

# Robert Lee Observer

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## The Friendship Road

BY BEN OGLESBY, PUBLISHER

The matter of closing Friendship Lane has become a festering sore on the side of a lot of people, especially on the west side of Coke County.

So far as can be determined at this point, the Coke County Commissioners' Court acted within its rights when members voted to close the road going down to Lake Spence from Highway 208.

It was reported in the March 20 edition of this newspaper that a petition bearing 289 names was presented at the meeting when

### SCHOOL HOLIDAY SET NEXT WEEK

Students and teachers of Robert Lee School will have a holiday next week.

Classes will be dismissed Friday afternoon (today) and will be resumed Monday, April 20.

## Oil Field Firm Opens Business In Robert Lee

Kwik Services and Supply Co., Inc., a general oil field supply firm, has opened a branch in Robert Lee. The new firm is located at 604 East 4th, across the street from Gregston's Welding Shop. The firm handles all type of oil field supplies.

Tom Allison has been employed to manage the Robert Lee branch of the business.

Headquarters for Kwik Service is in Odessa and the firm has another branch office in Eldorado.

Phone number of the new business is 453-2541, and Allison's number is 453-2309. The firm maintains a 24-hour answering service.

Allison said the tremendous influx of rigs and drilling activity in Coke County and the surrounding area prompted the firm to open the branch office in Robert Lee. He issued a cordial invitation to everyone in the area to come by and get acquainted.

## AON Raises \$155 For Rehab

The ABC Benefit Golf Tournament, sponsored by Alpha Omicron Nu was termed a big success. The sorority raised \$155 at the tournament and donated the money to the West Texas Rehabilitation Center. Mountain Creek Golf Association helped the women with the project.

First place team was made up of Scott Chastain, Dennis Weaver, Randy Smith and Fern Havins. Taking second place were John Heck, John Stewart and Larry Bridges. Third place team was Rod Bailey, A.J. Roe and John Carver.

The putting contest was won by John Stewart.

The sorority wishes to thank all the participants, the golf association, John Heck and Red and Mary Smith. "They helped us to help this good and worthwhile institution," said a representative of AON.

the commissioners voted to close the road. On the other hand, it was reported that the petition against the road's closing bore the signatures of only eight persons.

Since that time a meeting has been called and an organization has been formed for the purpose of making Lake Spence a more pleasant, sanitary and beautiful place from which to catch its lovely stripers and other fish. That's a very fine objective. However, this organization also has declared its avowed purpose is to get Friendship Lane opened up again to the public. Court action has been threatened if the road is not reopened. There are those who want to sue the county.

Main objection to the road's closing is that it leads to the favorite fishing place of many local fishermen, particularly the elderly and others who have no boat or are unable to operate a boat on the lake.

E.C. Bennett is the leader of the anti-closing faction and makes no bones about his intentions to get the road reopened. He has lived in Robert Lee the past four years and is proud of his former successes in bucking the establishment. He told the Observer, "I've had a lot of experience fighting municipalities and I don't ever do anything I don't think is right." He cited that he was responsible for the airport at Hobbs, N.M., not being moved because he believed only a few investors in nearby property would benefit. "The same thing goes for this matter," he said, "where only Mr. Paul Burns and Mr. Douglas Robertson will benefit. "All in all, I feel that Robertson and Burns persuaded a lot of people to fight us but I like to see justice done. I'm a Christian man and I like to do this because I know we are right." Bennett said Tuesday night on the telephone.

He has a letter to the editor, also, in this issue of the Observer. Another letter opposing the closing is in this week's paper, submitted by D.E. (Ike) Bailey Sr. of Clarke Oil Well Servicing, Inc.

I was almost in agreement with these kind folks, who have chosen Robert Lee as their place for retirement, until late Tuesday, when I began to see that there could perhaps be another side to the matter other than just providing a nice fishing hole for some people.

I talked first, to County Judge D.W. Sims. He said, since he had been in Temple having surgery most of the time since the decision was made to close the road, that he could not comment too much on the matter. He said, however, "The commissioners followed the advice of the county attorney when he told them that they had every right to close the road."

The judge continued, "I felt when the commissioners voted to close the road that the matter was decided and I certainly wouldn't buck their decision."

Commissioner Jerry Parker of Bronte, who served as county

## Hospital Staff Wants to Buy New Color TV

(Editor's note: Personnel who are employed at West Coke County Hospital this week announced their intention to raise money to purchase some color television sets for patient rooms. These folks have given unstintingly of their time and effort in obtaining new drapes for patient rooms and other improvements. They deserve the support and help of everyone in the area in this worthwhile project. The following statement of their intentions was released this week.)

We at West Coke County Hospital are constantly striving to improve patient comfort during their stay in our facility. One of the things, we think, would be great for you, the people of this county, is color T.V.'s. The black and white sets we have now are old and constantly in a state of repair.

It is hard to enjoy a program when the picture is always flipping and the sound fades in and out, if you can hear it at all! This would make anybody sick and patients are supposed to be getting well. So, the employees of the hospital are going to try to raise the money to buy about six color sets.

To begin our project we are going to have a bake sale April 17, (Good Friday), at 9:00 a.m., in front of the post office. Buy your goodies for Easter and conserve your time and energy.

We very much appreciate your business!!

### BE ON THE LOOKOUT

Plans are being made for something special on July 4, 1981. Be sure to keep up with progress on this big event. It's going to be fun for everybody!



