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Looking at Old 1963

Remember?

January 1963

Rev. Bill Beaty moved here from Kosse, Texas, to become pastor of the Robert Lee Baptist Church. John Browns sold their interest in Brown Lumber and Supply to their son, Dale.

Bank deposits here showed all time high in ranch deposits. County sale entries for livestock show was largest ever. Mrs. Rena Varnadore, wife of Cue Varnadore, fatally injured in car mishap.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed B. Gray have 50th wedding anniversary. Supt. Dorman Thomas was given three year contract as superintendent.

The Colorado River Municipal Water District announced plans to

run a 24 inch water line part way, 16 inch the rest of the way to Silver oil fields.

February

Frank C. Dickey Jr. is appointed district attorney, 51st Judicial District, succeeding Justin Keever, resigned. Union Texas Petroleum start right-of-way procurement for gas gathering lines in Northeast IAB Field.

Contract is let to remodel and refinish Robert Lee City Hall. There was little cold weather until after Christmas, then it hit with a wallop.

Dan Turner, High School Principal, plans to move to Alaska. Another outbreak of rabies reported.

March

T. B. (Burley) Adkins funeral held Friday, March 1.

Ern and Mayde Mathers hold fiftieth wedding anniversary, Sunday, March 10. Steers break some track records at Snyder.

All teachers accept same jobs in local school. Larger hospital proposed. Steer trackmen win first at Grand Falls. Colorado River Municipal Water District announces plans to start a dam on the Colorado in 1965.

April

Soaking rain April 5. Winter ends early, water getting low in city lake, no running rains. Mr. and Mrs. J. O. McGinley buy Col-Tex Station from Delmir Walker.

Over sixty fined when officers raid secret "poultry" meeting Gartman Reunion held on Easter Sunday.

Did anybody ever see as much summer as this March and April? Big crop of fruit on the trees, and it didn't kill.

May

City of Robert Lee drilling wells for water, new well tested 100 gallons per minute. Steers leading in District Baseball. Issue of Observer May 2 reported rains up to 1 1/2 inches.

Last rites held for Delbert Walling, April 30.

May 9, story of Robert Lee Future Homemakers banquet.

Windstorm, with over half inch rain. Apparently the city has enough water in two new wells to supply town.

May 16 issue, Dean takes high school principalship, Garland Davis to be elementary principal. West Coke Hospital Bill passed by Texas Legislature.

Mrs. Emory Davis funeral held Wednesday, May 15.

Steers end undefeated baseball season as District Champions.

Congratulations to Seniors—class of 8 boys and 8 girls to graduate.

May 23: City Lake gets Year's Water Supply. Twelve feet of new water in the lake after rains on Mountain Creek water shed.

Ann Carwile's high school valedictorian, Dwain Walker salutatorian.

June

June 6: Sanco builds new memories, relives old in annual homecoming. Eastern Star plans installations. Mrs. Betty Ferre? resigns as City Secretary, Yvonne Devoll to be secretary.

Ralph Garvin resigns as park caretaker, Howard Varnadore appointed.

Funeral at Colorado City of T. L. Vowell Sr.

Sparks family reunion at Robert

Barbecue Lunch At Stock Show

A barbecue lunch will be served by the H. D. Club members on Monday, Jan. 13, at the stock show, in the recreation center beginning at 11:30 a.m. The plate will consist of barbecue beef or goat, carrot salad, potato salad, beans, onions, pickles, pie and a drink and will cost \$1 plus tax. Other food to be served throughout the day will include home made pies, hot dogs, homemade candy, coffee, chocolate and cold drinks. Money made at the concession stand will be used for H.D. and 4-H girls programs and activities.

Committee making plans for the concessions includes Mmes. Glenn Waldrop, C. E. Arrott, Tom Rives, R. L. Page, John Boyles, Curtis Walker, J. C. Boatright, J. O. Rudd, Floyd Harmon and William R. Moody.

