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V. P. BYRNE, above, with gifts from friends on his 76th birthday.

## County Resident Of 70 Years Has Birthday

V. P. Byrne states that he doesn't have any "living relatives" in Coke County, but he knows that he has many close friends in Robert Lee. Many of his friends surprised him Wednesday, November 23 with a birthday party in the home of John Brown.

The congregation of the Robert

### LOWELL ROANE INJURED

An oil field accident at 9 a.m. Sunday resulted in a serious hand injury to Lowell Roane of Robert Lee. He was working as a roughneck on a Nixon rotary rig near Happy Valley, 30 miles southwest of Abilene. The crew was attempting to pick up a fresh bit from the rathole, when a catline became twisted and Roane's hand was caught. He was brought to Coke County Memorial Hospital where multiple fractures and a bad laceration and bruises of his left hand were treated. Mr. Roane was released from the hospital Tuesday and is now convalescing at his home west of town. Ralph Blair of Robert Lee was the driller in charge of the rig when the accident occurred.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith had their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Grubenman, Carla and Kyle, from Dallas for the Thanksgiving holidays.

## OBSERVER EDITOR RECEIVES LETTER FROM SANTA CLAUS

North Pole, North America  
November 28, 1960

To: John H. King II, Editor  
Robert Lee Observer  
Robert Lee, Texas

Dear Editor John:

As you know, at this time of the year I'm extremely busy filling the orders of all the nice little boys and girls of Coke County and the entire world, but I'm going to take time from my toy shop to be in Robert Lee to see all the little boys and girls that I can on Saturday at 3:00 p. m. December 17.

Please publish this letter so that the boys and girls and their parents will know when to expect my pre-Christmas eve visit.

The Jet Air Mail service is splendid to the North Pole, and I

Lee Church of Christ made his 76th birthday a memorable occasion when they bestowed him with many gifts at the party.

Coffee and pink lemonade were served with the cake that held a dominating 76 to mark the occasion.

V. P. Byrne was born in Hamilton county November 23, 1884. He moved to the Sanco community in August in 1890 with his parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Byrne.

His father was a farmer and justice of the peace in the Sanco community for many years.

Byrne's wife died August 24, 1958. Since that time, he has been living alone in his own home in the southwest section of Robert Lee.

His occupation all his life has been farming and fence building. He retired from active farming in 1939.

Despite his 76 years, he still helps his friends and neighbors in the construction of fences occasionally.

### NOTICE

A "Stop" and "No U Turn" signs have been erected at the intersection of Austin Street and the new State Highway. Vehicles traveling the new State Highway have the right of way. Motorists are urged to observe the new traffic signs so that accidents and fines may be avoided.

The City Commissioners  
Signed: W. D. McAdams  
Mayor

receive the Robert Lee Observer every Thursday. If all the boys and girls will send letter to me in care of The Observer, and if you will publish them, then I will be able to read them all at the same time and my helpers will begin immediately to make the toys and gifts that the boys and girls want.

Don't forget to tell them that I'll be in Robert Lee on Saturday, December 17 to give them candy and other surprises. I want to see all the boys and girls from everywhere that day.

Best Regards,

Signed: Santa Claus

P. S. The blizzards have been blowing strong up here in the North Pole. I hope the weather will be pleasant on Saturday, December 17.

## It's Hard to Change Old Habits

It's often been said that it is hard to break old habits and evidence of this has been portrayed as the motorists that have not noticed and heeded the new traffic signs at the intersection of Austin Street and the new state highway. The new highway runs east and west by the courthouse.

The Texas State Highway Department road crew installed the new traffic signs last Wednesday and practically every motorist that has travelled the route has violated the new signs.

One long time Coke County resident stated that had been making a U-turn at that intersection for more than 60 years and he had just noticed that he had broken the law.

As travelers find the new highway through Robert Lee, the more dangerous it will be to violate the new traffic signs.

