored the family. A gift of pottery was the farewell gift from hosts.

Mr. Guy Wheeler, superintendent of the Silver schools, announced there would be no school Monday in order that many of the teachers be able to attend funeral services for Mr. James C. Furr.

### Menielle No. 2 Confirmed

Second Strawn reef producer and a location southwest extension to that pay in the I. A. B., Northeast multipay field of Coke County, has been indicated with the swabbing of new oil along with acid water at Sun Oil Co. No. 2-A L. B. Menielle, in 472-1A-H&TC 8 1/2 miles northwest of Robert Lee.

Swabbed two hours through perforations between 6,120-40 feet, recovery was 30 barrels of load and acid water; then in five hours, it swabbed 3/4-barrels of new oil and 1/4-barrel of acid water.

A completion unit was being moved in.

Operator perforated from 5,190-98 feet opposite the 5,150-foot Pennsylvanian sand, washed with 500 gallons of mud acid and will attempt dual completion as a fourth producer from that zone.

Linehan & Stoltenburg, I Percifull, drilling below 2,280 feet.

Tucker 1 Adkins, 4,696 feet in shale.

Report local news by calling Merle King at 453-4051 or 453-3501.

### PERSONALS

### Grand Jury Indicts

Mr. and Mrs. Tom McKenzie of Norwood, La., are expected the latter part of this week for a visit with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Haralson and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Hervey Latham and LuAnn will have Mrs. Latham's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. McMinn of Texarkana, Texas, as their Thanksgiving guests. The visitors plan to leave Saturday morning for Oklahoma City, Okla., where they will visit a son.

### Sterling City and Robert Lee Splits 2

The Robert Lee boys basketball team traveled to Sterling City Tuesday night. The Robert Lee B team won their contest by a score of 35 to 33 while the A team lost to Sterling City 40-32.

Phil Lowder led his teammates on the B squad in scoring 15 points which was followed by Derwood Coalson with 11 points.

Joe Roe racked up the most points for the A squad with 10 points. Bill Ledbetter had 7 points.

Sterling City's Bill Coleman and LeRoy Churchill each scored 11 points followed by teammate Jerry Payne with 9.

This is the first contest for the Robert Lee boys this season.

After an investigation Thursday, the Grand Jury, 51st District Court in Coke County indicted 3 persons for three different offenses.

Indicted for second offense for driving while intoxicated was Ford Lorenzo Hallmark. Hallmark was arrested in Coke County November 10, 1961, and charged by arresting officers for D.W.I.

Hallmark is free on bond that was set at the amount of \$750.

Oscar Wagner Sr. of San Angelo was indicted for burglarizing the G. C. Casey residence. Wagner is alleged to have taken property from the Casey place on the night of July 27, 1961.

John Doe, alias W. Johnson, was indicted by the Grand Jury on a charge of theft by false pretext. He is alleged to have fraudulently taken sixty-one dollars and 20 cents from M. W. Farris on the 24th day of March, 1961.

Visiting briefly in the A. V. Hughes home Monday were Dr. and Mrs. S. Nolan of Wanganui, New Zealand. The couple is on a three month tour of the United States, starting from Los Angeles to New York, then down to Florida. Dr. Nolan is in the states for a convention of the Parker Research Foundation, in Ft. Worth.

# WE WILL BE CLOSED

## Thursday, November 23 THANKSGIVING DAY

So that our employees may spend this Thanksgiving Day with their families and enjoy all the festivities of the day.

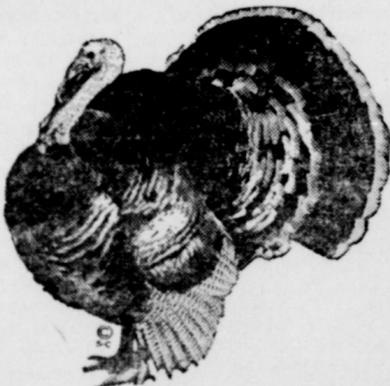
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## County Agents News Column

By STERLING LINDSEY

We have a new guide on controlling insects and diseases on fruits and nuts. Also, a very good bulletin on pruning methods and one on roses. And a supply of the new livestock insect control guide was received a few days back. If you would like to have copies of any of these, give us a ring.

