SPORTS CORNER

EL JR. HI HOSTS EDNA AT DAD'S NIGHT THURSDAY

Tonight, Thursday, will be Dad's Night at the Eagle Lake Junior high seventh and eighth grade football games to be held at ELMS field beginning at 5:30 and 7:00 p.m. and one and all are invited to be on hand to cheer the Raiders to victory.

In action last Thursday in West Columbia, the Raiders lost both games, the 7th graders bowing 32 to 0 and the eighth graders by a score of 35 to 0.

For the second week in a row the little Raiders of the Eagle Lake Middle School met a team bigger than they were and dropped a 32-0 game. The seventh graders played the Columbia eighth grade B team and in the first half they were totally outclassed. Coaches report that they played better football in the second half and held the Roughnecks scoreless.

The little Raiders had two good drives of their own, the first one ended with them trying up the ball on downs and the game ended with them on the Roughnecks two yard line, first down and goal to go but time ran out.

Coaches Butch Watson and Henry Garza report that they were pleased that the team didn't let down and played well in the second half. Blocking was not too good they reported. The offensive backfield executed well but the blocking needs improvement. They added in fairness to the boys, they did play a team that was a grade higher than they were.

An alert West Columbia defense jumped on three costly Raider fumbles and swiftly turned them into touchdowns to give West Columbia a quick 22 to 0 lead against the eighth graders. One of the fumbles was recovered in the Raider end zone as Stephen Spanihel's pitchout was dropped by Keith Ishee. The Raiders never did get much offense going, said the coaches. "We were just outplayed all over the field. It was really a great let-down because our lads had worked real hard in workouts," said Coach Garza.

"Come out and support the Raiders in their play Thursday night with Edna and join in honoring the fathers of the football players," said the coaches.

NOV. 5 SAMPLE BALLOT

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Wool Promotion Referendum Nov. 4-15

Ballots will be mailed to all known wool and lamb producers in Colorado County to enable them to vote in a national referendum on a proposed new agreement for the advertising and promotion of wool, according to Daniel C. Strecktus, County Executive Director.

The mail referendum being held November 4 through 15 will enable producers to vote their approval or disapproval of a new agreement between USDA and the American Sheep Producers Council (ASPC) which provides for the USDA to withhold a part of any wool payments that might be made to producers to finance advertising and sales promotion programs by ASPC for wool and lamb. The withheld funds would also be used by ASPC to develop and disseminate information on product quality, production management and marketing improvement for wool and sheep.

Wool and lamb producers will be mailed an explanatory statement about the proposed new agreement along with the ballot.

Primary School Volunteer

Mrs. Mary Saucedo, the Primary School's most recent parent volunteer, is pictured working with Victor Mata, Jesus Hernandes, and Dora Hernandes, left to right. Mrs. Saucedo is working with eight non-English speaking children three days per week at the Primary School Campus.

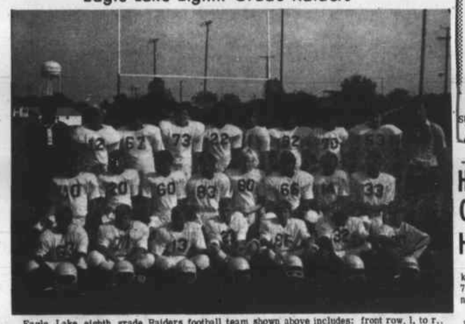
Area Shielded Against Depression

With inflation continuing unabated in Colorado County, as it is elsewhere throughout the national output of goods and services fell by almost one-third in a period of four years.

By way of comparison, although there was no growth in that respect in the past year, neither was there a major slippage. The drop in the national output was about two percent, not counting inflation.