**SOPHOMORE FAVORITES--** Members of the Robert Lee High School Sophomore Class have selected Debbie Cummins and Lupe Torres as their Class Favor-

## Light Turnout for Local Elections

A light turnout of voters Saturday elected officials for the City of Robert Lee, the Robert Lee School and West Coke County Hospital District.

Heaviest voting was in the school trustee election where 192 ballots were cast. Incumbents on the ballot were reelected, with Phil Ray getting 159 and W.L. (Dub) Metcalf receiving 128 votes. The third candidate on the ballot, Mary Herring, received 88 votes and Gaylon Pitcock got three write-ins.

West Coke County Hospital District has two new directors, replacing George Newby and Earl Lindsey who did not seek reelection. Barbara Chesney received 137 votes and Teddy Pitcock was close behind with 133. The other candidate was Jody Rodriguez who received 66 votes.

Only 106 persons voted in the city election where three candidates were running for three vacancies. The incumbents, F.W. Prentice and Jody Rodriguez, received 102 and 89 votes, respectively. A new candidate, J.A.

Dunklin, received 90 votes to become a Robert Lee city alderman.

Allen Clendennen was the other councilman whose term expired this year, but he did not seek reelection.

### OLDTIMERS LEFT ON BOARDS

Members of the various boards who have additional time left in their terms and will make up the other members groups include: city council, Mayor Robert Vaughan and council members Alice Beauty and Wilson Bryan; school board, Joe Flowers, J.C. Wallace Jr., Ray Aldridge, Jeffie Roberts and John Stephens; hospital district board, T.M. Wylie Jr., Steve Oleksiuk and Wayne McCabe.

### BAKER IMPROVING

Bobby Baker is making steady improvement at his home after suffering a heart attack March 13. Visiting last week in the Baker home was Mrs. Baker's sister, Nora May of Weatherford. Another sister, Cecil Kingston of Balmorhea, is here this week.

## Steer Track Teams Participate In Irion Co. Relays Last Saturday

Robert Lee High School track teams continued their rush of activities last weekend as both boys and girls teams took part in the Irion County Relays at Mertzon. The boys team, as a group, outdistanced the girls considerably, as they won second place, while the girls team managed

only a tie for sixth place.

However, two girl tracksters had outstanding accomplishments when Leigh Ann Runnion and Lupe Munoz broke school records in the high jump and 3200 meter run, respectively.

### BOYS RESULTS

440 relay: 3. Graves Parks, Darren Williams, Armando Sanchez and Steven Ray, 46.3.

3200 run: 2. Tim Bosworth, 11:11; 5. Garry Palmer, 11:47.

100 dash: 2. Sanchez, 11:29; 6. Parks, 11.5.

400 dash: 4. Bob Flowers, 53.75; 5. Steven Ray, 54.01.

1600 meter run: 6. Bosworth, 5:15.

Mile relay: Parks, Ray, Flowers, Sanchez, 3:37.6.

Pole vault: 1. Parks, 13' 0"; 3. Scot Long, 11' 6".

Discus: 2. Long, 139.10 1/2".

### GIRLS RESULTS

High jump: 1. Leigh Runnion, 5' 1" (new school record).

Shot put: 3. Martha Bickley, 31' 4 1/2"; 4. Sara DeLaPena, 31' 1".

Discus: 6. DeLaPena, 85' 2".

1600 meter run: 1. Lupe Munoz, 5:46.57.

3200 meter run: 1. Lupe Munoz, 12:36.15 (new school record).

The girls made 49 points for a tie for sixth place.

District track meets have been set up for:

### DISTRICT MEETS

The district meet for girls of the district will be held this Friday at Garden City when Robert Lee girls will test their mettle with other teams of the district.

The boys district meet is a good way off yet, since it is scheduled for April 21 at Sterling City.

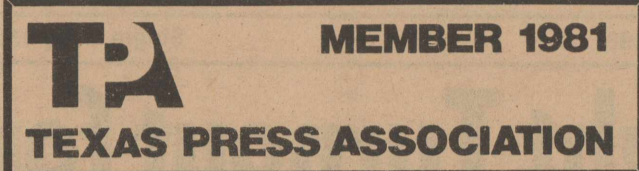
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**TOM LOEFFLER**  
Congressman  
21st District - Texas

**Reports from Washington**

THE DEPUTY WHIP'S JOB

A fair amount has been written lately about my designation as "Deputy Republican Whip" in the House of Representatives.

It is an honor to be named to such a leadership position. But there's a lot of hard work that goes with the territory. Ultimately, however, the Twenty-first Congressional District will benefit when our leadership is translated into legislative victories.

A whip by definition is a party leader chosen by the policy makers to make certain that members are present for important votes and that they vote the way the leadership wants. The party whip must be tactful, yet tough; he is expected to turn out every member on crucial party-line votes.

The word comes from "whipperin," a man assigned to keep the hounds from straying in a fox hunt. The term was first put into the political language by the masterful English prime minister Benjamin Disraeli, who said the job required "consummate knowledge of human nature, the most amiable flexibility and complete self-control." A tall order by any standard these days!

As Deputy Whip I will work with the Executive Branch, the Senate and conservative Democrats in the 97th Congress. I will also be playing a role in the formulation and execution of Republican strategy. Simply put, the whip or his deputies persuades other members to support the programs sent to Congress from President Reagan. The job will not be an easy one in the House, since it is not controlled by the President's party. But there are many of my colleagues on the other side of the aisle who share my views that the growth in federal spending should be reduced — that rhetoric aside, this is the time for a new beginning.

