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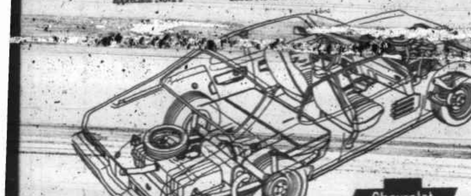

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GOP Voting

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Lake Pct. 17, Evelyn Virnau was elected on a write-in vote with 17 votes.

In other areas of the county Max Dittmar will be a candidate on the November ballot for the office of Justice of the Peace in Precinct 6, after receiving 3 votes in the primary; and Dittman Harrison will be a candidate for Justice of the Peace in Precinct 7 after receiving five votes in the GOP primary Saturday.

There will be no run-offs in the Republican Party in June.

On the referendum on the inclusion of a right to work provision in the state constitution, county voters voted 89 for and 3 against; on the referendum on the inclusion of a provision requiring a vote of the people before enactment of a state personal or corporate income tax, the vote was 84 for and 3 against; and on the parimutuel wagering on horse racing on local option, the vote was 23 for and 52 against.

Statewide the right to work and income tax and corporate tax provisions passed and the parimutuel wagering proposal was defeated soundly.

Tape Deck, Tapes Stolen At Glidden

Theft of a tape deck, a tape carrier and an estimated 24 tape cartridges were taken from the automobile of Felipe Eureste, Jr., an employee of the railroad, at the Glidden railroad yard Thursday, May 2nd.

Eureste reported to the county sheriff's office that he locked the car when he went to work but left one window down about a quarter of an inch for ventilation. Apparently the burglar used this means for entry of the car. Officers reported that there were no witnesses to anything that looked suspicious during the time the car was at the scene.

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8 Theft Charges Filed In County Court

Eight charges of theft, three by issuing worthless checks, were filed in county court during the past week.

Holiday Inn, Jr. at Columbus filed three of the charges alleging that occupants of rooms left without paying for lodging; one, from

J. W. Wiley is charged in one with leaving without payment of a bill of $8.34; Paul Wilkinson with leaving without paying a bill for $125.67; and another against Jessie Walker on a similar charge for a bill for $16.46.

Four of the others were for theft by issuing worthless checks. In the first Herman Hickerstaff is charged with issuing an alleged bad check for $41.25 on Farmers State Bank of Schulenburg Mar. 25, 1974 given to Schindler LPG, Inc. of Eagle Lake;

Another is against Larry C. Bratcher for an alleged bad check for $20 given to Andy's on the South Texas Bank of Houston April 9th;

Charles R. Rundle is charged with giving an alleged bad check for $6.89 on the Farmers State Bank of Brookshire to Lone Star Industries, Inc. Jan. 30, 1974;

And the fourth is against Cynthia D. McNiel for an alleged bad check for $30.04 issued Mar. 23, 1974 on the Rockdale State Bank to Gibson's of Columbus.

The other theft charge is against William P. Hoke and the New Ulm State Bank alleges that Hoke concealed mortgaged property, a station wagon, a range and an El Camino auto, under mortgage to the New Ulm Bank.

RICE DISTRICT SCHOOL MENUS

Thurs., May 9: Roast Beef, Rice/Gravy, Collard Greens, Fruit Cobbler, Hot Rolls/Butter;

Fri., May 10: Fish Squares/Catsup, Pinto Beans, Tossed Salad, Peach Halves, Corn Bread Sticks;

Mon., May 13: Braised Beef, Fluffy Rice, Buttered Broccoli, Strawberry Jello, Corn Bread/Butter;

Tues., May 14: Chicken and Noodles, English Peas, Creamy Cole Slaw, Lemon Iced Cake, Lunchroom Bread/Butter;

Wed., May 15: Hamburgers, French Fries, Hamburger Salad, Sliced Pineapple, Sugar Cookies.

R. W. Maertz Home Near Mentz Burglarized

Colorado County Sheriff's office investigated the burglary of the R. W. Maertz, Sr. residence north of Mentz during the past week.

On Friday, R. W. Maertz, Jr., reported to the sheriff's office that his parents had left Friday for a visit to Lake Somerville and left a back door open so that his family could check the premises during their absence.

