

# Robert Lee Observer

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## Steers Take 5th Place In O'Brien Track Meet

Robert Lee's Steers placed 5th in the senior division of the track meet that was held Saturday at O'Brien.

The Steers that were entered in the junior division copped 6th place in the meet where AA, A and B schools participated.

Curtis Higginbotham broke the O'Brien's 100 yard dash record with a time of 10.1, but Higginbotham had to settle for second place in the finals when Richard Haddaway of Haskell sprinted the 100 yards in 10 seconds.

In the senior division Bill Ledbetter tied for 5th place in the

track meet in the pole vault event with a height of 9'6".

Curtis Higginbotham tied for second place in the broad jump event with a distance of 18' 8 1/2".

Derwood Coalson was 6th in the broad jump with a leap of 18 ft.

Comie Hallmark, Bill Ledbetter and Curtis Higginbotham all tied for 4th place in the high jump event with 5 ft. 4 inches.

Don Ellis was 3rd in the 880 yard run with a time of 2:11.8.

Phil Lowder was 5th in the 100 yard dash with a time 10.5.

The Steers won 2nd place in the 440 yard relay. The relay team members are Higginbotham, Coalson, Lowder and John Kinsey.

The 440 yard relay also competed in the 880 yard relay and placed 5th with a time of 1:41.6.

Mike Ledbetter tied for 3rd place in the junior division pole vault event with a height of 7'6".

Joe Dodson placed 4th for the juniors in the broad jump with a distance of 15'10".

Terry Thetford was 6th in the broad jump with 15'5".

Mike Ledbetter tied for second with 5 ft. in the high jump event.

Lynn White was 2nd in the pull-up event with 45 times.

The juniors were 5th in 440 relay. The team is White Dodson, M. Ledbetter and Ricky Hatch.

The same team was third in the 880 yard relay with 1:55.2.

## a second glance

By JOHN H. KING II

The weather in Coke County has been most versatile this past week. Last Wednesday we had a total snow fall of 7 inches followed by heavy cloud cover and light mist for several days. Tuesday morning of this week Robert Lee had a heavy shower that measured .04 of an inch. Silver measured 1.50 inches of rain fall Tuesday.

Then about mid-morning spring really sprung with a sand storm and wind gusts up to 50 miles per hour.

Yes, this past week if you didn't like the weather, all you had to do was wait a few minutes because it would change.

Recent office seekers that have visited in Robert Lee include Walter Koch and John Phillips, both seeking election as Associate Justice Court of Civil Appeals; David Read, seeking re-election for State Representative of 78th District and Judge Ed Carpenter seeking the State Representative job of the 78th District. Both Read and Carpenter are from Howard County.

Dorsey B. Hardeman, candidate for re-election as State Senator for the 25th Senatorial District and Bill Stroman, also seeking election as State Senator for the 25th Senatorial District, both of San Angelo, have also visited in Robert Lee several times recently.

This is a mighty good time to ask candidates for the various offices their views on the many proposed laws that will come up for vote in the forthcoming legislature. Don't hesitate to let them know what you want them to do if and when they are elected.

### G. K. GASTON PROMOTED

Stuttgart, Germany (AHTNC) — G. K. Gaston, 28, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ollie H. Gaston, Route 1, Blackwell, Tex., recently was promoted to specialist five in Germany while serving with the 585th Ordnance Company.

A welder in the company in Stuttgart, Specialist Gaston was stationed at Fort Carson, Colo., before arriving overseas on this tour of duty in July 1960.

Gaston, whose wife, Nora, is with him in Germany, is a 1955 graduate of Blackwell High School.

## Absentee Voting Begins

Qualified voters who will not be able to get to the polls on election day in the forthcoming city and school elections may vote absentee from now until 3 days prior to the respective elections.

"Absentee voting for the Robert Lee City Commission will be done at the City Hall," Mayor W. D. McAdams said this week.

Voters will elect a mayor and two city commissioners for a two year term on Tuesday, April 3. Absentee voters must cast their vote by Saturday, March 31.

Absentee voting this year for places on the Robert Lee Independent School Board, Coke County School Trustees and Silver School Board of Trustees will be held at the office of J. L. Tinkler, District and County Clerk, Coke County Courthouse, Robert Lee, Texas on or before Wednesday, April 4.

