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## DISTILLERY SALESMAN CREMATED WHEN CAR HURTTLES INTO DITCH

Charred Body Dragged From Burning Car Which Plunged to Bottom of 12-Foot Ravine. Wednesday Night Identified Through Partially Melted Ring As Ed. Marzluff Of San Antonio, Distillery Representative.

The charred body of a man pulled from a burning auto after it had hurtled a top-foot ditch and plunged to the bottom of a twelve-foot ravine ten miles west of Eagle Lake Wednesday night was identified as Ed. Marzluff of San Antonio.

The body burned beyond recognition, one leg burned off at the knee, the other above the foot, one hand burned off and the other partially off, identification was made through a partially melted ring by C. L. Partin of Houston, personal friend and co-order, who came to Eagle Lake Thursday to view the remains held at the Eagle Lake Undertaking Company parlor.

Mr. Partin, through identification of the ring and other articles, was able to identify the remains. There was no doubt as to identity.

The unfortunate man, he said, was 41 years of age and lived with his wife and two sons, one 12 and the other 14, at 315 West Ludlow, San Antonio. He was the San Antonio representative for the Frankford Distillery Company of Louisville, Kentucky. Mr. Partin said:

A Lambert, sales director for the San Antonio Drug Company and David Owen, a relative and visitor from Ohio in the Marzluff home in San Antonio, came to Eagle Lake yesterday in an attempt to identify the body. While friends and other members of the family were anxiously awaiting definite word from the undertaking parlor here from San Antonio, Dallas, Houston and other points, Mrs. Dorothy Marzluff, his ill wife, was kept in ignorance of her husband's probable death.

The accident occurred at the second culvert east of the Wilson Hill, the car being en route east. Marks on the highway showed that the car, a Plymouth coach, 1934 model, was on the extreme left side of the highway in taking the curve and in coming down the hill toward the narrow culvert had crossed over the highway to the right shoulder. Tracks on that shoulder of the highway indicated that the right fender, in the driver's attempt to get back onto the highway, struck the culvert guard rail, causing the car to completely change direction in hurtling the ten or twelve foot ditch, strike with its rear on the opposite side of the high embankment and tumble to the bottom of the 12-foot ravine.

With the exception of the hood and two front wheels and tires, the car was a burned wreck. Justice of the Peace Walter Dick of Alherton found the partly burned ring, still showing a part of the Elks insignia and a small diamond, in the ashes and debris on the inside of the car, and it was through this ring and the license number on the car that positive identification was made.

The car bore an Ohio State license, the man and his family having moved to San Antonio from Toledo, Ohio, last June. Mr. Partin told the Headlight.

In digging in the ashes of the burned wreck Justice Dick recovered four quarters, five nickels and four pennies, the coins discolored by the fire and some of them stuck together. The dead man is known to have had a considerable amount of currency in a wallet, which was destroyed in the fire. Two 12-gauge shotgun shells, unexploded, were found in an ash container on the dash.

The body was shipped by the Eagle Lake Undertaking Company to San Antonio on the Thursday night Southern Pacific train, and from that city will be re-shipped to Chillicothe, Ohio, for burial.

## GIRLS ENJOY DELIGHTFUL SLUMBER PARTY THURSDAY

On Thursday night of last week ten girls enjoyed a delightful slumber party, guests of Miss Mattie Lou Starr at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. Doc Starr, at Lissie. Eating was the chief program and some of the party told the Headlight that the menu consisted of cake, candy, sandwiches, nutt grape juice and a little of everything good to eat. The personnel included Misses Lucille Hough, Edith Clipson, Alice Hutchins, Beulah Hutchins, Pearl Lee Adams, Corinne Wade, Mabel Campbell, Ruth Thomas, Johanna Bales and Mattie Lou Starr.

## ISENHOWER IS FARM CENSUS ENUMERATOR. EAGLE LAKE SECTION

Asks All Farmers To List Farm Data Required Immediately And Have Same Ready When He Calls On You.

Well Known And Loved Woman Of Eagle Lake Passes Away Early Sunday Following Illness Of Nearly A Year.

