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Mrs. John Drlik returned to Garwood with them to visit relatives and also her father, Paul P. Mrusstik Sr., at Talton.

William Rek of Pasadena spent the weekend here with his mother, Mrs. Annie Rek, and his son, Kinny Rek, who is spending his vacation here with his grandmother.

Dennis Corliss' Welcome Son

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Corliss of Katy announce the arrival of a baby boy born June 8 in Eagle Lake Community Hospital, weighing 9 pounds and 7 ounces. He was named Rodney Dean.

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County 4-H Fair July 4 In Columbus

The Colorado County 4-H Fair will be held today, Thursday, July 4th from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the 4-H Horse Arena in Columbus.

Members of 4-H invite the public to attend their fair and participate in the many events and games scheduled for the evening. Other events include bicycle races for anyone who wishes to enter. There will also be terrarium and shrinkart projects for those interested.

PET PARADE

At 6 p.m. another big event is planned to begin. It is the pet parade. Prizes will be awarded to winners in each of the divisions of dogs, cats, fowl and miscellaneous. Some of the competition in the dog division includes lowest to the ground, shortest tail, longest tail, fattest, saddest face, fastest feet, and longest ears.

[illegible] under 18 years of age and accompanied by a responsible adult may enter his or her pet in the contest. The pet must be on a leash, clean and owned by the exhibitor or immediate family.

For more information contact the Extension Office at 732-2530 or any 4-H member.

Dual Gas Well Hit Near R. Is.

New oil and gas tests in the Eagle Lake area, at Sheridan and the discovery of a new dual gas well a fourth of a mile west of Rock Island highlight oil and gas activity this week.

El Rey Petroleum Inc. of Fort Worth is drilling a 10,500 wildcat test seven miles north northeast of Eagle Lake in the No. 1 Frank Renz on a 649-acre lease in Section 434, E. C. Ward Survey A-819.

The new test at Sheridan is Prairie Production and Convest Energy of Houston and is a 10,500 test four miles north northwest of Sheridan. The No. 1 Triangle Development Co. is on a 240 acre lease in the T. O. Selph Survey A-833.

The dual gas discovery at Rock Island is the No. 1 John Peterson drilled by Prairie, Convest, South Union and Alcoa. It is on a 189-acre lease in the I&GN RR Survey A-283. The well is producing from 8,444 feet and 9,311 feet in the Wilcox zones with an absolute open flow of 6.2 million cubic feet in the upper level and 1 million at the lower perforations. Gravity is 62.9 and 61.2.

Pamela Krenek Honoree At Bridal Shower

Miss Pamela Krenek, bride-elect of Harry Briscoe, was honored Wednesday, June 26th from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. with a Tea Shower in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Stallman.

The flower arrangements on the tables throughout the home and the corsages were of blue delphinium, blue cornflowers, lavender and white daisies, purple statice and gypsophila.

The honoree, her mother, Mrs. Troy Krenek, the groom-to-be's mother, Mrs. Harry Briscoe Sr., and his grandmother, Mrs. H. Kiefer, were given corsages.

The marble top registration table held the bride's book and a small mixed flower arrangement.

Miss Joyce Krenek, sister of the bride-to-be, registered the guests.

The refreshment table was covered with a white embroidered cloth over blue satin. In the center of the table was an epergne holding an arrangement of blue delphinium, blue cornflowers, white and lavender daisies, purple statice, gypsophila and blue candles.

The hostesses took turns serving punch from a silver punch bowl with silver cups. Several kinds of cookies, blue bell mints, and nuts were served from silver containers.

The hostesses' gift to the bride-to-be was an electric waule iron.

Out-of-town guests were from Houston, Sheridan, El Campo and San Marcos.

The hostesses were Mesdames Harry Engstrom, W. A. Heimer, Billy Heimer, LeRoy Lundquist, Robert Schiurring, R. B. Shaw, Arlin Miller and Lawrence Stallman.

ATTEND RICE MEET

Those attending the American Rice Growers Convention in Houston were Mr. and Mrs. Butch Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Braden and sons, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Schneider, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Schiurring, Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Lehrer, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Hunt, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Engstrom, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Krenek and Mr. and Mrs. Buren Kallina.

