

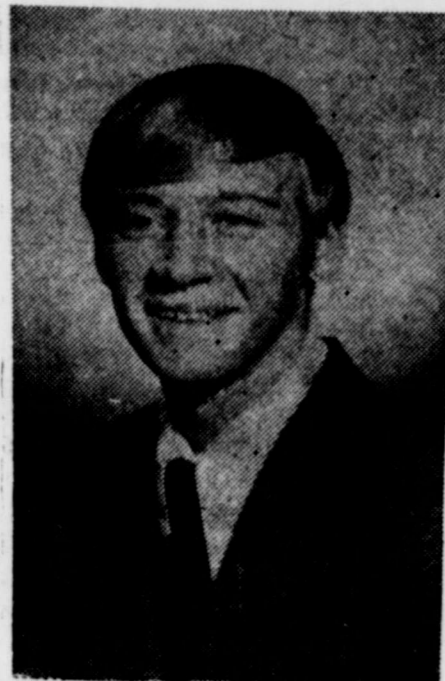
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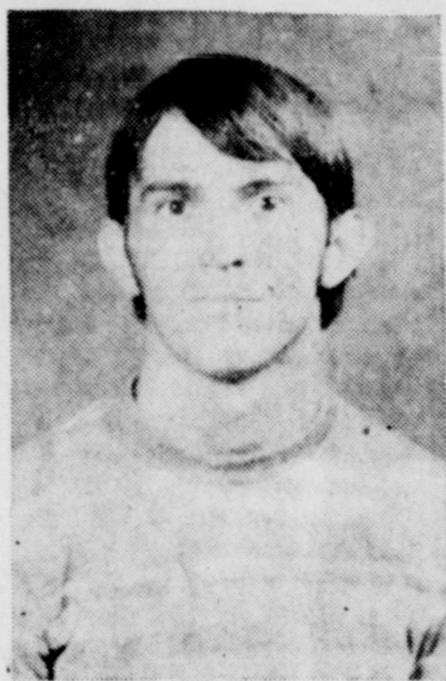
Track Teams Due Saturday



Mitch Cooley



Audrey Walker



Bill Rowoldt

Miss Walker, Rowoldt, Cooley Receive R-Lee School Awards

Mr. and Miss Citizenship and Most Athletic Boy and Girl have been named for Robert Lee High School for this year.

Audrey Walker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Walker Jr. has been named Most Athletic Girl and selected as Miss Citizenship.

Audrey, a senior, has played basketball her four years in high school and was picked for All-District squad her sophomore year and received honorable mention

this year; she was Most Athletic Girl her sophomore year and has been in track two years. She has been in FHA four years and is vice president this year; is Beta Club four years, serving as president this year and as vice president last year; she was class favorite her freshman year; Small Schools Seminar representative last year; and has been active in 4-H work 10 years.

Named Mr. Citizenship of RLHS is Mitch Cooley, son of Mr. and Mrs. David Cooley. Mitch, a senior, attended Colorado City High School three years and is attending RLHS this year. He has played football four years, is a two year varsity letterman and this year was named to All-District second team defense, received

honorable mention on offense, and was selected for Prep All-American. He played basketball his freshman and senior years; was Key Club member his junior year; was sports columnist on the school paper his junior year; and ran track his freshman and senior years.

Selected as Most Athletic Boy of RLHS is Bill Rowoldt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Allan Rowoldt. Bill, a senior, has played football, basketball and golf four years, and in basketball he was All-District two years, honorable mention one year and all area one year. He has been in track and band three years, vocational ag. two years, was a class officer his freshman and sophomore years, Student Council vice president his junior year and president this year. He was selected to the 1973-74 Prep All-American football team.

Candidates File In Three Elections

Three elections will be held in Robert Lee April 6 when a mayor and two Aldermen will be elected to the City Council; two trustees will be elected to the school board; and three directors will be elected to the West Coke County Hospital District board.

Only one candidate has filed for each of the eight positions and they are all incumbents except for Fern Havins who was petitioned to run for hospital director.

Names on the city ballot will be S. E. Adams for mayor and Royce Hood and Jimmy Bell for councilmen.