At 1:10 a. m. Sunday, December 30th, just as the Sabbath was being ushered in, and the space of time for the year 1934 was swiftly slipping away, God sent down to earth the angel of death for Him the pure, sweet soul of Mrs. Erna Marie Martin, beloved wife of Oliver Martin, who in response quietly and peacefully, almost without a struggle, closed her eyes to this earth of ours that had dealt out to her the usual amount of sunshine and showers that fill life for mortal man and passed into her eternal home, the home of her Heavenly Father where she joins the legion of angels and saints in paying homage to Him and where suffering will be no more.

Mrs. Martin's death was not unexpected as she had been an invalid for almost the entire year. In early February she was taken to Houston for an operation and treatments, where she was in St. Joseph's Infirmary for three months. She improved sufficiently to be brought home, her condition remaining practically the same throughout the summer. Early in November she showed marked improvement she was taken back to Houston for further treatment, but to no avail. The family was forced to at last give up hope and bring her back home two weeks before death came to relieve her of her great suffering.

During her entire illness her devoted husband and most loving sister, Miss Johanna Baring, were constantly at her bedside administering to her, trying to relieve suffering and make her comfortable. Miss Erna Baring was born at Wadsworth, the daughter of Albert and Johanna Baring. She came to Eagle Lake 22 years ago, and for a number of years she was saleslady at the H. Nussbaum and the B. H. Daily stores and was bookkeeper at the Frank Stephens Company store at the time of her marriage to Oliver Martin on January 8, 1931. She was popular with all who knew her of sweet, gentle disposition and lovable character and had lived the life of a Christian. She was a convert to the Catholic faith and a most devoted Catholic.

The funeral was held from the home of her brother, A. L. Baring, at 10:30 Monday morning and from the Catholic Church at 10:45, services being conducted by the local pastor, Rev. Father Macchaverna and Rev. Father Lawrence Kramer of Houston. A High Requiem Mass was sung by Father Macchaverna, with Joe Kelly and Walter Taylor serving as acolytes. A most beautiful and impressive sermon was delivered by Father Kramer. Interment was made in the Lakeside Cemetery, the pallbearers being Leander Reichle, Otto Reichle, C. B. Grote, Arthur Grote, A. W. Baring and Edgar Baring, all nephews. She leaves to mourn her death her grief-stricken husband, three brothers, Albert and Otto Baring of Houston, and A. L. Baring of this city; three sisters, Miss Fred Grote of Houston, Mrs. Amelia Reichle of New Ulm and Miss Johanna Baring of Eagle Lake, and a number of nieces and nephews.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. D. Stephens and two children and Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Johnson spent Christmas day in Austin, visiting relatives.

## NEW YEAR'S PARTY.

Miss Vivian Williams complimented her friend, Miss Dorothy Jane Lehrer, who is home from Baylor Station, for the holidays, with a delightful New Year's party at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. V. C. Williams, in Garwood. The home was very attractive and festive with its Christmas decorations and a large brilliantly lighted tree loaded with plenty of horns and cones for each guest brought forth merriment and laughter. Evening was enjoyed throughout the evening. A lovely buffet lunch of chicken sandwiches, fruit salad, cookies and hot chocolate was served. Those enjoying the evening were Misses Vivian and Edie Kallina, J. Olga Braden, Lucille Wendell, Eliza Krenek, Linnie Etta Fektor and Messrs. Ross Phillips, Leon Kallina, Bill Abel, Everett Barry, Johnnie Stanick, Freddie Kallina, Joe Arnold, the hostess and the guest of honor.

## DISTRICT 26 CRASHES OPPONENT'S LINE FOR NEW YEAR'S DAY VICTORY

Chattering Crowd, Many Being Wrapped In Blankets Giving Sidelines Appearance Of An Indian Reservation, Watches District 26 Boys Tounce 29 For Second Annual New Year Day Victory.

Playing heads-up football and taking advantage of every break, the District 26 All Stars, under the coaching of Harry Stiteler of Smithville, E. C. Powers of Schulenburg and Gregory Hale of Bastrop, won the second annual New Year day game by a 21-0 score in sub-Arctic weather before a freezing crowd of 800 cash customers.

The winners were pined by fleet backs of Smithville, the Smiths, and most elusive back seen in section of the local field this season. Otto of LaGrange furnished the driving power for the victors reeling off yard after yard, through the center of District 29's line. A bad kick in the second quarter paved the way for the first District 26 touchdown. Bryan, kicking from only ten yards behind the line of scrimmage, was rushed and got off a poor kick, it traveling only 12 yards before going out of bounds.

