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Landfill

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approval to the project repeatedly and are expected to make periodic checks, but meanwhile the three cities and the county plan to hire a full-time inspector to be at the site during times of operation to insure that requirements are met.

Colorado County Commissioners' Court Monday discussed the hiring of an inspector, cost of whom will be shared by the three cities and the county.

"We want to be sure that we have someone at the site to safeguard the interests of all citizens of the county," said Judge Lester Cranek. He pointed out that citizens outside the county will not be able to use the landfill under the same terms as those inside the county and the inspector will be required to check on those using the landfill and to keep accurate records on those hauling into the landfill and on the types of materials being brought in.

He was authorized by the court to seek someone to serve as an inspector at the landfill site and to bring his recommendation to the court with the commissioners having final say on approval and on the salary to be paid.

TAX RATE

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the fact that increased costs of supplies and labor have increased their demands for funds by at least 25%. It was further pointed out that three of the precincts, one, i.e. at) for have some balances on which to fall back to absorb these rising costs, but Commissioner Leyendecker [illegible] he had no balances and that he probably would have to curtail operations to meet the rising costs. He agreed however that it is unreasonable to raise taxes countywide when adequate funds are available in three of four precincts.

Precinct 4 Commissioner Bill Stiles said that he opposed a rate hike since the county had nearly the same ending balances in 1973 that it had in 1972.

The motion to continue the same tax rate was approved by the entire court.

NEW CONTRACT

The commissioners at the session approved a new five year contract to the tax valuation firm of Latham-Stults, Inc. of Dallas to serve as oil and gas valuation engineers for the next two years. They will receive the same fee as last year, 4c per $100 valuation on oil and gas properties only. This fee in 1974 will be on the total of $27,518,580 and will cost the county around $11,000 annually.

The firm has been handling the county's oil and gas valuations since organizing some 23 to 24 years ago, commented Judge Cranek.

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2 Local Get-Away Winners At Lake Motors

Joe S. Reed, Jr., owner of Lake Motors, Inc., local Chevrolet dealer, said that a drawing was held last Saturday to determine local winners in the Houston Astrodomain Get-Away Trip for Two.

Miss Kathryn McRee of Eagle Lake and Mrs. Dorothy K. Smith of Houston will each receive two days lodging in an Astroworld hotel and free baseball tickets to two nights of Houston Astro baseball of their choice, compliments of the local dealership.

Chevrolet dealers in the Southwest will also award 56 Get-Away Trips for Two in addition to the local award.

Free Inoculation Clinic Here Each Second Tues.

The Texas State Department of Health will hold a free inoculation clinic in Eagle Lake the second Tuesday of each month from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. The next clinic will be held Tuesday, Aug. 13th at the Eagle Lake Middle School on Center Street. Diptheria, tetanus, whooping cough, polio and measles vaccine will be given.

All parents are urged to have their children, two months of age and older, immunized against these preventable childhood diseases.

Dates for the clinic here include: August 13, September 10, October 8, November 12 and December 10.

Farm Program Certification Deadline Mon.

With only a few days left until the July 15 deadline for farm program signup-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 in Colorado county office at their convenience to signup and certify -- just as long as they do so by July 15," said Jack C. Strecklus executive director for the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service in Colorado county.

Middle School Supplies List

Listed below are the school supplies needed by Eagle Lake Middle School students upon the opening of the 1974-75 school term. Additional supplies may be requested by a teacher as they are needed throughout the year.

Fourth Grade: Two ring standard size notebook, two hole regular ruled notebook paper, two No. 2 pencils, one soft eraser, one bottle of Elmer's glue and one box of sixteen crayons.

Fifth Grade: Two ring standard size notebook, two hole regular ruled notebook, two pole regular ruled notebook paper, two No. 2 pencils, one soft eraser, one bottle of Elmer's glue, one box of sixteen crayons, one blue or blue-black ball point pen and six-10¢ folders with brads.

Sixth - Eighth Grades: Two ring standard size notebook, two hole regular ruled notebook paper, two No. 2pencils, one blue or blue-black ball point pen, one red ball point pen, one soft eraser and five-10¢ folders with brads.

DWI CHARGES

Driving while intoxicated charges were filed during the past week to Rochell Thomas Finch, Gilbert Ray Drescher, Jack Lewis Caldwell, B. M. Foster and Alfred Pulido. All are pending trial.