Over The Holidays

There was a lot of company at the Roy Taylor home during the holidays. Mr. and Mrs. Ivey Eubanks were hosts to several out-of-town families which included Mildred and Lee Lincoln and their daughter Nancy, who works in Dallas. Patty and Bert Sheppard were here from Spearman with their three girls. Dixie and Coy Jones came from Brownfield, which is on the Plains. LaVelta Eubanks is a Registered Nurse at the Coke County Memorial Hospital.

SALE HERE THIS WEEK

Robert Lee has a January Clearance sale right off the turn of the calendar so how about taking a look at Roach Dry Goods ad and their merchandise first thing before getting bruised up in the rush and denting fenders later.

The Artell Roberts family enjoyed the company of many friends Christmas which included Oda and Alice Benton, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Wallace, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Roberts, Mildred Wallace and Edna Mae Havins and family. They meant to take pictures after dinner but they got to talking and forgot all about it.

Vaughan and Peggy Davis and their children, Sherrill and Waid, traveled to Jasper, Alabama, to spend the Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Waid. The trip took 30 hours because of the bad road conditions. They wanted to stop in Hillsboro before they went any further but everyone else had the same idea and there were no motel vacancies. Mr. Waid, who is 70 years old, is running a chicken farm with no less than 8,000 of the fine feathered friends.

Spending Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Shandley were her brother, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Hamilton and family, from Roswell, New Mexico. Her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Odis Adams, came from Odessa with their three sons, Doug, Mike, and Ricky. Their mother, Mrs. G. M. Casey, was able to come home from the hospital for Christmas Day.

Orders for the Robert Lee School Annual are still being taken. Anyone wanting one should contact any member of the Annual Staff. They will be distributed next fall when school starts again. This is a new procedure because they want to be able to get all the high school graduation pictures in as well as the spring activities, whatever they might be.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Wojtek intended to visit her sister in Ft. Benning, Georgia, during the holidays, but were unable to make it, due to the hazardous road conditions. They stayed in Ft. Worth with her brother, Fred Oakes, for a couple of days. Then the group, including Mrs. Wojtek's father, went to Hobbs, New Mexico, to visit another brother, Vernon Oakes.

Guests at the home of Mrs. Jeff Dean were her sister, Mrs. Katherine Parrish, a real estate agent in San Angelo, and Jerry and Cindy Dean. The couple came in from the University of Texas where they are both student teaching on fellowships. She teaches mathematics and Jerry takes care of the boxoffice and staging at the College musicals. Afterwards, they went to Clarksville to visit her parents.

Tony Dean attended the wedding of his cousin, Johnny Kingston of Balmorhea, which was held at the home of the bride's parents. Incidentally, Mrs. Dean hurt her knee on the steps of the Methodist Church.

Mrs. Bill Roe, who cooks for the Hospital, cooked Christmas dinner for the entire Roe family. Most of the Roe families are local except for the Donald Lee Roes of Abilene and the Clyde Lees of Bronte.

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Beaty's 1st, Many Christmas Scenes Decorate Homes

Rev. and Mrs. Bill Beaty won first with a nativity scene in the Christmas lighting contest sponsored by the BCD and directed by El Valle Garden Club. The first prize was \$7.00.

To Mr. and Mrs. James R. McClure with a Santa fireside scene went the second prize of \$5.00, and to Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Roberts with a Santa Claus door-window scene the third prize of \$3.00.

Judges said a number were so good it was hard to pick the best. Honorable mention went to Mrs. Lucille Dean for a nativity scene, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Vaughan, Christmas door.

There were many Christmas trees in windows adding color and brightness to the town, and at least one growing tree outdoors decorated as a Christmas tree.

Coke Austin Was First Native Son In Coke County

After an extended illness, Coke Austin died last Saturday at Clinic Hospital in San Angelo.

Born the same year and month that Coke county was created by act of the Legislature, he had spent most of his active life in this county before moving to San Angelo in 1951 when he retired from ranching.

