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Bold Armed Robbery In Downtown EL Sat.

Bandit Gets

\$150, Booze At Bottle Shop

Mrs. Jewel Adams had a quiet Saturday afternoon when the Bottle Shop in downtown Eagle Lake was robbed in a bold daylight armed robbery. The Bottle Shop is owned by Mrs. Adams' son, Craig, and she manages the business for him.

Local police officers received a call at around 4:30 p.m. Saturday that the package store had been robbed.

Mrs. Adams' son, Chief of Police Roy Chishum and Game Warden Sam Carter who responded to the call, said that the man, a Negro wearing a metal safety hat, entered the store and pretended to buy two fifths of liquor. When Mrs. Adams turned to get the two bottles, the man reportedly pulled a pistol and told Mrs. Adams to give him money from the cash register and from a box under the counter. He said, "Don't look up and you won't get hurt."

Mrs. Adams said that she was told to put the money and a green bank bag which contained a set of car keys into a brown paper bag. The man then told her to go to the rear of the store and not to look back. He took the bag containing the \$150 in cash and the two bottles of liquor and fled.

Mrs. Adams was unable to see which direction he went, but officers later found a witness who told them that she had seen the man run around the corner of the building and get into a station wagon with a woman and child.

The witness told Chief Chishum that she believed that she had seen the man on previous occasions in front of the package store and officers are working on that lead but early Wednesday had not made an arrest.

Mrs. Adams was naturally shaken by the episode but fortunately escaped any injuries in the experience.

Chief Chishum Highway Patrolmen Rodney Green and Ray Scholten picked up a suspect Monday afternoon and put him in a line up with several others, but Mrs. Adams was unable to make a positive identification. The suspect was taken Tuesday morning to Wharton for a lie detector test and he passed the test and the officers released the man and began anew on the investigation.

Burglars Hit El Zarape Club Fri. Nite

Absentee Vote In Primary Begins Apr. 14

Burglars entered the El Zarape Bar on A Street during last Friday night and hauled off a small amount of cash and five or six cases of beer.

Chief of Police Roy Chishum said the police department received the call on Saturday morning. Investigation revealed that entry had been made by forcing open a back door.

The burglars broke into coin containers on three pool tables, but the containers had been emptied the day before and only a small amount of change was taken.

The burglars also took a coffee can containing about \$30 in loose coins and hauled off some five to six cases of beer taken from a refrigerator and apparently placed into a large trash can that was also reported to be missing.

Local officers are still investigating the entry.

MAYC Benefit Fiesta Day Saturday

Bill Raabe Named Sheriff Deputy

Colorado County Sheriff George (Doc) Mueller announces the appointment of Bill Raabe as the new deputy and jailer for this county. He will succeed Al Peterson who resigned April 1st to move to Colorado.

Raabe formerly was associated with the sheriff's department in 1971. His wife Joyce will serve as matron and cook for prisoners.

The Raabes have four children, Allen, Williams Jr., Steven and Donald and they will become students in the Columbus school district.

Sheriff Mueller added that Mr. Raabe is a well qualified and certified peace officer.

Free Immunizations For Pre-Schoolers Begin Tues.

The Texas State Department of Health will hold an immunization clinic for children of Colorado County on the second Tuesday of each month at the Eagle Lake Middle School, advises Mrs. Annette Rodgers, Rice District Health Nurse.

Parents are urged to come by Tuesday, April 9th from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. and bring any well child, who is not enrolled in school, for diphtheria, tetanus, whooping cough, polio and measles vaccinations, without charge.

Officers For New R.I. Lions Club



The Sheridan Lions Club sponsored the organization of the new Rock Island Lions Club which will have its formal charter night program in the near future. In the photo above, Ernest H. Moore, president of the Sheridan Lions Club, extends congratulations to the new Rock Island club's secretary and treasurer, Elmer Larsen, left, and to the club's president Bob Hooper, right. The club was organized with a total of 34 members.

Rice Industry Historical Marker To Be Dedicated Here Wed.

During Noon
Rotary Luncheon,
Public Is Invited

The Colorado County Historical Survey Committee has set Wednesday, April 10, 1974 as the date for the dedication of the historical marker commemorating the rice industry in Colorado County. The marker was approximately the Texas Historical Commission. James G. Hopkins of Garwood did the research and the First National Bank of Eagle Lake paid for the marker which will be placed on the southeast corner of the square in Eagle Lake.

