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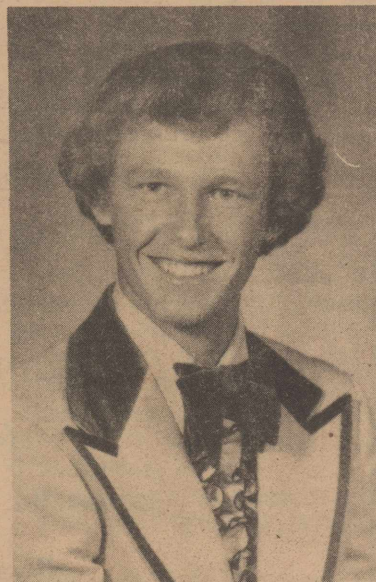
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DIANNA TINKLER  
...Valedictorian



BOBBY PHILLIPS  
...Salutatorian

## Lake Spence Catches Four Feet Of Runoff During Month of April

Lake Spence is becoming the kind of lake it was intended to be when it was built more than 10 years ago. It's still a long way from being full, but it's getting closer to that magic mark than many old timers thought it ever would.

The lake, if and when it gets full, will be the largest in this area of West Texas. None of the lakes near San Angelo can hold a candle to it in holding capacity, if the gigantic watershed can provide the runoff needed to bring it up to the spillway level.

## Housewarming To Honor Dr. And Mrs. Zeon

Dr. and Mrs. Zae Y. Zeon and family will be honored with a housewarming Sunday afternoon at their new home in Robert Lee. The public is invited to call during the party hours, from 3 to 5 p.m. The new home of the doctor and his family is located at 515 Overland Trail.

Sponsors of the event are members of the staff of West Coke County Hospital and Clinic. They issued a cordial invitation to everyone to come by for a visit.

## Young Farmers Annual Auction Set Saturday

Coke County Young Farmers will have their annual consignment sale Saturday at Robert Lee School. The auction of a large number items will begin at 10 a.m.

A few of the items on their sale list are typewriters, household items, trailers, farm equipment, tools, furniture, toys, a small one-way plow "and many other items."

Unloading will begin this afternoon (Friday) and continue until 9 a.m. Saturday.

Everyone in the area is invited to bring anything they have for sale and let the Young Farmers get a small commission.

A spokesman for the group said, "This is our effort to help the youth of our county, so please bring your items to sell."

Anyone who needs more information should call one of the vo-ag teachers, David Howell in Bronte or Sid Long in Robert Lee.

Lake Superintendent Mike Ross said Tuesday that the lake is now sitting at a new record level. The lake has caught almost four feet of water during April from the heavy rains to the north and west.

A spokesman for the Colorado River Municipal Water District called the Observer office this week and reported, "Since April 13 the lake has gained 3.90 feet of water, with 3.263 of this since April 23.

"Lake Spence is now 55 per cent full, according to the acre feet it now holds," he said. The lake now contains 268,660 acre feet and when it is full it will have 488,760 acre feet.

The spokesman said the lake's elevation is now 1878.64 feet above sea level and when it is full the elevation will be 1898.00 feet above sea level, a distance of 19 1/2 feet.

Ross said water is six inches up on the floodgates and "we are still receiving a small flow into the lake."

Fishermen have reported that the rapid flow of water into the lake during the past week has interfered with fishing, but their complaints don't last long, as they know the huge influx of water will only make for better fishing later on.

Management officials of CRMWD feel good about the lake level, since they are in the business of selling water. Their stock of merchandise for sale to thirsty West Texans in Big Spring, Midland, Odessa and other places has been greatly replenished.

## SENIOR SALAD SUPPER

The Robert Lee Baptist Church will honor the senior adults with a salad supper in the Fellowship Hall of the church Saturday evening at 7. On Sunday morning, May 3, the church will celebrate Senior Adult Recognition Day for this very special group of people.

Weekend family visitors in the Wilson Bryan home were Mr. and Mrs. Tony Dean, Dustin, and Summer of Jacksboro; Della and Noah Lemons of Weatherford; Katherine Parris of San Angelo; and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Bryan, Stephanie and Tim of Ballinger.

# Robert Lee High School Honor Students Named

## Coke Receives More Rainfall

Stormy weather hit the Coke County area Wednesday night of last week after the Observer was already made up, adding an inch of rain to the April total.

J.E. Quisenberry Jr. reported 1.25 inches in Robert Lee, along with small hail and high winds.

J.W. Service Sr. of the Graham Valley community had 1 inch and high winds.

The Valley View community also had about an inch and high wind.

Fred McCabe Jr., who lives on the Divide southwest of Robert Lee had .87 inch, with pea size hail, but little wind.

Some minor damage was reported from the turbulence, but nothing serious.

## Pre-K Day Is Set for May 7

Parents are reminded that pre-kindergarten day will be held at the kindergarten classroom at school from 8:45 until 11:45 a.m. Thursday, May 7, for all children who will be 5 years old as of Sept. 1, 1981.

The children should be brought to the kindergarten classroom and then picked up at 11:45 after a complimentary lunch in the school cafeteria.

