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NEARLY FIVE INCHES OF RAIN FALLS HERE

All Crops Were Needing Moisture And Farmers Say If Dry Spell Follows, This Section Will Have Fine Crop Outlook.

Strong winds from the south, winds that cooled off the atmosphere after the fearfully hot spell and made life worth living again, brought rain Tuesday afternoon and Wednesday morning amounting to 4 1/2 inches.

While the rainfall is far more than was needed, though crops of all kinds were in need of moisture, if they will but let up and are followed by dry weather again, farm conditions will be in splendid shape and the outlook for good crops will be very flattering.

Though cotton needed rain, excessive rains in July are always damaging to a cotton crop, but farmers say with an early July rain, followed by dry weather, the best cotton crops are always the result.

The heavy downpour, which after a hard rain Tuesday afternoon, began again shortly after 1 a. m. Wednesday and continued steadily until the late morning hours. All creeks, ponds and water holes are full to overflowing, furnishing plenty of stock water, and the soaking rains will insure good grazing on the ranges throughout the summer.

While the rain is late for some of the earlier corn fields, it is fine on the corn crop generally speaking and will practically make a better than average corn crop throughout the community. It has given the rice fields ample water, in fact too much washing of levees in some of the fields, but farmers generally are rejoicing over the copious downpour and say if the rains will but cease now, the outlook for farm crops generally through this section will be very promising.

REVIVAL MEETING AT LISSIE BEGINS SUNDAY

Arrangements are being made for the opening of a revival campaign at the Evangelical Church in Lissie on Sunday, July 5th, which will continue for at least two weeks.

Rev. P. C. Dissinger, of Lost Springs, Kansas, a preacher of exceptional evangelistic ability, has been engaged as evangelist.

Jack Durham of Wichita Falls, Texas, will direct the singing. Jack is a real "live wire," a splendid singer himself, and he has that knack of getting others to sing. You are invited to come and hear these men.

Children's Day will also be observed next Sunday, with a short program by the primary department at 11:00 a. m., and a pageant by the school, at 7:45 p. m.

BAND CONCERT IN CITY PARK AT 7 THIS EVENING

Director A. L. Lundgren and his organization of high school musicians will give their weekly open air concert from the band stand in the city park at 7 o'clock this afternoon.

The youthful musicians have been learning numerous new band selections, some of which will be included in their program this evening.

First Texas Old Age Assistance Check

Is Presented In Person By Governor

To Centenarian Of Colorado County

Telling their gratitude in broken English, a 103-year-old Colorado County citizen and his 95-year-old wife received the first old-age pension payments, presented in person Monday by Governor James V. Allred.

The presentation was made at pension headquarters in Austin and came two days before payments were scheduled to begin.

The recipients were Frank Kainer and his wife, who live on a farm near Weimar, in Colorado county, with a son-in-law, Joe Fries. Born in Austria-Hungary, the Kainers came to Texas sixty-six years ago, landing in Galveston Harbor in 1870. They became citizens in 1888.

Both received checks for \$25.00. Kainer, a thin little man, dressed in a black suit, said from his wheelchair when Governor Allred personally presented him with his first payment:

"I don't want to come this far again to get mine."

A MAN OF THE PEOPLE



GOV. JAMES V. ALLRED

A native Texan.

An industrious law student.

A son of plain parents from Wichita Falls.

A soldier in the United States Navy during the great war.

A veteran tasting the troubles and disappointments common to many former soldiers returning home and seeking a job.

In a few years afterwards, one of the youngest District Attorneys in the whole State.

Again, by the people's choice, one of the youngest Attorney Generals Texas ever had.

In 1935, again by the people's will, he became one of the youngest Governors in the history of the State.

Today this same son of plain people is asking you for re-election into the office you entrusted to him two years ago.

He knows your own hardships and worries not from mere hearsay. He has lived them himself.

He knows the struggles and tribulations of the plain people. He is one of them!

