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2 Killed, 4 Injured In IH 10 Wreck

Two young Pasadena sisters were killed and four other members of their family were injured critically in a one-car accident on Interstate Hwy. 10, about three and a half miles west of Weimar, in Fayette County at 11:45 a.m. Sunday.

The dead: Rhonda Hutton, 12, and Deborah Hutton, 15. They were pronounced dead on arrival at Youens Memorial Hospital in Weimar.

Mrs. Barbara Hutton, 33, mother of the girls, was driver of the 1974 Ford station wagon. Mrs. Hutton and Sharon Kittle, 12, Cynthia Kittle, 13 and Pamela Kittle, 15, were treated at the Weimar hospital and then were transferred to Memorial City Hospital in Houston. Patrolman A. P. Hall of La Grange, who investigated, said all were reported to be in critical condition.

The patrolman said the westbound station wagon apparently went out of control at the East Navidad River bridge, lurched the bridge railing in mid-air, hit on its top, then flipped over again into the creek bed and caught fire. None of the victims was burned, however, the officer said.

A unit of the Schulenburg fire department extinguished the blaze.

Kenneth Hutton, husband of Barbara Hutton, was in another car that was following that of his wife, the DPS officer said.

The deaths of the two girls brought Fayette County's 1974 road toll to seven. A year ago the figure was five at this time.

Winners In 4-H Dress Revue



Here are three of the top winners in the County 4-H Dress Revue held Monday. Modeling their prize-winning garments are: left to right: Freddie Saul of Weimar, sub-deb winner; Shirley Reising of Columbus, junior winner; and Donna Frank of Columbus, sub-deb alternate.

Rice Schools Open New Year On Aug. 19 Wrong Way Truck Hits Parked Car

The opening of the 1974-75 school term is less than a month away; parents and children in the Rice School District are reminded.

Classes will begin in the district on Monday, August 19th, although the teachers will begin a week of workshop sessions on Wed., August 14th. Football workouts for the Rice Raiders under their new head coach Dee Mackey will get underway on Mon., Aug. 12th. Band students will begin their practice sessions on the first day of school Aug. 19th.

End of the first nine week session is slated Oct. 18th; the second nine weeks on Dec. 20th ending the first semester prior to the Christmas holidays; end of the third nine weeks on Mar. 14; and of the fourth nine weeks on May 23 the final day of the 1974-75 school year and commencement.

At 12:50 a.m. last Friday, July 19th, a driver of a truck bound for Houston from the direction of Alair on Highway 71 made a turn to the left instead of to the right and ended up going wrong way on Interstate 10.

The sheriff's department received a call that the large truck tractor-trailer was going in the wrong direction at a high rate of speed and reportedly was running cars and other trucks off the highway. Deputy Sheriff Bryan Touchette was dispatched to the scene and he attempted to catch the truck before an inevitable collision. Before he could get to the truck it had hit a car parked beside the roadway while the driver and his wife fixed a flat tire. They apparently saw the truck coming and got clear of the scene and fortunately a small child asleep in the back seat was not hurt.

after hitting the car, the truck and trailer loaded with grain, plunged about 100 yards off the highway knocking down fence and glancing off a tree.

The driver of the truck, William Clifton Reese, of Houston, was arrested and charged with driving on the wrong side of the highway and also with driving while intoxicated.

HOME FROM HOSPITAL Friends will be happy to hear that Ted Clay was able to return to his home here Tuesday following recent surgery in the Methodist Hospital in Houston. He is reported to be doing nicely.

Democratic Party leaders refused to move the state convention in Austin September 17 to September 19 to avoid a conflict with the Jewish Rosh Hashana religious holiday.

Fair and Auction sale will be held at 2:00 p.m.

Music will be provided during the day and for a dance from 8 p.m. to 12 midnight by the Silver Wings Orchestra.

There will be plenty of free parking so that you can come and go as you please.

St. Mary's Annual Home-Coming Sept. 1

St. Mary's Parish in Nada has started plans for the annual Festival and Homecoming to be held at the Nada K.J.T. Hall on Sunday, Sept. 1st.

Masses will be said at St. Mary's at 7:30 p.m. Sat., Aug. 31st and at 9:30 a.m. Sept. 1st. Barbecued beef and sausage and the trimmings will be served from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and supper will be served from 5 to 7 p.m. Plates for adults will be \$2.25 and for children eight years and under, \$1.75. All plates to go will be \$2.25.

Refreshments will be sold throughout the day and night and barbecue sandwiches will be sold beginning at 1 p.m.