Let's observe the "Stop" and "No U-Turn" signs so that we won't have any loss of life and property damage at this intersection.

### A. J. KIRKPATRICK CONVALESCING AT HOME

A. J. Kirkpatrick is convalescing at his home after being dismissed from the Coke County Memorial Hospital.

He was admitted to the hospital on Saturday for treatment and was dismissed Tuesday.

## New Garage Building Under Construction

Ellis Eubanks is constructing a new garage building on the Bronte Highway that is near completion. The construction is valued at \$45,000.

Eubanks said that he expects to complete the construction in approximately three weeks.

He has been doing automobile mechanical work in a location across the highway next to Mc's Grocery Store for the past 10 years.

The new building is constructed of concrete and steel.

## HOSPITAL NEWS

Nov. 23 — Mrs. Evelyn Smith admitted. Bobbie Hatley, Jr., Mrs. L. H. Dinakenship, J. W. Service, Jr. dismissed.

Nov. 24 — Mrs. Evelyn Smith dismissed.

Nov. 25 — Nancy Trimbel dismissed.

Nov. 26 — A. J. Kirkpatrick admitted. Mrs. Dick Skipworth dismissed.

Nov. 27 — Lowell Roane, Mrs. Oscar Collett admitted. Mrs. J. Q. Counts, Mrs. Lois Mae Smith dismissed.

Nov. 28 — Mrs. Joe Dedson, Sr., Mrs. J. S. Gardner admitted.

Nov. 29 — A. J. Kirkpatrick dismissed.

Nov. 30 — Lowell Roane dismissed.

Mr. and Mrs. D. O. King were recent visitors in the home of the daughter and son-in-law, the Dan Halls of Borger. Accompanying the Kings were their daughters, Mrs. Bobby Walker of Robert Lee, Mrs. Harry Anderson of Lubbock. Mr. Harry Anderson also made the trip for the occasion of Mr. King's birthday.

## Delmir Sheppard Dies Suddenly



DELMIR SHEPPARD

W. Delmir Sheppard, age 60, died suddenly at 9:15 p.m. Sunday at his home in Robert Lee from a heart attack.

Sheppard, a lifelong resident of Coke County, was born February 20, 1900 at Robert Lee. His parents were the late M. B. Sheppards of this county.

He attended school in the Edith community from 1906 until 1916. He was graduated from the Robert Lee high school in 1918.

Sheppard was married to the former Miss Norma Whiteside October 29, 1922, at Robert Lee.

He was engaged in ranching in Coke County until his death. He operated several ranches in the Divide area and other parts of the county on which he raised sheep and cattle.

On November 3 of this year Sheppard was driving his pickup truck and trailer loaded with sheep near his ranch in the Divide area when he suffered a "black out" spell and lost control of his truck and ran into a barbed wire fence that severely cut his left arm. He was apparently recovering from the accident since he was scheduled to have the cast removed from his arm on Monday of this week.

The day of his death Delmir Sheppard spent the day hunting on his ranch with two lifelong friends, Chisom Brown and Freeman Clark. He was in good spirits and apparently feeling fine after the hunt. He retired early Sunday evening and died suddenly a short time later.

Sheppard was a member of the Methodist Church in Robert Lee and the Coke County Game Management Association.

One of his sons, Harold Sheppard, was killed in a highway accident near Spearman 7 weeks prior on a Sunday evening at 9 o'clock. Harold Sheppard was buried in the Robert Lee Cemetery October 11.

Funeral services for Delmir Sheppard were held at 2:30 p.m. under direction of Clift Funeral Home at the Methodist Church with the Rev. Travis McNair officiating.

Survivors other than his wife include three sons: Delmir Morris, Bert and Jerome, all of Spearman; one daughter, Mrs. Nelda Brock, of Shallwater.

