...Don't Mess with Texas scholarship

(Continued from previous page) The contest will award a total of \$9,000 in scholarships to three winners in May 2021.

"We're looking for students who are developing exciting and creative solutions to keep Texas litter-free," said Becky Ozuna, program administrator for the Don't mess with Texas program. "We aim to shine a spotlight on their innovations in the hope of inspiring other Texans to do their part to keep our state beautiful."

To enter the Don't mess with Texas Scholarship Contest, visit dontmesswithtexas.org. Applications must be received via online submission by 5 pm (CST) March 31, 2021. Sponsors for the Don't mess with Texas Scholarship include Buc-ee's and iHeart Media.

Don't mess with Texas has been educating Texans about litter prevention since 1986. The program includes a grassroots partnership with the Keep Texas Beautiful organization, annual "Trash-Off" community outreach events and the Adopta-Highway volunteer program.

On This Day in Texas History January 15, 1874

On this day in 1874, Democrat Richard Coke was inaugurated as governor of Texas. Nevertheless, Republican governor Edmund J. Davis refused to vacate the office. Coke had overwhelmingly won the gubernatorial election in 1873. But the election was tainted by irregularities on both sides, and the state Supreme Court had voided the contest in Ex parte Rodriguez. Davis cited these facts and refused to budge. He even called in the Travis but these troops supported Coke when they got into the Capitol. Davis then appealed for federal troops to President Grant, telegraphed a refusal. Coke took over when Davis resigned on January 19.

Deadline to submit information to The Observer/ **Enterprise** is Monday at 5 pm.

Since 1889, newspapers have served Coke County beginning with the Coke County Rustler. In the 1980s, the Bronte Enterprise and the Robert Lee Observer combined to become The Observer/Enterprise. The history told in these publications is fascinating and we want to share it with our readers of today. Each week, we will include items from the archives.



er 1965 football season Friday when they invade the domain Longhorns, District ers. The Steers are out nning for the champion-Bronte has it won regard-the outcome of the game hight, but a Robert Lee win a great moral victory for age and Black. The game

meral Services ield Sunday for ligh S. Lewis

p.m. in Robert Lee Baptist or Hugh S. Lewis, 86, who 10:15 p.m. Friday in West lemorial Hospital. He had e hospital early Friday. een in failing health for

Bill Beaty, Baptist pasofficiated. Buria Robert Lee Cemetery, di-Williams Funeral Home vis was born Dec. 5, 1878, stield, La. He was married James, Nov. 7, 1914, at They lived in Ballinger Robert Lee in 1935.

y after arriving in Mr. Lewis established ately handling milk, ice and He served as tax assesor for the Robert Lee nt School District 11 th his wife as office as-They retired in July 1961. wis was a member of the Church

include his wife; a son, Lee Postmaster Hugh S. Kemp of Bronte; one L. Maggie Creswell of four grandchildren and grandchildren.

Edward (Eddie) as lost in action during III when his plane over-unway and landed in the ar Wake Island off the

week will also decide the unofficial but hotly "Coke County Champions.

The Steers will go into the gam with a 2-1-1 district record, com pared to the Longhorns' 4-0-0. The Steers have a 3-5-1 season record, while the Longhorns sport a 7-2-0

Last Week's Scores
Robert Lee 37, Loraine 0; Bronte
39, Trent 8.; Hermleigh 14, Jayton

This Week's Schedule Robert Lee at Bronte, Trent at Hermleigh, Loraine at Jayton. Hermleigh, Loraine at Jayton.
The bi-district playoff between Bronte and Chillicothe, winners of District 7-B, will be played at 2 p.m. Thanksgiving Day in Bronte. Tickets for a reserve section will go on sale today at Hurlin Lee's Service Station in Bronte. Price of the reserved tickets is \$1.75, and general admission tickets will be \$1.25 and 75 cents.

Highway Department Okays New Bronte Road

158 between Robert Lee Bronte. Anouncement of the okay on the project came in a news release Wednesday morning. The information stated that the 1967-68 Consolidated Highway Pro-gram will include purchase of

ight of way and reconstruction o Highway 158 from Robert Lee, east to Bronte, a distance of 11.9 miles. Some talk on widening and

Newspaper Will Be Out Day Early Next Week

a day early next week because of the Thanksgiving holidays. If at all possible papers will be delivered to the post office in time to get out on routes Wednesday morning.

The cooperation of advertisers making the early publication day possible. Monday will be the dead-line for both advertising and news

for the Nov. 25 issue.

It will be greatly appreciated if everyone who can will turn in his news as early as Friday.

Boy Scout Drive Reaches \$269.75

A total of \$269.75 had been ceived up to Tuesday afternoon for the Robert Lee Boy Scout fund drive. Judge W. W. Thetford is

drive. Judge W. W. Thetford is chairman of the drive, and O. B. Jacobs is auditor.