The 1930's also saw people's investments and savings go down the drain. The stock

Eagle Lake Eighth Grade Raiders



Eagle Lake eighth grade Raiders football team shown above includes: front row, l. to r., Dwayne Davis, Ben Anderson, Larry Witte, Clay Mahalitc, Duane Austin, Oscar Hurd and Trey Kell; second row, Stephen Spanihel, Bobby Molano, Oscar Lopez, David Ruiz, Allen Kohleffel, David Lujan, Lewis Tillman and Clarence Davis; back row, Manager Walter Lee, Keith Sommerlatte, Eugene Gonzales, Paul Vasut, Lenard Sims, Keith Ishee, Phillip Williams, Richard Olvera, Allen Greak and Coach Henry Garza. Not pictured are Arthur Rhodes, Michael Thomas and Gerald Scott.

Eagle Lake Seventh Grade Raiders

The Eagle Lake 7th grade Raiders include: front, first row, Wayne Chisum, Rudy Rodriguez, Darrel Appeli, Albert Johnson, Robby Cook and Tony Tillman; second row, Jeffrey Hunter, Russell Johnson, James Davidson, Ricky Scott, Philip Leopold, Isidro Lopez, Julian Tenorio, Roger Falcon, James Zickuhr and Mike Virnau; third row, Richard English, Gus Moreno, Ernest Ramirez, Roy Falcon, Bobby Marsalis, Mike Duarte, Mark Riley, Rich Farris, Robert Moss, Manager Russell Wick, Manager Clifton Bradshaw and Coach Butch Wilson.

NEWS FROM HERITAGE HOUSE

By Betty Swanner

SUNDAY SERVICES

Sunday services were held in the Heritage House by the

Raiders Lose To Roughnecks 56-0

Host Edna For Homecoming Fri.

The Rice High School Raiders took their lumps again last Friday night losing to the West Columbia Roughnecks by a score of 56 to 0 in a district game in West Columbia.

The Roughnecks scored almost at will while the Raiders threatened several times to get across the mid-field stripe but never quite made it.

Rice played without the services of their regular quarterback Darrell Dancy, and Dennie Perry, the general all-around performer for the Raiders, filled the spot in Dancy's absence.

Arthur Yanez did a good job of punting and made a number of tackles on defense, James Frazar, Perry, Ronald Glover, and Frederick Jones made some good defensive plays.

The Roughnecks scored the first time they got their hands on the ball, marching 58 yards in ten plays for the score.

Their second first quarter score came at the end of a 44 yard drive set up by a punt and 15 yard penalty against the Raiders. This time it took only eight plays to cover the 44 yards aided by a second 15 yard penalty. Both kicks were good and Columbia led at the end of the first period. 14 to 0. They added five touchdowns and three extra points to up the score at 48 to 0 at half-time.

Rice got its first first down midway in the second period when Perry passed to Donald Austin for 15 yards to the Rice 44 but the drive bogged down at that point. Oabor Cunningham ran for 4 yards and another first down to the Rice 45 in the same period but a pass interception stopped this offensive effort.

Columbia added another TD and extra point in the third period and a 35 yard field goal in the fourth period to end the scoring.

Rice got a first down in the third period on a 15 yard penalty against the Roughnecks and one in the fourth period on a one yard run by Perry but another pass interception halted this drive.

Friday night will be the annual Homecoming at Rice High School and Coach Dee Mackey's Raiders will entertain the Edna Cowboys for the contest beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Houston Rockets Open NBA Home Schedule

The Houston Rockets basketball team opened its 1974-75 home schedule last Friday night.

The home schedule for the Rockets, member of the National Basketball Association, for the next month follows:

Thurs., Oct. 31, Washington Bullets, 8; Sat., Nov. 2, Kansas City-Omaha Kings, 8; Tues., Nov. 5, New York Knickerbockers, 8; Thurs., Nov. 7, Milwaukee Bucks, 8; Sat., Nov. 9, Phoenix Suns, 8; Thurs., Nov. 14, Chicago Bulls, 8; Sat., Nov. 16, Detroit Pistons, 8; Tues., Nov. 19, Cleveland Cavaliers, 8.

