

# Robert Lee Observer

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## Oil Interest Revived In Coke County

Oil development in Coke County has increased sharply in the late summer and fall of this year with several new fields and wells being discovered.

Most of the interest has been focused in an area approximately nine miles northwest of Robert Lee from the east of Highway 208 through the east side of the Sanco Community.

Six wells have been drilled in this area: two are nearing completion. A new venture is being drilled on the Marvin Simpson land located on a tract of land in the townsite of Sanco 1200 feet north of the school building, which now serves as the Sanco community center.

The discovery well in the new field that is being called Sanco Canyon Pool is the Tucker No. 1 Mary Hayes that was discovered in the summer of this year.

Producing in this new field is the Tucker No. 1 I. A. Bird, Sun No. 1 and No. 2 Menielle. Sun No. 3 Menielle is nearing completion. The Briscoe No. 1 on land owned by Frank C. Dickey Jr. of San Angelo and Robert Lee is in the process of being completed as a dual producer.

The discovery well is located on land originally owned by the late Miller Bird, then by his estate, then A. R. and Thursdie Eubanks, Mrs. Emma Gladney, in turn, and now by Mrs. Mary Hayes, her daughter, of Homer, La. It is occupied by Henry Carwile, and his mother, Mrs. Fannie Carwile under grass lease, as it was occupied by his father, the late J. L. Carwile Sr.

All the wells in production in the sand have gas pressure enough

## Expansion of School Library Planned

As a possible solution to the problem of improving the school library for the coming (1962-1963) school year, the administration of the school hopes to hire a librarian-study hall keeper full time, and open the library to the patrons of the school district one or possibly two nights a week, as well as providing a summer reading program for the students.

This will help solve the inadequacy of the school library as well as give the community a source of reading materials which has not been available in the past.

These plans are in the formative stage and nothing definite has been worked out, but it is hoped that a workable plan can be adopted which will enable the school to offer a library program to the entire school district through the school library.

## Shooting Victim Improving

Michael Krall, 15, who was accidentally shot in a home west of Robert Lee about 10 days ago, has been transferred from a San Angelo Hospital to Coke County Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Melvin Krall, mother of the youth, said that Michael's condition was improving satisfactorily.

to flow the oil to the surface, and Railroad Commission allowable on these wells seems to be running around 120 barrels per day during the days allowed.

Sun Company has surveyed right of way for a pipe line through the field to collect the oil, which is now being hauled away in huge tank trucks, the gas being flared at present.

Standard Oil Company of Texas, Humble, and Sun are the three major companies leasing and operating in the vicinity, while Tucker Oil and Drilling Company (Walter Tucker) of San Angelo has worked with these three companies in opening and developing the new area. Tucker drilled the openers in both pools, and dropped his luck to one dry hole, on a location on I. A. Bird land north of the successful Tucker No. 1 Bird.

Tucker's entry into the activity here was on a "farm-out" basis, but he has his name on two good wells and is going down in search of another in the Ila Adkins semi-wildcat operation.

The Tucker No. 1 Ila Adkins now being drilled in the northeast corner tract of the Ila Adkins land east of Sanco is on property that was settled by the late J. L. Durham, the first permanent settler of this community, who came in 1878. Mrs. Durham was the first postmaster, and the post office was established in their home which is still standing one mile east of the present post office. The rock barn, built by Mr. Durham, and still standing there, is thought to be the first masonry building by civilian construction in Coke County and the post office is the oldest in the county still in operation. Miss Adkins lives in San Angelo.

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## One Car Collision

A one car collision with a bridge occurred early Tuesday morning on Highway 208 7 miles south of Robert Lee.

The car, driven by Tom Holley, an Humble Oil Employee from San Angelo, was severely damaged.

Sheriff Melvin Childress, who investigated the accident, said Holley escaped injuries.

The auto apparently went into a skid as it approached the bridge.

## College Students Home

Among the college set home for the Thanksgiving holidays were Richard Sims, student at Sul Ross College, Alpine, visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sims; Jerry Quisenberry, Texas A & M College, visiting his family, the J. E. Quisenberrys; Jerry Tinkler, home from Texas Tech in Lubbock for a family visit with the J. L. "Chilly" Tinklers; Miss Vicki Wojtek, home with her family, Mr. and Mrs. Victor Wojtek, from San Angelo College; Gayle Lewis was home from Abilene for a holiday with Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Lewis Jr.

## Mullican Awarded 25 Year Service Pin from Masons

Frank Mullican of Silver, a charter member of the Wink Masonic Lodge number 1302, was awarded a pin for 25 years service as a Master Mason at a special called meeting of that Lodge November 21 at Wink.

Mr. Mullican is also a dual member of the Hayrick Masonic Lodge number 696 in Robert Lee.

While in Wink Mr. Mullican also visited with his cousin, Mrs. Mike Fitzgerald and family.