One of the reasons I was chosen Deputy Whip is my previous Washington experience on the Senate staff of fellow Texan John Tower and more recently my work in the Ford White House. That experience taught me the importance of coalition building. It is the principal way to work on a consistent policy. Success will also depend on persistence and hard work — something to which all of us in the Twenty-first District are accustomed. This year all of us

in the Congress have our work cut out for us.

The Republicans are some 28 votes behind this session in the House and we must build coalitions with the Democrats to get our programs passed. It is perhaps fortuitous that I will be working with my good friend, Congressman Charlie Stenholm of Stamford. Congressman Stenholm is leader of the new Conservative Democratic Forum and in many ways we are philosophical soulmates, particularly on economic and defense matters. Charlie and I have developed a good personal friendship and a sound working relationship. We need these kinds of relationships to win a majority on key votes.

One thing is for sure: Debate on the Federal budget will be extensive and will get heated at times. It is difficult to predict our legislative potential this early in the game but the lines have been drawn and I am optimistic we will gather a good working majority in the House. There are enough Democrats who believe in the conservative public opinion that demands some change in our fiscal thinking. That should send a clear signal to the House majority and others enamored of giveaway programs and a government too involved in local matters to keep its own house in order. We have sent a clear signal to the liberals in the House of Representatives that we intend to get down to the business of passing the President's budget.

Now, there is one footnote to what we've been talking about: I want to stress that my new duties will not take away from the kind and quality of representation I give to the Twenty-first Congressional District. In fact, my new assignments will enable me to have a clearer voice on programs that affect our diverse needs in the Twenty-first.

My service on the powerful Appropriations Committee will be much the same way. That committee sees every piece of spending legislation in the House of Representatives and controls the federal purse strings. We all know that fiscal responsibility is critical in these inflationary times.

And finally, my assignments on the military construction and interior subcommittees — combined with my working relationship with the Republican leadership — will give me a great vantage point to look out for the interests of our district and take action when our causes are threatened.

Pageant Assn.  
Clean-Up Day  
Sat., April 11



The Coke County Pageant Association urges everyone interested to turn out for a general clean-up day Saturday, April 11, beginning at 8:30 a.m. at the amphi-theatre. The theatre, located north-east of the county stock barn on Mountain Creek, was damaged and littered with drift and debris during last fall's flood. Repairs and clean up are needed now in preparation for the Easter sunrise service to be held there on April 19th.

Did You Know?

1. That rats carry more diseases transmissible to man and animals than any other creature? (37 to man, 18 to pets, livestock and poultry)
2. That rats can chew through almost anything except steel and glass? These include poorly mixed concrete, certain brick, asphalt, aluminum siding, lead pipe, wood, plastic and sometimes thin gauge galvanized metal?
3. That rats have the highest reproductive rate of any animal? They have a biotic potential of one litter every twenty-three days; eight to twenty per litter?
4. That rats can and do eat meat, other animals, birds and each other?
5. That rats are excellent swimmers and have been known to swim from ship to shore?
6. That rats are found in virtually every neighborhood in the metroplex?
7. That rats are the most wasteful and destructive animal known?
8. That we pay for rat damage and spoilage with everything we eat, wear, buy, rent or lease?
9. That rats start many fires in the urban areas?
10. And did you know that the domestic rats are the most numerous land animals today, far exceeding the human population?

THINK ABOUT IT.....THEN DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT!  
For further information call: 915-673-0331, Wildlife Damage Control Specialist, c/o County Extension Agent, Old County Courthouse, Abilene, Texas 79602.

"OLE COKE COUNTY" NAMED IN BROCHURE

For the eighth year in a row, the West Texas Chamber of Commerce is encouraging travelers to discover West Texas by exploring the areas and attractions in the "Wonderful West Texas" Fun and Adventure Map.

The 1981 edition of the map has just been released according to Ray McLaughlin of Alpine, Chairman of the Tourist and Travel Development Committee. In excess of 100,000 copies of the map have been printed and will be distributed through state tourist information centers, auto and travel clubs, travel shows, map participants, and inquiries received by the WTCC.

To obtain copies of the map, write the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, P.O. Box 1561, Abilene, Texas, 79604.

Eighty participants are featured in the 1981 Fun and Adventure Map. Among the attractions and areas of interest is the "Ole Coke County" Pageant at Robert Lee.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

I am sure the people of Coke County have seen some of our ads in the paper concerning the "Lake Improvement Committee" we plan to make this a permanent organization. Each member will contribute \$1.00 per month as dues; this money will be used to make the lake a better place for all to enjoy.

There are roads that the county can not maintain and CRMWD will not maintain because they are not in designated camp grounds, although they keep trash barrels in these places and pick up the garbage. Some of these roads are so bad we can hardly get over them, and if we can get permission from CRMWD we will hire a maintainer and repair some of them.

We will ask all members to leave a clean camp and encourage others to do so. We will ask all members to report thefts, vandalism and littering to the proper people.

We will cut trees so close to the road so as not to endanger cars or campers. We will ask the Texas Parks and Wildlife people to attend some of our meetings to discuss ways we can help them control rough fish and make suggestions to them about stocking the lake.

We have started with only 35 members but we expect this number to grow to at least 100 members. We would welcome anyone who would like to become a member.

We are now in a struggle to reopen one of our county roads to some of the best fishing country on the lake for the people who can't afford a boat or have reached the age where it is not safe for them to operate one.

We will continue to try to keep our access roads to the lake open and do anything we can to make the lake a better place.