Incumbents Wilbern Millican and J. C. Wallace Jr. will have their names on the school board election ballot.

On the hospital board election ballot will be J. D. Hammon and Fennell Smith, incumbents, and Havins. J. E. Quisenberry, long-time member and secretary of the hospital board, is not running for reelection.

CISCO JUNIOR COLLEGE BAND TO GIVE PROGRAM

The Cisco Junior College Band, under the direction of Douglas Fry, will present an assembly program Wednesday, March 13. The program will be held in the high school gym, starting at 3 p.m.

Included on the program will be the College Band, Stage Band and a special appearance of the Wrangler Belles. The public is invited to attend.



BANDSMAN HONORED — Jan Green, a junior member of the Robert Lee Steer Band, has been accepted into the 1974 All-Girl Band Festival, sponsored by Texas Woman's University. Miss Green will spend three days in clinics and rehearsal under direction of Clifton Williams, noted American composer and director of bands at the University of Miami. Climax of the festival will come Saturday evening when the All-Girl Band presents a concert in the Music Auditorium on the TWU campus. Jan is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill C. Green.

March 16 Election Not for Bond Issue

There is some misunderstanding about the Special City Election to be held March 16, according to City Secretary Mrs. Elma Havins.

This is not a Bond Election, but is an election to allow the City Council to enter into a contract with the Colorado River Municipal Water District for the purchase of water.

All resident qualified voters will be eligible to vote. Absence voting has begun at the City Hall and will continue through March 12.

Four Selected for 9-A All-District

Four RLHS girls and one boy were named on the 9-A All-District basketball squad for 1974.

Bill Rowoldt was the lone member of the Steer team to make the mythical team.

Girls selected were Elizabeth Bickley, forward, and Karen Bagwell and Elaine Millican, guards. Forward Audrey Walker received an honorable mention.

Twenty boys and 33 girls track teams will be in Robert Lee Saturday for the annual Robert Lee Relays.

Activities will start at 7:30 a.m. when a scratch meeting will be held in the new gym.

Field events will start at 8 a.m. with boys high jump, boys pole vault, girls triple jump, girls shot and boys broad jump. Boys shot, girls high jump and broad jump and boys and girls discus are scheduled at 12 noon.

Preliminaries in the running events are listed as follows: 8:30, boys 120 yard high hurdles and girls 80 yard low hurdles; 9:00, girls and boys 440 relay; 9:25, girls and boys 100 yard dash; 10:00, girls and boys 440 yard dash; 10:40, girls 60 yard dash and boys 330 yard intermediate hurdles; 11:20, girls and boys 220 yard dash; 11:50 girls 880 yard relay.

Finals will begin at 2:30 p.m. with girls and boys 440 relays; 2:40, girls 440 yard dash and boys 880 yard dash; 2:55, boys 120 yard high hurdles and girls 80 yard low hurdles; 3:10, girls and boys 100 yard dash; 3:20, girls 880 yard relay and boys 440 yard dash; 3:35, girls 60 yard dash and boys 330 yard intermediate hurdles; 3:50 girls and boys 220 yard dash; 4:00, girls 880 yard run and boys one mile run; 4:15, girls and boys one mile relay.

Trophies will be presented to winning teams at 4:30 p.m. Individual awards will be presented immediately after the conclusion of each event. The public is invited to attend the track meet.

Items of Interest From R-Lee BCD

Gerald Allen gave a program on the history and future of Robert Lee and the BCD when the civic group met Tuesday at noon in the Robert Lee Recreation Hall.

Allen, who was first president of the BCD in 1926, said the community has made many improvements since that time: hospital, paved streets, courthouse, park and new school.

Because of the energy crisis, Robert Lee can become the "Playground of West Texas," Allen pointed out that people cannot get gasoline as easily this summer and will not be able to travel as far. Robert Lee offers a large lake with good fishing, skiing and boating. The town also offers an outstanding golf course, city park and swimming pool.

The BCD must advertise and keep the city as well as the lake area clean in order to attract visitors, the Robert Lee banker said.