When R. W. Jr., arrived at the home he found that the screen door was left open and a wooden back door was partially open. Further investigation showed a portable TV set and a kitchen clock were taken from the kitchen; a guitarat clock and table lamps from the living room; and a 12 gauge Winchester shotgun and a 22 caliber Remington rifle from a closet. Guns in other closets were not taken, nor did the burglars attempt to ransack drawers in chests in the bedrooms.

Investigation continues in the entry.

Raider Band Concert Set Thurs., May 16

Band Camp Funds Being Solicited

The Rice High School Raider Band will conclude its most successful year of performances with a concert on Thursday, May 16. As many friends of the band note this year's band is excellent. It is also known by the State of Texas University Interscholastic League band directors. At each contest entered by the Raider Band a Division II was awarded. This Division II translates to a mark of Excellent. The only award being higher is Superior.

The three contests entered each year by the band are marching, concert and sight reading. Marching contest is a thrilling event to be a part of and to watch. Each band

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three hard qualified judges. For concert contest each band prepares three selections to present to an audience and a different panel of judges. One of the selections must be a march, which is performed first, as march number. The band and director are free to choose any march they wish to present. The remaining two selections must come from a list of music that the UIL provides in its Prescribed Music List. The Raider Band performs from the Class AAA list. The third contest is entirely different than the marching and concert contests. For marching and concert the band has the entire year to prepare, but this is not true of sight reading contest. Here the band is given ten minutes to be instructed by the director how to play the selection which they have never seen before. This contest is designed to see how well a band can play music not a song. At each of these three contests your Raider Band was awarded an excellent rating.

The Raider Band is currently preparing for its annual year end concert. This year's concert will be held May 16 in the Raider Gym at Rice High School. The concert will begin at 8:00 p.m. In addition to the music played at concert contest the band will perform several "light" selections, including the two selections given to the band by Bill Moffit, director of the University of Houston Marching Band. Mr. Moffit presented these to the band at the recently held band banquet.

In order to help the band and its students to a better life through band participation a group of band parents are currently setting up, through the school, a band camp fund. The group is headed by R. P. Wilcox; Anthony Kallina, Othel L. Pirtle and Lavo Briseno. The goal of the drive this year is to send 12 or more band members to band camp this summer at Sam Houston State University. Students are applying for the scholarships through band director, Floyd Spenrath. The applications are to be returned to Mr. Spenrath Tuesday, May 14. The uniqueness of this opportunity is that all students could attend this camp. The returning sophomores, juniors and seniors could bring back to Rice valuable experience and newly acquired ability to make the band even more outstanding.

"Your Raider Band is young and excellent. It is truly deserving of a good turn out May 16. Get a car pool together and attend this fine event free of charge," said Band Director Spenrath.

Picnic Table Stolen At County Park

Burglars hauled off a heavy concrete table and benches from the county park on Cummins Creek near the Lone Oak community last week, reported County Commissioner in Precinct 3 Crockett Leyendecker to the county sheriff's office Tuesday morning, May 7th.

Sheriff George Doc Mueller sent a unit to the scene and the investigating officers found truck tire and auto tire [illegible] the table it was estimated that at least two persons had to have a part in the burglary.

After check with residents in the area, officers believe they have a good lead on the burglary and are continuing the investigation.

Calories In Cheddar Cheese
A one-inch cube of cheddar cheese gives you 70 calories.