Jacobs said Tuesday that the drive is not complete and all workers have not been able to contact all their prospects. He said, also, that the total does not include money contributed by systemic that the total does not include money contributed by sustaining members.

Anyone who has not been contacted and wishes to contribute to the drive should see one of the workers, or leave his money with Thet-ford or Jacobs.

heard the past several months, and, apparently the work will be part of the 1967-63 construction of the 1967-68 construction program. Traffic on Highway 158 be-

FFA Teams Enter **Eldorado Contests**

Robert Lee Chapter of the F.F.A. were scheduled to participate in the District Leadership Contests yesterday, Nov. 17. Results were not available at Observer deadline time. Five teams were to have entered the contests.

Senior Chapter Conducting team consists of: President Robert Wink, Vice President Gaylon Pitcock, Se-cretary Smoky Blair; Treasurer Ross Adkins, Reporter Ronnie De-voll, Sentinel Donnie Devoll, Advis-or Lynsey White and voting delegates Keith Waldrop, Gary

iams, and Craig Thomason.
The Senior Skills team, composed of Gaylon Pitcock, Lynn Shandler and Lynsey White were to conduct a demonstration on electricity.

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Junior Chapter Conducting team
includes Carrol Green, president;
Mac Adkins, vice president; Roy
Blair, sentinel; Bill Burns, reporter; Darrel Pitcock, secretary; Steve
Rives, treasurer and Leroy Casey
and Andy Cole, delegates. and Andy Cole, delegates.
On the Junior Skills Team

Bob McClellan, Bob Ledbetter, Freddy Smith and Mike Denman. The Greenhand Quiz team con sists of Roy Blair, Carrol Green Wojtek.

PTA MEETS TONIGHT

ciation will meet tonight at p.m. in the school auditorium. eryone is invited to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cowley of San Angelo visited his mother, Mrs. Lem Cowley and other relatives in Robert Lee Thursday.

Some other smaller projects for Coke County included in the program were announced as follows: U. S. Highway 277 - Place as-

a distance of 13.4 miles. State Highway 208 - Widen two ne, north, a distance of 1 mile State Highway 208 — Reconstruct Robert Lee, south, a distance of 1.1

Farm to Market Road 2333-Place asphalt seal coat from U. S. 277 to Runnels County line, a disce of 3.1 miles.

City Working To Get New Water Lines In

city is working hard toward provid

can be obtained by use of garden

the group concerning school

being installed Tuesday.

school has been approved for approximately \$14,000 federal money under the Title I program for pro-viding improved classroom facili

Gerald C. Allen, UCRA president spoke to the group concerning a meeting held Monday to discuss enlargement of the UCRA, and Com-missioner Fern Havins gave a brief

Girls Split Pair With Ballinger

Robert Lee High School girds cocketball teams split a pair of james with Ballinger, Tuesday ight. The A team won its game, 46-16, and the B team barely

315 producing wells. Asset of the Sitver area by pipeline.

The two bedroom homes in the Tubb and Jameson camps were built at a cost of \$7,500 to \$8,000 each.

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Camps To Be Vacated By June of improvement. Bickley said that so work has been done in of the old building an A number of lots have been pur- there were more than 60 producing

affected by the recent order of Sun Oil Company that their three camps Approximately affected by the recent order of Sun affected by the recent order of Sun old Company that their three camps oil Company that their three camps in Coke County be disbanded by June 30, 1966. Only two houses remain in the Millican Camp west remain in the Millican Camp west for Edith, with the remainder of the Edith, with the remainder of the families living in the Jameson and Tubb Camps at Silver, who was the Camps will selvent the Observent this week that Sun employees with who now live in the camps will be camps must be mother than the camps must be mother than the camps must be cantilly vacated by Sept. 1, 1966, was cated and Jim Edison, area pro-Koonce and Jim Edison area p

handing the camps were discussed with company officials.

They reported that there is no

with company direction that there is most of them will ployees move to Robert Lee for Colorado Movembre Marie Mari

A number of lots have been purchased recently in Robert Lee by Sun employees who anticipated that the camps would be closed.

End of an Era

Closing of the Sun Camps will mark the end of an era for the silver area. The community was made up almost entirely of ranch families before discovery of the families before discovery of the fonce Sun began construction of nonce Sun began construction of homes for its employees. The inhomes for its employees. The inhomes for its employees and proflux of drilling crews and proflux of more than 200 families munity of more than 200 families and again in 1963 increased the capacity of the plant. Today it people and merchants to Silver and created a prosperous community of more than 200 families connected with the oil business, in addition to the oil timers and other business people who moved in to take care of the needs of in to take care of the needs of in to take care of the needs of the community. Population of the community. Population of the needs of the needs of the needs of the community. Population of the needs of the nee