Born on a ranch east of Sanco, he owned ranch land near his birthplace up to the end of his life, and lived on it many years, before moving first to Robert Lee, then to San Angelo.

Services were held at 2 o'clock Monday afternoon in Robert Massie Funeral Chapel, with the Rev. L. G. Tisdale, pastor of Foursquare Gospel Church, officiating. Burial was in Lawn Haven Memorial Gardens.

Mr. Austin was born March 10, 1889, in Sanco community, north of Robert Lee.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Buna Austin, five sons, Coke Austin Jr. of San Angelo, Jack Austin of Dallas, Garland Austin of Houston, Alfred (Bud) Austin of Mundelien, Ill. and Tommy Austin of San Angelo; two brothers, Robert Austin of San Angelo and Bascom Austin of Bowie, Colo.; and one sister, Mrs. C. M. Crow of Farwell.

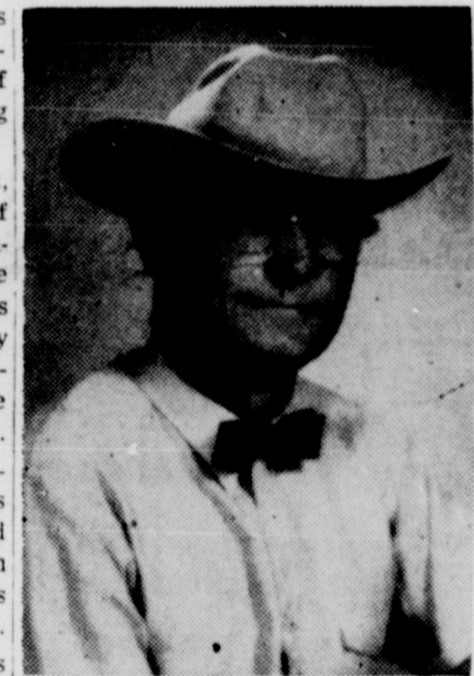
Melvin Childress Announces For Reelection To Coke Sheriff's Office

Melvin Childress this week is announcing his candidacy for reelection to the office of Sheriff of Coke County, with the following statement:

"In making this announcement, I would like to thank the people of Coke County for the support given the Sheriff's Department the past three years. This includes those who have worked directly with the Department, the fine support given by other officials of the county, and by citizens in general.

"The past three years have verified to me the importance of this office to the people of Coke, and I have given undivided attention to the administration and duties of the office as they have arisen.

"In seeking renomination to this office I again ask the people of Coke County for their consideration and support in the coming election.



MELVIN CHILDRESS

"If I am re-elected to this office for a second term, I will continue to give undivided attention to the duties of the office, and the service of the people where the duties of the sheriff's office may be concerned.

Mr. Childress was elected in 1960 for the 1961-64 term, taking office January 1, 1961.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Dean Childress, who moved from here to Arizona, he was reared in Coke County, spending earlier years up to the time of taking office, in ranch work and as ranch foreman. He worked on the R. C. Russell ranch from 1941 until he became sheriff.

His mother was the former Pearl McCutchen, sister of Bill McCutchen. Mrs. Childress is the former Miss Essie McCullough, who grew up in the Sanco community. They have three daughters, Mrs. Leslie (Bonita) Copeland, Mrs. Jerome (Juanice) Sheppard of Spearman, and Mrs. Eddie Roy (Carolyn) Braswell of Colorado City.

Mr. and Mrs. Dubb Wallace of Big Spring spent the holidays deer hunting with Mr. and Mrs. Add Davis. Mr. Wallace got an 8 pointer one afternoon. Mrs. Wallace is the former Billie Hester. Her three children are Debbie, Bubba and Matt.

Silver Zip code No. is 76949.

Mrs. Scoggins Dies Suddenly in Burnet

Mrs. Iva Jane Scoggins passed away suddenly at her home, 1207 North Water in Burnet on December 19, 1963.