There will be entertainment for young and old. A Country

Midshipman John Moore In Summer Training

Midshipman John S. Moore, son of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer A. Struss of Eagle Lake, is one of more than 800 Naval Academy midshipmen who are undergoing specialized summer training at various stateside Navy and Marine Corps bases.

The program for the class of 1976 consists of two weeks of professional training at the Academy in Annapolis, Md.; two weeks of damage control training at Philadelphia; one week of aviation orientation at Pensacola, Fla.; a week with the Marine Corps at Quantico, Va.; one week of submarine training at New London, Conn.; and one week at Newport, R.I. with the destroyer force.

He will enter his junior year at the Academy in September.

EAT RICE EVERY DAY!

Dress Revue

(Continued from page 12) Mrs. Bobbie Elliott, Mrs. Mand Steli, Mrs. Travis Wenghoff, and Mrs. Verlin Argo, reported they had a hard time deciding which garment was better because all youth did such a fantastic job.

Special thanks are given to the adult leaders for working with the youth because without them the task would be impossible: Live Oak club for decorations, Eagle Lake club for commentary, Weimar 4-H club, registration, and Lester Schneider, County Clerk, for presenting the awards.

Finally, a very special thanks to Extension secretary, Mrs. Belle Dungen, for the efforts and hard work put forth to make the Dress Revue successful.

Higher Prices Jump Royalties In County

61 Wells Drilled In County, 42 Are Dry Holes

Current higher prices for crude oil and natural gas produced in Colorado County point to a significant jump in 1974 income for county land and royalty owners who last year received \$2.8 million as their share of the county's output, according to a study by Texas Mid-Continent Oil & Gas Association.

"With the average price of Texas crude oil now at about \$6.70 a barrel, compared with the 1973 average of \$5.84 a barrel, and with some newly discovered natural gas selling intrastate for more than \$1 per thousand cubic feet, the outlook for the economy of producing communities is encouraging if prices hold up," according to Sherman Hunt, Dallas, Association president.

"Should price rollback schemes and other tax-and-control proposals now underway in Congress be successful, current economic gains will evaporate," Hunt said.

The Association's study shows that crude oil and natural gas produced last year in Colorado County was valued at \$22 million, ranking the county 66th in the state. Crude oil production of 937,207 barrels was valued at \$3.6 million and 97.1 billion cubic feet of natural gas at \$18.4 million.

From the county's 1973 output, the State of Texas collected \$465,548 in oil production taxes and \$1.4 million from natural gas.

Also adding to the dollar flow in the county last year were these factors:

Drilling activities, on which producers spent \$6.6 million in drilling 61 wells, \$3.9 million of which was lost in 42 dry holes. Successful completions amounted to two oil wells and 17 gas wells.

Payrolls, which amounted to \$2.1 million paid to 272 workers, according to Texas Employment Commission figures.

Operation of other oil and gas facilities, including three natural gasoline processing plants with 145 million cubic feet per day capacity.

Also charged with DWI in another case filed July 19th is William Clifton Reese.

Son Born For Jack Greenes

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Greene of Houston are proud to announce the arrival of a son, David Lee. He was born in the Methodist Hospital in Houston on Wed., July 17—around 5:00 p.m., weighing a little over 8 pounds and measuring 21 inches.

David is being welcomed into the family by a sister, Christy who is 3, and a brother, Brian who is 1 and whose birth date is also July 17. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Sheridan of Houston and Mr. and Mrs. Jackson Greene of Houston. Great grandparents are Mrs. Rose Lange of Eagle Lake and Mrs. Howell.

Jack Snow Rites Held Here Sunday

Clayton Jack Snow of Beeville, 68 years of age, brother of Mrs. Otto T. Danklefs of Garwood and father of Mrs. Guy R. Botard of Sheridan, passed away Friday, July 19 at 12:00 p.m. in the Memorial Hospital in Beeville following a number of strokes since May.

Funeral services were held from the Mill-Bauer Chapel in Eagle Lake on Sunday, July 21 at 2:00 p.m. and interment was in the Cheatham Cemetery in Sheridan. The Reverend Wade Graves of the First Baptist Church of Sheridan officiated.

Palbearers were Albert Botard, C. C. Cole, Howard Criswell, Elmer Enloe, Gilbert Hollub and Derwyn Johnson.