Parents are requested to bring birth certificates and immunization records and meet with Principal Bill Hood in the cafeteria at 9:00 a.m.

Buy and Sell With Want Ads!

## Robert Lee School Annual Is Dedicated To Dorothea Wright

The "Corral '81" arrived last week and a special assembly was held Wednesday, April 22, to dedicate the annual and distribute copies to students.

This year's edition has been dedicated to Miss Dorothea Helen Wright with the dedication, as follows:

**The Robert Lee Annual Staff is proud to dedicate the 1981 Corral to a hard-working dedicated teacher, Dorothea Helen Wright.**

**Miss Wright has been a teacher for several years. Five of those she has been at Robert Lee. She has been chosen class sponsor every year that she has been here.**

**Miss Wright, you have given all of the students at Robert Lee a new outlook and a bright future. Thank you for your dedication and understanding.**

The 1980-81 annual staff members are Frankie Walker, Becky Taylor, Kenda Rasco, Dee Anna Key, Bob Flowers, Bobby Phil-

Dianna Tinkler is valedictorian of the 1981 Senior Class of Robert Lee High School. Bobby Phillips is salutatorian of the class.

Dianna, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Tinkler, has a grade average of 96.760. Bobby's grade

## Vaughans Go To WTCC Meet

Mayor and Mrs. Robert Vaughan were in El Paso April 15-17 for the 63rd annual convention of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce.

The theme of the convention was "Mexico and the United States—Opportunity Ahead." The programs and panel discussions were cosponsored by the Jno. E. Owens Foundation and the Edwin L. Cox School of Business, Southern Methodist University, Dallas.

Notable business men and educators from Mexico and Texas gave panel discussions on "Mexico/United States Business and Investment Climate."

Luncheon speaker, The Honorable William P. Clements Jr., Governor of Texas, talked on "The Prospect for Energy."

Richard C. White, member of U.S. Congress - 16th District of Texas, talked on "National Perspective" at the closing luncheon.

There were sight seeing tours and evening entertainment which the Vaughans' reported as being most enjoyable.

## Girls Qualify For State Meet

Both the Robert Lee High School girls who participated in the regional track meet last

average is 90.229. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Weldon Phillips of Robert Lee and Ms. Barbara Nesselroad of Richmond, Va.

Dianna has been active in basketball during her four years of high school. She has been a class officer and a member of the Beta Club each year. She has also participated in track, band, the flag corps, FHA and the Student Council.

Bobby has been active in the band each year and was drum major two years. He was a member of the one-act play cast and on the annual staff three years. He has also participated in number sense 4 years, been a class officer 3 years, served on the Student Council, speech team, and has taken part in basketball, track and tennis.

## PAINT CREEK CEMETERY WORKING SET MAY 9

Mrs. Zera Fields announced that the Paint Creek Cemetery Association will hold its annual work and cleanup day on Saturday, May 9. Residents who have family and friends buried at Paint Creek, near Edith, are urged to attend. During the day, there will be a short business meeting called by S.B. Plumlee, president of the association.

## REPORT YOUR NEWS!

Saturday at Levelland qualified to compete at the state level in Austin Saturday, May 9.

Lupe Munoz took first in the 3200 meter run with a time of 12:34.10. Leigh Ann Runion was second at region in the high jump with 5' 2".

Munoz was also entered in the 1600 meter run but managed a time of only 5:54.85 for fourth place, which does not allow her to compete at state.

Leigh Ann will perform at the high jump pit in Austin at 9:30 a.m. and Lupe will run in the 3200 meter event at 12:45 p.m.

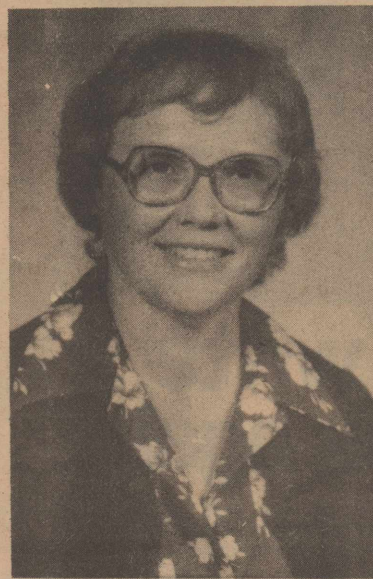
Both girls will take part in a State Qualifier Meet Saturday, May 2, at Brownwood. Leigh Ann will jump at 10 a.m. and Lupe will run at 2:15 p.m.

## BOYS GOING TO REGIONAL

Four RLHS athletes will go to Levelland this weekend to compete in the boys regional track meet.

Graves Parks will take the only Robert Lee first place to Levelland where he will compete in the pole vault event. Taking second place in district and qualifying for regional were Scot Long in discus, Bob Flowers in the 400 meter dash and Armando Sanchez in the 100 meter dash.

Any of the four who qualify at region will go to state at Austin Saturday, May 9, same time as the girls.