Democratic Election Results

		1. Columbus	2. Glidden	3. Altair	4. Garwood	5. Nada	6. Rock Island	7. Sheridan	8. Oakland	9. Weimar	10. Buescher	11. Shiner Band	12. Brushy	13. Freyburg	14. Mentz	15. Bernardo	16. Alleyton	17. Eagle Lake	18. N. Columbus	Absentee	TOTAL
FOR GOV.:	Dolph Briscoe	258	84	76	120	74	41	49	71	182	63	16	30	92	45	33	21	287	269	83	2539
	Sissy Farenthold	74	44	5	32	7	16	16	30	245	14	5	11	33	9	34	10	89	93	12	736
	Bill Posey	13	1	0	0	3	1	1	3	15	1	0	2	7	0	1	0	7	10	0	58
	Steve Alexander	9	1	0	0	1	0	0	3	23	2	0	1	1	1	2	0	2	9	1	56
FOR COM. AG.:	John White	79	34	9	88	58	25	47	56	572	25	10	20	42	14	24	9	283	45	23	1490
	Herbert Schroeder	251	123	5	44	24	26	23	51	458	61	14	29	74	36	35	23	184	91	5	1352
COUNTY JUDGE:	Lester Cranek	238	61	18	142	78	83	78	72	[illegible]	30	12	[illegible]	[illegible]	32	49	24	336	103	77	2650
	Ernest Moore	98	14	6	12	8	21	35	31	339	16	6	13	9	18	9	5	159	85	18	835
U. S. CONG.:	J. J. Pickle	262	93	-	-	-	-	-	90	956	64	19	33	14	36	45	26	484	155	65	2592
	Larry Baled	77	10	-	-	-	-	-	15	145	12	5	10	34	13	14	5	34	121	13	482
	E. H. Meadows	20	5	-	-	-	-	-	0	9	0	0	6	9	3	1	1	12	21	4	179
FOR DIST. CLERK:	H. Vornsand	89	25	3	20	20	7	16	75	845	37	7	20	113	23	31	5	83	69	32	1502
	A. Hahn	210	67	12	99	41	29	18	16	77	31	10	22	55	19	13	15	172	237	49	1164
	Royce Miller	46	25	5	38	23	13	3	20	164	17	6	6	31	12	14	11	194	48	14	923
PRECINCT VOTE:		852	64	16	51	46	46	31	46	[illegible]	43	11	22	70	24	35	21	232	177	58	1670

BUZZIN' ABOUT TOWN

• Someone is probably looking for a set of pretty important looking keys that were left on top of Mena Kveton's car in the downtown area on April 30th. Each key is tagged with black tape. If you're missing a set, come by the Headlight office.

• E. H. Shirley brought by the following item from the Muskogee (Okla.) paper.

DRIVER OF THE YEAR?

"If the Muskogee Police Department's account is right an unknown Muskogee motorist may be the first nominee for 1974's 'driver-of-the-year' award.

"Here's the story Lieutenant Kerney Carter had to tell, of a stolen car report Friday.

"An elderly man got in his car in front of the Plaza Hotel, backed up into the pickup parked behind him and unknowingly hooked bumpers with the vehicle.

"The man headed for home without knowing the pickup was attached.

"Enroute he thought his car was driving differently and pulled into a local service station to have the air in the tires checked.

"They were fine, the attendant said, not mentioning the pickup, and the man drove on home—a full three miles from the hotel—before he discovered he had a passenger vehicle.

"The pickup was not damaged and was returned to the owner."

• The Headlight staff really enjoyed working with Paula Szymanski during the V.O.E. field-day last Tuesday, Apr. 30. There were an awful lot of pretty faces at the local businesses during the day.

• Next week the Headlight will be published on Tuesday afternoon instead of the usual Wednesday printing time. This will be for next week only.

Bill Kramer of Shiner, a former resident here, came by Thursday to relate that his dog "Snuffy", a Texas Sheep Dog, known to many citizens here, died last week at the age of 15 years.

The Kramers operate a "Rock Shop" on 90A between Shiner and Gonzales and invite citizens to come by for a visit when in the area.

• April Fool's day came a little late in the downtown area Monday. If you looked out the store windows and saw snowflakes drifting down the street it was all a big mistake. The air was filled at times with the white particles that resembled spider webbing.

• The Headlight joins local citizens in extending sincere congratulations to Miss Lucy Mascheck, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Mascheck, for the high honors which she won at the State Literary events last week-end. Lucy not only won the state Class AAA title in Headline Writing but was also named the best overall entry among the five divisions. She thus became Rice high school's first state champion.

• The Jaycees are planning to come up with a wide variety of items to sell during their Flea Market (no fleas to be sold) this Friday, Saturday and Sunday at the old Headlight office location. Support the Jaycee Swimming Pool and other youth activities through purchases at the Flea Market.

• Don't forget. Next week only the Headlight will be published on Tuesday afternoon. Paper should be ready by about 4 p.m.

Middle School Elects Student Council Reps.