Making love is like making pie. All you need is a lot of crust and some applesauce. (then mix it with a spoon.)

County Invests $247,000 In CD's; OK's Elevator Contract

Colorado County Commissioners' voted Monday to invest $247,000 in funds not needed at this time in certificates of deposit for 89 days at 11.4% interest. The action was taken at the July term of court along with numerous items including the awarding of a contract to Otis Elevator Co. for maintenance on the elevator in the county courthouse.

A total of $227,000 in certificates of deposit are due to mature July 17th and the commissioners voted to reinvest all but $20,000 in the general fund. Precinct 4 Commissioner Bill Stiles added an additional $40,000 in funds from his allocation from revenue sharing to make the total investment for the next 89 days $247,500. Also reinvested were: $25,000 in precinct 2 road and bridge, $25,000 in precinct 4 road and bridge, $45,000 in permanent improvement fund, $7,500 in the jury fund, $40,000 in precinct 2 revenue sharing, $25,000 in precinct 1 additional ad valorem, $15,000 in precinct 2 and $25,000 in precinct [illegible]

The contract was awarded to Otis Elevator Co. for maintenance on the courthouse elevator. Will be for five years with an escalating clause as increases are approved due to rising costs. At present the contract calls for $13.91 per month for parts and $79.71 for labor or a total of $93.62 per month. This will include protective and periodic maintenance and parts as well as calls in cases of emergency and all is covered except for the main cylinder and permanent erections.

TO SELL JAIL BOILER

In other action the court approved contracts and bonds with Bernhardt Construction of Victoria and Malek Construction of Navasota for the construction of two bridges in this county; authorized Judge Cranek to get bids for the sale of the unused old boiler heating system in the county jail.

Authorized bids for group hospitalization insurance for county employees and officials to begin Oct. 1st; and for insurance for the emergency ambulance volunteers to become effective August 20th.

The court approved policy relative to hospital care for indigents in cases of emergency. It was decided that the county will not be liable for charges for long - term care of indigents and they should be sent to John Sealy Hospital in Galveston for this care.

The court expects to adopt at the August meeting a policy regarding services provided to indigents by the emergency volunteer ambulance service.

Resignation of Mrs. Henry (Jody) Maples as election judge in voting precinct 2 at Gliden was accepted; notes set up by the County Engineer E. J. Plourde setting out the exact location of the time capsule buried by Columbus elementary students on the courthouse lawn during the sesquicentennial were approved. The capsule will be recovered on the bi-centennial observance at Columbus.

Judge Cranek was authorized to set a fee of $25 for blueprints provided to bidding contractors, the fee to be returned when prints are returned; right of way deeds and plans for widening a road near Frelsburg in Commissioner Crockett Leyendecker's precinct 3 were approved.

Mrs. Tommy Smith Injured In Fall

Mrs. Tommy Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sherrer and daughter-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Smith, received some painful injuries Wednesday morning, July 3rd at around 9:00 a.m. in a riding accident in the Bonus area. When a horse she was riding reared up, she fell to the ground and then the horse stepped on her back. Examination at Caney Valley Hospital in Wharton revealed four broken ribs, bruises and other minor abrasions.

She is new feeling much better and is convalescing at home after staying in the hospital until Tuesday of this week. Friends in the area wish her a speedy recovery.

Rites Held Mon. For Mrs. James Wright

Citizens learned with sadness of the death last Saturday morning, July 6th of Mrs. James Wright, a resident of the Heritage House. Mrs. Wright had been in failing health for the past year.

The Rev. Olen Kennell, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, officiated at the last rites in the chapel of the Mill-Buser Funeral Home at 10:00 o'clock Monday morning, July 8th. Mrs. Monroe Ripper rendered favorite hymns at the organ.

She was placed to final rest in the Lakeside Cemetery. Pallbearers were Raymond Waddell, Lloyd Spalinger, Earl Rodgers, W. M. Thomas, Jr., Robert Samuel Martin and Bob Meitzen.