Other survivors are one brother, A. B. Sheppard of Robert Lee; and three sisters: Mrs. B. J. Robbins, Natalia, Texas; Mrs. H. H. King, Abilene and Mrs. W. A. Shelton of Houston. Also surviving are: Mrs. Temp Whiteside, his mother-in-law; a sister-in-law, Miss Bessie Whiteside of San Angelo; and a brother-in-law, T. K. Whiteside of Adamsville, Texas; and 15 grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Linzy McDorman, Fagan Parker, Freeman Clark, Chisom Brown, Crowley Harmon, Raymond McCutchen, David Key, Ell Hatley, J. E. Quisenberry and Raymond Schooler, all of Robert Lee.

Jo Ann Hood, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jett Hood, spent the Thanksgiving holidays at home with her parents. Miss Hood is a student at John Tarleton College in Stephenville.

## Senior Class To Present Play

The Robert Lee High School Senior Class is to present its annual Senior Class Play on Tuesday night, December 6, beginning at 7:30 in the high school auditorium.

The play is entitled "Wildcat Willie in the Doghouse," and is directed by Garland Davis, Senior Class Sponsor, with Brenda Cowley as student director.

Gary Ledbetter, an ex-student, is helping in the play. He is cast as Vernon, Willie's pal. Other students taking part in the play are James Blankenship as Willie; Gayle Lewis as Gladys, his sister; Jenell Jeffery as Mrs. Wilkins, their mother; Frankie Blair as Joe, Willie's pal; Sue Parker as Angel, the brat next door; Jerry Quisenberry as Cary, her brother; Brenda McDorman, Vicki Wojtek, and Doris Mayfield as Marcella, Anabel, and Hazel, classmates of Willie; Lee Ann Fought as Miss Curtis, Willie's teacher; Louise Sparks, Donny Robertson, Pat Lomas, David Drennan, and Leon Gregston as Betty, Russell, Sam, Frank, and Harold, friends of Willie; and Mr. Wag, a dog, as yet uncast.

Admission prices include preschool children, free; children in grades 1-6, 25c, and others, 50c. Proceeds will be used to help the seniors make their annual class trip, which this year the class hopes to be a tour of our nation's capital, Washington, D. C.

### CHRISTMAS GIFTS TO BE DONATED TO TB PATIENTS

El Valle Garden Club will have a container in front of Roach's Dry Goods from Wednesday until Saturday, December 3, for gifts to be sent to the patients at McKnight Tuberculosis Sanatorium.

All contributions will be appreciated especially men's clothing including robes, pajamas and slacks.

Visiting in the Jett Hood home during the Thanksgiving holidays were Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Westfall and children, Wayne and Betty. Mrs. Westfall is Mrs. Hood's sister. The Westfall family resides in Comanche, Texas.

## BIRTHS

**ROBERTS**—Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Roberts (Nettie Bob Bell) of Jal, New Mexico, are parents of a daughter born Nov. 21 in a Kermit hospital. She weighed 7 pounds and 14 ounces and has been named Paula Waynette. The Roberts' are parents of another daughter, Kimberley Gayle, aged 15 months.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Curtis E. Bell of Robert Lee, Mrs. Effie Roberts of Bronte, and Pal Roberts of San Angelo.

**HESTER**—Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hester became the parents of a daughter, Shelly Dawn, born at the Odessa Medical Center in Odessa, November 24, Thanksgiving Day. The baby weighed nine pounds and 5 ounces.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Buster Hester of Bronte and Mrs. Bonetia Robertson of Robert Lee.

### CARD OF THANKS

I wish to express my sincere appreciation to all my many friends and especially Mr. and Mrs. Foy L. Moore and Mr. and Mrs. John Brown for the nice birthday party they gave in my honor Wednesday.

I especially want to thank everyone for the many useful gifts they gave me on my 76th birthday.