The District 26 team took the ball in their own territory, but were held for downs. After three futile attempts at the line, the 29 group were forced to punt. Allen punting 30 yards to Bargett, who returned 25 yards, placing the ball from where it had been kicked. The 26 group then drove to a touchdown. Carver went through left tackle for the marker on one yard plunge. The kick for extra point was bad.

The second half started with District 29 taking the ball on the kick-off and driving better than at any other time during the game. However, their attack soon faltered. In the last quarter Bryan, with 16 yards to go and on fourth down, attempted to kick from ten yards behind his own line on the District 29 eleven yard line, and Reeves, end from Hallettsville, broke thru the defensive line and blocked the punt. On the second play after the blocked punt, Otto, line rammer from LaGrange, cut back over tackle, through a big hole, using his stiff arm to advantage, and galloped 11 yards for the second touchdown. The kick for extra point was again

The three men chosen on the recent All-Star Class B team showed to advantage, with Terry Kubosh of Richmond being the outstanding one. Kubosh played one of the best games of his career, refusing to be kept out of the play. Willard Walker, great end from Smithville, paced the district 26 line with his steeple play. Albert McMillan, the third man of the group, played a good defensive game for the losers.

The 26 group threatened to score in the first quarter on a prolonged drive down the field, but were stopped short on the 29-yard line. On the fourth down, Smrosky of Schulenburg attempted to kick a field goal, but it was blocked by Bates of Eagle Lake. District 29 used double wing-back formations almost exclusively, while District 26 used both double and single. The big ground game from district 26 was a fake single reverse, the tail-back spinning through the center of the line. Beufus Bryan, highly touted back from Richmond, failed to show anything, partially due to the fact that he was fully covered at all times. "Cannon-Ball" Braden of Eagle Lake was outstanding on defense with his hard, bone jarring tackles. The net gate receipts of the game have been divided equally between the two teams and suitable awards will be purchased for the members of the two teams.

Through the courtesy of the Cole Chain Theatres, a powerful public address system was used to keep the spectators informed of the game, play by play. This unit covered the field entirely, reaching spectators on the far side of the gridiron with volume and clarity.

Mr. and Mrs. S. O. McCarty are in San Antonio with their daughter, Mrs. C. J. Jennings, who has been very ill. She was taken suddenly ill while Mr. and Mrs. McCarty were there for a short after-Christmas visit.

## COLD WEATHER KEPT MANY AWAY FROM GAME

Had the weather been more favorable Tuesday, it is believed that a record crowd would have witnessed the all-star bi-district game here. It was so cold that the grandstands were almost deserted, the crowds standing on the sidelines and huddling in bunches on the ground, using laprobes and blankets for windbreaks. So many men and women were wrapped in blankets and laprobes of every hue that the sidelines gave the appearance of an Indian reservation. The gate receipts were \$130 short of the New Year day game a year ago. This year the total receipts were \$33. Last year, \$480.00.

## CITY PAVING BOND ELECTION LIKELY TO WIN STRONG

Voters Assured Bonds Will Not Increase Present Tax Rate. Question Expected To Meet But Slight Opposition.

The bond election for the raising of bonds in the sum of \$47,000 for the paving of Eagle Lake's residential streets will be held on Tuesday, January 15th. The time for the election is growing near, and, up to this time, with but apparent little interest shown. An election for the same purpose was held on November 1, a year ago, when \$60,000 was voted with but few dissenting ballots. Through the long channel of red tape which followed, it developed that some clauses in the original election order were not within conformity of the Public Works Administration's requirements, so the election is being held again. At the same time voters will be asked to vote to cancel the former bond election of \$60,000, since the PWA is making an amount of \$17,000 of the amount to Eagle Lake, necessitating an amount of but \$47,000 in the present bond election.

The official election notices of both elections, that calling for the bonds for city improvement, and that to cancel the former election of such bonds, are printed in today's Headlight. Public spirited citizens who have worked hard for this permanent improvement for our city, and who are in a position to know, state that the carrying of the election and the paving of Eagle Lake's residential streets will not increase the city tax rate. The present city street tax, they say, is sufficient to take care of the interest and sinking fund on the amount to be voted. So, if there is no increase in taxation surely every citizen of Eagle Lake should vote for the bonds and assure the residence section of our city a system of permanently paved streets.