Names that will appear on the city commission ballot are: Robert Vaughan, mayor; Vaughan S. Davis, city commissioner; J. E. Quisenberry, Jr., city commissioner and F. C. Clark, city commissioner.

There are 5 candidates for three places on the Robert Lee Independent School Board of Trustees. They are: Raymond McCutchen, Teddy Pitecock and Glenn Waldrop, all for re-election; Sam Williams and Frankie Percifull are seeking a two year term on the local school board.

Dave King of precinct 3 and Hale Kincaid of precinct 1 are seeking places on the Coke County School Board. They are unopposed. Dale Brown, a candidate for re-election of Pct. 1 withdrew from the county race.

J. P. Jameson and Arch Mathers are seeking re-election to the Silver School Board of Trustees. They are unopposed for the two places.

## Evangelist Speaks For B. C. D.

Rev. John Wilder, evangelist from Harlingen, Texas, spoke for the Board of City Development at noon Tuesday. His topic was "The Biggest Thing God Ever Did." He spoke about the greatness of God in the creation of the universe and light that produces life.

Emphasis in Rev. Wilder's talk was placed upon the fact that "the biggest thing God ever did was to send His Son, Jesus Christ, to die for a world in sin. But the grave did not keep Him. He arose from the tomb and is now back with God."

Rev. Wilder is preaching in a revival meeting at the Robert Lee Baptist Church through Sunday, March 25. Services are held at 10:00 o'clock in the morning and 7:30 each evening. The folks of Coke County are invited to hear his stimulating messages.

### UNDERGOES SURGERY

Mrs. Melvin Childress, wife of the Coke County sheriff, underwent major surgery Saturday morning in a San Angelo hospital. She is reported to be making satisfactory progress. Mrs. Eddie Roy Braswell of Sterling City, Mrs. Leslie Copeland, and Mrs. Jerome Sheppard of Spearman, have been with their mother.

## Writer-Educator Will Speak Here



C. L. KAY

C. L. Kay, widely known speaker, writer and educator, is scheduled to speak at 8:00 Monday evening, March 26, at the Robert Lee School Auditorium.

Mr. Kay's address will be the program for a joint Coke County Chapter Texas State Teachers Association and the Robert Lee P. T. A. unit. Everyone is cordially urged to hear Mr. Kay Monday evening.

Before his recent appointment as vice president for public services and industrial relations at Lubbock Christian College, Mr. Kay served as professor of history and government at that college.

He received his B. A. degree in 1952 and his M. A. Degree in 1953 at Eastern New Mexico University at Portales, New Mexico.

Kay is the author of a weekly column entitled, "The Spirit of America" which appears in several newspapers.

Mr. Kay was recently awarded the "George Washington Medal of Honor" Award by Freedoms Foundation of Valley Forge, Pennsylvania, for his speech entitled "The Battle Ahead."

In September, Mr. Kay was awarded the "Golden Muleshoe," and made an honorary citizen of the city of Muleshoe for his outstanding services for the cause of freedom in that community.

During the past year, the educator has made over three hundred and twenty-five addresses to civic organizations, Parent-Teacher's Associations, youth banquets, Chamber of Commerce banquets, the Texas Press Association, the West Texas Press Association, the New Mexico State Convention of American Legion, and the New Mexico State Convention of the Farm Bureau and Livestock Association.

Mr. Kay is a member of the following organizations: Southwest Rotary Club in Lubbock; he is on the Speaker's Bureau for Lubbock's Project Alert; West Texas Chamber of Commerce Speaker's Bureau; The National Association of Real Estate Board's Speakers Bureau; and Lubbock Christian College's Speaker's Bureau on Americanism.

### JOINT MEETING TO BE HELD

The Coke County Teachers Association will meet March 26 at the Robert Lee School.

Dinner will be served to members of the Coke County unit of the Texas State Teachers Association. Following dinner the teachers Association and the Robert Lee P. T. A. will have a joint meeting to which the public is cordially invited.

An address by C. R. Kay will highlight the meeting. Mr. Kay, vice president for Public Services and Industrial Relations of Lubbock Christian College, was recently awarded the George Washington Medal of Honor by Freedoms Foundation of Valley Forge, Pa., for his speech, "The Battle Ahead." He also writes a weekly column, "The Spirit of America."

If you don't get The Observer, you don't get the NEWS.