EXCITING VOLLEYBALL SCHEDULED MONDAY

Some exciting ball games are scheduled for Monday night at 7:30 p.m. when faculty members and students will tangle in volleyball and basketball in the Robert Lee School gym.

The first game will be senior girls playing a team of faculty women in volleyball.

The second game will be a basketball game between senior boys and faculty men.

Admission price will be 50 cents.

Spending the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Fred L. Beaty were Mr. and Mrs. Lane Beaty of Pecos, Mrs. Eugene Kegans, Kacey and Bax of Leonard, Mrs. Jim E. Crowder and Brent of Midland and Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Kegans of Trent.

Texas Who's Who Picks Mrs. Adams

Mrs. S. E. (Elsie) Adams, well known Robert Lee businesswoman, has been selected to be listed in the 1973-74 edition of "Who's Who in Texas."

The book is a compilation of biographical information on outstanding citizens of Texas. To be considered for listing, one must have distinguished himself in business, government, or civic awareness within his own community.

Mrs. Adams operates Adams Abstract Co. and Adams Land & Realty Co. in Robert Lee. She has been an abstractor 41 years and has served as manager of Adams Abstract in San Angelo, Ballinger and Robert Lee. She has been in real estate since 1966.

A graduate of Howard Payne College, (Brownwood), Mrs. Adams taught school nine years. She is a member of the Robert Lee Baptist Church, the Eastern Star and Daughters of the Nile. She was Queen of the Daughters of the Nile, Ziphron Temple No. 100 of San Angelo. An avid golfer, Mrs. Adams is a member of the Mountain Creek Golf Club and the San Angelo Ladies Golf Association. She has been a winner in the Texas Women's Golf Tournament, Texas Senior Woman Golf Tournament, West Texas Women's Golf Tournament, Broadmoor Ladies Invitational Golf Tournament at Colorado Springs, Colo., and was in the semi-finals of the All Southwestern Ladies Golf Tournament.

She was married to S. E. Adams in 1932. Adams is currently serving as mayor of Robert Lee, and is engaged in oil, ranching and other businesses. They have one son, Stanley E. Adams Jr., of Austin, who is president of Lamar Savings & Loan Association. Their three grandchildren are Naomi Lee, Stanley II and Hazel Ann Adams.



Mrs. S. E. Adams

Foods Show Winners Named

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Eight Coke County youths took top honors in the County 4-H Food Divisions of the Foods and Project Show held Sunday in the Robert Lee School cafeteria.

First place winners in the senior division were Mary Elaine Lackey, Robert Lee, main dishes; Paula McGuire, Bronte, side dishes; and John Paul McGuire, Bronte, snacks and beverages.

They earned the right to compete in the District 4-H Food Show March 23 in Junction, and received special medals from ConAgri.

Junior division first place winners were Connie Bryan, Bronte, main dishes; Lisa Lee, Bronte, side dishes; Dee Anna Key, Robert Lee, breads and desserts; and Sheila Lee, Bronte, snacks and beverages. They received blue ribbons and the opportunity to represent Coke County in the District Show.

Other junior division blue ribbon winners were Camille Budgett, Bronte; Jo Ella Fonehand, Bronte; Lana Webb, Bronte; and Kim Caston, Robt. Lee. Side dishes were Karen Rasco, Robert Lee; Tavia Teschendorf, Bronte; and Denise Hite, Bronte. Breads and desserts were Roy Clawson, Robert Lee; Tanya Lee, Bronte; and Kathy Essor, Bronte. Snacks and beverages were Mandy Dunn, Bronte; Kendra Rasco, Robert Lee; Emily Pettis, Bronte; and Steven Ray, Robert Lee.

Red ribbons were awarded to Marty Joe Caston, Robert Lee, side dishes. Snacks and beverages, Teresa Clawson, Robert Lee; Melinda Barrett, Bronte; Carol Cervenka, Bronte. Breads and desserts, Carolyn Collins, Robert Lee; Mary Ann Abalos, Robert Lee; Connie Littlefield, Bronte;

and Susan Ash, Robert Lee.