The Eagle Lake Middle School held its student council election on May 6 for the 1974-75 class representatives. The following students were elected:

6th Grade: Suzanne Fryhert, Ed Gay, Shelba Parker, Mary Yanes;

7th Grade: Becky Anderson, Darrel Appelt, Michael Duarte, Lana Mahalitc, Lori Mahalitc, Mary Young;

8th Grade: Sandra Flowers, Kathy Frazar, Janie Gonzales, Debbie Jones, Peggy Leopold, Norma Lira, and Veronica Parker.

Accident

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ment was in the St. Mary's Cemetery.

Mr. Drlik was born in the Garwood community the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Drlik, Sr. Surviving are his wife; three brothers, Rudy and Leo of Garwood and Jim of Houston; three sisters, Mrs. Justina Kranek of Needville, Mrs. Adele Parr of Houston and Mrs. Mary Hoelscher of San Angelo, and other relatives and friends.

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Demo Voting

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resounding vote of confidence with 2398 votes as compared to only 483 for his chief opponent Larry Baled and 170 for the third candidate, E. H. Meadows. District-wide Mr. Pickle won easy nomination. Districtwide Pickle received 66,602 votes; Bales 28,108.

Eagle Lake Commissioner L. W. (Bill) Stiles was unopposed on the Democratic ballot and he received 467 votes but he will be opposed in the general election by Republican nominee Joe N. Frazar, Jr.

All eight of the Justices of the Peace were up for re-election. Richard C. Schmidt received 412 votes in Precinct 1; W. A. Hefner 331 votes in Precinct 2; 145 in Garwood, 76 in Nada, 38 in Rock Island and 64 in Sheridan; there was no nominee for Precinct 3; Joe Kaye received 976 votes in Precinct 4; Ernest Bob Weisbuhn 248 in Precinct 5; Francis J. Truchard 297 in Precinct 6; Isaam Brisco, Jr. 69 in Precinct 7; and M. M. Jones 436 in Precinct 8.

Party precinct chairmen nominated were: No. 1 Mrs. Nona Etheridge 4 votes; No. 2 Frank Haynes 99; No. 3 Vastine Gosch 1; No. 4 Albert Arnold 152; No. 5 Frederick Leopold 81; No. 6 G. C. Meyer 44; No. 7 none; No. 8 Rudy C. Gold 100; No. 9 Bernard Braden 97; No. 10 Mrs. A. G. Kollmann 78; No. 11 Fritz A. Horndt 25; No. 12 A. J. Untermeyer 44; No. 13 Kermit Kickler 116; No. 14 Leslie Miller 51; No. 15 Raymond Braden 55; No. 16 none; No. 17 John T. Pilkington 443; and No. 18 J. Ralph Meadows 319.

The Democratic Committeemen were due to meet on Tuesday afternoon to officially canvass the returns.

A summary of the contested races by vote in each precinct may be found on the last page of this issue.

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Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Harris Top Conservationists

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. (Tiny) Harris of Columbus been proudly as they accept the plaque for the honor of being named the Outstanding Conservation Farmer in the Colorado Soil and Water Conservation District for the year 1973. Presenting the plaque to the Harris' is Doug Lilie, president of the Columbus Noon Lions Club which sponsored the annual conservation banquet in conjunction with the Columbus Evening Lions Club in Columbus high school cafeteria last Thursday evening. For more information see pages 7 and 10.

2 New Bridges To Cost County $58,838

Bids totaling $56,838 for the construction of new concrete bridges in Precincts 1 and 3 were approved in a meeting of the County Commissioners' Court Monday.

Bernhard Construction Co. [illegible] bid $29,646 in Commissioner Walter J. Henicke's precinct one with a bid of $30,095. Malek Construction Co. of Navasota was the only other bidder with a bid of $33,411.

The Malek firm bid low on the bridge over Allen Creek on County Road 69 in Commissioner A. J. Kainer's Precinct two with a bid of $28,143. Bernhard bid $29,646 for the bridge.

County Engineer E. J. Plourde was on hand for the bid opening and he said that the bidding was exceedingly close and was within his estimates.

Rice Board Hears Insurance, Salary Matters

Insurance matters and salary considerations were key topics at the meeting of the Rice Consolidated District's board of education's monthly session Monday night in the Rice Administration building.

Under insurance matters, the board voted to join with many other school districts in the area in participating in [illegible] plan to provide [illegible] compensation for school personnel. On July 1st, all personnel, including teachers, will come under the new workman's compensation program.