Tickets are on sale at the Rockets' Office, 3930 Kirby Dr., and all Foley's stores. Prices are $7.50, $6, $4.50, $3.50, ($1.75 18 and under).

Raider JVs, Frosh Lose To Columbia

The Rice Raider JVs and Freshmen lost games to the Columbia Roughnecks in Raider Stadium last Thursday, the JVs losing a 14 to 0 decision while the Freshmen were edged 18 to 6.

The Freshmen led 6 to 0 through three periods of play, but gave up 18 points to the Roughnecks in the final period.

Tonight, Thursday, the two Raider squads travel to Edna for games at 5:30 and 7:00 p.m.

SCOREBOARD

Results Last Week:
Columbia 14 Rice JVs 0
Columbia 18 Rice Fresh. 6
Garwood-Sheridan 14 Shiner 6
Columbia 32 EL 7th 0
Columbia 35 EL 8th 0
Columbia 56 Rice Varsity 0
Sweeny 13 Wharton 13
Yoakum 22 Edna 7
Columbus 23 Hempstead 15
La Grange 48 Bastrop 7
Smithville 12 Weimar 7
Brazos 12 Louise 7
Hays Con. 27 Halletsville 6
East Bernard 21 Danbury 15

Games This Thurs.:
Rice JVs and Freshmen go to Edna
EL 7th and 8th host Edna

Games This Friday:
Rice hosts Edna
Columbia at Wharton
Sweeny at Yoakum
Louise at East Bernard

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BOWLING

COMMUTERS LEAGUE

Sheridan Drilling holds a one game lead in the Commuters League at the end of play Oct. 24th with a total of 20 wins. Following are the Deuces Wild with 19, and tied for third are the Fireballs, the Mohsts and Comets with 16 wins each.

In last week's play the Sheridan Drilling team had the top team series with a 2135 and the Bugaloos rolled high game of 756. Mary Obenhaus had high individual series with a 198-507 and Edith Gilbert had high game of a 204. Other high scorers were Laverne Criswell with a 188-502 and Polly Sens with 174-500.

INITIAL LEAGUE

Pabst Beer took high team honors with a 1062-3070 series in Initial League action last Thursday, Oct. 24. For individual honors, Steve Posey rolled the high series of 569 and Jerry Zbranek bowled the high game of 241.

Other high scorers were: Charles Meyer 210-566, Roy Stallman 200-568, Doyle Waldrop 209-534, Wilburn Ash 531, Jerry Zbranek 531, John Garza 524, James Gertson 524, Butch Schmidt 521, Draper Stephens 543, Mike Grigar 229-542, Ernie Uzzell 523, Jimmie Bunge 518, Glen Lockller 225-515, Joe Trojan 505 and Lawrence Stallman 501.

Argo Auto holds the league lead with 139 points, followed by Eagle Lake Imps with 133, Farmers Supply with 129, S&W Parts with 124 1/2 and Pabst Beer with 121.

MONDAY NITE MIXED

The Pinbusters rolled top team scores in the Monday Nite Mixed League October 14 with an 841-2402 series. Doyle Waldrop had high series for men with 577 and Dennis Guthman had top game of 230. For the women, Virginia Waldrop had a 520 series and Alma Davidson a 196 game.

In action October 21 the Pinbusters had an 841-2402 series. Doyle Waldrop again posted a 577 and Dennis Guthman another 230. Virginia Waldrop rolled a 547 series and Polly Sens a 210 game.

The group had quite a few games over 200: Mary Obenhaus bowled 202, Vic Cormap 201 and Polly Sens 210. Others bowling well over their averages were Tommy Guthman 164, Virginia Waldrop 198, Gail Guthman 143, Marsha Waddell 130, Wayne Corman 199, Brenda Corman 182, and Ralph Gertson 195.

League standings find the Owls first with 23 wins, Buds second with 19, Pinbusters and Lost Cause are tied with 18 each, Sizzlers have 17 and the Jets 16 wins.