Miss Susan Whitman of Kountze is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Butch Martin. She is Mr. Martin's niece.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Pitchback left last week for a two weeks vacation in Mexico.

Harry Engstrom of Garwood and Roy Stallman of Columbus attended the State Rice Advisory Committee meeting in Rosenberg last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Krenek of Houston were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Troy Krenek last Wednesday evening. Mrs. Krenek attended the shower honoring Pam Krenek.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Waligura and family were at Wimberly for a few days. Melissa Waligura, student at S.W.T.S. University, joined them for the weekend.

Kathy Rees and Terry Engstrom have returned from a three week vacation in Europe.

Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Krenek visited in San Marcos and Wimberly last weekend.

Get well wishes to Ed Skuca of Nada who has been in Nightingale Hospital.

ATTEND SHSU CONCERT

Mr. and Mrs. Ignacio Rodriguez and Arnold, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Kristynik and Ricky, Mr. and Mrs. C. Alton Smith, Clayton and Madison and Tom Hobner and children attended the Grand Concert at Lowman Student Center at Sam Houston State University at Huntsville last Saturday. The Rice High School Band members who had attended band camp at the university last week participated in the concert.

Mr. and Mrs. John Donaldson of Victoria visited Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Ludolph last Sunday. Mrs. Donaldson is Mrs. Ludolph's sister.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Baecker and Mr. and Mrs. Marion Kershner of Houston were guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Franks last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenny Baumgarten and sons, Doug and Brad, spent the weekend at Wimberly.

Mrs. Emma Hawkins and daughter, Barbara Ann, and Tilton Ray Cunningham of Houston spent Friday and Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cernoch at Nada. Barbara Ann and Tilton Ray will be married this Saturday, July 6th.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Baumgarten visited Saturday in La Grange and Schulenburg, and Sunday they were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Green and family in El Campo.

Mr. and Mrs. John Williams and daughter, Ann, returned from Missouri last Thursday. They attended the funeral of Mr. Williams' brother, James Williams, of Mount Grove, Missouri. They also visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Williams, and other relatives at Springfield, Missouri.

Mrs. Dora McCall, Miss Emma Koch and Miss Clara Koch of Flatonia were dinner guests of Mrs. R. B. Shaw last Saturday.

BUZZIN' ABOUT TOWN

• Friends in the community were happy to renew acquaintances with William (Bill) Wallace during a short visit here on Wednesday of last week. He was enroute to Valley Lodge to visit with the family of his sister.

• The editor and wife were guests of the Plaza Theatre in Wharton for the grand opening of Plaza III, the area's first triple movie. Renovations to the old Plaza Theatre building in downtown Wharton transformed the single theatre into one which will permit the showing of three movies simultaneously.

Owners of the theatre, Mr. and Mrs. Frels and manager Gregg Swensen feel that the new house will permit theatre goers in the area a much wider variety of entertainment and they promise to show some of the latest and finest movies available.

• M. M. (Mac) Jones, Justice of Peace for Precinct [illegible] chairman extra-ordinaire, will be handicapped for the next several weeks due to a painful accident late Monday evening when the blade of a mower ripped off the tip end of the ring finger on his right hand and mangled several other fingers on the hand. He was taken to the Eagle Lake Community Hospital but was expected to be released Tuesday or Wednesday, but it will be a few days before he will be able to do much with the hand. Mac's friends hope that all goes well and that the injured hand will mend quickly.

• The Fourth of July, today Thursday, reminds us that in just two short years the United States will be celebrating its bi-centennial. The Eagle Lake community surely will want to have a part in this gigantic celebration and we hope that some of our citizens will begin giving consideration soon to some of the activities that can be sponsored locally.

• Mr. and Mrs. Rollin Duncan are home from a very nice week's vacation spent in visiting relatives in Huntsville, Alabama. They made the scenic trip by Greyhound Bus.