## A. J. McLendon, Early Settler, Dies

Services were held for A. J. McLendon, 88, at the Baptist Church in Blackwell Wednesday, November 22.

Mr. McLendon died Tuesday at his home in Blackwell. He was born November 6, 1873, in Arkansas.

He moved to Edith in Coke County where he operated a blacksmith shop for several years. He also operated the gin at Edith before moving to Blackwell in 1911.

Mr. McLendon married Miss Ethel McLaughlin of Edith.

He worked as a carpenter and builder in Blackwell for nearly 50 years.

Survivors include his wife; three sons: Lester, A. J. and Noel; three daughters: Mrs. T. W. Cole, Mrs. W. Keefer and Mrs. Tolbert Grisham; 12 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Coalson attended the funeral services of Mr. Andrew J. McLendon in Blackwell Wednesday.

## Eden Takes Win From Bronte in Regional Game

The Eden Bulldogs ran the Bronte Longhorns ragged in a regional Class B game here Thanksgiving Day. The Bulldogs came out on the long end of a 31-8 score.

The slick work of Eden backs Clark Pfluger, Wayne and Vernon Poe and Don Whitaker was more than the Longhorns could master with two of their starters, Eddie Spiller and Buddy Walker, missing from the roster. Eden guard Edwin Hall was also a big help to the Bulldogs with his powerful and accurate kicking.

## HOSPITAL NEWS

Nov. 22 — Mrs. J. W. Service, Jr. dismissed.

Nov. 23 — Mrs. J. S. Gardner, Carolyn Blair admitted. Mrs. Kate Dodson, Mrs. Mae Boone dismissed.

Nov. 24 — W. B. Williams, Mrs. Juan Coresco, W. B. Clift, Mrs. Oscar Collett admitted. Carolyn Blair dismissed.

Nov. 25 — Mike Krall, Osa Faries admitted. W. B. Williams dismissed.

Nov. 26 — Shirley Roe, Osa Faries dismissed.

Nov. 27 — Mrs. E. C. Davis admitted. W. B. Clift, Mrs. W. O. Skipworth dismissed.

Nov. 28 — Mrs. Oscar Collett dismissed.

Nov. 29 — Mrs. Jack Cowley, Mrs. E. C. Davis dismissed.

## Wreck Victim Still Unconscious

Charl (Chick) Puckett, 27, one of four oilfield workers riding in an auto that collided with an oil loaded transport truck Friday evening in Robert Lee, remained unconscious in a San Angelo hospital late Tuesday evening.

The other passengers of the car that were injured in the wreck at the Y intersection of the Bronte, San Angelo and Robert Lee highways were: Bennett C. (Pat) Whitfield, 38, driver of the car, Puckett, and Ernest Roberts, 60. The fourth man, W. B. Williams, about 33, suffered lesser injuries. All are of Coleman.

Whitfield, Puckett and Roberts received emergency treatment at Coke County Memorial Hospital here before being taken by Clift ambulance to San Angelo for specialized treatment at Shannon Hospital.

Whitfield and Roberts were reported to be in serious condition Tuesday, but were said to be improving some. Williams, hospitalized at Robert Lee, was dismissed from the Coke County Hospital early this week. He suffered cuts and bruises, a mashed finger and minor burns. He was burned when a vacuum bottle smashed in the grinding collision, spilled hot coffee on him.

## Library Committee Abandons Bookmobile Project

The committee in attendance at the County Library meeting Monday decided after hearing reports from various organizations in Coke County that it would not be feasible for Coke County to pursue the project of organizing a tri-county bookmobile any further.

Some of the reasons given for not developing this type of library service in Coke County were that the bookmobile would not meet the needs desired in a library, and a general lack of interest throughout the county.

It was the committee's opinion that the expenditures required for the project could not be justified.

Miss Sandra Baker spent the holidays in Robert Lee with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Genie Baker. Miss Baker resides in San Angelo where she is employed in the offices of Jones-Freeze, Hay & Co.

## RITES HELD FOR MRS. LIZZIE GUNNELS, COKE PIONEER

Mrs. Lizzie Gunnels, 87, long time Coke County resident, died Wednesday, November 22 in the Bronte Hospital.

Funeral services were held under the direction of Clift Funeral Home Friday morning at the Bronte Church of Christ with burial in the Robert Lee Cemetery. Lizzie Callie Barnett Gunnels was born January 1, 1874, in Brazos County and moved to Coke County with her parents in 1890.

She married William Gunnels in 1891. Mr. Gunnels preceded her in death September 6, 1906. For the past several years Mrs.

The men hospitalized in San Angelo all suffered broken right legs. Whitfield also suffered possible broken ribs and numerous cuts and bruises. Roberts had a 10-inch gash in his scalp and other cuts and bruises on his body. Puckett, the most seriously hurt, had a fractured skull, cuts and bruises.

Driver of the huge tank-trailer truck, E. C. Matthews, about 40, of San Angelo, was not injured.