Mrs. Wright, nee Emma Josephine Martin, was born on Sept. 28, 1875, in Somerville, Georgia, the daughter of James Alexander Martin and Elizabeth Johnson Martin. She and James Wright were united in marriage in January of 1901 in Katy, Texas. She resided during her life in Waller, Smiley, Liberty, Harrisburg, Tuling and Eagle Lake, Texas, and Edgerly and Iowa, La.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Delphia Alexander of Olive, California and Dicey Wright and Jessie Wright of Eagle Lake and three sons, Calvin and James Wright of East Bernard and Dr. Martin Wright of Houston. Also surviving are six grandchildren and six great grandchildren and other relatives and friends.

Mrs. Wright was loved by all who came to know her. She was a kind neighbor and a devoted mother and wife. She was active for many years in the Presbyterian Church and in the Presbyterian Women of the Church.

She shall be missed dearly by all who came to know her.

High Band Radios Purchased For Game Wardens

A discussion was held on the new high band communications system set up in the county under a grant from the Criminal Justice Dept. to the Houston-Galveston Area Council was discussed. Judge Cranek pointed out that the county applied for 25 radios, later 8 were authorized, and after he protested this allocation, it was raised to 16 when it was ruled that constables are constitutional officers and eligible for radios in their personal cars. Eight of the radios are assigned to the sheriff's department, one to a special officer Dick Klimple, and the other is in the county judge's car. Some discussion was held on the advisability of placing a radio in the personal car of the sheriff.

Judge Cranek pointed out that state employees do not qualify for the radios and included in these are game wardens. It was agreed that the game wardens do an excellent service in law enforcement in this county. Commissioner in Precinct 4 Bill Stiles volunteered to purchase one radio for the game wardens from his revenue sharing allocation and Precinct one Commissioner Walter J. Henicke agreed to buy the other radio for the game warden from his allocation. County will be able to purchase these at the same price as was bid by Motorola for all units in the H-GAC, but the county will pay all of the costs, around $1100 each, instead of paying only 25% and the federal government 75% as was the case in the 16 authorized units.

Judge Cranek observed that the new system now in use has stimulated law enforcement, especially from the constables in this county.

A public weigher's bond for Dexter Anderson in Eagle Lake J.P. Precinct No. 8 was approved; and a bounty report of seven wolves at $5 was made for the month of June.

Judge Cranek also read a summary of activities by the special sheriff's department patrol officer Bryan Toweck in which he reported that he made a total of 156 stops during the month.

In addition to the regular citations, copies of the tickets given stating the name of driver, owner of the truck, and addresses are included and sent to the judge's office for inspection. Judge Cranek stated that most of the citations issued during the month were to drivers of the same company.

County Produced 937,207 Bbls. Oil

Production Since 1932 Passes 18.2 Million Bbls.

Despite 12 months of production at 100-percent of the maximum effective recovery rate in most Texas fields, a drop of nearly 6.3-million-barrels of crude oil from the state's all-time record high production was recorded last year.

Texas production in 1973 amounted to almost 1.3-billion barrels, tops among the nation's oil producing states and representing 38.6-percent of total U. S. production, according to statistics compiled by Texas Mid-Continent Oil & Gas Association.

In 84 years of recorded production, Texas oil fields have produced some 34-billion barrels of oil -- approximately 26-percent of the U. S. total.

Despite the drop in production, the oil that was produced last year in 203 of the state's 254 counties [illegible] $500-million over the value of oil produced in 1972. This increase partially reflects the increased prices paid for some Texas crude oil during the latter part of 1973.

In addition to larger payments to royalty owners, the higher prices also have been reflected in the state comptroller's reports of increased severance taxes paid by the oil men of Texas.

Colorado County, which has had recorded production since 1932, last year produced 937,207 barrels of oil at the rate of 2,568 barrels a day. Production in 1973 boosted Colorado County's produced total through the end of the year to 18,351,357.

Drilling Sites At Ramsey And Garwood

A new 9400 foot wildcat northeast of Ramsey and new locations west of Garwood and in the Englehart Field highlight oil and gas activity this week.

The No. 1 Weisholm will be drilled on a 210-acre lease in the J. Petz Survey A-457 three miles northeast of the East Ramsey Field by a San Antonio Company.

The No. 2 Eaton, five miles west of Garwood, is on a 320-acre lease in the IGAN Hill Survey 9, A-38 and will be drilled by Lynbrook Oil Co. in the Eaton Field.

The No. 2 Harold Johnson B in the Englehart Field five miles northwest of Garwood will be drilled by Texas Oil and Gas Corp. on a 490-acre lease in the S&AMG Survey 17, A-539.