Born at McKinney, Texas on February 18, 1900, Mrs. Scoggins had lived in Burnet since 1945. She was a member of the Church of Christ.

Funeral services were held December 21 at 10:00 a.m. at the Church of Christ in Burnet with Ministers Darrell Debo and Don Fleming conducting.

Survivors include her husband, Drue Scoggins of Burnet; five daughters, Mrs. Lloyd Pate of San Marcos, Mrs. J. L. Telford of Houston, Mrs. E. M. Browning Crow and Mrs. John Gretchen of LaGrange; Mrs. essie B. Burnet and a son, Rex Scoggins, of Austin.

Other survivors include four sisters, Mrs. B. J. Acock, Corsicana; Mrs. Vera McSpaddon, of Bowie, Maryland; Mrs. Inez Sullivan, Amarillo and Mrs. Russell McBroom, Robert Lee; two brothers, John Brown and Chism Brown of Robert Lee and 14 grandchildren.

Burial was in the Burnet Cemetery.

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LYNDON JOHNSON PICKS UP THE BULL WHIP

It is entirely possible to go along with a President of the United States in one measure and to oppose him in another, and it is neither a mark of ignorance nor of hate for anybody to do just that.

It is also possible strongly to oppose something that for one reason or another he may publicly favor, and go ahead and vote for him for other reasons.

President Lyndon Johnson has put the whip to Congress. He has taken public issue with them in one speech to business and another to labor, and has forced members of the House to come back to Washington to put through a measure on Christmas Eve, a measure which has a very strong opposition among the rank and file of the people, and the members of Congress are very aware of that opposition.

During the period of mourning, while those who had been very actively opposed to some Kennedy measures were largely silent voluntarily and were being accused of being hate peddlers, those who have been actively for these measures were busy night and day in Washington to take advantage of the period of mourning and the sentiment connected with it to use all sorts of pressure in trying to put these measures across.

Some strong liberal Democrats in the House and Senate as well as a great body of conservatives have opposed phases of the program of President Kennedy, and have given good reason for their opposition thereto. One of these is Senator Wayne Morris of Oregon and another on the liberal side is Senator Ralph Yarborough of Texas in regard to the blank-check type of Federal aid.

Yet President Johnson whipped the House into line to give him a blank check so far as credits to Russia are concerned.

We predict there will be resentment over this, not only from the Republicans, but underneath the surface from a lot of Democrats in and out of Congress, and if the same policy is pursued in regard to the so-called civil rights bill, it will mean trouble ahead for Johnson—the kind of trouble that we can't help wishing he had got along without.

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Lee.
Humble waterflooding project on Meneille IAB Field is well under way. Plans presented in a public meeting for enlarging the hospital. More rains fill the city lake. Commissioner Fern Havins announces plans to pave Sanco loop road.

Silver Homecoming held, Sunday, June 24. Robert Lee Cardinals win Colorado River Little League.

July

Mrs. Lucy McDorman funeral services held in San Angelo.

Marker placed on court house lawn honoring Gov. Richard Coke. Descendants of Silas Conner in Christoval reunion. Phebe Casey bride of P. E. Heffernan in June wedding.

Hospital district election set. It took 40 years, but Sanco is now on the pavement.

Robert K. Beggs transferred from Superintendent of Production at Silver to Dallas as assistant to Regional Superintendent of Production, Sun Oil Company.

Funeral here for Mrs. Nancy Murray.

August

Program announced for Edith Homecoming, August 18.

Coke County Oil, Gas Production said \$23 million annually.

Watkins family reunion held at Bronte.

Rains cover Coke County, .7 to 3.4.

West Coke precincts vote o.k. on hospital district. Suit against Dr. Harris settled, Trimble trial postponed. King family have 117 at annual reunion Saturday, August 17.

School opens Thursday, August 29.