The 28 steers and heifers that ten 4-H club members are feeding gained 9437 pounds in the 4234 combined days of feeding since weighing started in April. The group averaged 2.23 pounds per day. The club members, feeding over a long period, do not have as their primary aim a high per day gain, but economically fast gains are important to both the 4-H club members and farmers and ranchers.

The New Year is not far away. How are your farm records? Do you have all the necessary information recorded for future use or for income tax purposes? Records can help you in a number of ways. A systematic recording will insure a complete and accurate set of farm and ranch records.

The Texas Agricultural Extension Service and the Internal Revenue Service are jointly sponsoring an income tax school in Sweetwater on December 7. A program is planned for the benefit of both tax consultants and farm and ranch operators. If you would like to attend the meeting, I would be happy to have you attend with me. Should you desire to go on your own, the meeting will be conducted in the Health Unit Building beginning at 10:00 a.m.

It is still too early to treat mesquite trees basally as they are in the process of going dormant. Basal treatment will give a high percentage kill but should be done either in the growing season or after the trees are fully dormant. Disappointing results have been obtained on trees treated during the transition period.



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Bible Study, all ages, 10:00 a.m.  
Worship ..... 11:00 a.m.  
Young People's Meeting .....  
6:30 p.m.  
Worship ..... 7:30 p.m.  
Tuesday, Ladies Bible  
Class ..... 9:30 a.m.  
Wednesday, Midweek Bible  
Study ..... 7:30 p.m.

FOY L. MOORE, Minister  
Bronte Phone GR 3-4421

Four operators in the county have conducted brush control demonstrations one or both of the last two years. You might ask them about their results. Pat Havins, in the Valley View Community, stump and basal treated a number of mesquite trees. Tom and Pat Rives, of the Friendship Community, sprayed the foliage of about 50 mesquite, hackberry and chitum in the test plot. Another test plot is on Robert Walker's place near Panther Gap. He basal treated mesquite only. The fourth plot was east of Bronte on D. K. Glenn's place. Here about 500 mesquites were sprayed. Complete results cannot be determined the first year in brush control, but a good idea of the final results can be obtained.

### NAVY RECRUITER HERE

Chief Gunners Mate R. E. O'Keefe, U. S. Navy Recruiter of San Angelo, will be in Robert Lee at 12:00 noon the first and third Mondays of each month.

Chief O'Keefe said Monday that he would be happy to talk with young men between the ages 17 thru 31 who are interested in joining the U. S. Navy.

He will be at the Post Office on the days he is in Robert Lee. However, anyone who desires literature may receive information by writing the U. S. Navy Recruiting Station, room 204, Federal Building, San Angelo, Texas.

Mrs. Kim Moore will spend the Thanksgiving holiday in the home of the John Kings before returning to her home in Rye, Colorado, on Friday.

## Hunters Asked To Donate Deer Hides

The Volunteer Services Council for Texas State Hospitals and Special Schools has sent a plea to all Texas newspapers and other news media to request hunters who kill deer to donate the hides from the deer to the council to provide buckskin for use in occupational therapy and arts and crafts work.

No money changes hands. The taxidermist, L. M. Rathbone, for years has donated the curing and storage of these hides and their preparation for shipment to the tannery. Some of the hides are exchanged for the tanning costs. Transportation of the raw hides is provided without charge by most of the motor freight lines when the enclosed directions are followed. Three years the Alamo Wing of the Air Force Reserve has carried the shipment to the tannery on a routine mission and the years this service was not available the motor freight lines also provided this cross country hauling.

The patients and students derive both pleasure and actual benefit from working with the leather. More than 2500 hides were donated last year by Texas hunters.

To the hunter: How to volunteer hides:

1. Salt hide and allow to drain.
2. Package hide and mark it "charity".
3. Address to: Austin Taxidermist Studio, 2708 South Lamar, Austin, Texas.
4. Most Texas freight lines will haul hides without charge.

The hides are tanned and the

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leather is distributed to the Texas State mental and tuberculosis hospitals and schools for the retarded where it becomes a part of the recovery program. Residents learn to make useful products from

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## Church Enters Achievement Program

The Robert Lee Baptist Church of Robert Lee, Texas has entered the 1962 Texas Baptist Achievement Program, Robin Guess, pastor of the local Baptist Church, said this week.