VISIT IN EL CAMPO

Mrs. R. L. Hutchings of Houston came to Eagle Lake Sunday morning to pick up her mother, Mrs. W. C. Elkins, to spend the day in El Campo with Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Tate. Mrs. Tate had just recently been released from the Nightingale Hospital in El Campo following recuperation from injuries, a broken collarbone and minor cuts and bruises, she received in a two car accident. Mr. Tate escaped the accident without injuries.

Furniture Shoppe in Eagle Lake now open until 9 P.M. on Thursdays for your shopping convenience. Advt.

Miss Sally Christine Taylor Becomes Bride of Dennis Loner

MRS. DENNIS FRANK LONER

Miss Sally Christine Taylor and Dennis Frank Loner were married Saturday, October 19th at 2 p.m. in All Saints Episcopal Church in Corpus Christi, Texas, in a double ring ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Taylor III of Corpus Christi, Texas. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Loner of Sheridan, Texas.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, was radiantly lovely in her princess style bridal gown of ivory satapeau and re-embroidered Alecon lace, lavishly trimmed with seed pearls and irridescents, high neckline, bishop sleeves and A-line skirt sweeping into a chapel length train. A garland of lace extended the full length of the gown both in back and front and encircled the hemline.

A bridal headpiece of re-embroidered lace and seed pearls held the three - tier elbow and full length veils of imported nylon illusion.

She carried a bouquet of tea roses.

The bride observed the tradition of something old, something borrowed, something new, something blue, and a penny in her shoe.

SISTER MAID OF HONOR

Miss Nancy Taylor was her sister's maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Miss Sherry Carmichael of Houston, Miss Ann Rainey of Wharton, and Miss Patty Ryan of San Antonio. They wore floor length gowns of green crepe trimmed in ivory lace with matching headpieces.

Charles L. Kincheloe of Sheridan served the bridegroom as best man. Groomsmen were Dale Loner, brother of the groom, of Yoakum, Edward Romano of San Antonio, and Allen Polach of Houston. Ushers were Alan Kloss of Houston, Bobby Kloppenburg of Houston, and Mike Scobie of Olney.

For her daughter's wedding, Mrs. Taylor chose a floor length pink dress with matching accessories.

For her son's wedding, Mrs. Loner was attired in a floor length apricot gown with matching accessories.

RECEPTION FOLLOWS

A reception followed the ceremony in the parish hall.

The bride's table was centered with a large arrangement of fall flowers. The wedding cake was a four-tier cascade confection topped with wedding bells. Punch, small sandwiches, mints and nuts were also served.

The groom's table held the German chocolate cake and coffee service. A fall arrangement centered the table.

Serving in the houseparty were: Mrs. Dale Loner of Yoakum, Mrs. J. R. Balch of Seymour, Mrs. H. B. Thornton of Jefferson and Miss Susan Grey Taylor of Irving.

OUT-OF-TOWN GUESTS

Out-of-town guests included Mrs. Lyndon B. Johnson from L.B.J. Ranch of Johnson City. The bride is her great niece. Others from out of town were: Mrs. Tom Bugby and Mrs. J. R. Balch of Seymour; Mrs. T. J. Taylor Jr., Mrs. Charles Chaler, Mrs. Darwin Rorabick and Mrs. H. B. Thornton of Jefferson; Mrs. W. H. Miles of Nacogdoches; Miss Susan Grey Taylor of Irving; Mr. and Mrs. Brian Quillin of Wichita Falls; Mrs. H. A. Brisco, Mrs. Al Kloss, Mrs. Ed Parham, Mrs. H. J. Kiefer, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Cole, Cathy Cole and Danny Munos from Sheridan.

Other guests were from Victoria, San Antonio and Houston.

The bride is a graduate of King High School in Corpus Christi, and the groom is a graduate of Sheridan High School. Both are graduates of Southwest Texas State University in San Marcos.