Board member Lavo Briseno reported on a meeting of the insurance committee to discuss the matter and pointed out that the TASB plan will provide the district with coverage for $972 less than for private company coverage. He added that the district will also get the benefit of dividends that could come from a low loss rate and from interest earned by funds in reserve.

Robert Griffith, insurance agent of record for the district, was on hand to explain the position of the private companies and pointed out that while premiums might be a little more, the funds do remain in this area.

Supt. E. A. Krivacka added that as school board members they will have a hand in administering the self-insurance program if that route is followed.

Under the program, Texas Employers Insurance Co. will get 19% of the premiums for handling the program for the TASB and will provide coverage over and above the coverage under a self-insurance program.

Supt. Krivacka commented that over 200 of the 340 districts in the state are planning to participate in the program beginning July 1st.

The board also heard a proposal to provide liability insurance for school board members. Mr. Griffith proposed coverage for the school board members only at $100,000 for each one and a maximum of $1 Million in a year

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Rice Raider Band In Concert Thursday Night

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AREA SCHOOLS LIST END-OF-YEAR PROGRAMS

The 1973-74 school year in the Rice Consolidated In- [illegible] the final day of the school year on Friday, May 24th. This will also be the date for the Commencement Exercises at Rice High School, at 8 p.m. in the Rice Raider gym, with 134 senior candidates to receive their diplomas of graduation.

The annual awards program for the 1974 senior class was held at the Rice High School on Friday, May 10th and a complete list of the awards with pictures will be published in the May 23rd edition.

The seniors will take their final examinations on Wed., May 22 and Thurs., May 23 and will report for practice for the commencement exercises on Friday morning, May 24th.

Other classes at Rice High School will take final examinations on Thurs., May 23 and Friday, May 24th. Buses will run on both dates at 2:15 p.m.

A teacher's workshop will be held on Monday, May 27th to officially close out the 1973-74 school year.

The schedule of activities for the other schools in the Rice District and for others in the area will be as follows:

SHERIDAN SCHOOL

The end of school program will be held at Sheridan Elementary School beginning at 8 p.m. on Wed., May 22rd in the Sheridan gymnasium.

Rice High School Principal Fred Grahmann will be the principal speaker at the assembly. The public is invited to attend.

During the program, Principal William C. Gohlke will preside at the presentation of end of school awards and will recognize the 19 eighth graders who will enter Rice High School this fall. They are:

Michael Asel, Regina Briseno, Darrow Crumpton, Pamela De La Cruz, Keith Douglas, Thomas Garza, Bonline Heinhold, Herbert Hinze, Arleen Jones, Janet Kerth, Mary Mathews, Deborah McCauley, Edgar Miller, Larry Munoz, Paula Swearengin, LaVerne Taylor, Robin Teach, Tammy Walker and Diane Bennett.

Classes will officially end at 2:15 p.m. on Friday, May 24th.

GARWOOD ASSEMBLY

Garwood Elementary School will feature a Band Concert in the school cafeteria at 7:30 p.m. Thurs., May 23rd and an assembly at 10 a.m. Friday, May 24th to close out the 1973-74 school year, reports Jofie Mader, principal at the Garwood school. The public is

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Committee Reports On Old Garwood School

A committee appointed by the Rice School Board of Education including Dale Hunt and Anthony Kallina and six lay citizens from the Garwood and Nada communities have reported on the possible disposal of the old Garwood school building in lieu of making costly repairs to the building.

The committee asked that a study be made on the amount of material that could be salvaged, possible cost of removal of the building and the cost of erecting a wall that now divides the old and new buildings. A report is expected on these costs at the next meeting.

Another matter at the Garwood school discussed at the board meeting Monday, was progress being made on resurfacing the tennis courts at the Garwood school.

Supt. Krivacka said that A. J. Heimcamp of Columbus who was awarded a contract for topping the courts has had difficulty in getting material but hopes to get the material soon and complete the project before the beginning of the summer recreation program on May 28th.

$2 MILLION WORK OK'd ON HWY 90-A

Resurfacing From Eagle Lake To East Bernard

More than $2 million worth of resurfacing and reconstruction work on U. S. Highway 90-A was announced last week by the Texas Highway Commission.