Sincerely,  
V. P. Byrne

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Class 9:30 a.m.  
Wednesday, Midweek Bible  
Study 7:30 p.m.  
FOY L. MOORE, Minister  
Bronte Phone GR 3-4421

## Silver Youth Kills Deer

Mike Mumford, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Mumford of Silver, is beginning his hunting career at the age of seven.

Mike killed his first deer, a 4 point buck, early this season on the Monty Wilkes ranch near Silver with a 22 caliber rifle.

He reported to The Observer Saturday morning that he "shot the buck through the heart" from a distance of about 45 yards.

Mike is looking for his second deer of the 1960 Coke County season. Mike's father hasn't bagged one thus far this year.

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### LETTER TO SANTA

Silver, Texas  
Nov. 24th, 1960

Dear Ole' Santa:

I am a little girl five years old. I am very sweet and I mind my mother and daddy all the time. Please bring me an ice box, stove and sink. And Santa, I want some dishes, pots and pans. Please bring me an ironing board, and the clothes dryer. Thanks a lot. I love Santa.

Sabrina Jett  
Box 116  
Silver, Texas

### PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Olson left Thursday for a holiday weekend visit in Waco. They visited the former's brother, who for many years has been a patient in the Waco Veterans Hospital. The Olsons attended the Baylor-Rice football game Saturday and returned to Robert Lee Sunday.

Don Weathers was visiting his grandmother, Mrs. Daisy McCutchen, over the holidays. Don is a student at McMurry College in Abilene.

Nancy Trimble submitted to an emergency appendectomy Sunday, Nov. 20, at Coke County Memorial Hospital. She made a fine recovery and returned to school Monday. Nancy is the 11-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Trimble.

Mrs. J. H. Powell of Rankin recently suffered a severe sprain of the left ankle while visiting in the home of her brother, J. G. Griffin, at Union Texas Natural Camp. She was treated at Coke County Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Lois Mae Smith is improved from a recent illness and has been dismissed from Coke County Memorial Hospital where she was a patient ten days. During her period of illness she enjoyed visits from her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Johnson, and a sister from Melvin.

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## LHS Receives Driver Ed. Car

Robert Lee High School received a new 1961 Ford Monday, November 28, from Ivey Motor Company. The new green and white car will be used for the driver's education students.

In the Driver's Education course, a student has to have three hours of class work and six hours of driving before he can receive his driver's license. The class is to start driving this week. Garland Davis is the instructor.

## FFA BOYS HONORED IN LEADERSHIP CONTEST

The Robert Lee FFA Chapter journeyed to Eldorado Wednesday, November 23, when they participated in an FFA Leadership Contest. The groups entering were: Green Hand Chapter Conducting, Green Hand FFA Quiz, Senior Chapter Conducting, and Farm Radio.

Both Green Hand teams won first place and the right to enter the regional contest at Sweetwater this Saturday. Those participating were Robert Holland, Derwood Coalson, Dwain Walker, Bobby Blaylock, Dick Waldrop, Noel Gregston, and Jerry Craig. Senior Chapter Conducting won second place, and the Farm Radio team won third place. Those participating were Joe Roe, Ronnie Reid, Royce McInturff, Bill Ledbetter, Royce Hood, Joe Lara, Curtis Higginbotham, Don Hester, Daniel Gloria, and Eugene Gloria.

**First Methodist Church**  
**Robert Lee**  
 Sunday Services  
 Sunday School ..... 10 A.M.  
 Church Service ..... 11 A.M.  
 Evening Service .... 7:30 P.M.  
 EVERYONE WELCOME

## Sap Always Lacks Independence

By Brenda McDorman

You don't have to live in a tree to be a sap!

When the gang says, "Come on, let's go steal Johnny's hub caps!" do you say, "Well, I don't want to, but you've talked me into it!" Some excuse! It sure didn't take much talking to convince you, did it? And again, it may happen as you are cruising along to San Angelo and your best buddy says, "Ah, come on, step on it! We'll never get there at the rate you're going!" So, as you near the city, a highway patrolman stops you for speeding. Who do you blame? No, not yourself for being too weak to tell your buddy you didn't

really want to go faster, but you blame him for prodding you on.