• It's adios to Mr. and Mrs. Clarke Hewitt who have been prominent residents here for the past several years and a big howdy to the Steve Poseys who are moving here. He will be associated with Asghy Oil and Mud Co. as pilot and in other capacities.

• If there are any disbelievers about the great need for [illegible] around the office of the Headlight and the chamber of commerce. We were almost besieged with requests for apartments and houses early this week. If Eagle Lake is to grow, and certainly there is every indication that the growth is right upon us, we must have some apartments and homes in which to place these newcomers, some on a temporary basis but others who wish to reside here permanently either through business association or retirement. If you know of any vacancies, please call 234-2783.

Baptist Youth Program Expands

The youth program sponsored by First Baptist Church of Eagle Lake has added two recreation and game nights. Community Junior high students are invited to come to the church on Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. for volleyball, shuffleboard and other games plus a refreshment time. High school students will have a similar program on Thursday evenings at 7:30.

Miss Diana Nichols, summer youth director, extends an invitation to community students to share in some "super-fun" times.

More than half of all auto trips in the United States cover five miles or less, National Geographic says.

Farm Program Certification Deadline July 15

With less than 2 weeks until the July 15 deadline for farm program sign-up and certification, Colorado county grain and cotton producers are reminded that program participation provides disaster insurance and eligibility for support loans and payments.

"Now that the crops are planted, we want to remind farmers to come by the ASCS county office at their convenience to sign up and certify -- just as long as they do so by July 15," said Daniel C. Streckfus executive director for the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service in Colorado county. Streckfus explained that the 1974 procedure is different from previous years when there was a signup period ahead of planting and a certification period after planting. Now a farmer makes [illegible] office and can even sign up by mail if he chooses.

Signup and certification are as important as ever to producers, Steckfus said. He pointed out that the new agricultural law includes provisions for disaster payments to participants if their feed grain, wheat or cotton crops are lost or the yield substantially reduced because of natural disaster. Also, as in prior years, eligibility for support loans and payments is dependent on being in the program.

Accuracy is also as important as ever in certifying crop acreage, Streckfus said. Measurement service is available at cost from the ASCS county office for any farmer who wants to make use of it. Spot checks will be made at random on Colorado county farms following certification to be certain the certifications are correct.

Anderson Of Texas Files 2 Debt Suits

Anderson of Texas filed two suits in District Court June 28th seeking to collect debts for merchandise purchased from the firm.

One of the suits was filed against Blue Ribbon Catfish Farms and was for alleged purchases totalling $1,453.53 in April of 1970.

The second suit filed was against Roy Wagner and seeks to collect a debt of $2,449.05 for purchases allegedly made July 31, 1970.

Nada CYO Benefit Party Friday Night

The Nada CYO will sponsor a game party this Friday evening, July 5th at 8:45 in the Nada Parish Hall. The money raised from the event will be [illegible] for the CYO members.

Refreshments will be sold and everyone is invited to attend.

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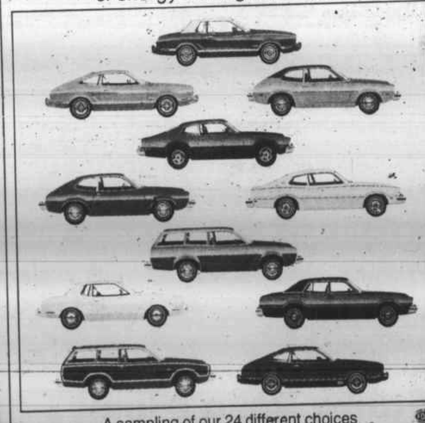

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County Emerg. Ambulance Service Costs $8,975.21

Expected To Save County $75,000 Annually

[illegible] gency Ambulance Corps in this county is expected to save Colorado County an estimated $75,000 per year, it was revealed when a six-month report was made to the Commissioners Court by Jim Whitcomb who spearheaded the drive for establishing the volunteer service.

Mr. Whitcomb reported to the Commissioners Court that income derived from the three volunteer units at Eagle Lake, Columbus and Weimar will total $8,613.56 for the first six month period. Of this amount $6,828.20 has been collected and he anticipated $3,285.36 more to be collected after deducting 30% for uncollectable accounts.