The Project Show was a new event held in conjunction with the Food Show. Exhibitors in all areas will represent the county in the District Show, also to be held in Junction on March 23. Winners in senior photography were John Heaner and Debbie Hurley, Bronte. Junior photography were Melinda Barrett, Bruce James and John Halamick, all of Bronte. Junior child care and entomology, Stephen Loyd, Robert Lee; dog care, Vic Conner, Robert Lee; crafts, Lisa Lee, Bronte.

Adult leaders assisting with 4-H projects were Mrs. Clifford Barrett, Mrs. Ollie Hogue, Don Glenn, Mrs. Keith Lloyd, Mrs. Victor Conner and Mr. and Mrs. Gene Halamick.

Adult leaders working with food groups were Mmes. Johnny Hite, Harold Dunn, Martin Lee, Everett, David Key, Paul McGuire, Jimmy Badgett, Carlton Caston, Kenneth Lackey, Edwice Fonehand and Louis Charles.

Junior leaders were Martha Gonzales, Mary Elaine Lackey and Debbie Hurley.

Judges for the show were Miss Carolyn Stockhoff, Tom Green County Extension Agent; M. S. Pat Hohensee, Concho County Extension Agent; Misses Elizabeth Margaret Wulston and Cynthia Whitworth, and Mrs. Gwen Behringer, all of San Angelo.

Approximately 125 persons viewed the Food and Project Show.

The show was directed by Mrs. Fay C. Roe, Coke County Extension Agent.



Mary Elaine Lackey

GOLF TEAM PRACTICING FOR UIL COMPETITION

Members of the RLHS golf team have been getting in some practice sessions during the warm days which Coke County has experienced this week. Members of the team are Bill Rowoldt, Jim Jacobs, Mike Davis, Harvey Wojtek, Gary Womack, Randy Bessent, Tom Sawyer, Bobby Duncan and Clark Tinkler.

Tournaments on the schedule include: March 7, Colorado City; March 14, Sonora; March 22, Robert Lee; March 28, Iraan; April 3-4, District, Riverside, San Angelo; April 19-20, Regional, Lake Proctor, Comanche.

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SERVICES HELD FOR R. E. "BERT" DOUGLAS

Funeral services for R. E. "Bert" Douglas, 90, of Lubbock were held Monday in Asbury United Methodist Church there with graveside services in the afternoon in Silverton Cemetery.

Mr. Douglas, a native of Fort Chabourne, died last Friday in University Hospital in Lubbock following a long illness.

He had lived in Lubbock since 1945, moving there from Silverton where he served as county and district clerk. He also served as Coke County clerk prior to 1915. He was also a farmer, rancher and real estate dealer.

He was married to Anna B. Finley in May 1918 in Silverton.

Mr. Douglas was the son of an early day Fort Chabourne postmaster and grew up in Coke County.

Survivors include his wife, a son, two sisters, five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. He was a cousin of Mrs. Floyd Modgling and Mrs. Mae Williams of Bronte.

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. John M. Reed of Austin are parents of their first child, a son, Aaron Thomas. He was born Feb. 28 at Seton Hospital in Austin and weighed 7 pounds. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Wayne S. Reed of Robert Lee and Dr. and Mrs. A. T. Slate of San Diego, Calif. Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Reed were in Austin last Thursday to make the acquaintance of their new grandson.

Sorority to Have Cancer Fund Drive

Alpha Kappa Pi, Robert Lee sorority, will conduct the 1974 Cancer Crusade, it was decided at a meeting Feb. 27, when members met in the home of Mrs. Royce Hood with Mrs. Ben Bessent serving as co-hostess.

Mrs. Nicklaus, representative of the American Cancer Society, presented the program on research and how money is used by the society. The Crusade will be held in April to raise as much money as possible to help in the fight against this dread disease. Everyone is asked to keep the drive in mind and details will be given later.

Mrs. Curtis Sockwell also gave a brief program on "The Land." Eleven members were present.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Rusler of Houston visited last week with Mr. and Mrs. Layton Benefield and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Benton and their granddaughters Barbara Ann and Susan Marie Coonce, of Midland were weekend visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Oda Benton.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Hollis and Michelle of Odessa returned home Tuesday after spending several days with relatives in Robert Lee. On Sunday, the Hollises and Mr. and Mrs. Victor Wojtek and Phyllis visited Mr. and Mrs. Charles (Buzz) Wojtek at Tye.