After a week long wedding trip to Grand Lake, Colorado, the couple will be residing at Apt. No. 280, 4100 West 34th Street in Houston, Texas, where the groom is employed with McEvoy Co.

REHEARSAL DINNER

The Chang Mai Restaurant of Corpus Christi was the setting for the dinner following rehearsal of the Taylor-Loner wedding party Friday night, Oct. 18th.

An arrangement of fall flowers centered the table.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Loner were hosts.

PARTIES

Other hospitalities honoring the couple included:

Mrs. Benjamin H. Thornton gave the Announcement Tea in Jefferson at the Excelsior Hotel on June 1, 1974.

Mrs. Donald Woods and Mrs. Tom Mathis honored Miss Taylor with a tea on September 17 in Corpus Christi.

A shower honored Miss Taylor September 20th in Sheridan. Hostesses were Meadames C. C. Cole, Harry Brisco, Al Kloss, Charles Hadac, E. J. Polach, W. E. Hagendorf, W. H. Warthan, Ed Parham and H. J. Kiefer.

Mrs. Mark Hurlington and Mrs. Syl Tial honored Miss Taylor with a shower September 26th in Corpus Christi.

Mrs. T. J. Taylor III, mother of the bride, honored the bride and her bridesmaids, with a luncheon Saturday, Oct. 12th at the Corpus Christi Yacht Club.

Mrs. C. S. Weldon honored Miss Taylor and Mr. Loner in her home on Saturday, Oct. 12th with a party.

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Donna Lou Berry On TV Program Fri.

Friends in the community will be interested to learn that Mrs. Barry Kelley of Conroe, the former Donna Lou Thomas of Eagle Lake, will be the voice for "Jot", an animated cartoon doll on television show on Houston Channel 13 at 6:30 a.m. this Friday, Nov. 1st.

Mrs. Kelley started making the Jot cartoon series about 13 years ago and since that time has made a total of 13 cartoons plus a record album.

Last week she made a flying trip to Fort Worth where the producers of the films, the radio and television commission of the Southern Baptist Convention, had her provide the Jot voice for two sides of a record they plan to offer as a "Jot surprise" send for gift at the end of each television appearance.

Her talent is one-of-a-kind. She has the voice of a six year old child and the training and experience came about as a result of that unique talent.

Mrs. Kelley was the subject of a feature article in the "Today's Family" section of the October 20th Daily Courier in Conroe, Texas.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Thomas of Eagle Lake.

Local Ladies Take Fall Foliage, Historical Tour

Mrs. John Chumney and Mrs. T. P. Dowdy spent a most enjoyable eighteen days on the Fall Foliage and Historical Tour, Tuesday, October 8 through Saturday, Oct. 26.

In Macon and Savannah, Ga., they visited the beautiful old churches among other points of interest; in Charleston, South Carolina the old homes were seen and they took the harbor cruise; went to Roanoke Rapids in North Carolina; in Charlottsville, Virginia they toured Montecello, home of Thomas Jefferson, and saw a replica of a desk where the Declaration of Independence was written; many interesting places were seen in Washington, DC including the Capitol.

Other highlights of the trip were in Philadelphia, Penn., where they visited the old home of Betsy Ross and on to Hershey, Pa. where the famous Hershey bar is made in Chocolate Town. Here they rode in buggies through the huge plant where the light fixtures are shaped in the form of the Hershey kisses; visited Valley Forge State Park and a beautiful Episcopal Church.

En route home they took the Blue Ridge Trail from Wainsboro, Va. through Maryland, and Boone, North Carolina on to Mt. Mitchel and Ashville and Chatanooga, Tenn., where the scenery was beautiful. In Jackson, Mississippi they followed the Natchez Trace to Ft. Gibson, Miss., on through Georgia and Alabama to Alexandria, La., arriving home Saturday reporting a great trip.

