

Commissioners' Monthly Meet

Denies Petition To Close Road

Colorado County Commissioners' Court moved Monday to reject a petition signed by some 35 landowners on the grounds that the petition to close a county road was not legally advertised and also using a "case law" that the commissioners' court does not have legal authority to close any part of a county road. The court heard a letter from five landowners, Werner F. Gross, Tenna Kieker, Ida Kieker, and Eunice Kieker requesting the court to keep the road open.

Those who originated the petition to close a segment of the Henry Kieker Road on the Elbert Branch land in Freidberg community did not appear at the request as required by law, it was pointed out, hence the court could take no action on the petition. Judge Crane also read a case law from the statutes in Texas in which the courts ruled that the commissioners' court can act on a request to close a road if abutting property owners object.

Precinct 3 Commissioner Crockett Layendecker, in

whose precinct the road lies, made the motion that the court accept the case law on the petition to close the road only due to the existing situation.

In other action the court accepted the resignation of Willie Koell as presiding election judge in Precinct 15 and appointed Herman Ray Braden to that position. At the same time the court named J. W. Hasted as election officer for the new north Columbus precinct 18 and set the assembly room of the county agriculture building as the voting place for that new precinct brought about by the revision of commissioners' precincts.

The commissioners cancelled some double assessments on recommendation of Tax Officer H. J. Hajovsky; heard a report that bounties of \$5 were paid on 45 wolves in this county in February.

The court discussed at length a proposal for a service contract for the new elevator installed in the court-house building, the matter without action.

The 90 day service on the new elevator expired Monday and Otis Elevator Co. offered to service the elevator for an annual fee of \$93.62 per month for a five year contract.

The commissioners decided not to accept the offer and to have maintenance work and emergency work done on a per call basis for the present time. The one year guarantee given by the company for the installation continues in effect.

The court also tabled a proposal that bids be taken for a new 110-foot long concrete bridge on County Road 177 known as Wetshuhn Road north of Eagle Lake. Commissioner Layendecker said he had in his precinct the bridge now lies made a motion to ask for bids, but withdrew the motion when Commissioner Crockett Layendecker of Precinct 3 in whose precinct the road originally was located, suggested that the court did not justify the expenditure of an estimated \$80,000 for the bridge. The court will look into the traffic count and determine later if the count is sufficient for the expenditure. Commissioner Layendecker added that the bridge is in very bad shape but estimated that only two or so rice farmers in the area use the bridge and can use a state road a short distance away if necessary.

Sides will be opened at the May 13th meeting for a new 40-foot wide concrete bridge to be erected over Allen's Branch southeast of Oakland in Commissioner A. J. Kainer's Precinct 2.

Emerg. Volunteers To Meet Tonight

Eagle Lake unit of Volunteer Emergency Association will meet Thursday evening, March 14 at 7:30 p.m. in Diner Hall.

All members and interested persons are invited.

Local volunteers answered three calls in the past two weeks.

Manage Brush To Increase Grazing Forage

Managing brush to benefit wildlife while increasing forage for livestock has become a hot business in Texas.

In fact, more than one-fourth of the brush control work on-the-ground in Texas today has been applied by livestock producers who have given special consideration to wildlife.

Edward E. Thomas, state conservationist for the Soil Conservation Service in Texas, said the figures came from a recent study conducted by his office.

"Our figures reveal that 7.7 million acres of former brush land in Texas is being controlled or managed for mutual benefit of wildlife and livestock," Thomas said.

"Most of this work consists of leaving brush in carefully designed patterns which provide food and cover for wildlife. Alternating strips are cleared or thinned so choice forage plants can thrive without undue competition from the brush for sunlight and moisture."

Thomas said the study does not cover thousands of acres of brush land which being left undisturbed specifically for the benefit of wildlife.

Many brushy areas have become so thick that the plants have crowded out the choice forage plants preferred by livestock, deer, game birds, song birds, and other wildlife. Such areas often need remedial action brush control work. Thomas explained that opening up woody areas while leaving adjoining land in brush actually improves wildlife habitat.

"Many species of wildlife are what biologists call 'edge' animals," Thomas pointed out. "That is, they prefer to feed on open areas along the edge of trees and brush. When danger threatens, they escape to the protective cover nearby. Leaving strips of woody plants near open areas increases the amount of edge available to wildlife."

Thomas said his study revealed that 36,000 land users in Texas are managing brush for both wildlife and livestock. "This demonstrates the genuine concern farmers and ranchers in this state have for environmental values," Thomas said. "Most wildlife is produced on privately-owned land. Wildlife enthusiasts, sportsmen, and others interested in maintaining large numbers of wildlife owe these producers a debt of gratitude."

SCS biologists and range

conservationists in Texas develop the new brush pattern technique in the mid-1960's which is now proving so popular with livestock producers. Through its plant materials center at Knox City, SCS is also evaluating and putting into use native plants well as livestock plants as well as livestock. Such plants are in strong demand for inclusion in range seed mixtures.