Stroke is fatal to S. R. Young. Bill M. Williams coming as band director.

September

Jameson Gas Plant enlargement starts at Silver. Hospital district goes into operation. Standard of Texas No. 3 Boswell finds new Sand northeast of Sanco at 6,400 feet.

Steers defeat Menard 30-7. Lone Star to ask for gas franchise, to furnish City of Robert Lee.

Death claims Mrs. Ernest Lowrance.

Steers 48, Eden 0. New fire truck arrives and put on duty.

1964 automobiles are shown at two motor firms here. Dogies take heavy score at Trent, Steers take Melvin, 44-14.

October

Steers 72, Ackerly (Sands) 0. Dogies win over Loraine, lose to Bronte.

Standard of Texas No. 3 Boswell completed as dual producer.

Masons present 50 year pin to Bruce Clift.

Steers 40, Iraan, 0.

City ordinance grants gas franchise to Lone Star.

R. B. Vandiver elected by West Coke Hospital Board as administrator West Coke County Hospital.

Ozona falls scoreless before Steers, 38-0.

Col. T. V. Spence and O. H. Ivie, manager and assistant of Colorado River Municipal Water District told the BCD in Robert Lee of plans to build a \$25 million dollar reservoir on the Colorado River, financed with revenue bonds.

Robert Lee 50, Hermleigh 0. Coke County Farm Bureau holds annual county convention.

November

Steers 22, Trent 0.

Upper Colorado River Authority invites the Colorado River Municipal Water District to hold joint meeting with them to discuss future water storage on the Colorado River in Coke County.

Steers edge out Loraine 16-12 for District 8-B title at Robert Lee. Sam Williams buys Clift Funeral Home.

Steady, soaking rain covers county, November 19.

Charles Sims Buys Thelma McDonald Land Near Town

Charles E. Sims has purchased the 460-acre farm south of Robert Lee from the owner, Mrs. Thelma Jo McDonald. Most of the land is just across the Colorado River while 80 acres is on the other side of the river and joins the City of Robert Lee on the south.

The property was purchased twenty years ago by Mrs. McDonald's late husband, Fred McDonald, former well known Robert Lee business man. For the past five years it has been leased by R. C. Patterson, who sub-leased the pasture to J. W. Service, Jr.

This is one of the good farms in this locality and is known for its excellent farm land on the upper side and a fine river bottom pasture. The sale has been completed and Mr. Sims takes possession Jan. 1.

The new owner has been in the filling station business many years with brother-in-law, Bill Wrinkle, at Bronte. They recently sold their new Gulf station there and Mr. Sims will devote full time to farming and stock raising. He owns other farm property southwest and northeast of Bronte.

He resides in Robert Lee where his wife owns and operates the popular Olene's Beauty Shop.

Mrs. McDonald has lived in San Angelo the past few years. Her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Noel Dean Scott (Jo Alice), reside in Ozona and her son, Freddie, is a university student in Los Angeles.

Sale of the McDonald property was handled by A. J. Kirkpatrick of Robert Lee.

Sanco Zip Code No. is 76947.

SPEAKING OF SUCCESS

Babe Ruth knocked 714 home runs. And we have forgotten the 1330 times he struck out.

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HOME OF GOOD BEEF

Rev. and Mrs. Dempsey Salter and family went to Sulphur Springs to visit with her family. There was a large gathering which included Mrs. Salter's twin brother and family.

While passing through Dallas they went by the assassination site of President Kennedy. There were many wreaths, and people, obviously tourists, were there taking pictures. The weather was ideal during the trip. They even had to use their car air conditioner.