REFLECTIONS ON International Sunday School Lesson

(Hosea 4:1-3, 6 6:1-3; 7:4-7; 11:6-9.)

People constantly try to analyze the reasons for their problems. The continually rising crime rates have become a cause of national concern. One of the primary explanations being offered for the problem today is that people have been taught to "do their own thing." All objective standards for right and wrong supposedly must be discarded. They are an obstruction to the freedom of each individual to choose their own course of behavior.

When the National Commission on Marijuana and Drug Abuse made its report one of the things they stressed was that "the individual has been given unlimited choices at exactly the time when a value system within which to make such choices is in doubt." The undermining of the whole idea that there are valid standards of right and wrong has led us to a time of moral decline. The Commission concluded: "What we need below and above all our deliberations is the growth and development of an ethical system."

The Christian goes a step beyond this. He declares that what we need most "is a return to the standards of moral conduct taught by the Bible." The Scriptures give repeated illustrations of the decay that comes to nations when these standards are ignored. The Book of Hosea graphically portrays the tragic consequences of rejecting God's standards for human behavior.

The people of Hosea's day knew about God. They did not know Him. The difference caused the contrast between living like God commanded and merely pretending to be religious. The prophet renounced the sins of the people. They were faithless, unfaithful, and unkind. They lacked a personal relationship with God that would have enabled them to live for God. They practiced "swearing, lying, killing, stealing, and adultery." Their conduct revealed their true character.

The political, as well as the personal, life of the people was affected. There was corruption of official life. A series of political plots revealed the perverseness of the politicans. None of the rulers sought God. The political ambitions of many corrupt men led to a rapid series of overthrows of the government. Without ethical standards people quickly corrupt even the best of political systems.

Repentance and return to faith offer the only hope for people and their government. This repentance must not be superficial though. Ancient Israel tried that. They knew they should return to God. But they were motivated by a shallow desire. They wanted the return of God's blessings but did not desire to completely commit themselves to God. Permanent good can only be accomplished when the people turn to God in faith and allow God's laws to become their constant guides for conduct. Then we can be sure of the continuation of God's mercy and blessing on the lives of His people.

LET'S 60 AND FOR VOTE JOE
-Pol. ad paid by GOP Women, Mrs. R. R. Wells, Jr., chairman Eagle Lake, Tex.

Janet Kingsley Honoree at Shower Tues.

Miss Janet Kingsley was the honoree at a pretty miscellaneous shower Tuesday, October 22 at 7:30 in the evening in the First Baptist Church fellowship hall. She is the bride-elect of Walter Jochec.

Carnation corsages were presented to the honoree by her mother, Mrs. Aulton Kingsley and the groom-elect's mother, Mrs. Alfred F. Jochec of Houston.

Many lovely gifts were graciously received by Miss Kingsley.

The refreshment table, covered with a white lace cloth over white satin, was centered with a lovely arrangement of small white mums, daisies and baby's breath in a crystal container. The crystal punch service was placed at one end.

Dainty sandwiches, cake squares, mints and punch were served.

Hostesses for the social were Mesdames Dale Cassady, J. K. Davidson, Herman Boothe, Joe Duncan, Chester McGehee, Gerald Bradshaw, T. W. Scott and Miss Jerry Odom.

Adult Ed. Staff Attends Workshop

The faculty and staff of the adult education program offered at the Eagle Lake Middle School attended a Staff Development Workshop at Wharton County Junior College last Saturday, October 26. Major topics discussed were student recruitment, retention and teaching materials for adult education.

Those attending were the teachers, Helen Craig, Michael Cooper and Claudine Shorter, aides Lois Hamilton and Rowena Watkins and the directors James Crabb and C. W. DeShazo.

Adult education classes are taught at the Eagle Lake Middle School on Monday and Wednesday nights from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. in grades one through preparation for a high school equivalency diploma. There is no charge for this instruction. Call 234-3838 for information or come to the Middle School when classes are in session and register.

Dist. Judge To Set Sentences Mon.