Investigators at the accident scene said Matthews, a driver for Three Rivers Oil Co. of San Angelo, was driving on a slight curve from State Highway 208 onto State Highway 158 at the Y intersection on the edge of Robert Lee.

The Plymouth, driven by Whitfield, was rounding the curve from Highway 158 onto Highway 208. A witness to the accident said Whitfield muttered moments after the accident that his brakes had gone out and he had to hug the inside part of the curve.

The car and the truck met nearly headon in the truck's lane. Matthews had applied his brakes and was pulling to the side of the highway when the car and truck crashed together, investigators said. The car spun in the highway and slammed back into the truck tractor after the initial impact.

Force of the collision was so great, officers said, that the loaded trailer was knocked loose from the truck. Though the trailer remained upright, another truck had to unload the huge truck before it could be moved. It is estimated the truck was damaged to the extent of \$5,000 and had a broken frame.

The men, a drilling crew for Birdwell Oil Co., were en route from Coleman to the rig site near Robert Lee to begin work. Puckett was believed to be the driller.

Matthews, shaken up in the accident, has been driving trucks for 17 years. This was his first accident. "I tried but I just couldn't get out of the car's way quick enough," he said.

Matthews' truck was loaded to capacity with crude oil. Total weight of the truck-trailer rig was more than 70,000 pounds, a trucking company spokesman said at the scene.

There were two collisions, once nearly headon and once as the car slammed into the side of the 35-ton truck-trailer rig.

Gunnels had made her home with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Elkins of Robert Lee.

Survivors include four sons: John Gunnels, Robert Lee; Ben Gunnels, Roswell, New Mexico; Wyatt Gunnels, San Angelo; Evans Gunnels, McCamey; two daughters: Mrs. Emma Lee Elkins, Robert Lee, Mrs. Debbie Murphy, Bronte; 17 grandchildren, 35 great grandchildren, and 3 great, great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by a daughter, Mandie.

## THANKSGIVING REUNION FOR JIM ROBERTSON FAMILY

Descendents of the late Mr. Jim Robertson met for a family reunion on Thanksgiving day at the Scout Hut in Robert Lee.

Those attending included Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Page and Phillip of Odessa; Mr. and Mrs. Wilton Robertson and family of Notrees, Texas; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Anderson and family of Odessa; Mr. and Mrs. Dan Hall and family of Fritch, Texas; Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Hambright and family of Snyder; Mr. and Mrs. James Robertson and children of Lovington, New Mexico; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Robertson of Brownwood, Texas; Mr. and Mrs. Preston Bell and son of Colorado City; Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Robertson and family of Columbus, Texas; Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Ray Robertson and family of Big Lake; Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Glasgow and family of Sweetwater; Carlton Boone, also of Sweetwater, and Mrs. and Mrs. Raymond Bloodworth and family of Silver.

Family members attending

## Larry Brock To Undergo Surgery

Larry Brock, 13, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Brock, will leave with his parents Saturday for Houston where he will undergo heart surgery at the Texas Children's Hospital Monday, December 4.

The two large receiving channels in Larry's heart are opened and must be closed by surgery. He is a seventh grade student in the Robert Lee School.

Larry will remain as a patient in the Houston hospital for two weeks after the surgery.

A brother, Jon Bill, age 5, will stay with his aunt, Miss Madine Burgess in Robert Lee while his parents are in Houston with Larry.

Mr. Glenn Blake of Pecos, Texas spent Thanksgiving day in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Brown and Marsha and Patricia. Mr. Blake is a brother of Mrs. Brown.



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from Robert Lee were Mrs. Bonetia Robertson, Donny and Elaine; Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dumas and family; Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Mitchell; Mr. and Mrs. D. O. King; Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Walker and son, Mr. and Mrs. Waymon Robertson; Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Robertson and family; Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Robertson and daughter; Mr. and Mrs. Richard Boone and family; Jim Robertson and Mr. and Mrs. Sloan Boone and Dena.

## Letters to The Editor

Fort Worth 11, Texas  
Nov. 24, 1961

Editor, Observer  
Dear Sir:

I believe my subscription is just about out so please extend it another year, as we look forward to news about friends. I still have a cousin there who is Mrs. Luther Sparks.

May you have a very merry Christmas and happy New Year.  
A subscriber,

Mrs. Paul Daffern

Mr. and Mrs. Will Percifull and daughters, Melinda, Kathy, Sue and Becky, were Thanksgiving day visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Tumlinson and children of San Angelo. Mrs. Percifull and Mrs. Tumlinson are sisters.

## HOMEMAKING THREE CLASS SPONSORS TEA

The third year homemaking class sponsored a Thanksgiving Tea Tuesday afternoon from 2:00 until 3:30 p.m.

There were approximately seventy five guests registered. They were served coffee, punch or tea and cookies, mints, nuts, and doughnuts. These treats were prepared by the students. The atmosphere carried through meaningfully the presence of fall by the fall leaves and autumn decorations in the cottage.