E.C. Bennett  
Chairman of "Lake Improvement Committee"

Dear Editor:

My wife and I have become involved in the Friendship Lane dispute. We have a large investment in this community and feel qualified to make a plea to all concerned. We love recreation and have many friends in this community. We are co-owners of a very large firm and many times have experienced the pains of stealing and vandalism. We see litter all over the United States, not just on Spence reservoir property. We are convinced that the more people seeing vandalism, stealing and litter, the more odds are that some one will report and be sure that it's reported to the very interested law officers of the community. But more painful than all is our feelings for the Senior Citizens already in bad trouble with Mr. Inflation, that have made this community their home, that have

been caught in this dispute. Please join and get involved in the lake improvement committee; lets all work together. You must report litter, vandalism, and stealing to make this a better community for the Senior Citizens, ranchers, recreation and CRMWD.

Bernie, Ike Bailey & Poodle

Dear Editor:

Enclosed please find check for nine dollar (9.00) to bring The Observer to us for another year. I first read the Robert Lee paper in 1900.

Following are memories recalled from my boyhood after reading "75 Years Ago", by Joan Davis, March 6, 1981.

My father, M.B. Patterson, and I were present at the wedding of B.N. Tannyhill, of Robert Lee, and Miss Eliza Vincent of San Angelo, in Ladie's Store seventy five years ago. I remember little Pearl Tannyhill, who often came with her parents to our place. When Mrs. Tannyhill died we younger ones watched the grave being dug in Indian Creek Cemetery by Charlie Patterson, and others. My Uncle John Patterson, a carpenter, made the pine box in which Mrs. Tannyhill's body was buried.

I hope I'm not asking too much in requesting that you, Mr. Oglesby, phone the county clerk and ask for a copy of Eliza Tannyhill's death certificate, along with a bill for fee.

I made a visit to Indian Creek Cemetery five years ago, and found it in deplorable condition. Classmates of mine at Indain Creek School were ancestors of Judge Sims. I believe it would be a good thing if Judge Sims and the county supervisors would make an effort to correct this condition.

Thank You,  
Lewis E. Patterson  
10849 Indiana Ave.  
Riverside, Calif. 92503

### MRS. BUTLER HONORED WITH BRIDAL SHOWER

A bridal shower honoring Mrs. Ray Butler was held last Sunday afternoon in the Methodist Church Fellowship Hall. Special guests were the groom's mother and sister, Mrs. Floyd Butler and Mrs. Don Cosper, both of Eldorado, and the bride's mother, Mrs. Jack Mathews, of Robert Lee.

The serving table was covered with a hand crocheted white lace cloth over a yellow liner. Yellow candles and a silk mixed spring bouquet, with gold appointments, also graced the table. Cookies and punch were served to a number of guests who viewed the gifts that were displayed.

Hostesses for the event were: Mrs. Ben Bessent, Mrs. John Jacobs, Mrs. Arthur Runnion, Mrs. Jimmy Bell, Mrs. Truman Hines, Mrs. Bill Simpson, Mrs. Tom Sawyer, Mrs. Bob Wrinkle, Mrs. Grahame Fenton, Mrs. Bob Boone, Mrs. Wayne Mashburn, Mrs. R.L. Flanagan, Mrs. Bill Casey, Mrs. Fred McCabe Jr., Ms. Beth Prather and Mrs. Dale Wojtek.

### REPORT YOUR NEWS!



**LIONS CLUB MEETING**

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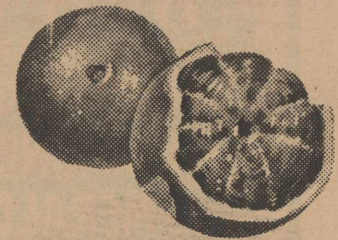
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**FRIENDSHIP ROAD -**

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judge pro tem while Judge Sims was away, said, at the Monday meeting of the commissioners' court, the advice of County Attorney Bill Helwig was taken to submit all the documents and other evidence to the attorney general of Texas for a decision on the matter.

Judge Sims said late Tuesday he told Bennett that trespassing on the closed property was similar to burglary and persons who are caught can be filed on. Sims said Bennett told him, "We'll take our chances," and he construed that to mean that the leader of the opposition to the road closing didn't intend to abide by the commissioners' court decision.

"I'm still open to negotiation," the judge said, "and would like to work with anybody who is willing to work with us on this matter."

Judge Sims said, "I feel sure the commissioners would be willing to hear any reasonable consideration that would be beneficial to both sides and stay within the bounds of the law, but so far, the only word I have received makes me feel as if I had been threatened."

**CRMWD HEAD TALKS**

The head of the Colorado Municipal Water District, O.H. Ivie, was contacted by this newspaper at his home Tuesday night in Big Spring. During a 45 minute conversation Ivie assured this writer that the CRMWD had nothing but good will toward the citizens of Coke County.

However, he pointedly said that his organization has obligations which "may not satisfy everyone who wants to drop a fish hook into Lake Spence."

Ivie said the CRMWD agreed to furnish a certain amount of the

shoreline of Lake Spence for recreational purposes when its permit was granted to build the lake. The area at the end of Friendship Lane, which is under dispute, is not part of the recreational area agreed upon, Ivie said. "I think we would be cited for discrimination if we allowed fishermen to go into this area," he said, "and didn't let them go into any other area they desired."

Ivie said the management of CRMWD is charged by law with preventing pollution of the state's waterways, and there is no way the organization can police the entire shoreline of Lake Spence.

"We have provided four different areas available for public use and have set up our budget for local personnel to clean up these areas," the CRMWD manager said. "We have four men working on this part of our program," he added, "and two of them work full time picking up garbage."