SCS provides technical assistance in planning and applying conservation measures, including brush management and grassland improvement, to land users throughout the local soil and water conservation districts in Texas.

Calling All Homemakers

By Dorothy Schenberg, County Extension Agent

Good freezer management can produce pocketbook dividends.

Rising food prices have caused more people to recognize a home freezer's benefits, but to fully realize these benefits, a homemaker must practice good management techniques.

For example, she can take full advantage of store specials by purchasing in quantity and freezing them. However, she must make sure these "bargains" are worth the price and are foods the family likes.

When shoppers buy food on a planned basis, they can purchase meat in quantity, a consumer usually gets better quality at lower cost.

Day-old baked goods offer additional good buys. Freezing them restores lost moisture. However, don't clutter a freezer with bulky, inexpensive items.

Turning to home-prepared foods, freeze fruits and vegetables in proportions usable at one time.

When preparing a meal, make extra and freeze it for another day. Also, freeze leftovers for later use in home-made TV dinners.

Remember, quality counts. Proper wrapping is a "must" for foods to maintain quality. This includes

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Sew Fair, Rally Day Mar. 23

By Dorothy Schenberg, County Extension Agent (H.E.)

Fairs don't always mean ferocious wheels and cotton candy. Sometimes they mean learning how to sew better. Sew Fair will be held at the American Legion Hall in Columbus from 1:30 to 5:30 p.m. on Saturday, March 23. There will be something for everyone.

One of the events will be the County 4-H Food Show. Judging will begin at 10:00 a.m. and will be open to the public at 1:30 p.m. The show will feature a variety of food items and a contest for the best home-made food.

Program topics featured are:

- 2:00 -- "Fabric Selection" by Marilyn Brown, Clothing Specialist, Texas Agricultural Extension Service;
- 3:30 -- "Pants Alteration" by Vivian Simmons, Area Clothing Specialist for Texas Agricultural Extension Service;
- 4:00 -- "Zippers, Thread and Other Sewing Notions" by Karen Alvey, representative of Holston Sewing Machine Co.

Refreshments will be served. Door prizes will be given every hour.

The following exhibits will be set up for you to ask questions, look, observe and just browse: Liquid Embroidery; Sewing Easy with Small Appliances--Central Power and Light; Quilting and Quilts; Cake Decorating; Flower Arranging; Knitting--Crocheting; Exhibit by Texas Agriculture Products; Baby Clothes.

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Students Prep For Uil Spring Meet

Students in the Rice District are preparing for competition in the annual Uil Spring Meet.

The activities will get underway with some one-act plays in competition in Columbus on March 28th. The district competition will follow in Columbus on March 29th and 30th and the district meet will be held on April 1st.

The district 13AAA golf meet will be held here on Friday, March 29th. Zone tennis play will be held in Columbus March 29th and 30th and the district meet will be held on April 1st.

Forensic and literary competition will be held in Wharton on April 5th and debate in Wharton on April 6th.

The district 13AAA track and field competition will be held April 5th in West Columbia.

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Truck Wreckage Strwn On 90A

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discussing of this matter is expected to come up at a later meeting.

Also Mayor Elmer Struss asked Councilman Glen Lockyer to check on restrictions that might be put into effect to limit the size and type of construction properties at the ends of the runway that parallel Althaus Road.

SET PRIORITIES

The council approved a suggestion by Councilman A. W. Koller to set the purchase of a new or used street sweeper as the top priority for the city and the purchase of a line cleaning machine as the second priority.

Mayor Struss pointed out the city still has some \$5000 unallocated in Federal Revenue Sharing Funds and expects around \$12,000 in April and this could be used for purchase of the street sweeper. The council plans to use the allocation for the second quarter for the line cleaning equipment.

First look at the debris from this wreck which occurred on Highway 90A three miles west of the city Monday afternoon. Would cause one to wonder how in the world anyone got out of this mess alive. Actually all the debris that you see in the foreground was on the flat bed of a Ford truck which was hit on the left rear side by a large gravel truck. Driver of the truck owned by Stafford Trucking was Jack James of Houston. He was heading east and was behind another car when the car passed the truck which was on the right shoulder of the road. As the car passed, the driver of the flatbed truck failed to see the approaching gravel truck and began a left turn and the trucks collided. The gravel truck went into the ditch and had little damage and the driver escaped without injuries. Driver of the flatbed truck loaded with the debris of a station wagon, which was crushed left foot and he and a passenger, Will Fraser, 74, were rushed by Eagle Lake Emergency Ambulance Service to Eagle Lake Hospital. Fraser was treated and released but it is believed that Alexander may lose his foot from the severe injuries. Highway Patrolman Rodney Green was the investigating officer. He was assisted at the scene by Sheriff's patrol officer Bryan Touchack and Chief of Police Roy Chisum and Officer Will Chavis.

DWI CHARGES

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