## Sanco Visitors

The recent oil development and Thanksgiving holidays brought several visitors to the Sanco Community.

Among those visiting in the area this past weekend were Mr. and Mrs. George W. Boswell of San Angelo. Mrs. Boswell is the former Viola Scarbrough.

Jan Scarbrough and his son-in-law, Vernon Payne, of San Angelo were also visiting in Sanco during the weekend.

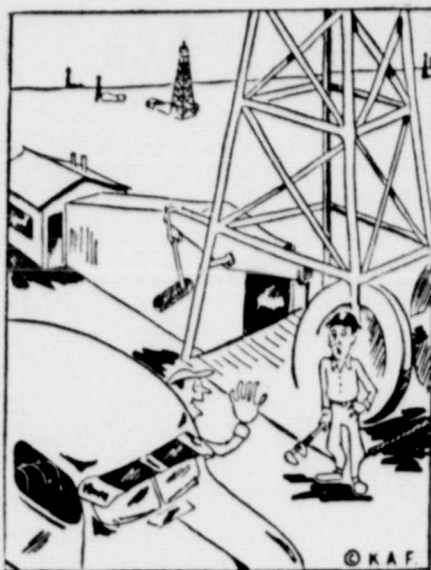
Mr. and Mrs. John B. Cole of San Marcos brought a collection of Mr. Cole's paintings of the Menielle ranch to the community last week.

The Coles visited Mrs. Fannie Carwile and son, Henry. Also visiting the Carwiles was Effie Carwile of Fort Stockton.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Tubb and Mrs. Ava Lou Hanna and sons, Jerome and Vincie, visited Mrs. Mabel Parker Thanksgiving day in Eldorado and spent Friday and Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Mack Tubb and Tammie at Abilene, Tex.

Mrs. J. N. Buchanan and Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Mahon had as their recent guests, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. S. Smith of Sweetwater, Mr. Ruby Wilkins of Oklahoma City, Okla., and Mr. Clyde Warren of Los Angeles, California. Mrs. Bobby Mahon and Bobby Jean, Roy Paul and Bill of Weimar, Texas, visited with Mr. and Mrs. Mahon and also Mrs. Bobby Mahon's parents, the Roy Taylors.

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### rich new interiors 543

**rich new interiors, n.** One of the principal reasons why people step into the 1962 Chevrolets and promptly feel luxurious all over.

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**A NEW CAR IN A NEW SIZE**—The Mercury Meteor—will be introduced Thursday at Ivey Motor Company in Robert Lee for buyers who want a smaller car without sacrificing the comfort and convenience of a big car. The new Meteor is a full-proportioned family car with an overall length which is nine inches longer than the compact Comet and nearly a foot shorter than the Mercury Monterey. The Mercury Meteor is available in four body styles, including the two-door sedan shown above.

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**Ivey Motor Company Will Display The 1962 Mercury Meteor Thursday**

A Robert Lee automobile dealership, Ivey Motor Company, has been appointed to sell the Mercury Meteor, a completely new-sized car which will go on display Thursday, Nov. 30 in Robert Lee.

The Mercury Meteor will be unveiled across the country on Thursday, Nov. 30, at about 2,000 dealerships in the Lincoln-Mercury organization. Its introduction will climax the auto industry's fall showings of the 1962 models.

The Meteor is regarded by the Lincoln-Mercury Division as a balance between the industry's compacts and big cars. Compared to its companions in the Mercury line, the Meteor is nine inches longer than the Comet and nearly a foot shorter than the Monterey.

D. A. Kuhn, Lincoln-Mercury sales manager for the Dallas Dis-

trict, points out that the Meteor challenges the economy of the compact cars yet offers the interior room of regular-size cars and riding qualities of big cars.

"It is not a stretched-out compact nor a cut-down big car. All sheet metal and basic chassis components are completely new and are not borrowed from last year's cars or other 1962 Mercury lines," Mr. Kuhn added.

In appearance, the Meteor emphasizes clean-lined styling. The car, which is built with a unitized body, incorporates features designed to reduce maintenance costs.

The new Meteor will be offered in four body styles—two and four-door sedans in both standard and custom series.

The Mercury Meteor will appeal to consumers who desire a car challenging the economy of the compacts, the interior room of the regular-size cars and the riding comfort of the bigger cars, according to Ben D. Mills, vice president of Ford Motor Company and general manager of the Lincoln-Mercury Division.

"The Meteor fills a gap in this market for people who want to move into a smaller car but do not want to sacrifice the convenience and comfort of a big car," Cumbie Ivey Jr., manager of Ivey Motor Company in Robert Lee, said. "It is the answer also for those who want something bigger and better than compact or imported cars."