DANA WIESE

Farm Bureau Queen Contest

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Dana Wiese, daughter of Mr. [illegible] Dunklets, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Dunklets, Dana, who will be a senior this fall at Rice High School, has been active with the band for four years and a twirler for three. She is active in the work of the Colby Memorial Methodist Church and the Upper Room Ministry. Donna, who has served on the Student Council at Rice for three years, will hold the office of president in the 74-75 school year. She has been in the band for three years and will again serve as drum major this year. She is also active with the National Honor Society, the Business Club, the Health Club and attended the 1974 session of Girls' State.

Other contestants are Leslie and Melinda, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Bubok of Bernardo; Sandra, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kermit Reichardt of Bernardo; Lana, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Leppin of Weimar; Donna, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Norbert Stech of Weimar; Peggy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Dennis of Columbus; Sherry, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Hagan of Columbus; and Jeanette, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hoelscher of Columbus.

Participants of the Little Miss Parade are Sherrel Lynn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Cheatham, and Marla Shae, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Thomas, and Melissa, daughter of the John Perrys, all of Eagle Lake.

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Home West Of Columbus Burglarized

Colorado County Sheriff's Department was called to investigate the burglary of a home west of Columbus last week with the burglar apparently an antique collector.

Joe Meismer reported to the sheriff's department that his old home place nine miles west of Columbus just off a feeder road to Interstate 10 had been burglarized.

Officers found that entry was made by breaking out a portion of glass in a front door and the burglar reached [illegible] filled the light. Trunks, drawers, closets, and shelves in the home were dumped on the floor. The burglars took two old-time trunks to carry off their loot. Also taken were two old-time rocking chairs, an old Utica lever action shotgun, a Remington .22 caliber rifle, an old-time butcher knife, a quilt and mattress cover and from a nearby tool shed the burglars took an old-time coffee grinder and a block and tackle.

Officers found footprints left by the burglars as they walked the distance of several blocks from the house to a [illegible] where they apparently [illegible] getting the entry.

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Pink Ladies Present $11,000 Check To Hospital

Members of the Hospital Auxiliary gathered at the entrance to the new hospital to present a $11,000 check for the purpose of equipping the lab in the new hospital. In front, Mrs. Mabel Ware, president of the Auxiliary, presents the check to administrator Donald Reed, Pink Ladies present were, left to right front row, Mrs. Beatrice Rodriguez, Mrs. Viola Zboril, Mrs. Leths Lundquist, Mrs. Gladys Pidgeon, Mrs. Lena Broyles, Mrs. Eleanor McCreary, Mrs. Geneva Brown, Mrs. Hattie Mae Dromgoole and Mrs. Jo Ann Mapalite; back row, l. to r., Mrs. Anna Lee Higgins, Mrs. Gladys Schurring, Mrs. Virginia Wells, Mrs. Rose Lange, and Mrs. Luvenia Chavis.

Pink Ladies To Equip New Hospital Laboratory

Cost Estimated At $11,700

Members of the Eagle Lake Community Hospital Auxiliary, known familiarly as the Pink Ladies organization, met at the site of the new Eagle Lake Community Hospital on Thursday afternoon to present a check for $11,000.00 to hospital administrator Donald Reed which will be used to equip the laboratory in the new hospital with all new equipment.

The ladies pledged this commitment some time ago and have conducted game parties, bake sales, sold cook books, raised funds through the snack bar and television at the hospital, through dues and membership fees and received donations and memorials for this goal over a period of 5 years. Thursday was the near culmination of this ambitious undertaking and the Pink Ladies plan to hold another fund raising party in the immediate future to complete the $700 remaining on the total cost of the project, $11,700.

Mrs. Mabel Ware, president of the Auxiliary, made the presentation to Mr. Reed stating that the Pink Ladies are happy to have a part in the construction of this fine facility to care for the citizens of this area.

Mr. Reed expressed appreciation for this contribution by the Pink Ladies with words of appreciation for this great undertaking by a relatively small group of ladies who contribute so much in their time and talents otherwise on a day to day basis at the hospital, "In behalf of the board of the Eagle Lake Community Hospital, we accept with grateful hearts this wonderful contribution to the community's hospital and in effect to the citizens of the area who will be afforded the use of this wonderful medical facility," said Reed.