Expenses for the operation of the three units totalled; $6,265.23 for batteries, for pagers $60, gas and oil $442.44, six months insurance $2,298.96, repairs $60.72, supplies $3,002.11, and telephone $301. Clothing allowances to the volunteers in the three units totalled $7,523.54.

Whitcomb estimated depreciation on the three trucks, at a four year life, at $1,650.00; on the ambulance modules, a 12 year life, $1,250 and on radio equipment on 20 year life and pagers on a 6 year life at $900 for a total depreciation of $3,800. Added to the expenses and the clothing will total $17,588.77 for gross costs and the net costs for operation of the 3 ambulances for six months (gross costs less income) will be $8,975.21. Net cost for the three ambulances for one month amounted to $1,495.87 and Whitcomb said net cost for one ambulance for one month is $498.62.

If these figures hold true for the second six-months of operation, the total cost to the county should run around $18,000 annually.

County Judge Lester J. Cranek reminded that when the county considered getting into the emergency ambulance service, one firm offered to conduct the service in three cities for a cost of $90,000 per year if the county furnished the ambulances; and another quoted costs for providing equipment and manpower at around $128,000 per year.

Commissioners' Court expressed appreciation to the volunteers for their services and plans to write a letter to the units commending them for their "unselfish services to their fellow man." Also thanks will be extended to employers who permit volunteers to take time from their work to carry out this vital service.

Mr. Whitcomb commented that the Columbus unit has only 19 members and is in dire need of more manpower. He said the unit answered 84 calls during the past six months, 55 emergency calls, 12 out of county emergencies, 16 in and out of county transfers. Last week's Headlight gave a summary of the Eagle Lake unit activities with 106 calls in the first six months [illegible] calls in Weimar but it is expected to be more than Eagle Lake or Columbus.

Whitcomb asked the court and the members of the press present to give emphasis to the good work being done by the volunteers in hopes of instilling a greater "esprit de corps" among the members and in hopes of attracting new volunteers to the organization.

Chesterville Cemetery Assn. To Meet Sun.

The 13th annual meeting of the Chesterville Cemetery Association will be held in the Community Center in Eagle Lake on Sunday, July 14. All members and friends of the association are invited to bring a covered dish and attend this reunion. Lunch will be served promptly at 12:00 o'clock and everything will be provided except "food".

It is imperative that members attend this meeting as they will need to elect officers and a director to fill the vacancy created by the death of Lala Austin. Also, many other important issues need to be discussed and working committees appointed.

10 Vie For FB Queen Sat. Nite

Contest, Little Miss Parade In Columbus

DONNA DANKLEFS

Ten lovely young ladies will vie for the title of 1974 Colorado County Farm Bureau queen Saturday night, July 13th beginning at 8 p.m. at the Columbus Elementary School Auditorium. The public is invited to attend.

Don Chovanec, News Director with KVLG at La Grange, will interview the queen contestants. Mrs. Betty Hajovsky of Columbus will interview the seven Little Miss participants. Johnnie Schmidt, Chairman of the Young Farmer and Rancher Committee, will be local master of ceremonies. Judges will be from Fayette County.

Participating in the contest from Eagle Lake is Miss

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End Of Season Little League Supper Friday

Eagle Lake Little League will hold its annual post-season picnic at the Eagle Lake Recreation Center this Friday, July 12th beginning at 7:00 p.m. All players from the Peewee and Major League teams should be on hand. They are encouraged to bring their parents, brothers and sisters.

Mrs. Charlyne Spathel is the chairman for the food committee and she will be ably assisted by Mrs. Randa Weghorst.

A report on the candy sale will be given by Ed Gay and prizes will be awarded to those who sold the most candy. Teams will be recognized and ribbons awarded to the three players who had the highest batting average on each of the teams.

Closing the event will be the election of officers for the 1975 year.

Guadalupe Ladies To Sell Foods Sat.