A vote for him is a vote for one of your own—A Man of the Plain People!

Texas should, and we believe it will, return Jimmy Allred to the Governor's office in the first election, with a majority over all of his opponents.

GARWOOD HAS SHIPPED NEARLY 60 CARS MELONS

Watermelons grown in the sandy section east of Nada are being shipped to markets from Garwood.

During last week eighteen cars were shipped over the Santa Fe from that point, and this week between thirty and forty carloads are moving out from Garwood.

The watermelons are of good size, the Tom Watson variety, and are said to be exceptionally good quality melons.

The bulk of the melon shipments have brought an average price of about 30 cents per hundred pounds.

CHURCH DANCE AT MENTZ HALL NEXT SUNDAY NIGHT

Eddy's Orchestra will furnish music for a dance at the Mentz Hall, given for the benefit of the church, on Sunday night, July 5th.

Admission price will be 40 cents for gentlemen, and 10 cents for ladies who dance. No admission price for spectators.

RIVER FALLING AT COLUMBUS THIS MORNING

Crest of 32 Feet Late Thursday, River Fell Three Feet At Columbus Last Night, And Is On Stand In Eldridge Section.

The Colorado river, on its second rampage within a month, sending overflow waters over low farm lands, fell three feet at Columbus last night and is reported falling slowly as the Headlight goes to press.

From torrential rains through this county and upstream, the river rose rapidly, reaching 32 feet at Columbus late Thursday. Traffic was cut off east of Columbus Wednesday night by overflow water through the underpass immediately east of that city. That the river is falling, traffic on Highway 3, it is believed, will be resumed this afternoon.

L. W. Stiles told the Headlight over long distance this morning that the river lacked about one foot of being as high in the Eldridge section this morning as it was during the recent overflow in late May. However, Mr. Stiles said, overflow water covered about the same acreage on the inside of the levee over the Eldridge plantation as did the last overflow, having inundated about 1500 acres. Approximately 600 acres of this land had been replanted since the May overflow, 500 acres of which were planted in corn and 200 acres in young cotton, all of which is under water again.

The river was on a standstill at Eldridge this morning, apparently having reached its crest.

SULPHUR CONTROL OF FLEA HOPPER TESTS ARE BEING CONDUCTED

Demonstrations in the control of the cotton flea hopper on the Matthews Bros. farm at Matthews and on the Eldridge plantation are showing real results in the control of this insect, according to County Agent W. H. Young, who is conducting the demonstrations.

Applications of sulphur are applied once each week, with approximately fifteen pounds per acre being used. The demonstrations are being carried out in cooperation with Dr. Thomas of the Texas Experiment Station, and the sulphur used in the demonstrations is furnished the county agent free through the courtesy of the Texas Gulf Sulphur Company.

Visits are made to these two demonstration points each Friday and all cotton farmers and others interested are invited to meet the county agent and Dr. Thomas at either of the places and get a firsthand idea of the progress of the work.

They are at the Matthews Bros. farm, five miles south of Eagle Lake, each Friday morning at half past ten o'clock, and are at the Eldridge farm at about the noon hour.

Mr. Young asks that you come out and see this work, as it is being carried on for your benefit.

LEON WOOD PURCHASES BUSINESS AT CIRCLE INN

Leon Wood yesterday afternoon took over the business of the Circle Inn Cafe and filling station on East Main Street, having purchased the same from Mr. and Mrs. Baker Richardson, who are moving to Houston. He will continue to operate the business.

OLD FRIENDS VISITORS AT BRUCE MCCARTY HOME

John F. Robinson of the State Land Commission offices at Austin, Mrs. Robinson and their son, Jack, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce McCarty. The two families have been friends for many years, and Mr. and Mrs. Robinson have been planning this visit to Eagle Lake since long before Jack, who graduated from the Del Rio high school the past spring, was born. Until two years ago, the Robinsons lived at Del Rio, he, for many years, having been sheriff of Val Verde county.