## Funeral Services Held Friday for Resident's Mother

Funeral services were held at Johnson's Funeral Chapel in San Angelo at 10:00 a.m. Friday for Mrs. Ida Verfuth, 79, mother of Mrs. Fern Havins of Robert Lee.

Burial was in Fairmont Cemetery in San Angelo.

Mrs. Verfuth was born at Dresden, Germany, June 6, 1882. She came to the United States in 1901. Her husband died in 1938.

She died at 7:35 p.m. Wednesday at Baptist Memorial Hospital in San Angelo.

Mrs. Verfuth resided for many years at 1631 South Madison in San Angelo.

She is survived by four sons, I. B. and R. C. (Dutch) Verfuth, both of San Angelo, A. A. Verfuth of El Monte, Calif., and George R. Verfuth of Fort Worth; five daughters, Mrs. Olive Lawrence of Santa Barbara, Calif., Mrs. W. H. Beach of San Angelo, Mrs. Fern Havins of Robert Lee, Mrs. Anna Odum of Kirbyville, and Mrs. Thomas Jones of San Antonio; 18 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

## Resident's Son Dies

Mr. Joe L. Mapes, son of Mrs. J. M. Mapes of Robert Lee, died Wednesday night at his home in Amarillo. He suffered a heart attack. Among the survivors other than his 98 year old mother, was a sister, Mrs. A. J. Roe, Sr., also of Robert Lee.

Attending the funeral service in Lubbock Friday were: Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Roe Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Roe of Robert Lee, and Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Roe Jr. of Silver.

### ON EMERGENCY LEAVE

Staff Sgt. Joe Dodson Jr. is home on emergency leave from his duties at Lowthor Air Force Base at Ontario, Canada, so that he can be with his mother, Mrs. Joe Dodson, who is seriously ill in Coke County Memorial Hospital in Robert Lee.

Sgt. and Mrs. Dodson and their four children expect to remain in Robert Lee for about two weeks.

## Coke and Nolan Farmers Receive \$238,840 in Loans

In 1961 Farmers Home Administration advanced a record \$502 million in loans to farm and non-farm families living in rural areas to provide the resources for needed farm adjustments, better rural housing, and soil and water conservation and development. Secretary of Agriculture Freeman announced recently. This was a 47 per cent increase over the amount loaned in 1960.

Farmers Home Administration

### Robert Lee Church of Christ

#### SUNDAY SERVICES

Bible Study, all ages, 10:00 a.m.  
Worship 11:00 a.m.  
Young People's Meeting 6:00 p.m.  
Worship 7:00 p.m.  
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activities last year were a major factor in the Department's drive to promote rural areas development throughout the nation.

Credit for basic farm adjustments, new housing, community water systems, and soil and water conservation had a direct and immediate impact on the economy of entire rural communities. Purchasing power of FHA borrowers was increased, construction and other business activity stimulated, and areas made more attractive for industry development as a result of the agency's nearly one-half billion dollar program.

In Nolan and Coke counties borrowers came in for a fair share of the funds disbursed or obligated for 1961. A total of \$238,840 was loaned for farm ownership purchases, rural housing, operating loans and emergency credit according to Chester L. Sinclair, County Supervisor. During the same period a total of \$235,681 principal and interest was collected.

There are ample funds available under the Farm Tenant Purchase program, which funds are being furnished by private lenders and insured by this agency, according to Sinclair.

## Seton Sketches Being Displayed

An exhibition of sketches from nature by the famed late artist-naturalist, Ernest Thompson Seton, opened at the gallery of the Fine Arts Building Sul Ross State College on Sunday, March 11 and will be on display until March 25th.

Included in the show are 36 sketches, done in watercolor oil and pencil and are on loan from the Fine Arts Museum of New Mexico, the second in a series of three exhibits Sul Ross has arranged with Santa Fe.

Ernest Thompson Seton was born in England in 1880, brought to Canada as a young man. He studied art in Toronto, received a diploma from the Royal Academy in London, and studied art in Paris for six more years before returning to the U. S. Later he served as illustrator for the Century and wrote innumerable books on wild life. In 1930 he bought a large tract of land near Santa Fe, known as Seton Village, where he lived and worked until his death in 1946. His widow still maintains the artist-naturalist's ethnological and art collections there.

Every artist today of wild life and nature in the southwest owe a debt to this talented, versatile pioneer and to his original studies of animals in action.