DOROTHEA HELEN WRIGHT

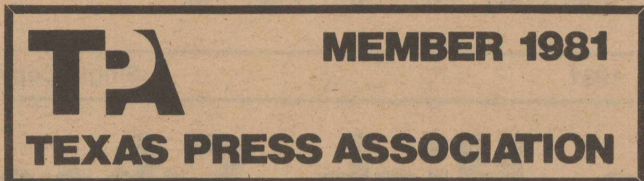
lips and Sponsor Winnie McPeck.

In addition to her duties at Robert Lee School, Miss Wright is a worker in the community. She has been one of the prime movers and most active members of the West Coke County Ambulance Service.

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### Stolen Goods Are Recovered

A large portion of the merchandise which was stolen from the J.O. McGinley Service Station and Store northwest of Robert Lee was recovered this week in Del Rio, according to Sheriff Marshall Millican.

The sheriff went to Del Rio this week to investigate and found that charges were pending against a man for theft of a motor vehicle in Val Verde County and Lubbock County. Also a charge of burglary of a habitation had been lodged against him in Victoria County.

Sheriff Millican said that a probable attempted robbery of the Bon Spoons Grocery and Service Station in Bronte apparently was foiled last Thursday when an unexpected customer came into the store to get his wife a soft drink.

Millican said that the store attendant, Royce Dean Clark, felt that a man and a woman who had backed their car up to the building and come into the store were on the verge of robbing him when an unsuspecting customer came into the store and scared off the couple.

The couple had left the motor

of their car running, came into the store, wandered around through the back, went to the rest room and the woman was standing close to him at the checkout counter with her hand in her extended purse when the unexpected customer came in. The couple fled and drove away toward the north without obtaining anything from the store.

Sheriff Millican said there was no concrete evidence that the pair was going to attempt to rob the store "but Royce thought they were behaving awfully suspiciously."

Highway Patrolman Bobby Hart said Tuesday night that he arrested two adults and a juvenile Saturday night and filed charges against them for possession of marijuana.

Patrolman Hart also reported that two Odessa men were slightly injured Sunday when the pickup truck they were driving went out of control and overturned a small distance south of the Y on U.S. 277, about nine miles north of Bronte.

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### Work Days Set At Rodeo Arena

Officials of the Coke County Rodeo Association have announced work days every Saturday at the roping arena at Bronte "until things are in good shape for the 1981 summer roping and rodeo season."

Everyone who is a member of the association or is interested in the rodeo program is urged to help get the arena ready.

"The first official playday is June 13," Cooper said, "and everybody should keep the date in mind."

The big annual Coke County Rodeo is scheduled for the third weekend in July, the 17 and 18.

Donald Cooper, president, also said that it's time for individual participants to start getting their equipment ready for the summer contests.

Practice playdays are scheduled for May 9 and 23 and everybody is encouraged to take part in these events.

### News from West Coke Hospital

April 21: Lillian Caperton admitted. Mary Vaughn, Sarah Lara, Mattie Lockett dismissed.

April 22: Ruth Williams admitted. Willie Yarbrough, Artie Walls, Phebe Howard dismissed.

April 23: Lena Russell admitted.

No dismissals.

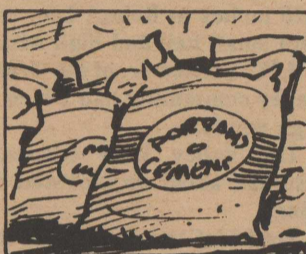
April 24: No admissions. Cova Collier, Dona Bryan dismissed.

April 25: No admissions. No dismissals.

April 26: Ila Weir, Henry Maples, Santiago Munoz, Carlos Rabb, Frank Allen admitted. no dismissals.

April 27: Bill Sparks admitted. Frank Allen dismissed.

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*to attend a*  
  
*House Warming*  
  
*for*  
  
*Dr. and Mrs. Lae Y. Leon*  
  
*May 3, 1981*  
  
*from 3:00 to 5:00 P.M.*  
  
*at their home*  
  
*515 Overland Trail*  
  
*Robert Lee, Texas*

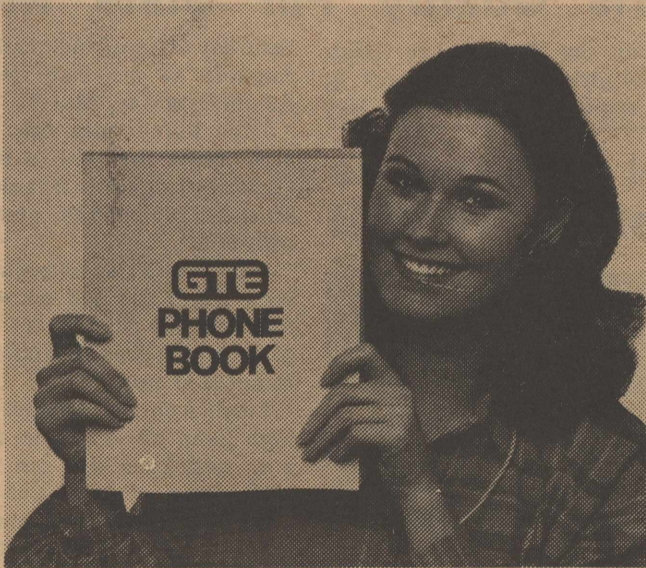


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## Dogies Swat 'Em Dead At Track

The Robert Lee Junior High School Dogies took first place at a triangular meet last week at Sterling City. Schools participating were Robert Lee, Garden City and Sterling. The Robert Lee boys came in with a first place and 210 points.