The Pink Ladies gathered on the front entrance to the hospital for the presentation and later were taken on a tour of the facility by the administrator and were given an "inside look" at things to come when the hospital is completed hopefully by September 30th of this year.

Current officers of the Pink Ladies organization are: Mrs. Ware, president; Mrs. Rose Lange, first vice-president; Mrs. Eleanor McCreary, second vice president; Mrs. Anna Lee Higgins, treasurer; and Mrs. Helen Kennell, secretary. Other members of the organization are: Mrs. Geneva Brown; Mrs. Gardner Duncan, charter and life member; Mrs. Fulton Dromgoole, charter member; Mrs. William Farris, Mrs. Vernon Gertson; Mrs. William Harrison; Mrs. D. O. Koneshesk; Mrs. Herbert Loessin; Mrs. Willard Smart, charter member; Mrs. Esther Sunderman, charter member; Mrs. Henry Sunderman, charter member; Mrs. Robert E. Wells, Jr., charter member; Mrs. Raymond Waddell, charter member; Mrs. S. S. White, charter member; Mrs. Ed Keagan; Mahalie; Mrs. Olen Kennell; Mrs. Letha Grace Lundquist; Mrs. Gladys Schurring; Mrs. William Zboril; Mrs. Bill Chavis, Mrs. Beatrice Rodriguez and Mrs. Frank Pidgeon. Pink Lady inactive members include Mrs. Ida Causey, Mrs. C. R. Matthews, Mrs. Earl Rodgers, Jr., all charter members.

Mrs. Lena Broyles and Mrs. D. R. Wintermann are also life and charter members. Mrs. Ware, Mrs. Higgins, Mrs. Lange and Mrs. McCreary are also charter members.

A number of faithful workers in the past have deceased including Mrs. R. E. Browser, Mrs. A. A. Gertson, Mrs. Joe N. Frazar and Mrs. Helen Smith.

Mrs. Esther Sunderman is nearing the 1000-hour of vol-

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Rice School Board To Meet Tonite, Thurs.

The July meeting of the Rice Consolidated School District's Board of Education will be held at 8:30 p.m. this Thursday, July 18th at the administration building.

The meeting was originally scheduled July 8th but was postponed due to inability to have a quorum present.

The agenda will include the same items that were posted for the July 8th session.

First Aid Safety Course

A First Aid Safety Course will be offered free of charge to the Ambulance Volunteers and all other interested persons on second and fourth Thursdays of each month beginning July 25 at 7:30 p.m.

The 10 hour course will be held in the Ambulance Hall (the former Firemen's Hall) for five weeks.

The Bureau of Mines is sponsoring the First Aid course which will be completed on September 26.

EL Little League Plays Thurs. Nite

To Meet Winner Of CVLL - Flatonia

Eagle Lake Little Leaguers will play in the Area III Little League semi-finals tonight, Thursday, when they meet the winner of the Colorado Valley Little League and Flatonia contest which was scheduled Tuesday night but was postponed to Wednesday night due to wet grounds. The Eagle Lake team will play the winner at 8:00 p.m. tonight Thursday in Flatonia.

The tournament got underway Monday night with the La Grange All-Stars topping Weimar - Schulenburg All-Stars 3 to 2.

TUES. RAIN-OUT

The rained out CVLL and Flatonia game will be played as part of a double header on Wednesday night. CVLL will meet Flatonia at 6:00 and La Grange will take on Columbus in a semi-final contest at 8 p.m.

The winner of the Eagle Lake and CVLL or Flatonia game Thursday will advance to finals against the winner of the Columbus-La Grange contest at 8:00 p.m. Friday night. The winner of the area III tournament will advance to the District 13 tournament to be held in Yoakum next week.

New Hospital Completion Date Target Sept. 30

Pledgers Urged To Make Payments

September 30th has been set as the hopeful date for the completion of the new Eagle Lake Community Hospital, reported Donald Reed, administrator of the hospital following an inspection tour last week.

Workmen of the A. & A. Construction Co. of Victoria, general contractor, the electrical and plumbing contractor and other sub-contractors are working hard to meet this date for the completion of the new 35-bed, $1.4 million hospital facility on Austin Road on the western edge of the city.

Work is also underway on the grounds surrounding the building.

The exterior of the building is virtually complete and efforts are now being concentrated on the interior of the building, erecting the many facets of the new medical facility to be one of the most beautiful and most modern in the area.