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W. A. (BILL) STROMAN  
Of Tom Green County  
DORSEY B. HARDEMAN  
Of Tom Green County

For State Representative:  
78th District  
DAVID READ  
Of Howard County  
ED J. CARPENTER  
of Howard County

For County Judge:  
W. W. (Bud) THETFORD  
CHARLIE BOECKING

For County & District Clerk:  
J. L. (Chilly) TINKLER  
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## Hurley Takes Part In Pacific Exercise

COAST OF CALIFORNIA (FH-TNC) — Jerry M. Hurley, radarman second class, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hurley of Robert Lee, Texas, is serving aboard the destroyer USS Wedderburn, which is participating in Exercise Pot Shot off the coast of southern California, March 12-23.

The exercise, largest Navy training maneuver in the Pacific Fleet in nearly a year, involves more than 60 ships, many aircraft and elements of the First Marine Division and the Third Marine Air Wing.

Pot Shot is scheduled to include carrier strikes, anti-submarine operations, amphibious landings, replenishment at sea, mine warfare, naval convoy operations, Marine operations ashore and aerial, surface and sub-surface reconnaissance.

"The opportunity to bring together all these forces in a single operation is rare," says Vice Adm. Charles L. Melson, commander of the First Fleet and exercise commander. "We hope to considerably enhance the operational readiness and capabilities of all Pacific Fleet units participating."



My voice shalt Thou hear in the morning, O Lord; in the morning I will direct my prayer unto Thee. — (Psalm 5:3.)

Each morning that God grants us is a new opportunity, a new beginning and a new life, if we choose to make it so. It should begin with prayer, thanking Him, seeking His presence, His love, His will—and then we will enter into the new day strong, confident and blessed.

### VISIT HERE

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Allen, parents of Hollywood movie star and rodeo performer, Rex Allen, were visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith recently.

Horace Allen and Frank Smith were class mates in school.

Mr. and Mrs. Cye Tankersly of Lubbock visited a few days in Robert Lee this week with their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Don Tankersly and children, Brit, Brad and 1 month old Sharon.

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## Your County Agents Report

### Home Demonstration

By FAY C. ROE

4-H Club girls are busy now getting ready for County contest. Girls are working on Dairy Foods, Vegetable preparation, Public speaking and Share the Fun. Both seniors and juniors are entering these contests.

The County contests are planned for April 14 and District contests will be April 28. County winners go to District. Ribbons are given in each contest.

4-H leaders are assisting the girls to plan and practice the demonstrations. These contests are valuable to the development of 4-H girls as they teach techniques in food preparation, nutritive value of foods, an attractive service and to be able to speak before groups.

If there are any girls who are not enrolled in 4-H work, who would like to enter in the contests, let me know. I will be glad to help any girl get started in a demonstration.

Plans have been made for a leader training for H. D. Clubs Saturday, March 24. The ladies will be taught "Seed Picture Making" by Mrs. Jahew Jameson of Silver. Two ladies from each of the six Home Demonstration Clubs will attend the all day training Saturday in the Court house. The meeting begins at 9 a. m.

Here's a beauty hint — when you prepare sudsy water to soak your hands before a manicure, add a few drops of hydrogen peroxide. This will help to bleach under and around your fingernails.

#### Schedule

Wednesday — Bronte H. D., 2:30 p. m., Floyd Crunk home.  
Thursday — Bronte Jr. H. D., Clothing  
Friday — Office  
Saturday—H. D. Leaders Training, 9 a. m., Courthouse.  
Monday — Bronte 4-H, 3:45 p. m.  
Tuesday — Bronte Jr. H. D. Club  
Wednesday — Office.



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### Agriculture News

By STERLING LINDSEY

Operators considering participating in the 1962 Feed Grain Program must declare their intentions by March 31. The County ASC office can give you the details of the program and explain the alternatives to you if you desire additional information on the program before making your decision.

The question has been asked many times — which kind of 2,4-D or 2,4,5-T should I use for weed and brush control? The following may help you to determine which would be best for you.

The Amine forms are made with a salt base. They do not vaporize readily and are generally safer to use near susceptible crops.

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I received 5 gallons of 2,4,5-T this week for use in brush control demonstrations. This is the third year that trials have been conducted through our program building committee. Most of them have been mesquite control trials employing the basal method of application. D. K. Glenn, Tom

Rives, Pat Havins, and Robert Walker conducted the demonstrations in 1961.