The Dogie team had some spectacular results as are shown below:

400 meter relay: 2. J.B. Jacobs, G. Grim, D. Roberts, D. Rodriguez, 50.6.

110 meter hurdles: 1. K. Rasco, 19.27; 2. K. Johnson,

19.27; 6. R. Jacobs, 21.77.

100 meter dash: 2. D. Rodriguez, 13.43; 3. M. Sanchez, 13.53; 4. J.B. Jacobs, 13.8.

400 meter dash: 2. D. Roberts, 63.28; 3. C. DeLaPena, 63.45; 4. J. Hinnard, 63.7.

300 meter hurdles: 2. K. Rasco, 48.38; 3. K. Johnson, 50.8; 4. B. Boone, 54.38.

200 meter dash: 1. G. Grim, 25.8; 3. J.B. Jacobs, 27.8.

800 meter run: 3. C. DeLaPena, 2:25.81; 4. B. Boone, 2:26.7; 6. P. Stephens, 2:36.7.

1600 meter run: 3. N. Ybarra, 5:50.7.

1600 relay: 1. G. Grim, B. Boone, D. Roberts and D. Rodriguez, 4:06.23.

Shot put: 2. G. Grim, 37' 1/4". Discus: 2. C. DeLaPena, 102'.

Long jump: 2. D. Rodriguez, 16' 1"; 4. G. Grim, 15' 2 1/2"; 5. C. DeLaPena, 14' 10".

High jump: 1. K. Rasco, 5' 4"; 2. B. Boone, 5' 4"; 3. M. Wilson, 5'.

Pole vault: 3. D. Rodriguez, 8' 6"; 6. K. Rasco, 7' 6".

### HAS LONG VISIT

Mrs. Fred Smith returned home Easter weekend after a three week visit with various relatives. She left on March 29 by bus to Weatherford for a visit with her son, Jerry Calder. After several days there, she boarded a plane for Riverdale, Georgia to see another son, Danny Smith and family.

Flying back to Dallas, Mrs. Smith spent several days with her step-son and family, the Foy Smiths and Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Smith. They traveled by car to Brownwood to see Mrs. Felix Puett, her sister-in-law. Mr. Smith met them there and they returned home together. She reported a wonderful trip and saw lots of beautiful country.

### Services For Travis Pannell

Graveside services for Travis Pannell were held at 2 p.m. Monday, April 27, in Robert Lee Cemetery under the direction of Johnson's Funeral Home of San Angelo. J.C. Wallace Jr. officiated.

Mr. Pannell died at 12:50 a.m. Sunday in Shannon Hospital of San Angelo where he had been a patient since last Tuesday.

He was born April 27, 1909, in Knox City and would have been 72 on Monday. He was married to Evelyn Sudderth Kelly Aug. 10, 1968, in Littlefield. He was a retired rancher and farmer and had lived in Robert Lee six years. He was a member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors include his wife; a daughter, Dixie Sublett of Lubbock; four sisters, Daisy Talley of San Angelo, Kitty Thomas and Robbie Jones, both of Robert Lee, and Frances Chaffin of Knox City; a brother, Paul Pannell of Sun Valley, Nev., and one grandson.

Nephews serving as pallbearers were Danny Jones and Craig Adams of Midland, Mike Talley, Paul Allen Talley, Tommy Talley and Robert Talley all of San Angelo, and W.O. Swisher and Jack Thomas both of Lubbock.

### SHERRILLS HAVE GUESTS

Weekend guests of Y.J. and Dair Sherrill were Lt. Col. Mike Sherrill of Wiesbaden, Germany; Lois Schwager, Morris, Ginger Huckeba; Kim and Charla; Charles, and Ann Sherrill, and Charles Michael and Crissy; Lynda Ruth Sledge and Ronny of Odessa; and Mrs. Sinia Nowlin, Robert Lee.

Lt. Col. Sherrill is being assigned to Sheppard AFB in Wichita Falls for the next four weeks before returning to Germany. He was one of three Air Force dentists who examined the 52 American Hostages after their release from Iran. He said that the former hostages had relatively few dental problems during their 444 days of captivity primarily due to good oral hygiene practice.

### Gaines Services Held Monday

Funeral services were held at 10 a.m. Monday in George Price Funeral Chapel at Levelland for J.N. (Jasper) Gaines, 51, of Levelland and formerly of Robert Lee.

Graveside services followed in Robert Lee Cemetery at 5:30 p.m. conducted by the Rev. James Sanders.

Gaines died at St. Vincent's Hospital in Santa Fe, N.M. at 3 p.m. (MST) Friday, April 24, after a sudden illness while working at a drilling rig there. He was employed as a drilling consultant for Stan Jones, Inc.

He was born June 21, 1929, the son of Lillie and Robert Gaines, at Camp Wood in Real County. Growing up in Robert Lee and attending school here, he had lived in Levelland since 1969. He was married to Erma Lee Hicks in 1951 at Carlsbad, N.M. She preceded him in death in 1968.