Ladies of Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church will serve delicious Mexican foods at Andrew Hall in the Guadalupe Addition beginning at 11:00 a.m. this Saturday, July 13th and invite one and all to come by for orders to go or dine in the hall.

School Board Short Of Quorum For Meet Mon.

The board of education for Rice Consolidated Independent School District was scheduled to meet Monday night at the administration building but due to the lack of a quorum the meeting had to be postponed.

With the rice harvest just beginning three of the board members, Dale Hunt, Anthony Kolling and Frank Hilscher were busy with their farming and drying operations and a fourth board member, Jose Garcia, was out of town. Appearing for the board meeting were president Dr. Ray Thomas, Arthur Anderson and Lavo Brisco.

The meeting will be rescheduled early next week, exact date had not been set at press time.

Among the unfinished business to be handled by the board will be consideration of appointment of an insurance agent of record and consideration of life insurance and annuity changes. Also the board will hear committee reports on a sick leave proposal, on meeting and personal policy changes and also a report from the Garwood school building committee.

New business will include scheduling a budget hearing; consideration of a contract with oil and gas engineers; and consideration of coaching salary adjustments and other personnel matters.

Commr. Court OK's Older Persons Program

Colorado County Commissioners' Court in session on Monday approved the county's participation in the federal program PL 93-29 which will offer services for the general welfare of older persons 60 and over in the county.

County Judge Lester Cranek outlined the program designed to provide services and aids to the elderly to enable them to utilize to the utmost programs and facilities that are available for the older persons. The program is under the Health, Education and Welfare Dept. and the county qualifies for $9,665 in federal aid for the program by providing in-kind services totalling 10% of the allocation of $11,500 assigned to this county. The in-kind services can come in the form of supervisory positions and in coordinating the programs in at least four areas of the county. Volunteer assistance from churches, civic organizations and clubs will be solicited to carry out the program.

This county has been assigned to the Gulf Coast region for participation in the program and statistics show that 31.2 per cent of the people in the region are over 60 years of age and 13.3 per cent are below the poverty level.

Judge Cranek will be the coordinator for the program however it was pointed out that the bulk of the funds will go to aiding persons eligible for the program and not for supervisory personnel.

Further information on the program will be announced as the plan for this county has been developed.

Deputy Sheriff John Moody Is Resigning

Colorado County Sheriff Doc Mueller reports that deputy John Moody has tendered his resignation effective on the night of July 14th, Sunday.

Mr. Moody worked for the department for some time and resigned but decided later to return to the department and he has been a full-time deputy for almost a year. He will become employed by [illegible] and cited inadequate pay as the reason for seeking new employment.

Mid-Year Deposits Total $15,117,041

The First National Bank of Eagle Lake continues to post new highs in deposits substantiating the continued growth of the community.

The report of condition for the First National Bank for the period ending on June 30th, 1974 showed that the bank had an increase in deposits of nearly three million dollars during the past year. The 1974 report cites deposits at $15,117,041.18 as compared to $12,420,124.20 in 1973. At the same time in 1972 the deposits totalled $10,998,130.25.

The current report lists assets at $18,423,612.18, as the total creeps up on the $20 million mark. Assets in 1973 were listed at $15,829,197.11.

Loans and discounts for the current period are listed at $10,416,649.02 as compared to $8,622,139.75 in 1973, reflecting the increased costs of agricultural production.

The statement for the June 30, 1974 period lists undivided profits at $1,607,347.89.

Taylor Opens Sanitary Landfill Site

Taylor Trucking Co. has officially opened the new sanitary landfill in gravel pits on Cranek land (formerly Tait Ranch) on the west side of Highway 71 between Altair and Columbus.

The city of Eagle Lake took garbage and trash to the attractive and well-prepared site on a trial basis last week and the city of Columbus and Taylor trucks began using the landfill this week.

The three cities in the county, Columbus, Weimar and Eagle Lake and county residents will be permitted to use the site for trash and garbage but Taylor trucks can haul in only building debris.

State inspectors gave their

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Modern Beauty Shop Opens On Boothe Dr.