Dee Anna Key

ROBT. LEE TRACKSTERS IN SANTA ANNA MEET

Both boys and girls high school track teams participated in a meet March 1 at Santa Anna.

Elizabeth Bickley was second in shot put and Virgilla Streng was second in discus and fifth in shot put. Taking fourth were Janice Bloodworth in the 440 yard dash and Ruth Collier in the 80 yard hurdles. The 440 relay team, made up of Bickley, Bloodworth, Marilyn Wright and Kathy Deen, took sixth place.

Daryl Copeland was fourth in the 440 dash and Shell Williams was sixth in the 330 intermediate hurdles. The mile relay team came in fifth.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Don Rabb of Paxton, Ill., recently spent a week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Rabb.



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**STEER BAND TO PERFORM
IN ANGELO RODEO PARADE**

The Robert Lee Steer Band will go to San Angelo Friday to take part in the San Angelo Stock Show and Rodeo parade. The parade will begin at 10 a.m.

Leading the parade through downtown San Angelo will be the "First Team" Horse Cavalry Platoon from Fort Hood.

The Robert Lee Band will attend the Friday matinee rodeo performance at 2 p.m. before returning to Robert Lee.

Clifford Wilson was in San Saba Sunday to visit his brother, Harvey Wilson, who is ill. He was in the San Saba Hospital but was to be moved to a hospital in Kerrville for additional treatment.

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**Jr. High Girls
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Robert Lee Junior High School girls took third place at the Eldorado Junior High Relays last Friday. In spite of not scoring a single point in field events due to injured Cindy Ash and Kay Bazar, the girls put together 91 points in running events.

Leading the way with first place honors were Debbie Smith in the 660 yard run in 1:55.7; the 880 relay team made up of Brenda Cooley, Audrey Williams, Betty Flowers and Karen Flowers with a time of 2:02.5; and the 1320 relay team composed of Stella Bickley, B. Flowers, Tammy Hambricht and Smith with a time of 3:19.6 to set a new record at the meet.

Cooley scored third in the 60 yard dash with an 8.2 and second in the 100 yard dash with 13.2. Hambricht, third in 330 yard dash, 47.7; 440 relay team of Bickley, Smith, Hambricht and B. Flowers, third, 57.7; Bickley, fourth in 330 yard dash, 48.0; Williams, fourth in 220 yard dash, 30.5; Carla Wojtek, fourth in 660 yard run, 2:03.

Top five teams and points were Eldorado, 112; Iraan 107; Robert Lee 91; Rankin 84; Wall 31½.

Hospital News

Feb. 26: Mrs. Ruth Clift, Mrs. Bertha King admitted. Edna Adkins, Lou Ella Bessent, Mrs. W. L. Burns, W. E. Burns, Mrs. Frank Abalos, Mrs. Keith Lloyd, Mrs. Lora Richards dismissed.

Feb. 27: Mrs. Melvin Childress, Mrs. Fennell Smith, D. P. Key, Richard Marquis admitted. Jana Mauldin dismissed.

Feb. 28: Shannon Lee Skipworth, Tammy Roach, Anna Mae Benningfield, Mrs. J. D. Elkins admitted. Mabel Murrell, Julia Gloria dismissed.

March 1: Elsie Latham, Mrs. W. L. Burns, Yvonne Conner, Helen Fowler, Frank Wilson Bryan and Cinnamon and Candace Calder admitted. Dona Bryan, Eula Smith, Mrs. Charles Ragsdale and Mrs. Odella Wrinkle dismissed.

March 2: Mrs. Charles Tracy Shime Smith, Garry Robertson, John Favor, Julia Gloria admitted. Mrs. Melvin Childress, Raymond Bloodworth dismissed.

March 3: Mrs. Mattie Tinkler, Tony Smith admitted. Garry Robertson, Tammy Roach, John Favor, Shannon Skipworth, Mrs. Pedro Puentez, Helen Fowler, Pamie and Terry Millican dismissed.