Survivors include two daughters, Joyce Allen of Levelland and Linda Harkins of Odessa; his mother, Mrs. Lillie Gaines of Robert Lee; two sisters, Bertie Wanker of Fairview, Okla. and Willie Eads of Robert Lee; a brother, Robert Gaines of Hamilton; and three grandchildren. Also his fiancée, Janice Jackson, of Levelland and seven godchildren.

Pallbearers were Robert Martin, Doyle Price, Gene McClure, Robert Phillips, Vernon Petty and Weldon Orman.



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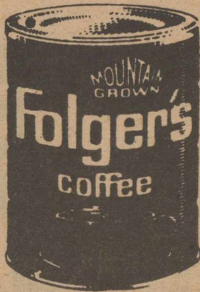
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MR. AND MRS. KEITH EUBANKS

### Miss Pearson, Keith Eubanks Wed In Double Ring Ceremony

Miss Dana Marie Pearson of Robert Lee and Johnnie Keith Eubanks of Bronte were wed Saturday, April 18, 1981, at the Baptist Temple Church, 19th and Volney, in San Angelo. Pastor Neil Brillhart officiated at the double ring ceremony.

Tracy Pearson, sister of the bride, served as maid of honor. She wore a blue floor-length dress of satin covered with nylon net.

John Paul McGuire, of Bronte served as best man.

The other attendants were flower girl, Nicole McConnell, and ring bearer was Jay McConnell of Levelland.

Guests were seated by Andy Eubanks, brother of the groom, and Craig Pearson, brother of the bride.

The candles were lit by Steve Compton, cousin of the bride. Music was presented by Dana Goodnight, who played several selections and accompanied herself as she sang "That's the Way" and "He Has Chosen You for Me."

The bride was given in marriage by her father and wore a floor-length gown with a chapel train made of bridal satin overlaid with organza and Chantilly lace. It was accented with seeded pearls on the Queen Anne neckline and long bishop sleeves. A chapel length veil of lace and seeded pearls completed the ensemble. She carried a cascade

of white roses and baby's breath with satin streamers.

A reception followed immediately in the fellowship hall at Baptist Temple Church. Serving in the house party were: Mrs. Ivan Conner, Mrs. Tom Allison, Lisa Devoll, Dana Goodnight, Carolyn Eaves, Kim Caston, and Jana Hood.

Mrs. Eubanks graduated from Robert Lee High School in 1980. Her husband is a 1978 graduate of Bronte High School and is employed by Exxon Oil Company at Midkiff where the couple will reside following a honeymoon trip.

Parents of the bride are Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pearson of Robert Lee and the groom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Sid Eubanks of Bronte.

The groom's parents hosted a rehearsal dinner on Friday, April 17, at John Zentner's Daughter's.



The more than 2.3 million marriages held in 1979 set a new record. The previous record was set in 1946.

### HAVE DOCUMENTS READY WHEN APPLYING FOR SS

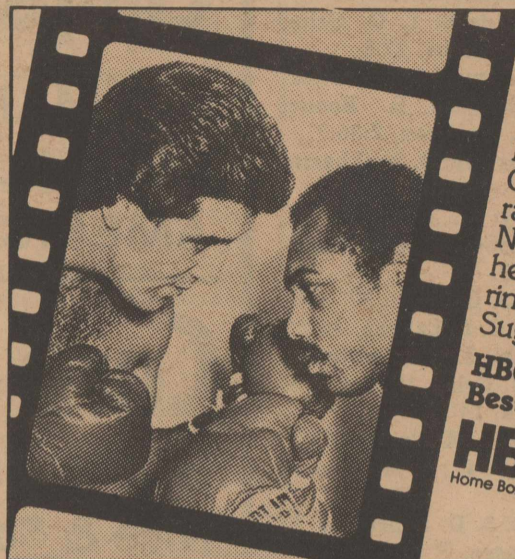
When filing a claim for disability benefits at a Social Security office, the easiest way to speed the processing of the claim is to have the needed documents and information ready for presentation to the Social Security interviewer.

A worker will want to file for disability benefits when fully unable to work due to disabling

condition that has lasted or is expected to last for at least 12 consecutive months. Claimants with a date of birth in 1930 or later must always provide a birth certificate, and in some cases a birth certificate is needed for older claimants. If the worker has a spouse and children, the spouse's birth certificate may be needed, and the children's birth certificate will always be needed. Social Security numbers for all

family members should be provided also. When filing a claim, the worker should be prepared to provide complete names, addresses, and phone numbers of medical sources such as doctors, clinics, and hospitals who have records of the disabling condition.

If the requested documents are not in the possession of the claimant, the employees of the Social Security office can help.



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## Lake Spence Fishing News

Fishing was slowed this week by the rise on the lake. We caught almost 4 feet of new water. In the long run, it will be a real benefit but has kept fishermen away temporarily due to cold, muddy conditions. Although the water has been in the 64 degree range, before the rise, crappie fishing never really hit a peak. This could be due to a large area where they can spawn and are scattered.