Mr. Reed said that all new equipment and furnishings are already on the site or are on order and should be delivered well in advance of the completion date.

Funds for the project were contributed by citizens and organizations throughout the area with a $750,000 grant in federal funds through the Hill-Burton program.

Mr. Reed said that information is being assembled now for preparation of a plaque to be mounted at the hospital listing donors to the facility. He urges those who have made pledges and who have not completed payment of the se pledges to do so in the immediate future through his office or at the First National Bank so that they may be included among those on the donors' list.

"He added that any persons who have not given, are urged to do so as soon as possible. "Of course there are some who have given and who wish at this time to increase their commitments or contributions and we will be most happy to accept these additions," added Reed.

"This hospital will be one of which we can all be justly proud and the hospital board and administration know that each and every citizen will want to do his or her share in making this important facility possible," he added.

Bernardo Fire Dept. Chicken BBQ Sunday

Bernardo Volunteer Fire Department will hold its 9th annual chicken barbecue at the Meats Pavilion Hall Sunday, July 21st and one and all are invited to attend.

Chicken will be served beginning at 12 noon for $2.00 for adults and $1.25 for children under 12 years of age.

There will be entertainment for young and old throughout the afternoon and evening and music until 7:00 p.m.

Proceeds from the event will be used for equipment and supplies for the volunteer fire department in the Mentz and Bernardo communities.

City Council OK's Employee Pay Hikes

Eagle Lake City Council met on Tuesday night of last week and approved cost of living increases in pay to employees of the city.

City Manager T. J. Smith reported to the council that Carl Templeton, who was employed with the city has resigned. Prior to his resignation the city's total monthly payroll was $8,142.50 and after the 5% increases were approved the total payroll for the month would be $7,865. The city manager said that at this time he had no plans to hire anyone to replace Templeton.

The city manager reported that the new Wayne street sweeper purchased by the city was due to arrive Fri., July 12th; that highway department will begin work soon to rebuild the stop light at the intersection of Main and McCarty with the installation of new posts.

He also reported that the city stands to lose a five per cent credit on its fire credit rating for insurance purposes because of the fact that no firemen will be able to attend the Firemen's School at A&M this month. Consideration was given to sending a city employee to the school to get at least a three per cent credit rating. Two persons attending would give the city a 4% rating and three persons 5%. In the past some of the firemen have given up their vacations to attend but due to short labor supply and economic conditions, no volunteers had been signed up at the time of the meeting.

Later in the week it was reported that Paul Supak and

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Lone Star Worker Drowns In Accident At Blue Roan

Body Recovered Monday Nite In 60-feet Water

[illegible] 23-year-old Elm Grove [illegible] was killed in an accident at Lone Star Industries Blue Rose Bend Plant near Elm Grove on Sunday evening and it was not until late Monday night that professional divers from Houston were able to recover the body in approximately sixty feet of water.

Baines reportedly had been employed at the plant for only a week or so. He was on a dredge with crewmen doing some work on a cable when he slipped against a guard chain and the chain released and he fell into the water just ahead of one of the dredge buckets.

Justice of the Peace M. M. Jones, who held an inquest at the scene, said that he was told by one of the men on the dredge that Baines caps up one time and one arm cleared the water and he attempted to grab the arm but was unable to hold onto the slick skin.

Operator of the dredge bucket saw the accident and stopped the machine and large amounts of silt and sand covered in around the body in the deep water.

Deputy Sheriff Ed Wines reported that the divers located the body with just a portion of one leg and a foot protruding from the sand at 10:40 a.m. Monday. The divers were unable to free the body from the sand and the J. and J. Marine Service of Houston was called to the scene with divers and air equipment.

Heavy streams of air were forced to the deep depth and the air was used to blow sand from around the body and it was finally brought to the surface at 8:20 p.m. Monday evening after being in the water for approx. 60 hours. The accident reportedly occurred at 6:30 p.m. Sunday.

Justice of the Peace Jones at the inquest ruled that the man died from accidental causes.

Emergency units were called to the scene from the Eagle Lake, Garwood and Columbus Fire Departments. Game Warden Sam Center, Eagle Lake Patrolman Bufford Ashley, Highway Patrolman Harvey Grigen and Deputy Wines went to the scene to assist in the search for Baines' body. Eagle Lake Chief of Police Roy Chisum also assisted at the scene.