The new standard-sized Meteor rounds out Mercury's offerings for 1962 with three distinct cars in three sizes. The new Meteor is 203.8 inches in overall length — nine inches longer than the Mercury Comet and 11.7 inches shorter than the Mercury Monterey. The 116½-inch wheelbase is 2½ inches more than the Comet and 3½ inches less than the Monterey.

**CARD OF THANKS**

We wish to express our thanks to the nurses, Dr. McDaniel and friends for all the kindnesses shown us during our recent sorrow. The thoughtful deeds, food and flowers were deeply appreciated.

May God's riches bless you.  
The Family of Sam McDonald

Spending Wednesday through Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Hulan H. Harris and family were Mr. and Mrs. Barton Gill and Mrs. Gratton Capeheart and children all of San Marcos, Texas. Thanksgiving day guests of the Harris's included Mrs. Emma Golson of Berkett, mother of Mrs. Harris; Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Green and son of San Angelo; Mrs. Wade Golson of Novice; Mr. and Mrs. James L. Golson and children of Bronte; and Mr. and Mrs. Pete Golson, Eunice, La.

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**Actual Oil Allowable & Production And Percentage Produced, by Years**

Not wishing to crowd up the County Oil Report which appears on another page of this newspaper, the information below is run in a separate place. We thought the comparative figures below, which show Coke County's annual oil allowable and production for the past five years, would be of interest to our readers.

Year	Total Annual Allowable	Total Annual Production	Pct. Produced
1956	11,005,497	9,339,063	.8486
1957	8,546,946	7,271,792	.8508
1958	6,773,570	6,132,286	.9053
1959	6,744,829	6,149,862	.9118
1960	5,685,551	5,287,017	.9299

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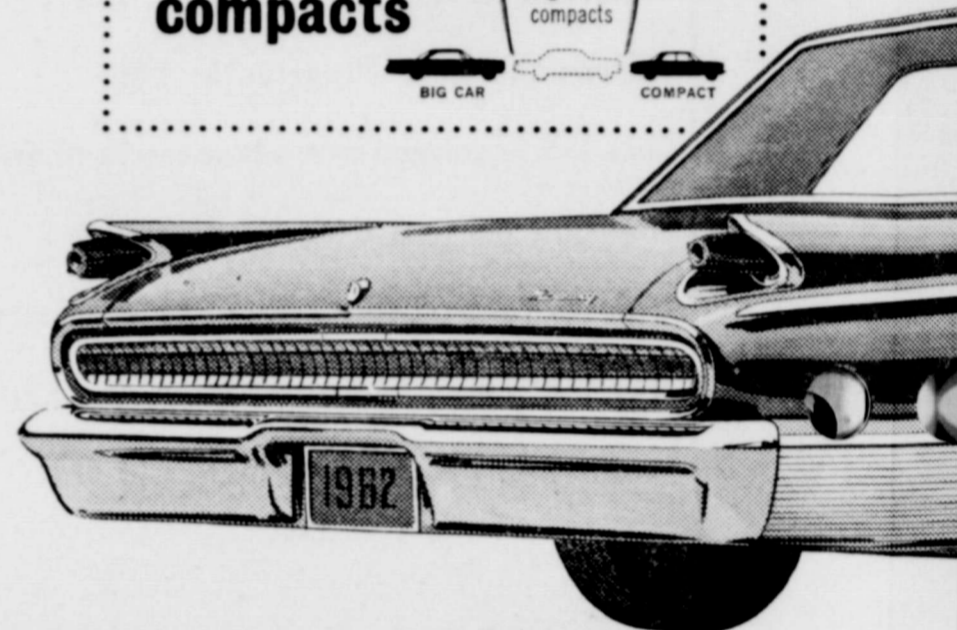
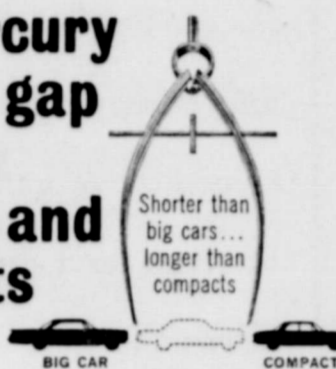
Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Bilbo during the Thanksgiving holidays were their four daughters and families. Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Kay, Jan and Mark of Alpine, Texas; Mr. and Mrs. Bob Boren, Kathy, Tom and

John of Snyder, Texas; Mr. and Mrs. Steward Evans, Sandy, Stevie, and Brent of Gainesville, Texas, and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Havins and Billy of Midland.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Mathis and Kathy of Sunray, Texas, spent the Thanksgiving holidays in the home of Mrs. Mathis' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Varnadore.