How weak so many of the people in the world are! A lot of cases of juvenile delinquency are results of some "big man" pushing some weak teenager into crime.

It is really a wonderful moment when a teenage boy becomes a man and tells his buddies that he doesn't care to join them in doing something he doesn't feel is right. It takes a lot of nerve and a lot of will power, and the young man should be congratulated for finally standing on his own two feet.

A person will never be completely independent; however, a certain amount of independence should be a quality of each person. You'll never get anywhere in this world if you let someone always run your life. It's YOUR life, you live it.

You don't have to live in a tree to be a sap!

## Coalsons Hold Hunting Party

The entire Robert Lee School Faculty and their families were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Frank D. Coalson at their home and deer lease for their annual faculty deer hunting party Saturday, November 19.

For their noon meal, faculty members brought salads, desserts and other foodstuffs, but the main part of the meal was the ten-point buck Mr. Coalson had killed previously in Colorado.

The meal was followed by a pink and blue gift presentation to the Coach's wives, Mrs. John Malone and Mrs. Jerry Alsup. Also following the meal the men of the party hunted. Derwood Coalson was the only lucky person to bring down a deer.

Everyone seemed to have a fine time and Mr. and Mrs. Coalson are looking forward to next year's party.

## FTA Buys Glasses For Latin Girl

Monday night, November 21, the Future Teachers of America held a meeting in the Robert Lee High School Auditorium.

During the meeting, the club decided to buy eyeglasses for a Latin American child in the fourth grade. Mrs. Frank Coalson, sponsor, made the suggestion, stating that the little girl had become ill from the need of glasses. The Future Teachers group hope that she will now be able to continue her education.

Serving refreshments at the meeting were Brenda Cowley and Tommy Allen.

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

## Elementary News

The first six grades had their class parties last Wednesday, November 23, in their classrooms. Each classroom was decorated for Thanksgiving.

Mrs. Petty's fourth grade has a new student, Bucky Sparks. Bucky lived here last year, but they moved to Abilene this year before school started.

Mrs. Walling left last Sunday, November 20, for Houston to undergo ear surgery. She was welcomed back Monday, November 28, by her students. They presented her with a black leather book satchel. She will know in a month whether or not the surgery was a success.

## BASKETBALL TEAMS DEFEATED BY WESTBROOK

Westbrook defeated the Robert Lee girls' and boys' basketball teams Friday, November 18, for their Homecoming game. This was the boys first game of the season, whereas Westbrook has been playing all year.

Westbrook defeated the Hi-Liters 41-29. Betty Tinkler was Robert Lee's high point forward with 17 points.

The boys were overrun by Westbrook 53-36; however, the Steers had worked out only four days before. James Blankenship led the Steers with 11 points. The boys boasted 50 per cent accuracy of their free throws.

The starting team consisted of Jerry Quisenberry, James Blankenship, James Harmon, Donny Robertson and Carlton Boene.

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## CITIZENSHIP, ATHLETIC, AND FAVORITE AWARDS TOLD

Friday, November 8, at 12:45 in a faculty meeting, elections were held for the citizenship and most athletic awards.

The citizenship award was given on the basis of willingness to help when needed and ability to get along with other pupils. The students elected to this honor were Vicki Wojtek and Frankie Blair.

The athletic award was given on the basis of all-around athletic ability in all sports in which the school participates. The winners of this election were Barbara Gray and James Harmon.

Class favorites were chosen in separate elections held by each class. The Senior Class favorites are Carlton Boone and Brenda Cowley. The Junior class elected John Kinsey and Betty Jo McGinley. The Sophomore favorites are Beverly Higginbotham and Comie Hallmark. Irene Gloria and Derwood Coalson are the Freshman favorites.