Upon their return, the children, Carrie and Micheal, were driven to San Antonio to visit Rev. Salter's parents. Kitten Dean and Vernay Vaughan went with them as far as Boerne to stay with Judy Lewis, whose father, Rev. Orion Lewis, was the former pastor of the Methodist Church here.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Hollis traveled to McAllen to spend the Christmas holidays with their daughter, Mrs. Tom Sawyer, and family. Their son Michael, flew in from California which was quite a surprise for them. Mike is enjoying the Navy. His special field is Electronics and he has 2½ more years to go. He will have to return to Hawaii, on the ship "Chipola," by January 21st.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Lackey have as their guests Mr. and

Mrs. Bill Marlman and son Freddie from Los Animas, Colorado. They flew in their private plane to Robert Lee, landing out west of town. Mr. Marlman flew on to San Antonio, leaving his wife and Freddie here to visit a few days. Mrs. Lackey and Mrs. Marlman were classmates in Nurses training at West Suburban Hospital in Oak Park, Illinois, and have not seen one another in 11 years.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Smith had all their children home for Christmas except Delbert Smith. Enjoying "old home week" were the Wayne Smith of Ft. Worth, Cecil Glenn Smith of Odessa, Wesley Smith of San Angelo, Aubrey Dean Williams of Eldorado, Homer Carwile and Billy Glenn Carwile who works at the San Angelo Sporting Goods Store. Also present were Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Roane and Myna Kay who later entertained Mrs. J. E. Roane, the O. B. Jacobs family, and Nancy Jacoby at a Christmas supper.

Mrs. Lois Russell, an aunt of Vivian Jacobs and Lowell Roane visited a few days in Robert Lee. Mrs. Russell lives in Oklahoma City.

Having a good time at the Cecil Mayfield home on Christmas were David and Doris Waldrop who came from Edinburg, Texas. David is working there with the Government Screwworm Project. Doris is a secretary for a lawyer.

BILBOS HAD CHRISTMAS HERE

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Bilbo had all their children home during the Christmas holidays — Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Kay, Jan and Mark, of Alpine, Texas, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Boren, Kathy, Tom and John of Snyder; Mr. and Mrs. Jarvis Littlefield, Jerry, Jim, Randy, and Lynda of Afton, Oklahoma; Mr. and Mrs. Steward Evans, Sandy, Steve, and Brent of Snyder; Peggy and Billy Havifis of Midland.

Other guests were Mrs. Gertrude Kay of Fort Worth, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Tallant of San Saba, Mrs. Lou Ella Bessent of San Angelo, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert McGuire of Robert Lee.

Ann Carwile, honor student in Robert Lee High School last year and getting off her freshman work in Hardin Simmons the first semester this year, is home for the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Carwile, and with her parents spent Christmas with Mrs. Carwile's father, J. M. Stewart, at San Angelo.

January 12 through 18 is International Printing Week, stressing the power for good or evil the printing press has exerted and can exert in the world.



Home for the holidays at the Marvin Simpson Ranch was Bill Simpson, who is stationed at Ft. Carson, Colorado. Their daughter, Miss Carolyn Simpson, who teaches the third grade in Tucson, Arizona, also came. Both of them made the trip by car.

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What the future holds you and I don't know, but if we are to judge from the past we can believe that real estate is always a good investment.

I would like to give a word of advice to land owners who lease out their property. If they will cooperate with their renter in improving their land, at least keep it from growing up to mesquite and brush, maintain a good supply of stock water, keep fences in repair and stop erosion, they will find they are protecting and adding to their own investment.

Want to announce that I have a contract to sell the Mary A. Slaughter farm of 808 acres, 2½ miles northwest of Robert Lee. This is one of the good farms of this area, and not many of them are for sale. Check with me if you are interested.

Have a few other places which are smaller and some of them are suitable for purchase through the Texas Veterans' Land Program.

Have listings on some good business properties in Robert Lee and houses, too, and some excellent residential buys in Bronte.