Mrs. Helen Ponce is announcing the opening of the Modern Beauty Shop located in the former Chicken Little building on Boothe Drive. The hours of the Modern Beauty Shop will be from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday and the telephone number is 234-3303.

Mrs. Ponce said her shop will feature hair cuts, permanents, wig styling, shampoo and set, and tinting.

She invites ladies of the community to come by and see her new beauty salon and make their appointments by either calling by phone or in person.

County Tax Rate Set Same As Last Year

Total Valuations Up $5 Million, Ratio Now 25%

Colorado County Commissioners' Court at the meeting Monday in the county courthouse, unanimously approved the same tax rate for 1974 as was adopted last year, [illegible] 44 cents on each $100 valuation. However there were some [illegible] that some of the commissioners would like to have raised the tax rate slightly to help offset the greatly rising costs of county operation.

County Judge Lester J. Cranek pointed out that the county board of equalization is near the end of its work and the county should have an increase of better than $5 million in tax valuations for 1974 taxes. He stated that the final total valuations for the county should exceed $67 million when the county tax officer Henry J. Hajovsky completes the roll.

Judge Cranek indicated that 90% of the increase is due to increase in oil and gas assessments due to the greatly higher prices being paid for petroleum products.

Judge Cranek went on to cite the fact that the county is setting assessments at 25% of actual value as compared to the 30% ratio used for 1973 taxes. Judge Cranek commented that the 25% assessment ratio is a more realistic figure and is one that would have been much easier to defend if the county had had to go to court with any of its taxpayers over the 1974 tax assessments. However as it turned out there were no contests from the oil and gas interests due to the change in economic conditions created by the energy crisis.

TAX CUT COSTS

The 1974 tax rate will be 50c per $100 valuation for the ad valorem tax and 30c for the additional ad valorem rate, thereby giving this county one of the lowest tax rates in the state.

The reduction of the tax rate last year had its effect however on the amount of funds received under the federal revenue sharing program. The tax rate is one of the factors used in computing the revenue sharing to the county based on its self-determination. Commissioner Crockett Leyendecker pointed out and Judge Cranek agreed that a $120,000 reduction in the allocation to this county from the federal program for the year 1974 was probably due to the fact that the county reduced its tax rate last year from 70c to 50c per $100 valuation.

Commissioners pointed to

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Vacation Church School Buys 2 Bassinets

This year the Community Vacation Church School decided to use the money collected each day, something that the children could look back at and say, "We helped to that!" With the new hospital nearing completion, it was decided that participants would try to buy something for the nursery. After talking with Don Reed, Hospital Administrator, it was felt that the project of purchasing a complete bassinet was the one for the group.

In their offerings during the week of Bible School, June 24-28, the children raised $68.11 toward the $103.94 cost of a bassinet. At their fabulous closing program on Sunday, June 30, their parents pitched in to help them out and their response was overwhelming. Instead of being provided with funds to purchase one bassinet, the school ended up with enough money for two! This bassinet set includes a stand, the bed itself and a cover.

"This was perhaps the best Vacation Church School that we have ever had and the factor that made it the best was the children themselves. Their support of projects like this one was evident throughout the week. They now have something that they can look at and remember the good times that they had together learning and playing during the 1974 Community Vacation Church School," said the Rev. Charles Meyer, pastor of Grace Lutheran Church, one of the participants in the VCS. Other churches cooperating were: Colly Memorial United Methodist Church, Christ Episcopal Church and First Presbyterian Church.

Epps' Closed Thurs. Preparing For Sale Fri.

Epps' Department Store in Eagle Lake will be closed all day today, Thurs., to prepare for a big semi-annual sale which will begin when the store opens at 8:30 a.m. Friday.

Mrs. Gladys Gold, owner, says there will be wonderful savings in every department of the store.

Wharton Firm Purchases Local Credit Bureau

The Wharton Credit Bureau, Inc., represented by M. S. Munson, Jr., and Mrs. Isabel Pallinek, have purchased the Credit Bureau Services of Eagle Lake. This bureau's reporting area covers Colorado County and part of Austin County.

The purchase was completed when Edwin Gay of Eagle Lake decided to devote all his time to his insurance agency as of July 1, 1974.