Read the classified ads.

## OUTSIDERS TEAMS SCRIMMAGE IN GYM

Two teams of outsiders scrimmaged in the gym Monday, November 25. The girls' outsiders team defeated the Ex-Graduates 36-33.

The Ex-Graduates team consisted of Kenny Sawyer, Lavina McDaniel and Jo Ann Hood as forwards. Jerry Sparks, Phebe Casey, and Gayle Lewis played as guards. Phebe and Gayle played with the team because of a lack of players.

Bonnie Tinkler, Jeffie Roberts and Jo Clawson served as forwards on the regular Outsiders team. Sue Wojtek, Sammy Jo Baker, and Carolyn Simpson were the guards.

Some of the high school boys scrimmaged an outsiders team for practice immediately after the girls game.

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## Your County Agents Report

### Home Demonstration By CAROLE L. HOOPER

The holiday season — from Thanksgiving through New Year's Day — is here!

I have a bulletin, "Christmas Time at Home" which I think each of you would enjoy using. It contains information on canning, decorating and storing your fruit cakes as well as numerous recipes on Christmas Cakes, pies, puddings, cookies, candies, appetizers and beverages. If you would like a copy — call or write my office.

The 4-H awards program will be December 10th. This is the event when 4-H'ers are recognized and honored for their achievements.

Do your artificial wreaths and sprays and poinsettias look too tired to use again this year?

Try sponging them with "dry" soap or detergent suds skimmed from the top of the bowl. This softens them, washes away the year's accumulated dust, and makes them glisten again.

Launder ribbons in lukewarm suds and press under a layer of wax paper.

Turn a plain white table cloth into something festive. Use pinkish shears to cut brightly colored bits of cloth into Christmas designs — such as trees, bells, and stars. Then, dip these designs into starch and iron them onto the cloth here and there. The starch and heat will combine to make the colorful motifs adhere until you pull them off.

When the holidays are over, launder the cloth in plenty of hot soap or detergent suds, and, presto, — its' all ready again for plain, year-round use!

### Agriculture News By STERLING LINDSEY

I heard a news commentator say Saturday night "now that the turkey is relegated to hash and sandwiches." I suppose that portion is gone too, by now. But, it was good while it lasted. I trust that everyone was truly thankful and observed the holiday thankfully despite the fact that you may regard our situation in the world as being not too rosy. We are still the most fortunate group of people in the world — a fact that we should appreciate and be thankful for.

As the family and I coursed our way from here to East Texas and back to visit relatives during the holidays I noticed the grain fields along the way — and there are more of them every year, particularly in the eastern half of the State. Our small grain will compare with that anywhere along the line at the moment. Lack of moisture and the army worms have hurt some areas that normally have received quite a bit of grazing from small grains by this time of the year.

I had intended to comment on the recent agricultural census findings, but Mr. King beat me to the draw. I hope you noticed the article and can visualize the changes that have been made in the last ten years in the counties agriculture. At some future date when time is less demanding I will dig up some comparative figures in the census findings. We know the changes are taking place, but the total over a period of years is startling.

The brucellosis testing in the County will be completed when you receive this, except for the clean up work. Through Tuesday, the 22nd, we were just a fraction way from meeting the required infestation minimums of 5% of the herds and 1% of the animals. Bill Fowler, laboratory technician, stated that no county that he worked in had passed on the initial test. I hope Coke County is the first one that does.

Through Tuesday, the 22nd, 294 herds had been tested. Fifteen of these contained 28 positive reactors and 39 suspect animals or a herd infestation rate in the county of 5.10% — just one herd above the minimum for that many herds. The animal infection rate was .47% — well below the minimum.

In addition to the positive reactor herds, 13 herds contained suspects only and 744 heifers had

been vaccinated to prevent brucellosis.