Sponsored by the Baptist General Convention of Texas, the program is designed to stimulate interest in the church of providing growth incentives. Outstanding achievements by pastors and churches in areas of church, community and world improvement are recognized locally and at the annual Texas Baptist Convention.

More than 660 Texas Baptist town and country churches entered the program last year. Some of the churches recorded twice as many baptisms per member as the Southern Baptist Convention average. Others recorded outstanding increases in Sunday School attendance and gifts to missions.

Goals for advancement are adopted by each participating church for the three improvement areas. An inventory questionnaire furnishes suggestions for projects, such as health education, community recreation programs, citizenship training, race relations studies and world missions.

Pastors recognized in each of the denomination's 17 geographical districts receive parchment scrolls and the churches receive achievement certificates which may be displayed in a prominent position.

Churches in the open country and in towns up to 2,500 population, all Latin American churches and missions, and city churches with less than 300 members, are eligible to enter the program. About two-thirds of the denominations, 3,876 churches are classified as town and country congregations.

Records and scrapbooks of program progress are made under the direction of three special committees. The scrapbooks are the basis for judging on the associational, district and state-wide levels.

Darwin Farmer, direct missions associate for the Baptist General Convention of Texas, Dallas, is in charge of the program. He said the enlistment of a church's total membership in active service is the program's primary value.

## Betty Tinkler Scores 29 Points

Betty Tinkler, a senior basketball player for Robert Lee High School, led her teammates Monday night in defeating Ballinger A girls 49-39 there.

High scorers for the Robert Lee A string were: Betty Tinkler 29 points, Barbara Gray 13 points, Carole Hester 5 points and Elaine Robertson 2 points.

The Robert Lee Girls B Basketball Team defeated the Ballinger B 29 to 14.

Diane Samuelson put the ball through the basket for 12 points followed by Kay Havins with 10 points and Anne White 7 points for Robert Lee.

## HOSPITAL NEWS

Nov. 15 — Carl Brock, Mrs. Foy Askins, Mrs. C. J. Brooks, Lexie Lewis dismissed.

Nov. 16 — Mrs. Sam Fowler dismissed.

Nov. 17 — Mrs. W. P. McDorman, Mrs. Kate Dodson admitted. Mrs. Dan Middleton dismissed.

Nov. 18 — Mrs. Mae Boone, Mrs. Otho Long admitted.

Nov. 19 — Mrs. J. W. Service Jr., Mrs. Jack Cowley admitted. Mrs. Otho Long dismissed.

Nov. 20 — Mrs. Dick Skipworth, Mrs. J. S. Gardner admitted.

Nov. 21 — Mr. Robert Walker admitted. Mrs. J. S. Gardner, Mrs. W. P. McDorman dismissed.

## Tennyson Church Razed by Fire

A large crowd of Tennyson residents as well as interested passers-by had to stand helplessly last Sunday afternoon while the Tennyson Baptist Church burned to the ground.

The fire was discovered shortly before five o'clock and the Bronte Fire Department was called, but by the time the truck arrived the fire was burning fiercely. However, the Bronte crew was able to bring the fire fairly well in check when the tank ran out of water. No water was obtainable in the vicinity, so by the time the truck came back to Bronte and refilled the tank it was too late to save the building.

Some of the equipment in the back part of the building, which housed the church kitchen was saved, along with a piano.

The fire apparently caught in the ceiling, as when it was first discovered smoke was boiling from the roof and had filled the building, but no fire was seen in the down inside part of the building.

Rev. Robert Ritchie of San Angelo, pastor of the church, said that the congregation will meet at the Tennyson community center for the time being. No plans for rebuilding have been learned.

The Tennyson church was completed and dedicated in 1952. The frame and stucco building had a seating capacity of 100 persons in its sanctuary. The building also contained five Sunday School rooms and the kitchen and fellowship hall at the rear.

The Tennyson Baptist Church building was the only one in southeast Coke County, and served a wide area in this county as well as northern Tom Green and western Runnels counties.

## Library Meeting Scheduled

Judge W. W. Thetford has called a meeting of the Coke County Library Committee members for Monday at 4:00 p. m. at the Coke County Court House.