Lake Spence  
Triangle Groc & Bait  
L.G. Bailey - Denver City - 7 blue cat 5 lbs. to 10 lbs.  
Herbert Stiefvater - Odessa - 50 channel cat to 3 lbs.  
Mark and David Williamson - Odessa - 1 yellow cat 35 1/2 lbs.  
Ronnie Wilhite - Lubbock - 12 channel cat to 3 lbs.  
Skinny's Hillside Groc.  
Larry Bailey - Denver City - 7 blue cat 5 lbs. to 10 lbs.  
Jack Ray - Sonora - 2 blue cat 9 lbs.  
J.B. Beams - Odessa - 3 channel cat to 11 1/2 lbs.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

Enclosed please find my check for a subscription to the Observer.

I've really missed getting this little paper with its news from Robert Lee.

I've been gone from there for a number of years but still have a lot of friends and family there.

Unfortunately I don't get back there very often but I think of its people all the time.

I've found out in the past few years what a small world this at times. I work in a big department store and very often someone comes in that knows people in Robert Lee and a few times former residents of Robert Lee come in. It really makes me feel good to visit with someone from home.

Thank you for keeping the little paper going and making it available to us exes.

Always,  
Cindy (Mundell) Parsons  
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Mrs. Wayne Roberts of Jal, N.M. picked up her aunt, Mrs. Ruth Watson of Robert Lee, for a visit with the Roberts family last week. Mr. Watson drove to New Mexico over the weekend and brought his wife home. They reported an enjoyable visit with nice weather there.

Mrs. Yvonne Conner and her daughter, Mrs. Pat Byrd, returned from Houston late Thursday night. They are awaiting a call from M.D. Anderson Hospital for an available room and will return in order for Mrs. Conner to begin a series of highly technical treatments, there.

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May 6: Pinto beans, french fries with catsup, turnip greens, cornbread, butter, milk, fruit cobbler.

May 7: Hamburgers, lettuce, tomato, pickle, onion, corn, milk, ice cream.

May 8: Fish krispies with tartar sauce, cream potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, butter, milk, peanut butter brownies.

## 75 YEARS AGO

By Joan Davis

Harry Hall has been exceedingly sad the past few days over the loss of a "ten dollar William", which occurred Sunday night at his room at the Tubb Hotel. Some thief carried his trousers from his room and went through the pockets, securing the \$10 and a bunch of keys. They dropped the keys in the street as they made from the scene.

Freckleater and Freakleater soap sold at the City Drug Store now.

W.L. Clawson was in to see us Saturday and remembered us on subscription. He has recently moved to his place 3 miles from town and will farm it next year.

A party given by Mr. and Mrs. Jim Benningfield of Sanco Friday night was quite a success. All present enjoyed the merriment. A prize was given for the prettiest girl and for the ugliest boy. Miss Gado Gates received the most votes among the girls and Mr. Green Preslar garnered the high number for the boys. The young people spent the evening talking, playing games, and breaking candy.

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### ALPHA OMICRON NU HAS ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Alpha Omicron Nu met April 23 in the home of Trish Clay and completed plans for a Founders' Day program which was held April 25 in San Angelo. New officers for the sorority also were elected at the business meeting.

Officers elected to serve during the coming year are: Cindy Bessent, president; Kathy Post, vice president; Nita Gaye Williams, secretary; Trish Clay, treasurer.

The program was given by guest speaker, Rolf Kinn, on his native country, Norway.

Sorority members celebrated Founders' Day April 25 at a San Angelo steak house. Carnaic the Great and Ed McMann presented the year in review.

Receiving special honors were Linda Link who was presented with the Girl of the Year Award, and Lana Clendennen who received the program of the year award.

### Library Notes

We are having good attendance at story hour on Tuesday morning for the 3-5 year olds. As of January 1, we have 23 enrolled with an average attendance of 13.

This is National Volunteer Week at the library. We would like to thank all the mothers who volunteer their help for story hour. We couldn't do without them. Nancy Rasco, Librarian.

## Mt. Creek Golf News Report

An ABC tournament at Mountain Creek Golf Course Sunday wound up in a tie for first place. The two top teams came in with a score of 68 and the third place team had 69.

Red Smith, John Favors Jr. and Jack Thomason were on one team and Buz Wojtek, R.J. Gosney and Allan Rowoldt were on the other. Smith, Favors and Thomason won a sudden death playoff to take the top spot, with Wojtek, Gosney and Rowoldt taking second.

Third place winners were Dennis Weaver, Bubba Kennedy and Elsie Adams.

Golf balls were awarded as prizes.

### ETHICON NEXT SUNDAY

Golfing employees of Ethicon of San Angelo will have a private tournament next Sunday at Mountain Creek Golf Course. A large crowd is expected from the big San Angelo manufacturer of surgical supplies.

Dave King of Edith enjoyed the Easter holiday visits of two of his daughters last week. Mrs. Joyce Walker and son, Rex, were here from Odessa. Mrs. Gwen Anderson and husband, Harry were visiting from Austin.

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## Wills, Sawyer Vows Repeated

Cindy Wills of San Angelo and Tom Sawyer Jr. of Pasadena were married Tuesday, April 14, at Clear Lake City. Judge Bud West performed the ceremony.