March 4: Dona Bryan, R. C. Sawyer, Mrs. Kenneth Green admitted. Cinnamon and Candace Calder, Frank Bryan, Lillie Gaines dismissed.

As of Tuesday morning there were 18 patients in the hospital and 29 in the nursing home.

Weekend guests of the Jimmy Bickleys were Mr. and Mrs. Britt Webb and family of Valentine.

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Jr. High Concert Introduces School Week

In observance of Texas Public Schools Week, the Robert Lee Dogie Band presented a concert Monday night in the school auditorium. A large crowd was on hand and praised the performance of the band.

Directed by George Strickland, the band played "Viceroy Overture," "Fosterma," "This Old Man," "The Big Rock," Battle Hymn of the Republic," "American Patrol," "The Candy Man," "Big Leagues March" and "Circibirbin" featuring Waid Davis as trumpet soloist.

Following the program, refreshments were served in the cafeteria.

In conjunction with Public Schools Week, the school is having open house this week during regular school hours, and Supt. Jimmy Bickley has issued an invitation for all interested persons to visit at any time.

Lunchroom Menu

Monday, March 11: Barbecue wieners, creamed potatoes, green beans, hot rolls and butter, celery sticks, milk and ice cream.

Tuesday, March 12: Hamburgers, buttered corn, lettuce, tomatoes, onions, pickles, potato chips, milk and chocolate pudding.

Wednesday, March 13: Pinto beans with salt pork, potato salad, turnips with greens, corn bread and butter, milk and peach cobbler.

Thursday, March 14: Spanish rice and meat, English peas, cole slaw, hot rolls and butter, milk and fruit Jello.

Friday, March 15: Fish sticks with tartar sauce, buttered potatoes, garden salad, hot rolls and butter, milk and peanut butter cookies.

MRS. ROBERT REESE JR. HONOREE AT BRIDAL TEA

Mrs. Robert Reese Jr., nee Mildred Wallace, was honored with a bridal tea Saturday, March 2, from 3 to 5 p.m. at the Robert Lee Recreation Hall.

A theme of yellow and white was used on the registry table and serving table. The centerpiece was of white and yellow daisies in a silver candelabrum with yellow candles on a reflector. Appointments were of crystal and silver.

Registering guests were Mrs. Barton Waldrop, Mrs. Weldon Fikes and Mrs. Jerry Thomason. Sixty persons were registered. Special guests were the bride's mother, Mrs. Calvin Wallace of Robert Lee, and the bridegroom's mother, Mrs. Robert Reese Sr. of Falls.

Hostesses were Meses. Weldon Fikes, Marvin Bryant, Kenneth Green, Leon Russell, Gene Hinard, Earl Lindsey, Doyle Hubbard, W. E. Jacoby, Fred Beaty, S. E. Adams, Eph Cummins, Zera Fields, Jerry Thomason, Barton Waldrop, Lillian Middleton and Billy Joe Luckett.

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New officers were elected for

the coming year, including Alice Beaty, president; Iris Conner, vice president; Nita Gaye Williams, reporter; Ruth Williams, secretary; Vivian Jacobs, treasurer.

The next Auxiliary meeting will be April 1.



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TO WED MARCH 16 — Lt. Col. Craig Thomason, son of Mrs. Jerry Thomason of Robert Lee. Miss Howard is a 1973 graduate of the University of Texas at Austin. Thomason graduated from the University of Texas in 1972 and is employed as a reporter at the Killeen Daily Herald. A March 16 wedding is planned in Austin.

Panther Gap Marker Dedicated

By Mrs. Bryan Yarbrough

Dedication ceremonies for the Official Texas Historical Marker for Panther Gap were conducted in the Robert Lee High School library at 3 p.m. Feb. 24, followed by a tour of historic and scenic sites in the northern and western areas of Coke County.

Both the dedication and tour were sponsored by the Coke County Historical Survey Committee, with Ullmer S. Bird serving as master of ceremonies and Robert Lee School Supt. Jimmy Bickley serving as chauffeur of the school bus in which the tour was made.