All clubs and organizations who have library committees are urged to have their members at this important meeting.

## Killams Are Parents of A Boy

Mr. and Mrs. James E. Killam became the parents of a son at 12:50 a. m. October 30th.

The baby boy, James Monroe, weighed 8 lbs. at birth. He was born in a San Angelo hospital.

James Monroe has two sisters, Lorrie June and Doris Jo Ann. The family resides at 1614 Armstrong in San Angelo.

The father is employed at Ivey Motors Company as an auto body repairman in Robert Lee.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Prine of San Angelo. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Fred Killam of Sanco.

Great grandparents are Mrs. Agnes Prines of Sanco; Mrs. Rachel Dupree, San Angelo and Mr. W. W. Killam of Sanco.

## Dean Is Member of Honor Group

Jerry Dean, son of Mrs. Jeff Dean of Robert Lee, was initiated into Alpha Chi, Texas Epsilon Chapter of McMurry College at the recent initiation ceremonies of the McMurry chapter of the national honor organization.

Eighteen juniors and seven seniors were initiated into the honor group, composed exclusively of juniors and seniors.

Dean, a junior music education major, is a member of Kiva, campus men's social club and plays in the McMurry Indian Band.

Thursday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Hollis will be Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Austin of Colorado City, Texas, parents of Mrs. Hollis.

## Nearly 200 See Rodeo

Approximately 200 persons watched the Robert Lee Junior Rodeo Friday night at Steer Stadium in near freezing weather.

In the pole bending event for boys and girls 13 years of age and under, Linda Rogers placed 1st, Pat Cook 2nd, and Maxine Rogers 3rd.

Lynn Wilson placed 1st, Taylor Jones 2nd and John Kinsey placed 3rd in the pole bending event for performers aged 14 thru 19.

Pat Cook took the honors in the goat roping event for performers under 13 and Taylor Jones captured 1st place for 14 thru 19 group.

First two places in the barrel race in the 14-19 age bracket went to Lynn White and 3rd prize went to Iris Doss.

Linda Rogers, Pat Cook and Maxine Rogers won 1st, 2nd and 3rd place in that order in the barrel race for performers under 13.

The Robert Lee Junior Rodeo,

sponsored by the Quarterback Club, was preceded by a parade through the streets of the city. Women, men, boys, girls on horses participated in the parade with the local school band and bicyclist R. C. Patterson.

## LOCAL NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Wollet of Healdton, Oklahoma returned to their home Tuesday morning after spending several days with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. George Lomas and family.

Spending Thanksgiving with their family in Robert Lee will be Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Sims of Austin, Texas. They will be guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Sawyer and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sims.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl H. Ivey and children, Roy, Susan, and Dennis will spend Thursday in Bronte at the home of Mrs. Ivey's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl D. Nutter. They will attend the Bronte-Eden football game.

## NOTICE

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## Committee Members Named to Work With Animal Health Foundation

The Coke County Animal Health Committee which was organized in a meeting in the county courthouse recently to cooperate with the Southwest Animal Health Research Foundation, has selected, in addition to the officers and steering committee named by the group last week, the following members to work with the program:

Walter King, L. B. White and Vernon Copeland from the Blackwell area; D. K. Glenn, F. S. Higginbotham, Jacob Morrow, J. L. Brunson, J. B. Mackey, J. W. Labenske in the Bronte, Olga, Marie and Hayrick areas.

C. E. Arrott, James Phillips, Hollis Ensor, Claude Ditmore and J. P. Arrott in the Southeast part of the county in the Lometa, Juniper and Tennyson areas.

South of Robert Lee in the Valley View area, Frankie Percifull and J. O. Rudd will serve on the committee, while Fred McCabe, Ben Boykin and Paul Coulter will represent the Divide, Water Valley and Wildcat areas.

Crowley Harmon and J. Q. Counts were named from the Paint Creek, Edith and the Divide to the west areas.