Today's Market Report

Cotton, Middling (Houston) 12-14

Cotton, Strict Mid'ling 12-13

Fryers, 2-lbs. up 14-16

Fryers, under 2 lbs. 11-13

Hens, 4 lbs. up 11-13

Hens, under 4 lbs. 9-11

Ducks 9-10

Old Roosters 9-10

Eggs (Inferior) 18-20

Eggs (Plain) 16-17

STRICKLAND IS PRESIDENT OF ROTARY CLUB

Newly Elected Head of Local Rotary Club Takes Office Wednesday And Immediately Plans For Year of Activity.

Judge W. S. Strickland, president of the Eagle Lake Rotary Club for the coming year, took over the office at the Wednesday luncheon. The retiring president, Rev. Gresham Marmion, has made the club a wonderfully active president, and his efforts in the club have been an inspiration for its members.

In his opening talk Wednesday, Judge Strickland urged members of the club for an even greater service in the organization, in an effort not only to make Eagle Lake the club the best since its organization, but the best and most active club in this Rotary District.

In retiring, President Marmion gave credit for a big share of the Rotary Club's success here to one who has never shirked a duty in connection with its work, Supt. W. C. Reed, the club's active secretary. The members gave Mr. Reed a big hand.

The new board of directors includes Judge Strickland, Edgar Barling, N. C. Ney, Robert Fussell, W. C. Reed, Simon Sinclair and Gardner Duncan.

The latest addition to the club's membership is C. J. Woods, making the forty-second member, the largest membership in the club's history since its organization in March of 1923.

Marion Harry Reading, member of the commissioners' court from this precinct, had as his guests for the Rotary luncheon Wednesday, Judge Henry P. Hahn, Commissioner Frank Seifert of Weimar, Commissioner R. R. Hadden of Columbus and Commissioner P. H. Kansteiner of Bernardo, which is the entire commissioners' court.

When introduced by the president, Judge Hahn made a very brief talk in which he stated that Colorado county is in the best financial shape within its history and ranks with the twelve foremost counties in the State of Texas in financial standing.

GLEN FLORA CHILD IS BURIED HERE TUESDAY

Sympathy of all who know them is extended Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Treibig of Glen Flora, whose baby boy, Dean Karlton Treibig, who had he lived, would have been two years old in September, died at the Rosenberg hospital Monday morning following a two weeks' illness.

The little casket was brought to Eagle Lake, funeral services, being held Tuesday from the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Kohleffel, with Rev. Bruner S. Lee, Baptist pastor, conducting the services. Interment was made in the Lakeside Cemetery. The floral offerings were many and beautiful.

Besides the grief-stricken parents, and sorrowing grand parents, the sweet little baby boy is survived by two sisters, Margaret and Catherine, two brothers, James and Harry Lee and numerous other relatives.

To the lives of men and women many sorrows come, but there is no sorrow that so overwhelms or so crushes the heart as that of the death of a dimpled darling, whose voice in the home was music that soothed and gladdened the heart and whose smile was the beam that banished clouds and lifted the future with prophetic ray. May He who pities the sorrowing soon send a healing sympathy to heal the bleeding hearts.

POWER FARMING PARADE HERE FRIDAY, JULY 10TH

The Frank Stephens Company, through an advertisement in today's paper, invites you to attend their "Power Farming on Parade" entertainment, which will be given here all day on Friday, July 10th.

Something like twenty men from the great McCormick-Deering organization will put on the demonstration shows here shows which are attracting great interest in other towns where they are being given.

You are asked to come and enjoy the free sound movies at this big power farming show and entertainment. The Eagle Lake High School Band will give musical concerts during the day, and there will be numerous other forms of entertainment. It is all free, and the Frank Stephens Company invites you to come to Eagle Lake and be their guests on this occasion.