The screw worm control program is still the most discussed subject in many quarters. The Foundation is making rapid progress and the board of directors should be commended for their unselfish devotion to the job. There is still no guarantee that Coke County will be screw worm free, but the Foundation board of directors and others concerned are making a valiant effort to keep screw worms out of Texas.

Should you find a case of worms or maggots, we again remind you to let us send them in for analysis. If they prove to be screw worms, the foundation has promised to pull all stops to avoid their spreading to other areas.

To date about \$1.6 million of the needed 3 million has been secured. The Foundation will continue requesting funds as the Federal allocation to the program must be matched by local funds.

Coke County operators have now contributed \$8055.00 to the movement. Slightly less than 50% of the County — 184 — have contributed.

### NEW RESIDENTS IN COUNTY

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Gulley formerly of Abilene, are residing on the Aubrey McKinley ranch near Sanco.

Mrs. Gulley is the former June McKinley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey McKinley of Abilene.

Mr. Gulley is managing the ranching interests of Mr. and Mrs. McKinley.

Registered Herfords are raised on the Coke County ranch.

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## Pvt. Harmon Taking Advanced Artillery Training

FORT CARSON, COLO. (AHTN-C) — Army Pvt. William J. Harmon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Finis E. Harmon, Edith Route, Robert Lee, Tex., is receiving eight weeks of advanced individual artillery training at Fort Carson, Colo. The training is scheduled to end March 23.

Harmon is being trained in the duties and responsibilities of a cannoneer. He is receiving instruction in the loading, firing and maintenance of the 105-millimeter howitzer, a light field artillery weapon.

The 23-year-old soldier entered the Army last October and received basic combat training at the fort.

A 1957 graduate of Robert Lee High School, Harmon attended Tarleton State College. He was employed by Slick Airways, Abilene, before entering the Army.

### SIMPSON SELLS BULLS

In three separate transactions, Marvin Simpson of Robert Lee sold purebred Aberdeen Angus bulls to Will Augustine, Sterling City; C. L. Bast, Maryneal; and J. D. Browne, Seagraves.

Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Mahon visited their daughter-in-law, Mrs. Bobby Mahon, and grandchildren, Bobby Gene, Ray and Bill at Weimar, Texas this past weekend.

### LOCAL WOMEN ATTEND CONFERENCE

Mrs. Woodrow Gardner and Mrs. Freeman Clark attended the 21st annual meeting of the South-west Texas Conference of the Women's Society of Christian Service that was held at Tarrytown Methodist Church in Austin March 13-15.

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## Letter to The Editor

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Gentlemen:

Having just authorized the withdrawal of my name as a candidate for the office of State Representative of the 64th Representative District, I want the people of the District to know that it is with sincere regrets that this decision is made due to health reasons and some additional responsibilities in connection with my personal business, and my farming and ranching operations. I now know that it will be impossible for me to devote the required time to the duties of the office that the people of the district are entitled to. Therefore, I am withdrawing at this time, thus relieving Mr. Ben Barnes of De

Leon, Texas, of a strenuous campaign. I want to recommend Mr. Barnes to the people of the District. I have had the pleasure of serving with him during the last sessions of the Legislature, and am convinced that he will represent the district with dignity and honor.

To all the people of the old 77th district, made up of Coke, Coleman, Concho and Runnels Counties, I want to express my sincere appreciation for the honor and the privilege of serving you in this capacity and to state that I do not believe any official could have a finer group of constituents to serve, nor a more loyal group of people to help me render the type of service you deserve, so that we may have economical operation of our government. I promise to continue to be deeply concerned about the affairs of our government in this district and will devote my time to the affairs of this district until my present term expires.

To the good people of the Counties of Brown and Comanche, which are now a part of the newly created 64th Representative District, composed of Brown, Coleman, Comanche and Runnels, I want to state that I very much regret the situation that causes me to withdraw from the race, for it is sincerely believed that I would most certainly enjoy being your Representative, and do what I could to help you in keeping our

government on a sound economic basis.

Any time I can be of any assistance to the people of the old or the new District, it will be appreciated if you will contact me as I will be most happy to try to help in any way I can.

Yours very truly,  
J. W. (Bill) Moore

## Two Couples Wed In Ceremony at Farmington, N. M.

Two local couples were united in marriage in a double wedding ceremony read in Farmington, New Mexico, February 20. The ceremony was performed in the Methodist parsonage at 7:00 p.m. with the Methodist pastor officiating.