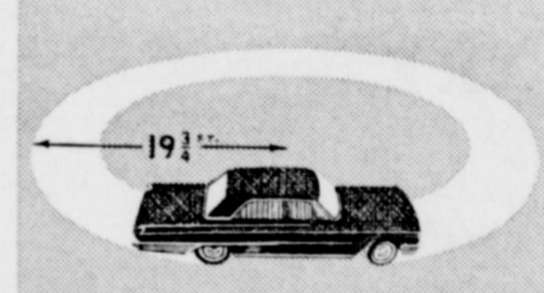
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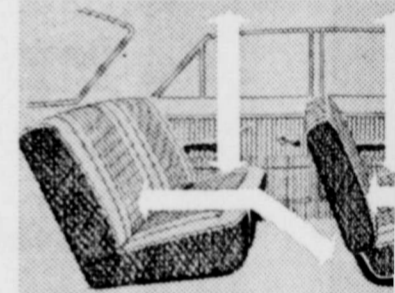


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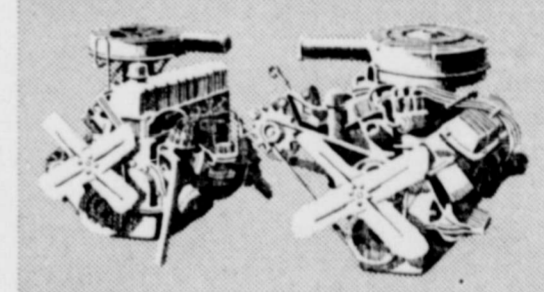


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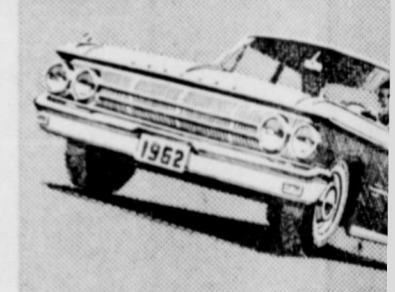


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### Homemakers Enter Style Show

Nine students and one young adult homemaker have entered the District 4 "Make It Yourself with Wool" contest, to be held at San Angelo College on December 1, 1961, from 8:30 a.m. until 8 p.m. The garments consisted of jumpers, skirt and sleeveless top,

dress, suits, and a coat. The divisions entered are Adult, Junior, and Sub Deb. Persons entering from Robert Lee are:  
 Adult Division—Mrs. Bobby Baker.  
 Junior Division—Betty Tinkler, Kay Wink, Prescilla Wylie, Anne White, Leta Robertson, Charlotte Smith.  
 Sub Deb Division—Diane Sam-

uelson, Betty Hughes. The day's schedule for the entrants will be: Registration, Judging of Garments of Contestants, Luncheon, Rehearsal for Style Show, Open House from 3:30 until 4:30 at the Home Economics Department at San Angelo College, and a Style Show at 7:00 p.m.

Read the classified ads.

### Silver News

Editor's note: The Silver correspondent for The Robert Lee Observer failed to get her dispatch in of Silver News to The Observer in time for publication this week. We regret this unfortunate incident and will make every effort to see that this doesn't recur. Thank you, Silver Readers, for your patience in this matter.

### LOCAL NEWS

Guests for the Thanksgiving holidays in Mrs. Ethel Green's home were her children and families which included Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Green and children, Judy and Nancy of Big Lake; Mrs. J. S. Augustine and children, Brenda, John, and Scott of Sterling City; Mr. and Mrs. Garland Green and children, George, Bob and Nan, of Las Cruces, New Mexico; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Green and children, Carrol, Peggy and Jan, of Colorado City. Also Mrs. Green's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Gray and Russ and Letha Mathers of San Angelo.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Drennan were Thanksgiving hosts to their sons, Mr. and Mrs. David Drennan and Cheryl and Wayne Drennan, both from Sun Ross College, Alpine, and another son, Wayland, a student at San Angelo College. The David Drennans were also here for a visit with Mrs. Drennan's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Sparks and family.

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#### COUNTY OIL REPORT

The annual report on oil production in Coke County, which is published each year by the Commissioners Court, appears in this issue of The Observer. The report gives a graphic picture of the oil business in this county, showing how much oil is produced in each field on a daily basis.

The report shows comparative figures of 1960 and 1961. As shown by the totals, oil production in the county decreased some from 1960 to 1961. A decrease of five wells will be noted, and the daily drop in production amounts to 449 barrels.

Since everyone in this area is affected by the county's oil industry, the members of the commissioners court hope you will study this report, so that you will be better informed about this important industry.

#### PERSONALS

Spending Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Taylor were Mr. and Mrs. Coy Jones, Mat and Russ, of Brownfield, Texas.

Thanksgiving day visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hawley C. Allen were Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Willoughby, Mr. and Mrs. Hawley Allen, Jr., and Lisa, and Mrs. T. J. Percifull, all of San Angelo, and Frank Allen of the home.

Mrs. Nell Pruitt of Paris, Texas was a holiday guest of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Cumbie Ivey Jr., and Patti Lynn.