Commission Chairman Regan Houston said the project is vitally needed before next winter to preserve the state's investment in that portion of the Texas highway system. He added that if the needed work is not done, a severe winter could cost the state more than double the expenditure to repair the damage, and he said there is no way to place a dollar value on the cost of such damage to the safety and inconvenience of Texas motorists.

District Engineer Carl V. Hamert said the project is in Wharton and Colorado Counties. The additional surfacing work will be on 15.6 miles of U. S. 90-A extending from Farm to Market Road 3013 at Eagle Lake to State Highway 60 at East Bernard. The estimated cost is $2,165,000.

The project is part of the $30 million statewide program.

County Judge Lester Cranek reported that counties will get $5 each were paid during the month of April for wolves killed in this county.

Eagle Tractor Located Now At 908 Main

T Lang announces this week that Eagle Tractor, Inc., has completed the move of the sales, service and parts departments from the location at 600 East Main to the new location at 908 East Main in the site of the former Colorado Truck and Tractor Co.

Eagle Tractor recently purchased the new facilities and completed renovation and addition of a new and large service area are being completed to provide the firm with one of the most modern facilities in the area.

Mr. Lang plans to hold an open house in the near future but meanwhile he invites customers and friends to visit the new facilities at 908 East Main for their needs.

L-7 Ranch To Buy New Garwood Emerg. Ambulance

L-7 Ranch of Garwood, a property of the Lehrer interests, has placed $15,000 in the Colorado County Federal Savings and Loan Association in Columbus for the purchase of a new emergency ambulance to be operated by the Garwood Fire Department in the southern portion of the county.

County Judge Lester J. Cranek acknowledged the outstanding contribution at the meeting of the County Commissioners' Court Monday at which time the court authorized the purchase of radio equipment necessary for the unit when it arrives.

Judge Cranek said that Robert Schiurring, fire chief of the Garwood department, met with the court in an agenda session last Thursday and revealed the contribution from the Lehrers. He asked the county to provide a radio compatible with the one in use in the three county-owned vehicles and also a radio system for communications with the sheriff's department and with other law enforcement officers.

Plans are to retain the present unit for an emergency vehicle and a back-up ambulance, said Schiurring. He said that the unit will be available to serve the Garwood and Nada area and also will be available for a back-up for Eagle Lake and Columbus units in case of an extended emergency.

The commissioners' court authorized the purchase of radio systems similar to those in use in other emergency vehicles from FM Communications for the same fee paid for the three units purchased last year, $960.00. The court voted to rent a radio compatible with the sheriff's radio system since plans are to use high frequency radios in the near future and the present system operates at a low frequency. It was estimated rental costs will be $15 a month which includes repairs and maintenance.

The present unit, purchased through funds raised in the community, is a late model vehicle with around 9000 miles but lacks the essential equipment required under today's standards. A number of the Garwood Volunteer Firemen have already qualified as trained attendants for operation of the emergency ambulance service.

Absentee Vote In Runoff Ends May 28

Absentee voting in the runoff primary of June 1 began May 12 for those planning to do it by mail and May 22 for those who will vote by personal appearance at the county clerk's office.

May 31 is the last day for receiving mailed ballots at the clerk's office.

Personal appearance absentee voting at the clerk's office will continue until the regular business closing hour on May 28.

Lissie Citizens Covered Dish Meet Sun.

The Lissie Senior Citizens will hold their regular covered dish luncheon this Sunday, May 19th, following the morning worship service at the Lissie Church.

All members and friends are heartily invited to attend.

Methodist Men's Benefit Ice Cream Supper Thurs. Nite

The Methodist Men's Club of Garwood will have an Ice Cream and Cake Supper at the Educational Building Thursday, May 16th from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Donations will be accepted at the door. Everyone is invited.

Proceeds will be used for projects of the club.

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MAYC Yard Sale Thurs. Sat.

The Mexican-American Youth Council is sponsoring a Yard Sale at 602 Norris Avenue this Thursday, Friday, and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Proceeds will go toward the athletic program of MAYC.

Parent Teacher Sale Sat.

The Parent-Teacher Council of the Eagle Lake Middle School will sponsor a candy sale Saturday morning at 8:30 a.m. in front of the Rice Drug Store and Wilcox Minimax.