The dedication ceremony will be held in conjunction with the Eagle Lake Rotary Club's luncheon meeting at 12 noon next Wed., April 10th.

William H. Harrison, a member of the County Historical Committee, will be program chairman for the day. He invites all interested persons to attend the dedication program however reservations must be made not later than Monday with Mr. Harrison for those who plan to have lunch with the Rotarians.

The other race will apply in Weimar. Commissioners' Precinct 2 only where there are six candidates for office being vacated by veteran A. J. Kainer. They include: Rafael Varska, Edwin A. (Bubba) Bileck, R. J. (Randy) Kotrla, Delbert Fuchs, James H. Janak, and Werner G. (Chudie) Boer.

The office of District Clerk was left vacant by the death of Charlie Allen. Mrs. Annette Wallace is serving in the office of district clerk for the remainder of Mr. Allen's term which ends Dec. 31.

Garden Club To Make Tour Wed., Apr. 10

The Eagle Lake Garden Club plans to depart from the Community Center at 10:30 on the morning of Wednesday, April 10th for a Blue Bonnet tour. Plans are to have lunch at Franks in Schulenburg; then go to La Grange, Fayetteville Industry, Cat Spring, Sealy and then back home.

Members who are taking their cars are asked to call either Mrs. Edith Duty or Mrs. Geraldine Cason as early as possible in order that transportation may be provided for all who plan to go.

Any persons who wish to make the tour are welcome to join the ladies.

Hospital Board To Have Annual Meeting Mon.

The Board of Directors of Eagle Lake Community Hospital shall hold its Annual Meeting, Monday, April 8, 1974 at 7:30 p.m. in the lobby of the Laughlin Clinic.

Anyone interested in attending the meeting is cordially invited.

Firemen Called To 3 Fires Past Week

Eagle Lake volunteer firemen were called to three fires during the past week. The first was a false alarm, another a house fire, and the third a fire at the Central Power and Light Co. sub-station at Matthews.

Most serious of the three

was the fire at the CPL location on FM 950 at 3:45 p.m.

Monday. A snake crawled into a regulator unit and caused

the unit to short out.

CPL workers nearby spotted the trouble and called the Eagle Lake fire department to the scene.

Frank Sherrer, local CPL manager, said that extensive

damage was done to the unit which is estimated to cost

around \$3000. Power was

off for a short time to the

Gifford-Hill plant and other

nearby facilities in the Matthews area.

The snake - well

it was pretty well barbecued.

Late Tuesday night of last

week firemen were called to a

fire west of the city but

when the firemen arrived they

found that the fire had been

purposely set by the owner and

was well under control.

At 1:30 a.m. Saturday, the

firemen were called to a home

at the corner of D and Lake

in the "Flat" area of the

city. Occupants of the house

saw wind blow a curtain a-

gainst a stove causing the

fire that damaged about half

of the home before being con-

tained. The house was the

scene of several other alarms

in years past.

7 Draw Terms Of Probation, Total 33 Yrs.

District Judge E. W. Patterson handed down sentences in seven criminal cases in 25th Judicial District Court Columbus last Thursday. All of the defendants in the cases had entered pleas of guilty during the trial of criminal cases last month.

Judge Patterson granted probation in each of the cases.

Sentenced were: Robert Olivera, two years probation on a charge of theft of property;

Jack Larson and Frank Wendell Powell, three years probation each on a charge of receiving and concealing stolen property;

Beverly B. Burris, three years probation on a charge of assault with intent to murder;

Eva Samora, three years probation on a charge of forgery and passing;

Antonio Cantu Rios, not less than two nor more than ten years probation on a charge of possession of marijuana;

Joe Richard Cantu, not less than two nor more than four years probation on a charge of possession of mariju-

juana;

And Mary Burris was given

not less than two nor more

than five years of probation on a charge of assault with intent to murder.

Two incumbents are unopposed for places on the county board to be filled in voting county-wide. The county voting will be done in the same places as local school district elections.

Candidates for re-election for two year terms are Robert Wolters of Columbus as trustee at large and Arthur Beken of Weimar Precinct 2.

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