## EDMUND SCHILLING GETS SECOND BUCK OF SEASON

Edmund C. Schilling of Garwood killed a 3-point buck on Skull Creek during last week-end, making his second buck for the season. He was accompanied on the hunt by Mrs. Schilling, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Funcher and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Huvor. Though there were a few more days left for deer hunting at the time, the Garwood hunters had voted to make Mr. Schilling their cook for the remainder of the season, since he had already killed his lawful limit. Edmund says because he was made cook and didn't do any more shooting is the reason that Garwood bunch of deer hunters didn't get any more venison.

## FORMER CITIZENS HERE TO MAKE HOME AGAIN

Eagle Lake people welcome the return of Mr. and Mrs. U. A. Wheelless, who have come to make this city their home. They are formerly from Rock Island, who some years ago moved to Eagle Lake and built a home in the Griffin Addition. They were here but a short time, however, moving to Burk Burnett in the days of the oil fever in that section. They are splendid citizens and our people rejoice to have them again cast their lot with us.

## SCHOOL TEACHER WEDS.

Lee Meyer and Miss Esther Henneke, teacher of the Bernardo school, were married Monday in Columbus, with Rev. Mr. Flachmeier, pastor of the Lutheran Church at Columbus, officiating.

## LOCAL DEER HUNTERS GET THEIR BUCK LIMIT

The Eagle Lake party of deer hunters hunting near Ensalin, in the border section, apparently all had good luck this season. In their second hunt during the "losing" part of the season on a leased ranch near the Mexican border, each of the six, W. C. Sanders of El Campo, H. C. and Varner Matthews, L. D. Roberts and Urban Burtchell of Eagle Lake and J. J. Whaley of Houston, completed their limit of two bucks each for the season.

## Negro Says He Carried Out Fidelity Pact In Slashing Throat Of Wife

Negro Woman At Eldridge Dies Hour After Husband Coming In From Work, Throws Back Head Of Wife And Cuts Her Throat.

Estelle Washington, about 25 years of age, died Saturday afternoon an hour after her husband, George Washington, 30, slashed her throat with a razor. The family lived on the Eldridge plantation, Washington is said to have come into the house shortly before 1 o'clock from work, and finding nothing cooked to eat, told his wife "I am going to do it," caught the woman, shoved her head back and slashed her throat. The woman is said to have run out of the house for about twenty-five yards, where she fell.

Washington was arrested and brought to Eagle Lake. Sheriff Frank Hoegemeyer came here during the afternoon and conveyed the prisoner to the county jail in Columbus. Washington told arresting officers that he and his wife had a contract that he would work for her as long as she lived, and if she died he would take care of her children. The woman had three children by a former husband. One of the little tots, children told the Headlight, was covered with blood, having fallen in the yard. The child was simply covered with blood, an officer told the Headlight, "and I had one of the women congregated at the scene take the child away and wash it up."

Washington made no effort to deny the killing telling the officers of their fidelity oath agreement. "She hadn't done right," he told them, "and when I came in I saw my razor and told her I was going to do it."

## POPULAR YOUNG LADY AND MEMBER OIL CREW MARRY

Coming as a surprise to their many friends was the marriage of Miss Jewel Burger, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Burger, and Mr. W. A. Adams, son of J. A. Adams of Tyler, in Tyler last Saturday night. The marriage ceremony was performed at the Baptist parsonage in Tyler by the Rev. Jesse N. Phillips of the First Baptist Church at 8:30 p. m. He using the impressive ring ceremony. Best man was Mr. Phoebe Hornsby of Tyler and other attendants were Mr. and Mrs. P. D. Boring, sister and brother-in-law of the groom. Mrs. Adams returned to Eagle Lake on Sunday and expects to join Mr. Adams at Ardmore in a few days.

The bride is one of Eagle Lake's sweetest and most charming young ladies, a popular graduate of the San Marcos Teachers' College for one season and is a favorite with all of her many friends. She has grown to young womanhood in Eagle Lake and is held in high esteem by both young and old, possessing that attractive manner that makes and keeps friends. The groom is a member of the Independent Oil Exploration crew that has been stationed in Eagle Lake twice during the past year. He is popular with all who know him and has made many friends during his stays here.