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DECEMBER 20, 1963

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Banking House	42,325.00
Furniture & Fixtures	8,885.71
U. S. Bonds and Securities	571,002.62
State and County Securities	247,373.23
Other Bonds	100,000.00
Cash and Exchange	500,449.77

\$2,284,973.52

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus	80,000.00
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Deposits	2,119,340.83

\$2,284,973.52

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Our Home Circle

By Fay C. Roe
Home Demonstration Agent

The 4-H Christmas caroling was very successful on December 23. Twenty-four 4-H'ers, mothers, leaders and Bill Williams made numerous stops in both Bronte and Robert Lee. Refreshments were served in the Robert Lee recreation center following the caroling. We think the youngsters "spread some Christmas cheer" and that it was appreciated.

I am still looking for women who want to enter the Soil Conservation Homemaking Contest. The deadline for entering is Jan. 24. I will be glad to talk with anyone interested in the contest.

The year 1964 is shaping up as a good one for clothing shoppers. Supplies of clothing should be ample enough to meet the expected heavy demand — with little change in prices overall.

Keen competition among fibers, improvements in established products and availability of new products contribute to the favorable

outlook.

Other trends noted by family economists of USDA's Agricultural Research Service:

Nonwoven fabrics, combining materials and production techniques used by the textile and paper industries, are now offered for disposable bed sheets and pillowcases for hospitals. The costs of these disposable items are said to be less than the prices of laundering those made of cotton. Eventually, such products may reach consumer markets.

Further improvements in cotton garments are in sight. A USDA developed treatment imparts

wash-wear properties to cotton and permanently attaches dyes, starch and other finishing materials. This single treatment may prove capable of attaching other chemicals to cotton, including those that give resistance to fire, rot, and mildew and some repellency to water and oil.

Improvements are underway for woolen apparel and household textiles, too. Wool sweaters and blankets that can be washed by machine are appearing on the market, along with permanently pleated wool skirts and permanently creased slacks and trousers. These easy-care properties are obtained through treatments developed by ARS and other scientists.

Schedule

Thursday, Jan. 2 — Office.
Friday, Jan. 3 — Office
Monday, Jan. 6 — Office
Tuesday, Jan. 7 — S.C.S. Home-maker.
Wednesday, Jan. 8 — S.C.S. Home-maker.

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\$1.99 were \$2.99
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Ladies' Sweaters

\$2.80 were \$3.99
\$4.80 were \$6.99-7.99
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\$10.40 were \$14.99-15.99

Ladies' Skirts

\$4.40 were \$5.99
\$5.40 were \$6.99

Girls' Sweaters

One Group—\$1.99 (Sizes 6-14)
One Group—\$2.99 (Sizes 4-6X)
\$3.49 were \$4.99
\$3.99 were \$5.99

Girls' Skirts

\$1.99 were \$2.99
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\$1.00 were \$1.29
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\$4.95 were \$6.95

Ladies' Nylon Gowns

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\$16.95 were \$25.95
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\$8.99 were \$12.95
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No Exchange

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NO RETURN

ROACH'S

Funeral Thursday For W. G. Thomas, Accident Victim

Funeral services will be held Thursday at 3 p.m. at First Methodist Church in Bronte for W. G. (Bill) Thomas, 53, who died Sunday in Los Angeles, Calif., as a result of a boating accident.

The Rev. Austin Masterson, Methodist pastor, and the Rev. Murrell Johns, pastor of First Baptist Church, will be in charge of the services. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery under direction of Clift Funeral Home.

Mr. Thomas was born Oct. 28, 1910, in the Marie community. He was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. U. G. Thomas. He was reared in Bronte and attended local schools.

Mr. Thomas was an electrician

at a missile base in California. He was a member of the Methodist Church and the Masonic Lodge.

Survivors include his wife, the former Anita Ernst of Rowena; a daughter, Mrs. Nita Kay Navarette; and two grandchildren, all of Los Angeles; six sisters, Mrs. W. H. Bland of Walnut Springs, Mrs. Clara Gregg of San Angelo, Mrs. T. A. Mitchell of Los Angeles, Calif., Mrs. Margaret McDonald of Corpus Christi, Mrs. W. H. Waters of Zephyr, and Mrs. Frank Grimes of Bronte; and a sister-in-law, Mrs. George Thomas, of Bronte.