Proceeds will go toward playground equipment for the Middle School.

County Board Of Equal. To Meet June 5, 15th

Colorado County Commissioners' Court met as a board of equalization Monday afternoon and set the date for hearing local taxpayers on assessments for 1974 taxes on Wed., June 5th at 1:30 p.m.

The board will meet with oil and gas interests in another hearing at 9 a.m. on Sat., June 15th.

Rice Schools Dismiss May 22, 23, 24 at 2:15

Supt. E. A. Krivacka's office reports that all schools in the Rice District will close on Wed., Thurs., Fri., May 22, 23, and 24th at 2:15 p.m.

Parents should note the earlier closing time and earlier bus schedules.

C. of C. To Meet Mon.

The Eagle Lake Chamber of Commerce will hold its monthly meeting at the council room of the Municipal building at 2:30 p.m. next Monday, May 20th.

All directors, committeemen, and others interested in the progress of the community are invited and urged to attend, said Mark Anderson, president.

County Files Intent To Enter Joint Workman's Comp. Plan

Colorado County has signed a letter of intent indicating the county is interested in participating in a Self-Insurance program of workmen's compensation to cover employees of this county as required under new workman's compensation laws which went into effect this year.

The Texas Association of Counties has developed a plan in cooperation with the Aetna Insurance Company to provide the self-insurance type of coverage at substantial savings to the counties.

County Judge Lester Cranek said that the plan proposes a reduction of 34.5% in workman's compensation rates under the joint program. Sixty per cent of this is put into a trust fund to handle claims and 40% into a fund for Aetna coverage in excessive claims.

He added that if enough counties join the total program and premiums reach $5 Million, the reduction of costs could increase to 36.5%.

County Auditor M. L. Briseno reported that the county's premium costs under standard plan would run $22,940.11 but the county has earned a 20 year experience modification to reduce that to $15,[illegible].21. Under the joint self-insurance program the cost to the county would decrease to $11,[illegible].45 annually.

Colorado County has been operating its own self-insurance type of program, but under the new state laws, the workman's compensation insurance is now compulsory.

The joint plan is expected to go into effect June 1st.

The author added however that any employees receiving any form of compensation from the state, federal or city agencies will not qualify for for the program.

Judge Cranek explained provisions of the new workman's compensation laws. He said that in the event of a fatal accident the dependent wife or spouse would be eligible to receive two-thirds of the salary of the employee who was killed in job employment for the remainder of his or her life. Also in the event the wife remains single, she will receive a lump sum settlement equivalent to two years pay and the dependent children will continue to receive payments which she had previously received as long as they are in school or still college age of 25. After two years under the new program this percentage will increase to 70%.

Region III Soil Conservation Winners

Three of the five directors of the Colorado Soil and Water Conservation District and Headlight editor and Publisher Fred H. Fruhs are shown with their Noon Conservation Awards received at the 31-county Region III banquet in Port Lavaca Friday evening. The Colorado SWCD received a $200 check for being the top district in the Region in development of soil and water conservation programs, and the Headlight for being the best Weekly in the promotion of soil and water conservation. Left to right are, Henry Sunderman director and co-chairman of the local district; publisher Fruhs; Herbert Engelmann, chairman and director of the CSWCD; and Mrs. Robina Helmsdon, also a director. Directors Arthur Koehn and Emmanuel Hennecke were unable to attend the banquet.

Noon Lions, Bank Boost Band Camp Fund

Othel Pirtle, center, a member of the Band Parents Committee which is soliciting funds for Rice High School Band students to attend summer camp at Sam Houston State University, is shown accepting contributions from the Eagle Lake Noon Lions Club and the First National Bank. Roy Dean Van Nort, left, makes presentation of a check for $240 to send four bandsmen to the camp in behalf of the Noon Lions; and at right, Travis Wagenhoft, vice-president of First National Bank, presents a check for $100 to send two band members to summer camp. Contributions are still being accepted. The parents group hopes to send twelve Rice Raider band members to the summer camp and will accept contributions of any size. Send them to Mr. Pirtle, R. P. Wilcox in Eagle Lake; Lavo Briseno in Sheridan; and Anthony Kallina in Garwood.