The bride's parents are Mr. and Mrs. William F. Snodgrass San Angelo. Mr. and Mrs. Tom Sawyer Sr., of Robert Lee, are the groom's parents.

Mrs. Sawyer is a graduate of Torrejon High School of Madrid, Spain. She received a degree in nursing from Angelo State University and is employed at West Coke County Hospital.

Her husband is a 1977 graduate of Robert Lee High School and is employed by Dupont in Pasadena.

McNeil Wylie, former Coke County Judge, is recuperating at his home in Lubbock, after he suffered a broken hip in a fall recently. He was taken to Big Spring Veteran's Hospital for surgery. His nephew and wife, Mr. and Mrs. T.M. Wylie Jr., visited him there and report he is making satisfactory progress.

### MISS TAYLOR HONORED WITH BRIDAL SHOWER

Miss Becky Taylor was honored Sunday afternoon from 3 to 4 o'clock with a bridal shower in the home of Mrs. Bill Allen. Hostesses for the event were Mrs. Allen, Mrs. Billy Jack Roe, Mrs. Foy Askins, Mrs. Sam Williams, Mrs. Bob Fields, Mrs. Jeff Eubanks, Mrs. Roy Epperson, Mrs. Art Runnion, Mrs. Clayton Bloodworth and Mrs. Zera Fields.

The serving table was covered with an eggshell antique lace cloth. Miniature sandwiches, assorted cookies, and coffee punch were served from silver appointments. Fresh pink tulips, pink rosebuds, and baby's breath filled a silver, footed urn, which served as a centerpiece for the table.

A large number of guests registered and viewed the gifts on display.

Special out of town guests from Springtown were Mrs. Mark Thomas and daughter Jessica. She is a sister of the prospective bride.

Miss Taylor will become the bride of Ricky Ross on May 23 at the Robert Lee Baptist Church.

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## Local Students To Have Meet

Students of Robert Lee Elementary School will have their annual track meet Friday (today) with grades kindergarten through sixth grade competing with each other in the meet.

The events are scheduled to get underway at 12:00 noon and continue until about 3:15 p.m.

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## SENIOR SALAD SUPPER

The Robert Lee Baptist Church will honor the senior adults with a salad supper in the Fellowship Hall of the church Saturday evening at 7. On Sunday morning, May 3, the church will celebrate Senior Adult Recognition Day for this very special group of people.

## SPECIAL RELIGIOUS DRAMA

On Sunday night, May 3, at 7:00, the young people of the First Baptist Church at Coleman will present the drama "The Challenge of the Cross". The event will be held at the Robert Lee Baptist Church during the regular evening worship service.

## Services Held For Mrs. Long

Mrs. Woodie Mae Long, 69, of Lubbock, died at 7:15 a.m. Saturday, April 25, at Saint Mary's Hospital at Lubbock following heart surgery.

Funeral services were held at 3 p.m. Monday at Robert Lee Baptist Church with Jammie Paden of Robert Lee and Marvin Glasgow of Sweetwater officiating.

Burial was in Robert Lee Cemetery under the direction of Shaffer Funeral Home. Pallbearers were Raymond Bloodworth, Dewey Clemons, Richard Long, Donny Robertson, Finis Harmon and Richard Glasgow.

Woddie Mae Brown was born June 2, 1911, at Eden, daughter of Thomas and Mae (Boone) Brown. She came to Coke County when she was four years old and was reared in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Will Boone in the Green Mountain community.

She was married to Joe Robert Long Dec. 7, 1930, in Colorado City. He preceded her in death Sept. 7, 1969. A son, Coy, also preceded her in death.

Survivors include six sons; Otho Long, Johnny Long and Roy Long all of Lubbock, Joe Long of Poolville, Glen Long of Kennedale and Billy Bob Long of Lovelady; two daughters, Wanda Long of Dallas and Joy Stapp of Lubbock; a brother, Jack P. Brown of Globe, Ariz.; a sister, Mrs. Bonnie Robertson of Robert Lee; 14 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren.

## PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Keen spent a few days here last week with Mr. and Mrs. Buz Sawyer. Mr. Keen, who is from Comanche, is a nephew of Mrs. Sawyer.

Mrs. Evah Mahon had her only nephew, F.C. Hearrell, visiting with her last week from Corpus Christi. He was the son of the late Jessie Hearrell, Mrs. Mahon's sister.

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**THIRD IN STATE--**The Junior 4-H Livestock Judging team of Coke County won third place in the state contest held at Texas A&M University. Team members, from left, are Corby Kelso, Waylan Ensor, Doug Tounget and Craig Grant. Craig was fourth high individual in the entire contest.

### 4-H Judging Team Places Third

The Coke County 4-H Club junior livestock judging team placed third in the District Contest held last week. Mason and Gillespie Counties outdistanced the local group by 6 to 15 points.

Team members participating in the District Contest were Craig Grant, Corby Kelso, Doug Tounget and Waylan Ensor. Craig Grant was fourth high individual in the contest.