NEW WPA PROJECTS PLANNED INCLUDE GRAVELING ALL STREETS OF CITY NOT IN PAVING PROGRAM

The Colorado County Planning Board met in Columbus Friday night in a session to decide what projects will be next, when present WPA projects are completed.

From all indications, the WPA program throughout the Nation will be continued over the next year, and the county board is already at work planning for various projects to be offered in this county.

At this meeting it was brought out that workmen are 35 per cent through with the fencing and grubbing on Highway 300, from Eagle Lake to the Colorado river.

While realization of the project is yet far away, it may be of interest to learn that one for the graveling of all Eagle Lake streets not paved is included in the new program and the project has already received the approval of the President. The Planning Board is now arranging for government funds with which to gravel all city streets where there is no paving.

Another improvement for Eagle Lake, slated for the new future, will be opening of the street from Strickland Avenue to McCarty Avenue, in front of the S. O. McCarty and Bruce McCarty homes. For the present, according to action taken by the city council at a recent meeting, this street is to be graded and gravelled, pending the city's efforts to gain government money for paving, during the coming, program of city street graveling now being planned by the city through the County Planning Board.

STATE OFFICERS INVESTIGATING PROBABLE INCENDIARISM AT COLUMBUS ON MONDAY

BURNING OF OAK GROVE SCHOOL THOUGHT TO BE WORK OF A FIRE BUG

The large one-room Oak Grove school house near Columbus, was destroyed by fire Thursday, and Colorado county officers are investigating the cause of the fire.

The building was equipped with an excellent library, which was destroyed in the fire.

For some time the building has been used for church purposes on Sundays, and an organ recently installed in the building was also destroyed.

FUNERAL SERVICES FOR N. D. WINNETT HELD AT LISSIE HOME THURSDAY

Funeral services were held at 2:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon at Lissie for Nathan DeRoy Winnett, 49 years of age, who died at his Lissie home at 3:20 Thursday morning.

About three months ago while working on a tractor, a wrench on which he was pulling slipped, causing him to fall and strike the back part of his head against a piece of iron. At intervals since, the injury gave him considerable trouble, causing severe headaches and several times prevented him from his duties for days at a time. The trouble grew worse and two weeks ago he was forced to his bed and was unconscious since early Monday.

Mr. Winnett was born in Cumberland county, Illinois, and moved to Lissie in 1907. He moved from there to Goose Creek nine years ago and last year moved back to Nottawa. For the past six months the family have again been making their home in Lissie.

He is survived by his wife and fourteen-year old son, Donald Nathan, his mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Emily Winnett, a brother, O. D. Winnett of Mount Vernon, Missouri, and two sisters, Mrs. C. H. Carter of Eagle Lake and Miss Lettie Winnett of Lissie.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Harry Huescher of Lissie, with Ely Crow, Charlie Crow and Willie Crow, brothers of Mrs. Winnett, and Zion Mason, Loraine Adkins and Marion Carter as active pallbearers.

All who know this good man join with the Headlight in extending sincere sympathy to the sorrowing relatives in their hour of grief.

BRAXTON GREEN HOME FROM SCHOOL IN OHIO

Braxton Green, with the Big Three Electric Company, returned this week from a month's schooling in electric welding at Cleveland, Ohio. Following a brief visit here, he has returned to Houston to resume his work with the company in that city.

Mrs. Bruce McCarty, Madeleine and Bruce Jr., with their house guests, Mr. and Mrs. John F. Robinson and Jack Robinson, are spending the day in Houston.

AGED NEGRO WOMAN SUFFERS BROKEN LEG

Ninety Year Old Blind Woman, Suffers Leg Break When Car Bought Same Day With Bonus Money Strikes Her.

An accident occurred late Monday, near the rice mill, when "Aunt" Caroline Pruitt, a ninety-year-old colored woman, suffered a double break of her right leg, and her daughter, Gertrude Kennon, received severe cuts on both legs, when struck by an automobile.