Ivie said CRMWD had bought and paid for the area under dispute and the land is leased to individuals until the lake fills with water and there will be no more grazing land to lease. "I feel these men who have paid out their money for the right to run stock in this area deserve as much protection as if they owned the land," he said.

"But back to the matter of pollution," Ivie said. "I wish you would call Dub (W.L.) Metcalf. He works for us and I'd like for you to hear what he has to say about the lakeshore at the end of Friendship Lane."

Ivie said he didn't believe the fishermen of Robert Lee who want the road to remain open are responsible for the pollution. "I think they are all responsible citizens," he said, "and would never do anything to turn this area into the cesspool it was last fall. But we can't keep anybody out unless we keep them all out."

"We had one individual who camped for a week last fall," Ivie said, "and he left a filthy mess."

"We are trying to make available to the general public a recreation place at Lake Spence and we don't always succeed as well as we would like to, but we have to keep on trying." Ivie added that there are other places around the lake which are being used as a community dump "and we sure don't like it."

He pointed out that there are

four roads leading up to the lake from where fishermen can operate and "we feel from a legal standpoint that's all we have to provide and I know from a financial standpoint that's all we can afford to provide."

This writer called W.L. (Dub) Metcalf after talking with Ivie, and he confirmed the cesspool qualities of the lake at the end of Friendship Lane.

He said even though it was not a recognized recreation area of the lake that he and his crew decided to clean it up last fall.

"I don't think you'd like to take your wife and your kids there for a weekend," he said. "It was really bad." Metcalf said there was no way Lake Spence clean-up personnel could keep up with the pollution problem in more than the areas which are designated for recreation. "We have four men working at this job and there's no way they can empty all the trash and clean up in any more areas than are already designated as recreation areas," he added.

"We find old mattresses down in the edge of the water or just anything they can drag out, and it's a big job to keep things cleaned up," Metcalf added.

County Attorney Bill Helwig was the last person talked to Tuesday night in this review of the Friendship Lane closing. Helwig said he felt he advised the commissioners correctly when he told them they had the authority to close the road. He said he did not recommend that the road be closed, but only advised the commissioners of his opinion.

Helwig said he was pleased with the commissioners' Monday decision to submit all the documents concerning the matter to the attorney general and let his office decide the final outcome.

"The commissioners have made a decision and I feel that any further pursuit of the matter until we hear from the attorney general's office would only serve to fracture further and hurt the county," Helwig said, "and that is something I do not want to do."

The county attorney added that he will do whatever is necessary in the matter, but he would do it only on a professional basis, "not as a personal thing as it has been developing the last few weeks."

**TRAVEL TO LAKE**

Mr. and Mrs. Buz Sawyer traveled to Lake Travis, near Austin, on a recent weekend to accept a prize offered to them in a 'Win-O-Gram' giveaway drawing. They were awarded a 35 mm camera and a cash certificate.


Accompanied by their grandson, Glenn Davis, they visited with their granddaughter, Penne Sims, a freshman student at the University of Texas in Austin. On their return trip, they visited with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Garland Davis, at Medina.

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**IRA BIRD BACK HOME**

Ira Bird, longtime Sanco ranchman and one of Coke County's oldest residents, is recuperating at his home after several days in the hospital. He was released last Thursday from the Sterling County Hospital in Sterling City.

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**By LOU WRIGHT**

The members of the West Coke County Ambulance Service want to thank all of the people who made the combination bake sale, blood pressure clinic and sausage sale such a great success last Saturday. Cake sales and donations totaled around \$1200 for the day. Sausage orders were still being taken at the time this was written. Our thanks to all of you for your assistance.

Next Saturday, the EMT class now in progress will hold its required extrication class. From 8 a.m. to 10:00, the class will meet at the Fire Training Center in San Angelo for automobile extrication. Beginning at 12 noon the group will work on the lake doing water rescue and hazardous situations. After this session is completed the group will adjourn to the Masonic Lodge to practice removing a patient from the second floor. We want members of the public to be aware that these are simply practice ses-

sions and not to be afraid that something "bad" has happened. Those who have time are welcome to watch the activities to see exactly what Emergency Medical Service is all about. Please do, however, respond to the students and instructors when they ask you to move for your own safety.

If you are interested in taking a community course in Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation, please contact a member of the Ambulance Service. We would like to have a large number of citizens trained in this life-saving technique to keep the patient alive until we can arrive and begin treatment under a physician's orders. Please plan to take this course which will only take eight hours of your time.



**CITATION BY PUBLICATION**

To: T.E. ELLIOTT, Defendant, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the Plaintiff's Petition at or before ten o'clock a.m. of the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being Monday the 11th day of May 1981, at or before ten o'clock a.m. before the Honorable 51st District Court of Coke County, Texas, at the Court House of said County in Robert Lee, Texas.

Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court, on the 19th day of March A.D. 1981, in this cause, numbered 2840 on the docket of said court, and styled, VIDA PEAYS, ET AL Plaintiff, vs. T.E. Elliott Defendant.

The names of the parties to the cause are as follows: VIDA PEAYS, THOMAS A. PEAYS JR., GEORGE B. PEAYS AND HAZEL PEAYS GREEN are Plaintiffs and T.E. ELLIOTT is Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to wit:

Trespass to try title - alleging title by limitation, involving forty acres of land in Coke County, Texas, being the northwest one-fourth (1/4) of the northwest one-fourth (1/4) of Section No. 227, H&TC Ry. Co. Survey, Block 2; as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

If this citation is not served within ninety days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

The officer executing this process shall promptly execute the same according to law, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Robert Lee, Texas, this the 24th day of March A.D. 1981.