Other club members participating in the contest were Douglas Roberts, Ronnie Carlton, Butch Bush, Blake Braswell, John Morrow and Stephen Lee. They were accompanied to the contest by

Jeffie Roberts, J. Lee Ensor, Dennie Braswell and Sterling Lindsey.

Five Coke County 4-H Club teams are expected to participate in District Contests this Saturday, May 2, on the Campus of Angelo State University. The teams expected to participate are Senior Range Judging, Junior and Senior Soil Judging, and Junior and Senior Rifle.



### Larry Shaw Sends Report From Austin

This year the State Department of Human Resources (DHR) will handle more than 240,000 cases of child abuse and neglect. Thirteen to fourteen thousand new cases are reported each month, and in just the first three quarters of last year, 101 brutally-abused Texas children died.

DHR's "Protective Services for Children" office is responsible for investigating reports of child abuse and taking whatever steps are necessary to protect the children involved.

The reports come from the police, from hospitals, from schools and from concerned neighbors, and the Protective Services office investigates each case within 24 hours despite the fact each case worker carries a case load averaging 44-46 families at any given time.

If it's determined that a child is, indeed, being abused, the case worker can obtain a court order to take custody of the child. If there is a clear and present danger to the child, the case worker can take the child immediately and then get court authorization on the next available court day.

Usually, the child is placed temporarily in a foster home or in the home of a relative while the abusive parent receives individual or group counseling. In many cases, the child is returned to his home after a very short period of time. In 1980, however, of the more than 5200 children who were taken from their parents and placed under the "Managing conservatorship" of the Protective Services office, the courts terminated the parental rights to more than 2300 of these children completely.

While child abuse is on the rise in Texas and across the nation, the Protective Services for Children program is already understaffed and overloaded. Yet the Legislative Budget Board has recommended a funding reduction of more than 15 percent for the program in fiscal year 1982 instead of the 12 percent increase necessary just to keep operating expenses and staff salaries even with inflation with no expansion of services.

The House Appropriations Committee is leaning toward a Protective Services program budget considerably higher than the Budget Board's recommendation. However, even the Appropriations Committee figure represents a cutback and not the increase needed to handle the projected 18,000 more child abuse cases that the office will investigate in 1982 as opposed to the current year.

The Senate Finance Committee, on the other hand, is recommending a significant budget increase in the neighborhood of 12 percent for fiscal year 1982. This is much more in line with my thinking about this critical problem area in which the state government has the final responsibility, and I'm hopeful that the higher budget figure will be the one that eventually is appropriated by the Legislature.

#### COMPTROLLER WORKER TO VISIT ROBERT LEE

State Comptroller Bob Bullock will have a representative from his San Angelo office in Robert Lee on May 5 to assist local taxpayers and answer questions about state taxes.

Bullock said Enforcement Officer Dru Beck will meet with local taxpayers in the courtroom at the Coke County Courthouse from 9 to 1 a.m.

### AN OPEN LETTER TO OUR COMMISSIONERS COURT

This seems to be the only way I can communicate with you. You have told other members of our committee that I am too radical that you will not negotiate with me.

Judge Sims has stated that he is willing to negotiate the question of Friendship Road. I see very little that can be compromised about a closed road, it is either closed or open. However, there is one thing that I have heard: that you are afraid if the road is opened you might be asked to build an expensive bridge across Yellow Wolf Creek. I can assure you we do not want a bridge across Yellow Wolf Creek, but we do want the road graded to the water from both ends. This way we will have access to the lake on both sides of the creek. We also want the road graded to the water toward Smokey Creek.

I suppose by today's standards I am a radical; I believe in honesty, integrity, truthfulness and the rule of the majority.

I wish there were more radicals of this kind.

The statement by Mr. Ivie, the manager of a multimillion dollar industry, that they can not afford to pick up the trash barrels around the lake is truly childish. They have done it for the last ten years, and they are in the best condition now that they have ever been. They have more water to sell and the filling of the lake will improve the fishing and they will sell more permits than ever before.

This is the third road that I know of to the lake that he has influenced you to close. If we allow this to continue he will continue to squeeze us out of the lake.

I think it is time for you commissioners to stop and consider who you are working for - the people who elected you or C.R.M.W.D.

You can go back and consider the meeting on Feb. 2 where a perfectly legal motion was made by Commissioner Newby to keep this road open, which is in his precinct and was seconded by Commissioner Millican whose precinct also borders on the lake. This vote was blocked by Commissioner Parker whose precinct is on the east side of the county nowhere near the lake. I can't help question his motive.

This action was out of order if not illegal. I believe the higher courts will agree, if it becomes necessary to file suit. I am sure you all agree this motion would have passed if allowed to be voted on.

You don't have to be a lawyer to know that no public hearing is necessary to keep a road open that has been in constant use for over 50 years.

You all promised the people present that you were not going to close the road but just wanted to make it legal. I hope you will remember that promise and reopen the road at your next meeting.

This will save the county the expense of a lawsuit that I don't think you can win. If you do win I am sure other suits will follow by land owners which could cost the county a great deal of money.

You are elected to manage the county in an efficient and economical manner and I do not believe the tax payers would welcome a tax increase to pay court costs and damages for such unnecessary action.

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