North and west of Robert Lee, J. W. Service, Guy Denman, Nolan Pentecost, Robert Walker and Raymond Bloodworth from the

## 3 Persons Divorces Granted

William Paul Burns was granted a divorce in 51st District Court here Thursday, Judge Joe L. Mays presiding. As the result of cross file suit action by Mrs. Dorothy Inez Burns, she was granted custody of the 5 minor children, \$200 per month for child support and \$200 for attorneys fees by the non-jury court. Attorney for Mrs. Burns was Earl W. Smith. Paul Burns' attorney was William McDonald.

R. E. Dunklin was granted a divorce from Shirley Dunklin and the custody of minor children in Judge Mays' court Thursday.

Nancy Becksworth Bell was granted a divorce from Tommy Ray Bell and the custody of a minor child and \$51.30 monthly child support.

A pre-trial hearing was held in the case of Sam Jay et. ux. vs. The City of Robert Lee. Judge Mays asked both attorneys to submit briefs for both parties. Frank C. Dickey of Robert Lee is attorney for The City of Robert Lee and Royal Hart of San Angelo is attorney for the plaintiff.

Mr. and Mrs. Barton Waldrop will spend Thanksgiving day in the O. A. Warrington home in San Angelo.

Graham Valley, Sanco, Friendship and Silver areas will serve with the committee.

The Southwest Research Foundation goal to control screw worms in Texas will require assistance and cooperation from many quarters including the livestock producers of the State.

The proposed program of holding screw worms in check by seeding a buffer zone with male sterile screw worm flies will require financial assistance to inaugurate the program. The Foundation is asking, and the Coke County Animal Health Committee will support it locally, for a small contribution per head of livestock from each producer in the state.

A contribution of 50c per head on cattle and horses, 10c per head on sheep, goats and swine is requested.

Coke County operators desiring to contribute are requested to make checks payable to the Coke County Animal Health Committee, in care of the group's secretary, William H. Allen, of Robert Lee.

The contribution made will be held in escrow until a forward movement is made on the program.

Similar programs to the one proposed for Texas and the Southwest have been conducted in Florida and on Curacao Island in the Caribbean Sea. Both were successful. Texas and the Southwest present problems not found in the two above-named areas, but they are believed surmountable. The main difference is that Texas will have a source of reinfestation until such time as an eradication program can be conducted in Mexico.

The proposed program, basically, will involve eliminating the northward movement of the screw worm in the spring. The screw worm fly lives normally about two weeks and move northward approximately five miles a day or 70 plus miles in its lifetime. The Research Foundation desires to restrict this forward movement by seeding male sterile flies in a wide band across the northern extremities of the one wintering area and just to its north.

It is the Foundation's belief that a band approximately 100 miles wide in which the costly fly is not permitted to replace herself will eliminate screw worms in the area to the north. A mild winter could alter the plans, but the same operating principle would apply.

With the cooperation of Texas livestock producers, the Foundation visualizes an effected control program in operation in Texas next year.

Whether or not their desires are put into action will depend upon the cooperation of the livestock producers of Texas. The stockmen's assistance is needed to put the program into motion.

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165 HEAD Suffolk Sheep. Sell one or all. Earl E. Elliott, phone 832-4545, Shallowater, Texas.

Before buying reference books see the World Book and Child Craft. Mrs. Jeff Dean. Phone 453-4781. 6tf

## Funeral Services Held Friday for Resident's Mother

Funeral services were held in the Bronte Methodist Church Friday at 10 a. m. for Mrs. Ernest Seay, 69, of Bronte. She was the mother of Mr. Hadley Richards of Robert Lee.

Rev. Auburn S. Neely, pastor of the Bronte Methodist Church officiated at the services with Cliff Funeral Home in charge of arrangements. Burial was in Wingate Cemetery.

Mrs. Seay died at 7 a. m. Wednesday at Bronte Hospital where she had been for several days.

The former Eula McKown, she was born Nov. 6, 1892, in Williamson County. She was married on Nov. 6, 1940, in Comanche to Ernest C. Seay. They moved to Bronte last March from Stephenville.

She was a member of the Bronte Methodist Church.

Survivors include the husband; four sons, Hadley Richards of Winterhaven, Calif., Roy Richards of Yuma, Ariz., and Charles Wayne Richards of San Francisco, Calif.; a daughter, Mrs. Hattie Van Hoy of Salinas, Calif.; two brothers, Jim McKown of Lovington, N. M., and Harl McKown of Norton; six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Recent visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Frank McCabe were Mr. and Mrs. Truitt McCabe and Mike, Terry, and Jerry, who make their home in Andrews, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Rudd returned Sunday night from a hunting trip in the Devil's River area.