For the time being the bureau will remain in Eagle Lake at 115 North McCarty and will be managed by Mrs. Pallinek of Wharton.

Should any person have a question concerning his credit record, he is free to visit the credit bureau, identify himself and his records will be discussed with him.

Nada Christian Mothers Benefit Party Sat.

Ladies in the Christian Mothers organization of Saint Mary's Church in Nada will hold a benefit game party in the parish hall at Nada beginning at 7:30 p.m. this Saturday, July 13th.

They invite one and all to attend. Refreshments will be offered for sale.

AMBULANCE CORPS MEET

The Eagle Lake unit of the Colorado County Volunteer Emergency Ambulance Corps will meet this Thursday, July 11th at 7:30 p.m. in the Ambulance Hall above the old fire station.

C. Of C. To Meet Monday

Eagle Lake Chamber of Commerce will hold a regular meeting in the council room of the Municipal Building beginning at 2:30 p.m. next Mon., July 15th and all interested persons are urged to attend.

First Rice Sale At Garwood Thurs.

The first sale of 1974 rice will be held today, Thursday, at the Garwood Rice Sales Co. with a less than optimistic outlook.

James Hopkins, manager, said that from 10 to 12 lots will go up for bids but was doubtful that any of the rice will be sold.

Mills, for the first time this year, have been reluctant to make offers on green rice in the field and are expected to delay purchase of much rice until the harvest gets further underway.

The Eagle Lake office of the American Rice Growers Cooperative Association may have a sale next week, "maybe around the 17th," said Donald Oberhaus, manager.

Meanwhile many Eagle Lake farmers are cutting rice and the big rush is expected to get underway the latter part of next week and the following week and experts say that the first cutting should take less than six weeks to complete, placing a tremendous pressure on local dryers to take care of the rice.

Colorado Valley Little League All-Stars

Representing Colorado Valley Little League in the Area III competition, beginning Monday in Flatonia, will be these All-Stars: front, left to right, alternates Kenneth Hyek and Dennis Hinutson of Garwood, and David Grammer of Sheridan; second row, l. to r., Arnold Rodriguez of Garwood, John Schneider of Garwood, Dennis Mica of East Bernard, Tom Kallina of Garwood, David Kubena of East Bernard, Alfred Haedge of East Bernard, Manuel Munoz of Sheridan; back, Manager James Mica of East Bernard, Craig Wicke of Garwood, John Grammer of Sheridan, Mark Janik of East Bernard, George Pruitt of East Bernard, Greg Losack of East Bernard, Mike Korenek of Wallis, Kenneth Rzen of Wallis and Coach Harry Lotpries of Garwood.

Klekar Shoe Mart Has Quitting Business Sale

Klekar Shoe Mart will begin a gigantic "Quitting Business Sale" today, Thursday, July 11th with outstanding bargains in shoes for all the family.

Fred C. Klekar, owner, says that the entire stock will be sold at reductions from 25 to 60 per cent. The sale will continue until every thing is sold, including the fixtures, said Mr. Klekar.

Eagle Lake Little League All-Stars

The Eagle Lake All-Stars will open play in the Area III tournament in Flatonia at 8 p.m. Thurs., July 11. Members of the team are shown above: front row, left to right, alternates Ralph Cordova of the Pirates, Russell Johnson of Cubs, Roger Fry of Dodgers and Steven Navarro of the Cubs; middle row, l. to r., Ed Gay of the Dodgers, Victor Davis of Pirates, Robert Aleman of Dodgers, Keith Matcheski of Yanks, Billy Ray Tillman of Dodgers, Rufus Cardenas of Cubs, John Stephens of Pirates, Rich Farris of Cubs; back row, l. to r., Bill Farris of the Cubs, coach, Robbie Cook of Dodgers, Jeff Pennell of Dodgers, Wayne Chisum of Pirates, Michael Duarte of Pirates and Manager Draper Stephens of Pirates. Not present at the time the picture was taken were Darrel Appelt of the Yanks and Patrick Hurd of Cubs.