He was born on October 17, 1905, to Eula Mae Westbrook and George Snow in Zephyr, Texas. They both preceded him in death.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Annetta Snow of Beeville; 1 daughter, Mrs. Guy R. Botard of Sheridan; 2 sons, Clayton Snow Jr. of Corpus Christi and Burton Snow of Austin; 2 brothers, Rev. L. E. Snow of Whitney and Wren Snow; 2 half brothers, Daniel Wilson and Randal Wilson of Pasadena; 2 sisters, Mrs. Jessie Galvireth of New Braunfels and Mrs. Otto T. Danklefs of Garwood; 3 half sisters, Mrs. Dave Vick of Pasadena, Mrs. Claude Bartlett of Bellville and Mrs. Pauline Evans of Houston, 17 grandchildren, 4 great grandchildren, and a host of other relatives and friends.

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Budget Hearing

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reported to the board that the cost for the services for the 1974 tax year will amount to \$11,735 based on oil and gas valuations totalling \$42,673,000.

Supt. Krivacka said that he had hoped to negotiate with the county to obtain an agreement whereby the county and school could both use valuations on oil and gas properties, rather than have both entities spend considerable sums of money for essentially the same work.

Board members Frank Higgins and Arthur Anderson expressed concern over the fact that the school was paying for services that had basically been performed for the county.

Supt. Krivacka reported however that the county has already approved a new two-year contract with Latham, Stults and Rosh and not much can be done about the consolidation effort at this time.

The board approved the new contract but tacked on a provision that the Supt. inform the county at this time that the district wishes to pursue the combined effort further before adopting a contract at the end of the current two-year extension.

Drought losses brought a request that Taylor and Erath County farmers, ranchers and businessmen be made eligible for special federal disaster relief loans.

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HEAVY TRAFFIC

STATE CAPITAL Highlights AND Sidelights by Lyndell Williams TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN, Tex. — Oklahoma temporarily stopped movement of Texas cattle into the neighboring state due to an outbreak of dread anthrax in Falls County.

About 200 animal carcasses have been burned in the county since the anthrax quarantine was imposed June 28. The quarantine covers only that portion of the county east of the Brazos River.

A USDA spokesman said "suspected" cases were discovered in surrounding Texas counties and in an Oklahoma City stockyard.

Animal Health Commission officials recommended continued vaccination of cattle in Falls, McLennan, Leon, Freestone, Robertson, Bell, Milam, and Limestone counties. They were optimistic about control of the outbreak. Oklahoma first placed an embargo on Texas cattle, then limited it to movement from the eight counties.

About 300,000 cattle were scheduled for vaccination in the Central Texas area, and only 250,000 doses of the vaccine were initially available.

An estimated 110,000 head of animals were in the quarantined zone. Forty-one roadblocks were established to prohibit movement.

Texas National Guard, the Department of Public Safety and the State Department of Agriculture assisted in efforts to control spread of the disease.

ALLOWABLE SET — The Railroad Commission once more set the statewide oil allowable at 100 per cent, amid reports Texas is leading all other states in the search for oil and gas.

Texas has been operating under wide open production orders for more than two years.

Commission Chairman Jim Langdon said the agency has handled 10,600 drilling applications this year, compared to 6,800 by July of 1973. The number of drilling rigs has increased 42 per cent from a year ago — to 311 on location — twice as many as any other states, according to Langdon.

Thirty five percent of active rigs in the national are in Texas, by Langdon's count.

CONVENTION NEARS END — Whether delegates ever agree on a new state constitution or not, the Constitutional Convention of 1974 is about to wind down.

July 30 is the deadline for completion of the revision effort.

Delegates continued in pursuit of illusive compromise, voting down proposal after proposal, yet knowing that by the end of the month they probably would accept a revision package, like it or not.

ABC ADMINISTRATOR RETAINED — Alcoholic Beverage Commission Administrator O.N. "Newt" Humphreys Jr. weathered another effort to oust him from his \$28,500-a-year job.

ABC Member R.L. Thornton Jr. of Dallas, for the second time, failed to get a second vote to fire Humphreys. Thornton made his first move last May.

Thus, Humphreys, 50, got a shaky two-to-one vote of confidence. Thornton claims Humphreys is not as competent an administrator as he should be to head up a major tax-collecting and enforcement agency.

Humphreys said he will stick as long as he can.

QUICK ONE

Texas' cost-of-living advantage is due mainly to absence of an income tax, according to University of Texas Bureau of Business Research study.

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FACES 3 CHARGES

Edward Lee Popp was charged in three cases in county court July 19th. He is charged with driving while intoxicated, with resisting arrest, and with assault on the arresting officer, Deputy Sheriff E. H. W.