Mrs. Wanda Corbin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Snead, became the bride of Jerry Parker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Parker. Mrs. Colleen Thompson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Varnadore of Robert Lee, was married to William Franklin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Pete Nutter.

Ben D. Snead of Farmington, brother of Mrs. Parker, served as the only attendant for the couples. Mrs. Parker wore a blue wool suit and Mrs. Franklin wore a beige silk suit.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Parker are graduates of Bronte High School. He is serving with the U. S. Army, stationed at Fort Hood, Texas and she is employed at First National Bank, Bronte.

Mrs. Franklin is a graduate of Robert Lee High School and is

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employed in the Coke County Tax Assessor's office in Robert Lee. Mr. Franklin, a graduate of Bronte High School, is employed with an insurance firm. They will make their home in Robert Lee.

Mr. and Mrs. Franklin took a wedding trip to Santa Fe, New Mexico, and Mr. and Mrs. Parker are at home following a trip

to Alamogordo, Cloudercroft and White Sands, New Mexico.

Mrs. Ennis Cochran of Big Spring was an Observer visitor Monday afternoon. Mrs. Cochran edits the Cosden Company's newspaper, the 'Copper' and is also associated with the Webb Air Base newspaper.

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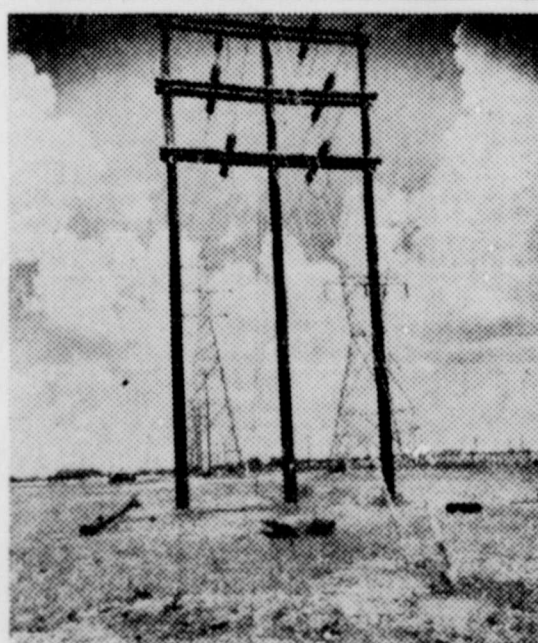
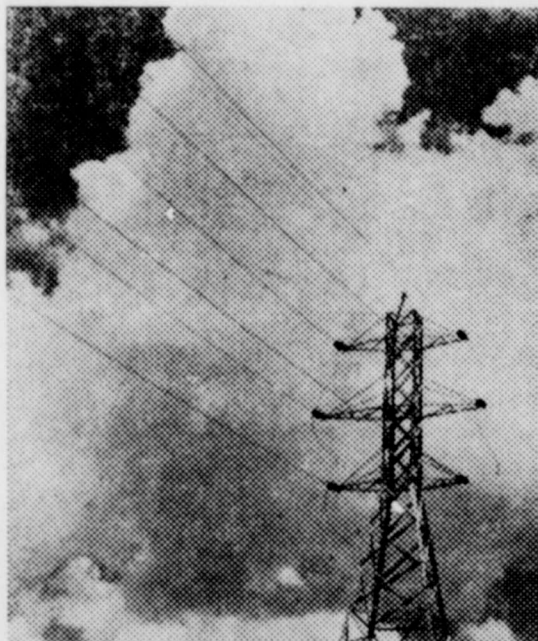
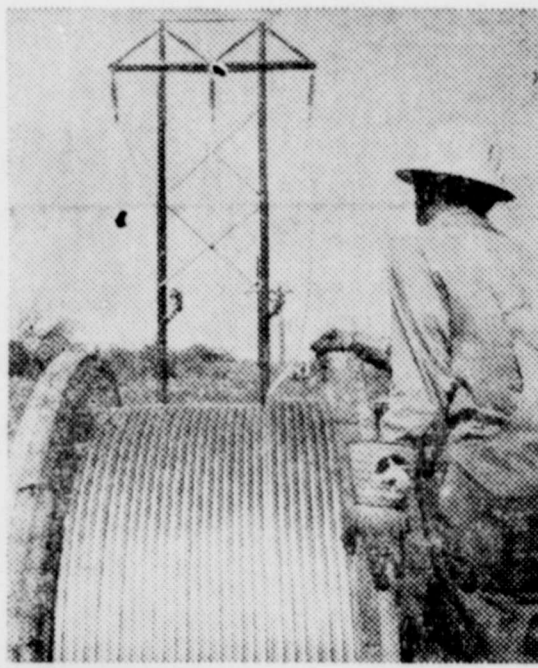
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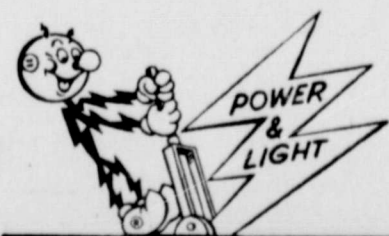
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## WRIGHT SLANT ON WASHINGTON