Attest:  
Winnie Waldrop Clerk,  
District Court, Coke County,  
Texas.  
39-4tc

**CITATION BY PUBLICATION**

To: LENA STEINLAUF, Defendant, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the Plaintiff's Petition at or before ten o'clock a.m. of the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being Monday the 11th day of May 1981, at or before ten o'clock a.m. before the Honorable 51st District Court of Coke County, Texas, at the Court house of said County in Robert Lee, Texas.

Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court, on the 19th day of March A.D. 1981, in this cause, numbered 2841 on the docket of said court, and styled, VIDA PEAYS, ET AL Plaintiff, vs. LENA STEINLAUF Defendant.

The names of the parties to the cause are as follows:

VIDA PEAYS, THOMAS A. PEAYS JR., GEORGE B. PEAYS AND HAZEL PEAYS GREEN are Plaintiffs and LENA STEINLAUF is Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to wit:

Trespass to try title - alleging title by limitation, involving forty acres of land in Coke County, Texas, being the Southeast one-fourth (1/4) of the Northwest one-fourth (1/4) of Section No. 227, Block 2, H&TC Ry. Co. Survey; as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

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ATTEST:  
Winnie Waldrop Clerk,  
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**Methodist Plan Easter Services**

Speical Easter services have been planned by the First United Methodist Church of Robert Lee.

This Sunday, April 12, Palm Sunday, will be observed with a procession of palms during the 11 a.m. worship service. At 6 p.m., a special film on baptism will be shown.

At 7 p.m. the church choir will present their annual Easter program. The program will be directed by Ruby Jones and accompanist will be Lucile Bryan. Soloists for the program will be Caroline Simpson, Lynda Ray, John Reynolds, Kay Grim and Mrs. Jones.

United Methodist Women will host a reception immediately after the service in the fellowship hall.

A Maundy Thursday service will be held April 16 at 7 p.m., with a service of holy Communion to commemorate the Last Supper. On Good Friday, April 17, at 7:30 p.m., a Service of Shadows will be held in the church sanctuary to recall the last hours Christ spent on the cross.

The pastor, the Rev. John Reynolds, said everyone is cordially invited to attend as many of these services as possible.

**CLIFF CALDER SUFFERS FIRST RATTLESNAKE BITE**

Cliff Calder was taken to West Coke County Hospital last Friday afternoon after being bitten on the hand at his home by a large rattlesnake. He said that in his many years of capturing and handling rattlesnakes for sale, this was his first time to be bitten.

Calder was transferred to Shannon Hospital in San Angelo, by the EMS unit, where he remained overnight. Friends reported he snakehunted Sunday, despite a severely swollen arm, following treatment and release from Shannon Hospital Saturday.

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ROBERT LEE, TEXAS

March 31, 1981

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| Loans and Discounts       | \$ 3,447,233.47 |
| C.D.'s Purchased          | 3,373,655.68    |
| U.S. Bonds and Securities | 249,633.00      |
| Warrants and State Bonds  | 1,008,450.49    |
| Other Bonds               | 3,362,973.09    |
| Federal Funds Sold        | 1,399,995.00    |
| Banking House             | 87,690.18       |
| Furniture and Fixtures    | 50,186.59       |
| Cash and Exchange         | 1,091,800.36    |
| Other Assets              | 40,633.69       |

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**LIABILITIES**

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|-------------------|---------------|
| Capital Stock     | \$ 100,000.00 |
| Surplus           | 300,000.00    |
| Undivided Profits | 790,675.90    |
| Reserves          | 28,516.92     |
| Other Liabilities | 108,812.02    |
| Deposits          | 12,784,246.71 |

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## Roy McFarland Services Held

Funeral services were held here Thursday, April 2, for Roy L. "Bumps" MacFarland, 69, of Sunrise Beach Village. Service was from First United Methodist Church officiated by the Rev. John Reynolds, with burial in Robert Lee Cemetery. He died at 6 a.m. Tuesday, March 31, at Fort Sam Houston Hospital in San Antonio.

MacFarland was born Jan. 23, 1912, in Winters, the son of Olive and R.L. MacFarland. The family were early day settlers in Coke County. Mrs. MacFarland taught school in the Indian Creek community. He was a Robert Lee High School graduate in 1929, best remembered by classmates for his boxing ability and was a basketball player on the high school team. He joined the U.S. Air Force at an early age, spending much of his service time in England, but having been retired for several years.

He was married to Mary Mitchell March 3, 1979 in Fort Stockton.

Survivors include his wife; a son, Bobby MacFarland of Great Britain; a stepson, J.B. Mitchell of Weslaco; two stepdaughters, Vera Ann Strong of Welsh and Mrs. Sherman Hammond of Fort

Stockton; a sister, Mrs. Ann Camp of Muleshoe; a brother, Pearce MacFarland of New Orleans, La.; and eight step-grandchildren.

### MISS PRATHER PRESENTS PAPER AT DALLAS MEET

Kristen Prather, a third-year student at Texas Tech in Lubbock, presented a paper entitled "Sex Role Traditionalism and Job Satisfaction Among Women" at a conference of the Southwest Social Sciences Assn. March 28 in Dallas.

The paper was prepared to meet the requirements of a course in research methods. Her professor suggested she submit the paper to the association for acceptance in the conference program. Of the many papers presented at the conference, Kristen's was one of the few done by an undergraduate.

Kristen said that she was honored to have been asked to participate and felt that it was an invaluable experience. She was accompanied to Dallas by her mother, Mrs. Beth Prather and grandmother, Mrs. O.W. Newell.