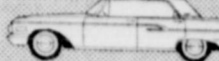
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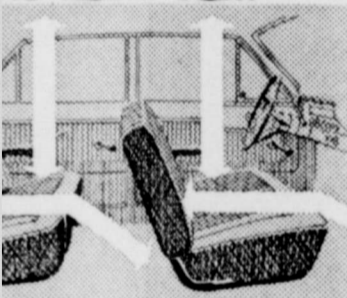


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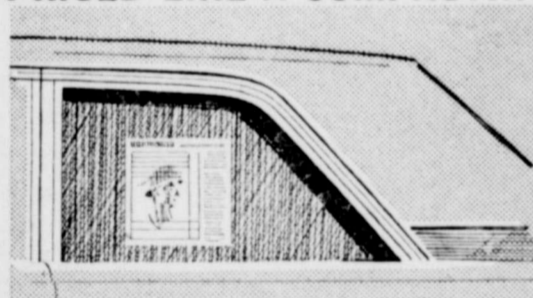


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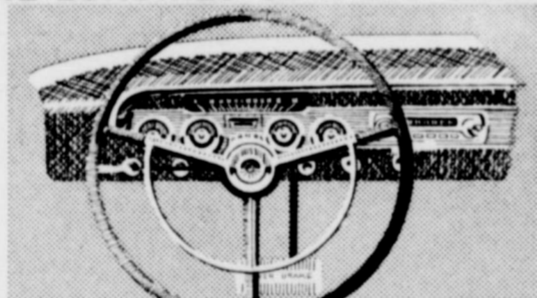
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## Your County Agents Report

### Home Demonstration

By FAY C. ROE

Greetings to all you readers of this Column! May I say to you, I am looking forward to working with each of you. I hope you will drop by the office, phone or write me if I can help you in any way.

I will be in San Angelo to attend a District Meeting Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of this week. This meeting will help to re-acquaint me with the Extension Program and bring me up to date on Program Building.

Christmas is getting close and I am already hearing people talking of baking for the holidays. The bulletin "Christmas Time at Home" has been revised — it is filled with mouth watering recipes and menus for holiday cooking. Be sure to call, drop by or write for a copy at once.

### Agriculture News

By STERLING LINDSEY

We received a small supply of the 1962 Farmer's Tax Guide this week. If you would like to have a copy give us a ring or drop by the office. The guide can be a helpful tool whether you fill out your own return or have a consultant to complete your return.

The hunting stories are waxing hot and heavy these days as Editor King reported last week. I have heard a few myself. A few days back, Clark Godwin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Godwin of the Millican Camp, was displaying horns of a deer he killed near Rocksprings. They were very unusual and would be a worthy addition to any hunter's collection. The 15 pointer had 10 points on the right and 5 on the left horn. The right horn apparently had been injured while in velvet, causing it to fork near the end. In addition to being different, the set of horns was above average in size. I get the ague when I see that kind.



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## Robert Lee State Bank

The Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association has announced that it will sponsor a cattle feeding conference in Lubbock on December 6. I have a copy of the program if you would care to check into the planned proceedings of the conference.

I received a list of commercial cotton planting seed producers this week. The list is too long to publish. If you would like to look through the list drop by the office.

A number of people have questioned me about pruning trees lately, mainly, when should trees be pruned. The answer, basically, would be when the flow of sap is least in the tree. Other factors

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are considered in pruning, but the time when the least shock is caused a tree is the dead of winter. Wholesale pruning to give a tree the desired shape should be done in the dormant season and then light pruning of weak limbs, undesirable limbs can be done during the growing season or as needed. Removing a limb from a tree is similar to a wound to a human or animal. Giving the wound a coat of wound dressing will help the tree to heal the wounded place. We have an excellent pruning guide in the office. If you

could use a copy, drop by and pick up one. The guide gives a number of suggestions that will help anyone prepare for the job.

Americans spent 20 percent of their disposable income for food in 1960. The Japanese spent about 42 percent, Russians 56 percent, West Germans, 45 percent. In the same year, the U. S. used about three pounds of wool per person and the farmers received only 27 cent for the cotton in a \$4.16 dress shirt.

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# Oil Production Report For Coke County

WE BELIEVE YOU WILL BE INTERESTED IN THE FIGURES SHOWN IN THIS REPORT ON OIL PRODUCTION.