Following the invocation by the Rev. Arthur Kendall, pastor of the First United Methodist Church, Mrs. C. E. Arrott led the Pledge of Allegiance and the singing of America.

Bird, who has done a great deal of research on the history of Coke County roads and trails, gave the history of "The Road West from Fort Chadbourne."

An "Open Discussion of Early Days in the Sanco-Panther Gap-Silver Area" was led by I. A. Bird and the Rev. and Mrs. Hor-

ace L. Bloodworth, all pioneers of the area.

I. A. Bird, who is past 90, came to the Sanco area with his parents in 1887, while the area was still a part of Tom Green County. He vividly recalls living very near Panther Gap for a time and he printed an interesting word picture of pioneer life when his people, the Miller (Bird) family, "lived around the covered wagon until Father could haul lumber from Ballinger and build one large room with a shedroom on one-half of one side and a porch on the other half of that side." He also recalled driving the calves to a spring at the head of a small canyon near the Gap for water.

Mrs. Bloodworth, the former Mary Walker, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Walker, came to the Silver area in 1893 and lived very near Panther Gap. Mrs. Bloodworth said that people living in the area long ago included the families of W. G. Johnson, S. M. Conner, L. R. Mathers, the Rev. Isaac Reed and Dr. Reed.

The Rev. Bloodworth told of

taking his young bride in a covered wagon to Abilene, where they lived while he attended Simmons College (now Hardin-Simmons University). The Bloodworths have lived most of their 62 years of married life in the Silver-Panther Gap area. He said, "What I want to emphasize about life of the pioneers is that they were honest, God fearing, hard working people who had very few of the comforts which modern day people think of as necessities, but they had an abundance of love in their hearts and concern for each other."

The tour included stops at six historical markers, including the Panther Gap Marker erected recently, and went by the Gartman (Old Square Top), the Sanco Cemetery, the site of the first Sanco Post Office, the Village of Sanco, Panther Gap, Silver, Cedar Hill, Texas National (from which one can see over into the Nan-Hattie country), Shaggy Peak (to which one of the earliest drift fences was built by Winfield Scott from his ranch headquarters at the mouth of Pecan Creek), the site of "Old" Edith (with its new oil wells), Dripping Springs (site of many pioneer picnics), and finally the Paint Creek Recreation area, which affords a marvelous view of Lake Spence (famous for striped bass) and is a popular gathering place for many fishermen who come there on weekends to fish.

Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Millican, Betty, Heidi and Janice of Arvador, Colo., are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chris Millican. Other visitors over the weekend were Mrs. Lillian Blair and Duane, Al Posey and Vanesa Robbins, all of Southlake, and Cindy and Pam Millican of Roanoke. On Sunday a family gathering was held in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bud Harmon, Betsy and Teresa at San Angelo. Joining the above group at the Harmon's were Mr. and Mrs. Elton Millican, Marshall and Troy and Susan Wallace of Robert Lee; Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Watkins, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Trowbridge and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Burk of San Angelo; Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Hopkins, Sandy and Bobby and Mr. and Mrs. Chris Gartman and Valorie of Sterling City. Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Watkins of Big Spring visited earlier in the week with Mr. and Mrs. Chris Millican.



BAND OFFICERS NAMED — Officers for the Robert Lee Steer Band include Lyn Sockwell, president; Carl Bagwell, vice president; Terri Blair, first semester secretary; Liz Bick-

ley, second semester secretary; Sue Lindsey, treasurer; Linda Havins, reporter; Jon Bill Brock, manager; Sherrill Davis and Lesa Lindsey, librarians.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Post of Laverne, Okla., were visitors of the Clayton Bloodworths of Silver and the Stanley Posts of Robert Lee from Friday until Monday. Mrs. Woodrow Koonce, also of Laverne, came to Robert Lee with the Posts and went on to San Angelo to visit her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Graham. She also visited Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Reed of Robert Lee.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Bevers of Odessa visited Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Edward Rives.

Mrs. Bob Lomas and Jennifer returned to their home in Abilene Wednesday after spending several days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Vaughn, while her husband was attending a company school in Dallas. He is employed with Employers Insurance of Texas.