Tom Mills, colored, who had purchased a car the same morning with a portion of his veteran bonus money, had driven the car immediately in front of the home of the women, expecting to take them to Wharton.

The two women, "Aunt" Caroline, practically blind for nearly five years from cataracts over her eyes, and Gertrude Kennon, had just come out of the house to get into the car. While they were passing in front of the car, the driver, thinking he had thrown the gear into reverse, attempted to back. Instead of backing, the car went forward and struck down both women.

Dr. E. W. Jones re-set the broken bones in the aged woman's legs and took eight stitches in closing the deep gashes cut to the bone in both legs of the younger woman.

Mills, we are told, is paying all doctor and medical bills and is deeply distressed over the unfortunate accident.

Misses Carrie Staples and Lane Simons of Edna, spent Tuesday here, guests of Miss Ruth Johnson. Both were schoolmates of Miss Johnson at the University of Texas, Miss Simons having been her roommate.

SCHUERRING TAKES CONTROLLING STOCK IN GARWOOD BANK

Lehrer Interests In Garwood State Bank Purchased By C. R. Schuerring, Who Is Made President At Special Meeting.

A deal was consummated Friday when C. R. Schuerring, prominent and well known citizen of Garwood, purchased the controlling interest in the Garwood State Bank.

The purchase of the W. K. Lehrer bank stock by Mr. Schuerring, transfer of which was made Friday afternoon, gives Mr. Schuerring controlling interest in the institution.

A special meeting was held at the bank Friday afternoon at which Mr. Schuerring was elected president. Frank Arnold was re-elected vice president. Mrs. Edith Hookins was named cashier, and Miss Elvina Schuerring was elected assistant cashier. Miss Schuerring at this time is in the University of Texas, where she is completing her study course, and will not begin her duties in the bank until July 15th.

Members of the board of directors of the Garwood State Bank elected at Friday's special meeting are C. R. Schuerring, Frank Arnold, W. K. Lehrer, W. A. Braden and Miss Elvina Schuerring.

EAGLE LAKE STORES TO BE CLOSED ON SATURDAY

All Eagle Lake stores will observe the Fourth of July holiday and will be closed on Saturday.

No barbecues or celebrations are planned for the immediate vicinity, though a barbecue and rodeo on that day will be held at the Swift Stapleton station on Highway 71, between Altair and Garwood.

In so far as Eagle Lake is concerned, the day promises to be an unusually quiet one. Many local people are planning to spend the July 4th week-end visiting in San Antonio, Houston and other cities.

Mrs. J. E. Johnston and two boys of Houston, and Mrs. V. C. Segelquist of Iowa Colony, were called here by the illness and death of their uncle, Mr. N. D. Winnett of Lissie. The former was Miss Goldie Carter and the latter Miss Mildred Carter, both of this city.

COLUMBUS HOME-COMING PROGRAM IS POSTPONED UNTIL NEXT THURSDAY

American Legion Post's Entertainment Honoring Congressman Mansfield Postponed a Week On Account of High Water.

The home-coming program to have been given on the Columbus high school lighted football field last night was postponed until Thursday night of next week.

Postponement of the affair was made owing to the high waters of the Colorado river which Wednesday night cut off traffic from the east.

The same program as originally planned for last night will be carried out next Thursday night and a cordial invitation is extended of every one.

On this occasion, the Sam R. Craig Post of the American Legion of El Campo, assisted by the Columbus Post and the El Campo Municipal Band, and a selected group of American Legion entertainers will honor Congressman J. J. Mansfield, who last week returned to his home in Columbus from Washington, in a program that begins promptly at 8 o'clock.

Microphones will be installed on the field for a public address system, enabling every person in the large crowd that is expected to hear every word during the entertainment program.

Many staunch friends in Eagle Lake and through this community of Congressman Mansfield expect to attend.