It is with all sincerity that the Headlight offers congratulations to this happy young couple and it is our hope that they may enjoy a long, prosperous and happy married life, beset with no troubles and tribulations.

## BURGLAR GETS CORNET FROM HOME NEAR NADA

(Nada Correspondent) A burglar entered the home of Ernest Krenek, Sr., last Thursday night and got away with a \$750 cornet. The thief gained entrance from the porch roof through the upstairs bedroom window. A trunk was ransacked but nothing was taken, not even \$21.38 in cash and a watch which the burglar evidently failed to discover. A suit of clothes was taken and left on the porch roof. Members of the family, asleep in the room, did not notice the robbery until the next morning when the room was found in general disorder. The burglar hurried out in his work and in making his get-away, grabbed only the instrument, which was close by the window. A shoe, which very likely belonged to him, was found in the yard the next morning.

## DANCIGER WELL-FORTIFYING AGAINST STRONG GAS IN A SECOND CEMENTING

Well Had Not Resumed Drilling Late Thursday After Pumping Second Application Of Cement Into Hole On Tuesday.

Was nothing of the kind. Information has been given out concerning activity in the Danciger Oil and Refining Company well, three miles west of Garwood as to present depth of hole and formations encountered, it is generally conceded that the well during the past week has been hitting a heavy gas. Extremely heavy mud has been used in the drilling.

The well discontinued drilling Tuesday to await more cement and baroid, the cement being forced into the hole, in addition to that placed in the well two weeks ago, as a further precaution against the heavy gas. Seventy-two hours are required to follow two or three days' occupation of drilling, and up to Thursday afternoon the well had not begun drilling again.

The Danciger people, from all appearances, are very well pleased with so far as present development in the well are concerned.

## CHRISTMAS VISITORS IN AUTOMOBILE WRECK

Mr. and Mrs. Porter Tiggett of near Ramsey returned home Saturday from a Christmas visit to relatives at Beaumont. They were accompanied home by his sister-in-law, Mrs. J. C. Beaumont of that city, who drove the car, owing to injuries to Mr. Tiggett received in an automobile accident en route to Beaumont. The Tiggett car struck loose gravel and turned over, breaking every glass in the car. Both Mr. and Mrs. Tiggett were considerably bruised, though not seriously, his most painful injury being a bruise in the chest. The accident occurred about eight miles before reaching Beaumont.

## 1934 HUNTING SEASON ENDED ON MONDAY NIGHT

The 1934 hunting season came to an end on Monday night. When the old year was ushered out at midnight Monday, with it went the last chance to hunt all types of game and wild fowl except quail. The duck season, which has been limited to three days a week, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, which opened on October 29th, is now closed. Sporting magazines for some time have been indicating that an edict will be made to bring about a closed season on ducks for 1935. The outcome of this effort remains to be determined.

## DUPREE FAMILY RETURNS FROM CALIFORNIA TRIP

Mr. and Mrs. U. J. Dupree and two children returned on Tuesday from a ten-day visit to Southern California, they spending a greater portion of the time visiting Mrs. Dupree's sister, Mrs. Nora Weir, in Los Angeles. Mrs. Weir was formerly Miss Nora Barrow. A trip was made to Catalina Island and the underwater gardens off the coast, of that pleasure resort were viewed from a glass bottom boat. A trip to Mount Lowe was also made.

## CHRISTMAS PARTY.

Mrs. W. K. Lehrer complimented her daughter, Dorothy, and her friends with a lovely Christmas party at the beautiful Lehrer home in Garwood Friday night. Dancing was the diversion of the evening, the home being beautifully decorated in holiday attire. A refreshment course of pineapple salad, oysters, coffee and hot tea was served. Those enjoying the occasion were Misses Sylvia and Edie Kallina, J. Olga Braden, Linnie Etta Fektor and Messrs. Lucille Wendell and the hostess, Messrs. Leon Kallina, Ross Phillips, Paul Lillis, Joe Arnold, Everett Barry, Bill Abel, William Foster and Freddie Kallina.