The other day I received two unhappy letters in the same mail. One went something like this: "Why doesn't Congress just pack up and go home? They're not doing the country any good. The President leads them around by the nose. All they are is a rubber stamp."

And the other letter . . . "Why on earth did Congress reject the President's plan to create a Department of Urban Affairs? After all, Mr. Kennedy holds the highest office in the land. Doesn't Congress owe him enough loyalty to approve his program—especially one as worthwhile as this?"

Pondering the letters, I couldn't help remembering what the late Sam Rayburn once said when somebody asked him how many Presidents he had served under.

"I don't know of any I have served UNDER," snapped Mr. Sam, bristling. "But there have been eight I've served WITH."

Thus did Mr. Sam point up one of the main reasons that the Congress is likely never to become a rubber stamp for President Kennedy or anybody else. The reason is simply that members of Congress are jealous of their prerogatives. To prevent them from exercising these prerogatives would be like trying to prevent Tuesday from following Monday.

This is one of the safeguards built into our Constitution by the brilliant men who framed it. Washington, Madison, Franklin—all had learned from bitter experience under British rule that it is dangerous for one man to have too much power.

They believed that by creating a government of three separate but equal branches—Executive, Legislative and Judicial—they could prevent any one branch from becoming too powerful. To their everlasting credit, the Constitution has done exactly that.

There is no doubt, of course, that a President usually fares better when his own party is in control of Congress. But even this generalization is not foolproof. A number of critical Eisenhower programs passed by Democratic majorities, would have failed if left solely to Republican votes. And the present Congress, even though heavily Democratic, is far from being the President's lackey.

"The White House found itself on the defensive in the House of Representatives during the closing days of the first session of the 87th Congress," declared U. S. News & World Report last October 9.

Federal aid to education, for example, one of the apples of President Kennedy's eye, was soundly voted down. Others presumably priority projects have been repeatedly delayed, while still others have been passed in considerably altered versions which bear the distinct hallmark of Congressional tailoring.

A more recent example of legislative independence can be seen

in the defeat of the President's proposal for a new Department of Urban Affairs. Most members voted against this proposal, not just to show that we could, but because we felt the President simply had failed to demonstrate a need for such a department.

Nor did it mean anyone was turning against Mr. Kennedy. Among those recorded in opposition to the measure were Democratic Whip Hale Boggs and Morris Udall, brother of our Secretary of Interior.

At best, the Urban Affairs Department would have been nothing more than an administrative reshuffling of existing agencies. FHA, Housing and Home Finance and the other activities that would have been placed under the new department have been functioning smoothly and efficiently for many years. So far as I have been able to determine, they do not need anything they could get by being part of a new department.

The only argument that seemed to make any sense at all was the fact that most of our people now live in cities, and the new department would be a bit of deserved recognition for the city dweller. But even this argument seems superficial as a reason for creating a new cabinet post. We might as well say that because a majority of Americans are of the female sex, we need to create a Department of Women's Affairs. Furthermore, such existing Departments as Commerce, Labor and HEW perform services of primary benefit to urban residents.

Even the conservative magazine, National Review, concedes that the Senate and the House are no rubber stamps. "The Congress

The Observer, Robert Lee, Texas

March 22, 1962

ignored or openly rejected many legislative proposals dear to the hearts of the Administration," the magazine said on Jan. 30 in discussing what it called "The Shifting Image" of President Kennedy.