### REPORT YOUR NEWS!

## 75 YEARS AGO

By Joan Davis

(George Cowan was editor of the early Observer for many years. After reading many of his editorials and articles, he wasn't just a figure in our history; he was a warm, funny human being. I believe he would have been delightful to know. He loved to print stories from other papers. The following was an advertisement for a mercantile store printed in the "Merkel Mail"--- not as a joke but as a serious advertisement. Remember, this was 1906. - Joan Davis)

"We give green trading stamps to greenhorns, our carpets can't be beat, while passing through our store you will find pocketbooks greatly reduced. Special today on women's slippers and boy's pants always down; ladies tailor-made suits 1/2 off, seal skin sacques made to order, ladies can furnish their own skins. Ladies bathing suits cut almost to nothing.

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**FIRST PLACE JUDGES--**The Coke County 4-H Club livestock judging team took first place in the ACU judging contest. From

left, they are Doug Tounget, Craig Grant, Waylan Ensor and Douglas Roberts. Ensor was high point individual in the contest.

## Coke 4-H Judges First At ACU

The Coke County Junior Livestock Judging Team consisting of Waylan Ensor, Craig Grant, Doug Tounget and Douglas Roberts placed first in the Abilene Christian University contest, besting 120 teams from over the state. Waylan Ensor was high individual in the contest and Craig Grant tied for the 10th high individual. Over 450 contestants participated in the contest.

The four man team in addition to being high team of the contest

placed fourth in swine judging, seventh in sheep judging and 11 in cattle judging.

A second team participated in the contest consisted of Corby Kelso, Ronnie Carlton and Blake Braswell. The groups are in preparation for the district contest to be held later this month. They are working under the sponsorship of County Extension Agent Sterling Lindsey.

### DANA PEARSON HONORED WITH BRIDAL SHOWER

Miss Dana Pearson was honored with a bridal shower March 29, from 2:30 to 4 p.m. in the home of Mrs. Ed Hart in Bronte. She is the bride-elect of Keith Eubanks.

Hostesses were Mmes. Wayne Barnett, E.G. Collins, Edward Cumbie, Aubrey Denman, E.F. Glenn, Hart, Wendell Lee, Calvin McCutchen, Larry Saunders, Guy Strickland, and Bill Thomas and Miss Genie Thomas.

## News from West Coke Hospital

March 31: Pauline Brumley, Lois Mae Smith admitted. No dismissals.

April 1: No admissions. Elsie Latham, Ruby Jones dismissed.

April 2: No admissions. Travis Pannell dismissed.

April 3: No admissions. No dismissals.

April 4: Altha Wimberly admitted. No dismissals.

April 5: Retha Robinson admitted. No dismissals.

April 6: Una L. Gann admitted No dismissals.

## Lake Spence Fishing News

Wanoneck's Paint Creek Marina Brad Dunnam and party - Levelland, 1 yellow cat 35 lbs. on trotline near Salt Creek.

Mike Lant - Midland, 5 1/2 lb. striped bass near dam.

Wildcat Fish-A-Rama Kenneth Ward - Andrews, 3 1/2 lb. black bass.

Triangel Groc and Bait L.G. Bailey - Denver City, 8 lb. blue cat.

Mark and David Williamson - Odessa, 7 lb. yellow cat and 7 lb. blue cat.

Skinny's Hillside Groc. Doc Robertson - Robert Lee, 42 white bass.

Charles Ashbrook - Tahoka, 1 12 lb. yellow cat and 2 7 lb. yellow cat.

Jim Hubbard and Tracy - Robert Lee, 23 white bass and 1 8 lb. blue cat.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Ben,

The Texas Jaycee Campus of the Victoria College and the Gonzales Warm Springs Foundation furnish a two-year program for the handicapped which I am currently attending. We need a small reference library on the campus for the student's use. If you, your study club, or any other community service groups would like to purchase a reference book to be used in the library, please call or write Mr. Pat Pringle, Director, Texas Jaycee Campus of the Victoria College, P.O. Box 58, Gonzales, Texas, 78629, (512) 672-2831, Ext. 270.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter. Any assistance would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,  
Jim Rawlings, Student  
Texas Jaycee Campus of the  
Victoria College

### Engineer's book advocates changes in home environment

COLLEGE STATION — The bathtub — unchanged in 50 years — is too short, too narrow and too low and toilet seats should be redesigned to be more comfortable, claims a human factors engineer.

A new textbook by R. Dale Huchingson takes a questioning look at devices and machines that are supposedly people-oriented but don't quite measure up.

"The book advocates that we think critically of the world," said Huchingson, professor in Texas A&M's Industrial Engineering Department. "Americans grew taller by four tenths of an inch per decade to 1970, our last reliable figure. Engineers and others in design must take these factors into consideration."

The book contains sections on aerospace, surface transportation, communications and data processing systems, as well as industrial systems and the environment.

# A slick plan for a rainy day.

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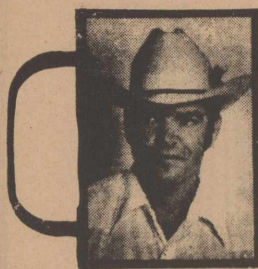


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## Jerry Lackey's Country Folk

FORT WORTH--As a member of the press delegation covering Vice President George Bush's first visit back to Texas after taking office, this writer was caught up in the shock, drama and agony that all Americans experienced when the president was shot.