## LOCAL NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Dean and children, Gay, Lanie and Mark, left Robert Lee Wednesday afternoon for Weatherford where they will spend the Thanksgiving holidays. The Robert Lee family will visit with Mrs. Claude Dean, mother of Douglas Dean, and Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Anderson, parents of Mrs. Dean.

## Torrential Rain And Wind Strikes

At approximately 1:30 a. m. Wednesday a torrential downpour of rain accompanied with strong winds struck here and throughout Coke County.

The rain measured 2.1 inches at Silver and 1.60 inches in Robert Lee. At 8:40 a. m. Wednesday there were no reports of damage caused by wind and rain.

Range lands in Coke County are well covered with grass. The recent rains will probably start a new growth of winter weeds and fill tanks and water holes.

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day because he planned to watch the Thanksgiving Day football classics on television. He said that his six grandchildren, the oldest 4 years of age, would be at his home for Thanksgiving dinner, and if the weather didn't permit them to play outdoors he didn't have much hopes of hearing the games with success.

I heard this one at the "Philosophers' and Prophets' Corner" this week. . . "I'm going to send Judge Mays a calendar with the hunting seasons marked on it." It seems as though the Judge called the Grand Jury to convene on the opening day of deer season. Needless to say, some of the jurymen had a hunting trip planned.

**CARD OF THANKS**

Our hearts overflow with sincere appreciation for all who expressed their love and sympathy in so many comforting ways during our recent sorrow. We are deeply grateful to all of you for the lovely flowers, cards of sympathy.

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THE EDITOR, ROBERT LEE OBSERVER:

We are quite used to political controversies and give due credit to all political views. It is a matter of course that has been reckoned with through the years by fair minded people. But when politics gets so impregnated with emotional issues as to erupt into explosive frenzies, we are headed toward a dangerous thing — something that can split our country wide open and give the Commies exactly the opportunity they are waiting for.

There is a tendency in the ultrarightist movement to split hairs, or to use a fine toothed comb to ferret out issues for elaboration and dissent. For instance, the warning against making a Democracy out of our Republic. I have studied that statement from all angles and find that a Democracy is referred to as a Republic. No significant description is given to a Republic other than what is given under the heading of Democracy, and I cannot give credence to that statement becoming an issue in any controversy.

We have been resigned to extravagant disentions too long. The danger points is reached when we have organized bands of gorillas in the U. S. A. ready to take things into their own hands. Quoting Gov. Brown of California: "This reversion to caveman barbarism is a cause of concern to every thinking American."

All the decisions for our National security and welfare can be put in the same category as the decision to resume nuclear testing, of which Walter Lippman said: "Decisions cannot be made by debate or by the Governor of New York or by members of congress or by editors or by columnists or by the man in the smoking car. None of them knows enough. None of them can know enough."

Fear and distrust contributes nothing of value. You can be a more effective citizen by using your ability to help your country through its most trying time with bravery and confidence.

Daisy McCutchen

Spending Thanksgiving Day with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Vaughan are Mr. and Mrs. Ben Bessent, Craig, Randy, and Lisa of San Angelo, and Mr. and Mrs. Norman Watson and Katherine, Keith, and Michael of Eastland. Mrs. Bessent and Mrs. Watson are daughters of the Vaughans.

**Return from Mid-West Trip**

Mr. and Mrs. John H. Brown returned Monday night after a ten day trip which carried them through Oklahoma, Nebraska, Iowa, Illinois, and Missouri.

The couple visited in Laverne, Oklahoma, with their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Frank P. Brown and Fran. A hunting trip into Nebraska was made by Frank and John Brown, which netted John five pheasants.

In Chicago, Ill., the Browns were guests of their son-in-law and daughter, Maj. and Mrs. Nathan Douthit and children, Leslie and Debbie.

The couple visited briefly in Wichita, Kan., with Mr. and Mrs. Bob Springer. The only bad weather encountered by the travelers was in Kansas where they drove in about two inches of snow.

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