—The Bronte Enterprise

Some people's idea of a hick town is one where there is no place to go where one shouldn't.

On of the hardest things about making money last is the ability to make it FIRST.

PERSONALS

Mrs. Arthur Hayley spent Christmas at Clyde with her daughter, Mrs. Ordie Gibbins, and in Abilene with her granddaughter Mrs. Beverley Munsen.

The E. J. Brice family spent Christmas with J. P. Brice in Bronte. J. P. is E. J.'s father.

It has been "gangbusters" for Mrs. Frank Dickey. Staying with her for the week were her lively grandchildren, Ann, Maewin, Debbie, and Bill. Their dog, Juppie, got in the cactus and had to be clipped in several spots. Also a little black puppy followed them home and the children would like to know if the little lost dog belongs to anyone. Honorable mention goes to a couple of her older grandchildren, Gwen, who will graduate this year from Central High School in San Angelo, and Buddy Dickey, who is a junior. Buddy is quite acclaimed as a superb swimmer. He is on the swimming team at Central and his coach is John Poteet.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Thomas, parents of Supt. Dorman Thomas of Robert Lee, with their four sons and one daughter had the entire family together Christmas time for the first time in 12 years.

Supt. and Mrs. Thomas, with Sandra, Buddy, Debra, and Donna met the others for the noon meal at the home of a brother, M. C. at Brock, then for the evening and Christmas tree at the home of another brother, Buck, at Kool, Texas.

TIMELESS

A boastful Englishman was holding forth on the merits of his watch to friends in New York City. At last one of the Americans thought he'd had enough.

"That's nothing," he interrupted. "I dropped my watch into the Hudson a year ago, and it's been running ever since."

The Englishman looked taken aback.

"What!" he explained, "the same watch?"

"No," he replied, "the Hudson."

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**Beverly Ann Higginbotham
And Jimmy Orville Bell
Have Christmas Wedding**

It was a Christmas wedding for Beverly Ann Higginbotham of Silver and Jimmy Orville Bell of Robert Lee, December 25, at the Methodist Church in Silver.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Higginbotham of Silver and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis E. Bell of Robert Lee. Both are graduates of the Robert Lee High School.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a street dress — white Jersey sheath, made on yoke, smocked in gold about the waste line, with narrow gold string belt, gold shoes, white wedding ring hat with white veil. She carried a red colonial bouquet of small red roses on a white Bible.

Matron of honor was Mrs. Wayne Roberts of Jal, New Mexico, sister of the bride. Best man was Wayne Roberts, usher, Donnie Joe Higginbotham, Silver.

Mrs. Jerry M. Eubanks of Silver was soloist, and Miss Ann Carwile, Robert Lee, organist.

The church was decorated with greenery on altar rails and yellow flowers in white Italian ceramic pedestals. Yellow candles burned in wall candelabrians and on the altar.

The Rev. R. Carl Smith, officiated.

Reception followed the ceremony, at the Methodist Church Fellowship Hall. Register table was covered with a white cloth, with red Christmas decorations in a brass bowl.

On the bride's table, which was covered with a white net cloth, the three tiered white cake with bride and groom decoration in the center, surrounded by holly. Becky Beaty presided at the guest register table. Janett Higginbotham served cake and Rosalind Bradham served punch.

The address after to wedding trip is to be Amarillo, Texas. The groom has currently been employed at Ivey Motor Company, in Robert Lee.

Know Who, What, and When?



Lunchroom Menus

Thursday, Jan. 2

Hamburgers, lettuce, tomatoes, onions, pickles, buttered corn, potato chips, milk, chocolate and vanilla pudding.

Friday, Jan. 3

Fish sticks with tartar sauce, buttered potatoes, garden salad hot rolls and butter, milk, peach cobbler.



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