Harvey Tinkler of Pecos visited Tuesday with his mother, Mrs. Mattie Tinkler, who is a patient in West Coke County Hospital. Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Tinkler of San Angelo visited her Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Green and Sharon returned home Friday from Breckenridge after being called there the Sunday before because of the death of Mr. Green's father, J. C. Green. Their daughter, Lynn, of Grants Pass, Ore., who was in Breckenridge to attend funeral services for her grandfather, returned to Robert Lee with her parents and will visit until the latter part of the week.



Michael H. Ezzell

Michael H. Ezzell In Race for State Representative

Michael H. Ezzell, 29, of Snyder has authorized this newspaper to announce his candidacy for State Representative for the 63rd Legislative District of Texas. Ezzell is employed as an Elementary Counselor by Snyder Public Schools and has lived in Snyder since 1967.

He was born May 25, 1944, at Wharton and was reared at Port Lavaca in Calhoun County. He is a 1962 graduate of Calhoun High School and received a B. S. degree in Education from Abilene Christian College in 1966. He received his Master of Education degree from ACC in 1967 and has done post graduate work at Texas Tech University in Lubbock.

He is a member of the Church of Christ and preaches for the Church of Christ at Fluvanna.

Ezzell is married to Betty Sorrells of Big Spring and they have two children, Michael 2½, and Marla, 4 months old.

Ezzell is president-elect of the Snyder Rotary Club; past president of the Scurry County Unit of Texas State Teachers Association; presently serves as treasurer of District XIV of the TSTA; is treasurer of Scurry County Association for Retarded Children; and served three years as president of the board of directors Scurry County Schools Federal Credit Union.

Among his professional organizations are a life memberships in TSTA and the National Education Association. He is also a member the American Personnel and Guidance Association and Classroom Teachers Association.

Ezzell said he plans to visit with citizens of the 63rd District just as much as time will allow between now and the May Democratic Primary.

He asked the earnest consideration of every voter in the May election.

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LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given by the Parks and Wildlife Department that a public hearing will be held at 2 P. M. on March 27, 1974, at the County Courthouse at Robert Lee for the purpose of gathering information concerning proposed hunting, fishing and trapping regulations for Coke County.

As the result of action by the Texas Legislature, the Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission is responsible for the setting of seasons, bag limits, and means and methods of taking the wildlife resources in Coke County. All interested persons are urged to attend and comment upon the proposed regulations. 1tc

Crowd Attends Pancake Supper

A large crowd attended the Pancake Supper which was held last Friday night in the Robert Lee School cafeteria. Sponsors of the event were Robert Lee-Silver Lions Club and Coke County 4-H Clubs.

An estimated 500 persons were served hot buttered pancakes with syrup, bacon, milk and coffee between 5 p.m. and 8 p.m.

An entertainment program was held in the school auditorium along with the Pancake Supper. In charge of the program were Mrs. Edna Havins, Jerry Gibbs and Jimmy Bickley with Bickley serving as announcer for the show.

Included on the program were: a Jug Band composed of Anna Kay Rowoldt, Linda Havins, Karen Bagwell, Phyllis Wojtek, Theresa Hambright and Jim Craig; Square Dancers Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Blylock, Mr. and Mrs. Rex Brand, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mathers, Mr. and Mrs. Dwain Walker, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Casey, Dianna Thinkler, Phyllis Duncan, Pam Quisenberry, Carolyn Simpson, Manuel Abalos, Clark Thinkler and Edwin Wilson; Western Band, Ray Shandley, Add Davis, Lynn Shandley, Richard Beck and Edna Havins.

Other entertainers were Elaine Millican, Kaylan Service, Donna Cooley, Ray Sparks, Sherrill Davis, Bonita Copeland, Mrs. Bryan Yarbrough and John Halamicsek.

Persons from Snyder, San Angelo, Pecos, Sterling City, Laverne, Okla., and all parts of Coke County attended the annual affair.

Proceeds from the event will be used for community projects by the Lions and 4-Hers.

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Political Announcements

The following persons have authorized The Observer to announce their candidacy for nomination for the offices indicated. Charge for these announcements is \$35.

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