## Oil Wells & Daily Classified Production by Fields

January 1, 1960, and January 1, 1961

From Report by Thos. Y. Pickett Co., Evaluation Engineers

Field	1960		1961	
	Wells	Daily Classified Production	Wells	Daily Classified Production
Arledge	1	14	1	14
Bloodworth, 5700'	1	82	1	82
Bloodworth, South 5600'		New	2	140
Bronte, Palo Pinto	48	339	48	299
Bronte, Cambrian	12	285	12	265
Bronte, Capps	13	351	13	295
Bronte, Ellenburger	5	51	5	49
Bronte, Gardner	4-Gas		4-Gas	
Bronte, Goen	31	794	31	670
Chas. Copeland, Ellenburger	1	10	1	10
Edita, Canyon	1	18	1	18
Fort Chadbourne	59	2,278	44	1,836
Fort Chadbourne, Gardner	1	80	1	82
Fort Chadbourne, West	16	526	15	507
Fort Chadbourne, N.W. Gray		New	1	3
Fort Chadbourne, W. Gardner	1	28	1	5
Fort Chadbourne, W. (Gardner South)	3	151	3	184
Fort Chadbourne, W. (Gardner Upper)		New	2	28
Goen Lime	2	146	2	146
I.A.B., Menielle Penn	58	8,115	58	7,771
I.A.B., 5070' Penn	14	761	17	774
I.A.B., Southwest Canyon	1	47	1	54
Jameson	136	11,833	136	12,115
Jameson, Strawn	482	10,015	485	10,145
Leppart, Palo Pinto	1	8	1	0
Lygay	8	224	7	329
Lygay, South Strawn	1	6	1	8
McCutchen, Cisco	8	216	8	161
Millican	37	2,436	37	2,464
Munn, Canyon	2	26	2	6
Panther Gap	2	24	2	22
Rawlings (All Pays)	23	911	23	900
Weaver Ranch Strawn	1	34	1	34
Wendkirk, (All Pays)	26	1,170	27	1,116
Wendland	1	2	1	0
Totals:				
	4-Gas		4-Gas	
Wells	996		991	
Daily Classified Production		40,981		40,532
Decrease in Wells			5	
Decrease in Production				449

This Report Is Submitted in Order That You May Become Better Acquainted with the Facts About This Important Coke County Industry

## Coke County Commissioners Court

**OIL INTEREST REVIVED** —  
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There are two pays in the area, a sand at around 5,100 feet, the other a lime in the neighborhood of 6,000-6,100. The sand west of Sanco is known by operators as the Menielle sand. That east of Sanco is known as the Canyon sand, or at least one layer of it is so designated. The sand in the Mary Hayes well is said to occur in three layers, close together in depth.

The lower production is found in the Strawn reef or Strawn lime —two terms for the same formation. It has not yet occurred in paying form east of Sanco, and there is a lively interest in the oil fraternity as to whether it will show in the Ila Adkins well.

Any further extension of the Sanco Canyon Field eastward will await the results of the Tucker No. 1 Ila Adkins test. Humble, Standard, and Texas all have acreage east, southeast, and north-east of production.

The Standard Oil Company of Texas No. 1 Marvin Simpson should top the sand in the region of 5,000 feet before the end of the week. This well is 1200 feet north of the old school building at Sanco.

Boundary survey by Houston surveyors has been completed on Sanco townsite and small tracts adjoining, in the south part of the west half of the Robert McRae Survey. Further drilling west of Yellow Wolf Creek will undoubtedly await the results of the Simpson well, which is almost in direct line between the Tucker No. 1 I. A. Bird discovery on the west and the Tucker No. 1 Mary Hays discovery east of Yellow Wolf Creek.

Leasing to the south of Sanco, between the townsite and Robert Lee indicates a renewed interest in territory where interest has lagged in recent years.

Oil men say that none of the really deep drilling has been undertaken in this area, due to underlying granite, extremely hard to penetrate with any of the equipment used here.

**CARD OF THANKS**

We wish to express our sincere appreciation to the good people of Robert Lee who helped us at the passing of our Mother and Grandmother, Mrs. Lizzie Gunnels, for the flowers, food, cards, etc. We are most grateful.  
The family of Mrs. Lizzie Gunnels

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**PERSONALS**

Mr. and Mrs. Hervey Latham and LuAnn spent the weekend in Canyon, Texas, visiting relatives of Mrs. Latham.

Mrs. Jack Trimble spent Sunday in Odessa, Texas, where she was a guest of her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. James Coleman, Linda and Kathy.

Mr. and Mrs. Ulmer S. Bird of Sanco visited Sunday with his aunt, Mrs. C. M. (Tresa) Knowlton, who is a patient in the Simmons Memorial Hospital, Sweetwater.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Robertson and family of Lubbock spent the weekend in Robert Lee visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Robertson. Two of the children, Jean and Don, remained for a two week visit with their grandparents.

**PERSONALS**

Dee Walker and his family, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Walker and family and family; Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Walker Jr. and family of Robert Lee; Mrs. Edna Varnadore and family; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hardin and family of Amarillo met for a family Thanksgiving at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Duane Conger of Lubbock. Mr. Dee Walker went on to Amarillo for a visit with the Varnadores and Hardins. He will return to Lubbock for a visit with the Congers before coming home.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Ed Skipworth visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. (Dick) Skipworth, over the Thanksgiving holidays. Sam Ed is a junior at Sul Ross College, Alpine, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Lomas and Lisa Lyn moved during the holidays to Colorado City where Mr. Lomas will be associated with Craddock-Whitten Motor Co.

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