Baines was reported to be a relative of the Jimmy Blunston family who reside in the Elm Grove area, southeast of Garwood and southwest of Eagle Lake.

10 Lots Offered Thurs., None Sold

Garwood Rice Sales Co. held the first rice sale of the 1974 year in Colorado County last Thursday and ten lots of rice went up for bids but according to James G. Hopkins, manager, none of the rice was sold.

Only two mills participated in the bidding, Comet which bid high on three lots and West Texas which was high bidder on seven lots.

Top bid of the day was $9.44 per Cwt. or $15.29 per barrel bid by West Texas for LaBelle rice grown by R. R. Stallman. Second highest bid of the day was $9.20 per Cwt. or $14.90 per barrel offered by West Texas for La Belle rice grown by Miller, Miller and Oscar Bunge.

The bids ranged down to the low of $8.30 per Cwt. or $13.44 per barrel.

Mr. Hopkins planned to hold another sale this Thursday, July 18th.

Donald Oberhaus, manager of the Eagle Lake division of the American Rice Growers Cooperative Association, said that the local office does not plan to hold a sale this week and hopefully will put up the first rice next week.

Local farmers have indicated that they are not selling at this time hoping for a better price. Many farmers in the area still have rice in the barn from last year's crop which they had held for at least $20 per barrel for the 1974 rice and it is hoped that the mills will begin to show more interest and begin to buy some rice in the near future.

A sale was held in Ganado on Tuesday of this week, and top bid of the day was $9.31 per Cwt. for 59-69 No. 1 La Belle rice with only two mills offering bids.

The rice harvest in this area is now in full swing and combines are running in most areas.

Despite some heavy rain and wind on Thursday of last week, little rice has been downed at this time and the quality of the rice is expected to run good. It has been estimated that the peak of the harvest should come in the next two weeks and in less than six weeks most of the first crop rice should be harvested.

IN ST. LUKE'S

G. F. (Slim) Harborth of Eagle Lake underwent surgery in St. Luke's Hospital in Houston Tuesday. His many friends in the area wish for him a quick recovery to good health. He is in Room 1523 at St. Luke's Hospital in Houston for those who might wish to drop him a note of cheer.

Donna Dunklets Is Runner-Up

Pretty blonde Miss Dana Wiese, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford T. Wiese of Eagle Lake, was crowned Colorado County Farm Bureau Queen at the conclusion of the annual competition in the Columbus elementary school auditorium last Saturday evening. Miss Wiese is a popular member of the senior class at Rice High School.

Another Rice High School senior, Miss Donna Dunklets was runner-up to the queen. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. (Ted) Dunklets of Garwood.

Ten pretty young ladies from over the county vied for the honor of being named the 1974 queen and for the right to participate in the District competition to be held in Wharton in mid-August.

Others in the competition were Leslie and Melinda Bubak of Bernardo; Sandra Reichardt of Bernardo; Lana Leppin and Donna Stech of Weimar; Peggy Dennis, Sherry Hagan and Jeanette Hoelscher of Columbus.

The contestants were interviewed by Don Overmyer, News director for KVLG in La Grange. Judges were Mr. and Mrs. Anton Tietjen, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Witt and Elmo Mintzemeyer, all members of Fayette County Farm Bureau.

Miss Debbie Wehman of Co-

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Dana Wiese Is Named FB Queen

Farm Bureau Queen Contest Winners

Miss Dana Wiese of Eagle Lake, left, was crowned 1974 Colorado County Farm Bureau Queen in the annual contest last Saturday in Columbus. At right is Miss Donna Dunklets of Garwood, runner-up to the queen. Both are Rice High School seniors.

Comm. Center Re-Elects Officers

Directors of the Eagle Lake Community Center met for the annual meeting at the Center Monday and re-elected officers for the 1974-75 year.

D. R. Wintermann, president, presided at the business session. A financial report was made and plans were made for converting the present library room into a conference room when the new library is finished around Aug. 30th.

Roy Dean Van Nori was named chairman and H. E. Tate and W. H. Harrison, members of the building committee. The committee will be making contacts for contributions for the purchase of new stack chairs for the conference room. Any persons who would like to contribute to this project are invited to contact Mr. Van Nori.

It was reported that new

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