It looks like our total cattle population will reach 8000 head. The 294 herds tested contained 70-83 head of cattle. Of there, 84.2% were tested or 5963 head.

We hope to be able to give a complete report next week — one showing that we met the requirements to be certified as modified — brucellosis free.

### LINZY McDORMAN HOME HOSTS HD CLUB

The Friendship Women's Home Demonstration Club met Tuesday, November 22, in the home of Mrs. Linzy McDorman.

Menu for the annual Christmas supper was approved by the nine members present. The date of the Christmas supper has been changed from December 20 to Saturday night, December 17, in the J. O. Rudd home.

Miss Carole Hooper, Coke County Home Demonstration Agent, presented the program on Christmas candies, cookies and decorations.

The next club meeting will be held January 12, 1961.



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Silver News

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wilcox were visitors in Wichita Falls Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Reid Biggs and daughter of Dallas were visitors over the weekend in the home of her parents, Mr and Mrs. T. Stewart.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne McCabe and Fredda visited her sister, Billy Hatton, and Mr. Hatton at Kilgore, Texas, during the holiday season.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Postlethwait and their daughters, Donna and Paula, of Sabine Pass, Texas, spent the Thanksgiving holidays with Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Jennings. Mrs Postlethwait is the daughter of the Jennings.

The Boy Scouts of Silver Troop 446 spent the weekend at Solinger, near Menard on a camping trip. There were eleven scouts accompanied by the scoutmaster, Jim Herford. Paul Gilchrist, W. W. Paul, Don Swinney, and Chas. Kennedy went also.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Leonard and children were guests of his parents, the A. L. Leonards, and her parents, the F. W. Whites, all of Big Spring.

Guests in the O. F. Bradham home during the holidays were Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Bradham and children of McAllen, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Breeden and children of Snyder, Mr. and Mrs. V. N. Hale of Novice. Also Mr. and Mrs. Jan Nickels and Sandra Jan Coleman who are old friends of the family.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Paul and sons, Bill and Larry, have returned from Corpus Christi where they visited Mr Paul's mother, Mrs. F. W. Paul, who is very ill.

J. D. Jett and family returned recently from Sour Lake and Silsbee, Texas, after a week's visit with Mrs. K. D. James, aunt of Mrs.

Jett, returned with them for a visit.

Miss Tommy Favors of Snyder was a weekend guest in the home of her sister, Mrs J. D. Jett, and Mr. Jett.

Rev. and Mrs. Warren Ellis and children, Don and Patricia, visited their daughter, Mrs. David Haughan, and Mr. Haughan at Mathis, Texas, Mr. B. F. Ellis of Robstown, the father of Rev. Ellis, and Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Davis in Junction.

The Jerry Mullicans and children, Scott and Tracy of Canyon spent Thanksgiving with his parents, the Frank Mullicans. Jerry is attending school at West Texas State College.

Home for the holidays were these college students: Joe Windham and Charles Palmer of North Texas State, and Sandra Clifton and Larry Cheatham of Tech.

Mrs. Herschel McDonald and Mrs. Billy M. Jones were in Austin week before last attending the State Parent - Teachers Convention. They went on a chartered bus for the entire 16th District.

Several Boy Scouts and their Scoutmaster, Jim Herford, went to Camp Sol Mayer last Friday at noon and returned Sunday afternoon. Sunday morning the group stopped in Menard and attended church. Those making the trip were Billy Paul, Larry Paul, Steve Kohutek, Larry Don Mulligan, Keith Jones, Mike Conner, Steven Gilbert, Gil Gilbert, David Cox, Donnie Higginbotham, Charles Kennedy. Fathers who were with the boys were Paul Gilbert, Chic Kennedy, Walter Paul, Silver Coach Don Sweeney and Mr. Herford.

Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Roberts and son, Donald, 18, of San Angelo visited the Guy Wheeler family on Thanksgiving Day.

READ THE WANT ADS.