While we lunched with the vice president and listened to his remarks before the 104th annual meeting of Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association, it never occurred until after the fact how near Bush came to be president. Nonetheless, I was most impressed with the security provided for the vice president by the Secret Service and the police.

I have been in the press corps with five presidents of the United States and several vice presidents over the last 25 years of my journalism career. In all those times, I have never witnessed as much security as was provided for Bush on this visit.

When news circulated that President Reagan was shot, the cattle raisers meeting sort of went into limbo for the remainder of last Monday. People gathered back in their hotel rooms to watch TV or huddled around radios in the huge Tarrant County Convention Center.

As word came that the president was going to be okay, the jubilation showed in the faces of over 2,000 cattlemen. Reagan had addressed this assembly four years ago in the same location. And following Bush's speech, TSCRA president John Cargile of San Angelo sent word to the President via Bush that the cattle raisers support everything he "is trying to do to patch the national economy."

President Reagan has "described the country's current economic situation as verging on calamity," said Bush. "Unless we do something to stem and reverse current trends, this country is going to suffer an economic catastrophe of unprecedented dimensions. That isn't alarmist talk. It's the harsh truth--the truth that critics of the president's program for economic recovery simply don't want to face up to."

Bush told members of the press in a news conference of three-fold program to deal with the country's economic crisis:

"First, to reduce the rate of inflation and unconscionable interest rates, the president pledged to curb the excesses of a federal spending machine gone out of control;

"Second, to put jobless Americans back to work and stimulate industrial expansion and private investment, President Reagan pledged tax cuts that would effectively restore incentive to an economy burdened by paying the cost of those federal spending excesses:

"Third, he pledged to take another burden -- that of federal government over-regulation -- off the backs of the American people, in their communities, their lives and their livelihoods."

The vice president delivered his remarks on the economy straight and without any frills. However, he failed to make any statements in the press conference I attended and /or in the speech concerning agriculture policy, the grain embargo or the predator situation.

"I know a lot of the ranchmen's problem stems on rain or drought," he smiled as he looked toward the ag press. And traveling to and from Fort Worth, I observed the makings of a great spring. Visiting with ranch folks from throughout the Southwest, it is obvious one of the best spring's in 20 years. This spring has more than made up for the hot, dry last summer."

Wade McCleery, Tom Green County ranchman, states his "country is in tip top shape, the best in years and we are enjoying a good spring."

Lad Linticum predicts "the best lamb crop since 1960 and the best spring in almost that time" at Barnhart.

Bob Northcutt, foreman of the Renderbrook-Spade Ranch near Colorado City, says "weeds knee high along with plenty of grass wave over the ranges."

In the Texas Hill Country, James Grote of the Granite-Hills Ranch near Llano, says the bluebonnets are "beautiful this year. We received another inch of rain last weekend to perk them up again. But we have received rains all winter."

John Dudley of Comanche recorded another inch of rain last week. "Because of a mild winter, we have some old grass left and with the new grass coming on, our terrain is going into spring ahead of schedule."

Former Texas Governor Dolph Briscoe stated: "South Texas rangeland is looking good after recent rains."

Johnny Northcutt of Cotulla says South Texas "is either fried chicken and gravy or guts and feathers...right now it's fried chicken. We have the best bottom moisture since 1977, good weeds as a result of good rains and a light winter with little feeding. Everything is blooming and maturing."



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## Plans Made For Bike-A-Thon

Mrs. Dennis Counts, chairman, announced preliminary plans have been made for conducting St. Jude's Children's Research Cancer Hospital Bike-A-Thon's annual benefit. This year's Bike-A-Thon will begin at 9 a.m. on April 25.

Robert Lee riders will be starting at the road-side park just east of town on Highway 157, riding toward Bronte. Riders from Bronte will assemble at the Mini-park in downtown Bronte, riding west toward Robert Lee.

Participants must secure their own sponsors who will make donations for the benefit. Riders who gain \$25 in donations will receive St. Jude T-shirts and those getting sponsors to donate at least \$75 will earn back-packs for themselves.

Volunteers each year conduct these Bike-A-Thon fund-raisers for the hospital for children's dread diseases, primarily cancer. St. Jude's, located in Memphis, Tenn., provides free care for all children referred to them, regardless of location. They feel

family unity is very important to a child during his illness and furnishes lodging and travel for patients and family.

Adult volunteers and bike riders are still needed. Mrs. Counts urges all businesses and organizations to consider a donation for this worthy cause. Those interested in riding may contact local school principals or Mrs. Dennis Counts at 453-2564 in Robert Lee.

## COMPTROLLER REP TO VISIT ROBERT LEE

State Comptroller Bob Bullock will have a representative from his San Angelo office in Robert Lee on April 14, to assist local taxpayers and answer questions about state taxes.

Bullock said Enforcement Officer Dru Beck will meet with local taxpayers in the courtroom of the Coke County Courthouse from 9 to 10 a.m.

"If Robert Lee area merchants, or anyone else for that matter, have any questions about state taxes or need help in preparing state tax forms, Ms. Beck will be there to assist them," Bullock said.

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Love,  
Janet and Bob Baker  
41-1tc

**CARD OF THANKS**

I want to thank Dr. Zeon, and the nurses for the excellent care; my friends for the flowers, cards, phone calls, food, and concern which I recieved during my illness.

Sincerely,  
Travis Pannell  
41-1tp

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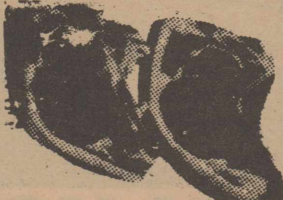
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