Other observers have noted what they regard as a subtle change in the political stance of the Administration. William S. White, writing in the February issue of Harper's, reported that those Democrats of ultra-liberal leanings are disenchanted with Mr. Kennedy. They are finding, Mr. White said, that—

"... He never had any intention of running this country on a model prepared by, for example, the Americans for Democratic Action."

President and Congress meanwhile go about their business of adjusting to one another, of find-

ing areas of agreement and accommodation, of meeting the needs of the country, of satisfying the wishes of the responsible majority while protecting the rights of the implacable minorities.

There is really nothing new in this procedure. It has been going on for 170 years. It is the way the American system operates.

Nor is there anything really new in the vocal minorities at both extremes, both loudly claiming that they have the only solution, both demanding that the government drastically change everything it's doing, both insisting that national disaster lies around the corner if we fail to do exactly as they say. This, too, has been going on since the beginning.

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By Vern Sanford  
Texas Press Association

Austin, Tex.—Capital newspapermen quizzed candidates for lieutenant governor at a Sigma Delta Chi dinner and found wide variety in the answers.

At a prior meeting the professional journalism society had quizzed the gubernatorial candidates.

Big news of the session was the unanimous opposition to legalizing pari-mutuel betting on horse races. Texas voters will have an opportunity to express their own views on this subject at the May 5 primaries.

Rep. V. E. "Red" Berry of San

Antonio got this issue listed on both the Democratic and Republican primary ballots by presenting both political party headquarters with petitions signed by more than 200,000 persons. Petition asked the legislature to give the people an opportunity to vote on pari-mutuel betting.

Further questions to the candidates at the newsmen's dinner revealed diverse opinions on repeal of the poll tax as a prerequisite for voting. Four favored repeal; two opposed it. Senator Preston Smith and Bill Hayes were the opponents.

Candidates present at the meeting were Senators Preston Smith, Jarrard Secrest, Crawford Martin and Robert Baker, all democrats, and Bill Hayes and Kellis Dibrell, republicans. Speaker James A. Turman, the seventh candidate, was absent.

Former Lt. Gov. Ben Ramsey moderated the discussion. He closed the session with a comment that most people underestimate the importance of the job of lieutenant governor. Because all state policy is made by the Legislature, the lieutenant governor is of prime importance. He presides over the Senate, names the Senate committees, and decides which committees will handle bills. Thus he has almost absolute control over the course of legislation—which is state policy-making.

POLL LISTS HIGH—It seems like there's a record number of candidates running for state and national office this year. There also appears to be a record number of potential voters.

A recent count showed 2,373,857 Texans paid poll taxes or filed for exemptions this year. That's 218,212 more eligible voters than last year.

With 15 county totals still due at the State Comptroller's office, including some big cities, the list may exceed the record-setting 2,594,254 who paid to go to the polls in the 1960 presidential election.

All poll tax payers who show up at the May 5 primaries will answer the big question: Do they want to keep the poll tax as a voting requirement?

Their answers on primary tickets of both parties should be representative decision on the long-battled subject.

Houseguests of Mr. and Mrs. Willis Wayne Smith and family over the weekend included Mr. and Mrs. N. D. Johnson and Jeff of Waco, Texas.

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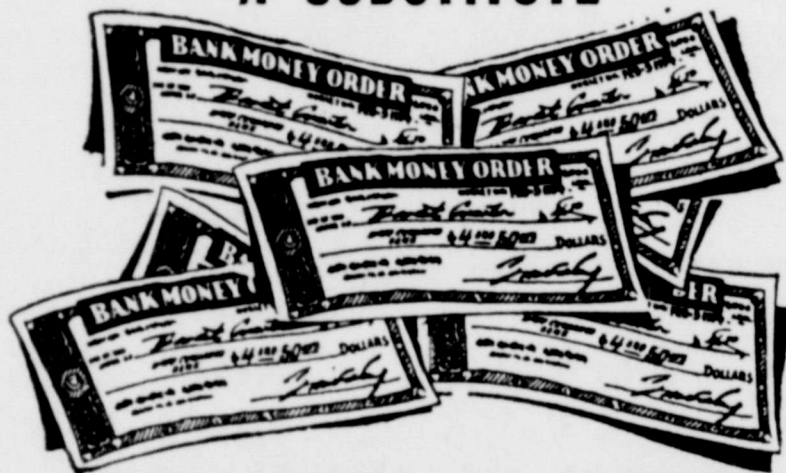
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