The A. J. Roe Jr. family joined other members of the Roe family in a Thanksgiving gathering in Robert Lee. Also, two nephews of A. J., Jerry and Ricky Dean of Forsan, were overnight guests last Thursday in the Roe home.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Watson, Mrs. W. B. Bessent and Warren Bessent spent Thanksgiving Day in the John Conley home.

Fred Wilcox went to Wichita Falls Tuesday on company business. He was accompanied by his wife, Betty.

Mrs. P. L. Watson and son, John Willis, spent Thanksgiving week with her sister and family, the Jack McCallies. Peggy, their daughter, and a freshman at Southwestern University, Georgetown, came home Wednesday and returned Sunday.

Rodney Boyd spent last weekend deer hunting 25 miles south of San Angelo.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Burns and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Tinkler and family spent Thanksgiving day with the Paul Burns.

Mr. and Mrs. V. W. Lehde came from Sweetwater to be with their daughter and family, the Billy Jones, on Thanksgiving Day.

Visiting in the Bobby Walker home Thanksgiving day were Mr. and Mrs. James Page of Odessa.

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Mrs. Thelma Mauldin spent Thanksgiving day with her son, J. D. Mauldin, and family in Belton, Texas. Accompanying Mrs. Mauldin on the trip were Mrs. Willis Wayne Smith, Robbie and Stevie, and Richard Sims.

**Weekly Meditation**

A little boy was asked by his teacher to quote a passage of scripture to show that a man should not have two wives. After a little thought the lad replied, "No man can serve two masters."

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**PERSONALS**

Spending Thanksgiving Day with the Oscar Tumlinsons in San Angelo were Mr. and Mrs. Will Percifull and daughters, Melinda, Kathy, Sue and Becky.

Going to Dallas to spend Thanksgiving Day with their son and family were Mr. and Mrs. Buster Farris.

Jerry Dean, son of the Jeff Deans, was home from McMurry for Thanksgiving.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Bilbo during the Thanksgiving holidays were: Mr. and Mrs. Lamar Kay and their children, Jan and Mark, of Alpine; Mr. and Mrs. Bob Boren and three children, Kathy, Tom and John of Snyder; Mr. and Mrs. Steward Evans and sons, Sandy and Stevie of Midland; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Havins and son, Billy, of Midland.

Holiday guests at the Fern Havins residence included Mr. and Mrs. Bill Havins and son Billy.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Brady were visiting Mrs. Brady's sister, Mrs. J. R. Haralson, and family during the Thanksgiving holidays. From Beaumont, Mr. and Mrs. Brady are both students at Lamar Tech.

Ronnie Sims was home from the University of Texas for the

holidays. He is a son of the Charles Sims.

James Calder, 13, suffered a fracture of the left clavicle while playing near his home Nov. 17. He was treated at Coke County Memorial Hospital and released. James is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Calder.

Holiday visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hubert D. Payton were Mrs. G. W. Long, Mrs. L. A. Boyd and son, Bobby Boyd, and Mrs. Don Mozier, all of Mertzon, Texas.

The R. C. Sawyer family had as holiday guests, Dr. and Mrs. R. T. Stenberg and sons, Mike and Gary, of Austin, and Mrs. James Coffman of Lubbock.

Arriving Sunday for a visit with the Sawyers were Mr. and Mrs. Weaver Aishman and Kay of Ranger.

Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Childress were in Oklahoma City this past week where Mrs. Childress went through the Allergy Clinic.

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Dec. 1, 1960

**CAPPS RETURN FROM  
CALIFORNIA TRIP**

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Capps and Jack Capps have returned from a trip to Dexter, California, which is 25 miles north of Bakersfield.

Mrs. Kathryn Hoots accompanied the Capps party as far as Deming, New Mexico, where she stayed to visit her sister, Mrs.

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W. J. and Jack Capps visit their brother, E. E. Capps, family and their mother, Maggie Pearson.

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