District Judge B. B. Schraub will preside in District Court today, Thurs., and pronounce sentences on those who entered pleas of guilty to criminal charges in his court on Sept. 16th.

Among those due for sentencing are:

Hazel Sue Lynch indicted for forgery and passing a $25 check to Jerry's Arco Station and signed W. L. Maples, Jr., July 23, 1974;

Clarence Jean Hurd, for assault upon Eddie Marshall Hall July 21, 1974;

Hermione Ann Marshall for assault on the same man on the same date;

Odell Hearn, alias Odel Cotton, for theft of scrap iron from Billy Joe Schindler on March 13, 1974;

And Alvin Karstedt for forgery and passing.

County Court Cases Filed

Charges filed in county court in Columbus this week included:

Charles L. Walker of Houston for theft by check. He is charged with issuing an alleged bad check in the amount of $124.31 Sept. 19, 1974 on the Northline State Bank of Houston and given to Marjorie Kuhn.

DWI charges were filed against Donald Wayne Head, Guadalupe Ortiz, and David Mark Melton.

Charged with hindering a secured creditor is Marvin Cook. He is charged with hindering the First State Bank of Columbus from collection of interest on a note secured by a 1970 Massey-Ferguson tractor.

All cases are pending trial.

Dear Taxpayers

In November of 1958 the voters of Colorado County Precinct 4 elected me to represent you in county government. In the past sixteen years I have not missed a commissioners' court meeting; and, I have always gone to work at 6:30 A.M. every week-day. That amounts to roughly 3800 days of on-the-job training." It has been an invaluable experience to me. And in the following report, I hope to prove our precinct has benefited by your confidence placed in me.

Our precinct road building employees have an outstanding record over the past sixteen years. They go to work between 6:30 and 6:45 A.M., and by 7:00 A.M. our road equipment is rolling. They have for many, many years put in an extra hour of work per day more than each of the other precincts. I have tried to equip them with labor-saving, high efficiency type machinery. For instance, our precinct bought a backhoe many years before any other precinct. We are the only one to have slope mowers, and a rotavator to work wet ditches. Precinct four was the second precinct to replace five yard trucks with ten yard trucks. I negotiated a joint purchase with precinct one for a used grade-all machine from the Texas Highway Dept. Precinct four tries to economize by spending more on tangibles. We have spent more on gravel, asphalt, and labor-saving equipment. However, what is important, our precinct spent much less on labor. In the last four years our labor bill to total expenditures in precinct four is a ratio of 30%. That ratio in precinct one for the same period is 51%, 58% in precinct two, and 44% in precinct three. That means that two precincts are spending more than half of their funds for labor. During that four year period more money was spent in precinct four than any other precinct. We also spent more on fuel during that period which proves that our road building equipment was rolling, and I think is most indicative to work expended. This impressive record is due largely to our conscientious, hard working precinct employees. We started out with 8% of precinct four's roads paved in 1959. At the completion of this year's projects, we will have nearly 70% of those roads paved.

Two important events in county government in the past sixteen years were due to my persistence. The first was the organization of the Volunteer Ambulance Corps in our county. These three groups save our county large sums of money, and more important, they perform a first aid service second to none. I am a modest individual, but it behooves me to state that commissioners' court would have contracted for a 24-hour service in three towns if it had not been for my persistence. The second event which I consider very important is the side stepping of a district court order to totally revalue all properties in our county, or lower Shell Oil Co. taxes. Shell Oil Co. was stopped literally in the last hour from filing a law suit against our county. I expounded loud and clear that if we lowered Shell Oil Co. taxes, we would soon regain values, in the next year or two, due to increasing petroleum prices. We have seen how large industries have forced Wharton and Brazoria Counties to spend large sums to have outsiders place values on all properties within their counties. I am against contracting with an outside firm to totally re-evaluate our county; however, I would welcome tax equalization performed on a local level. Our county tax department did a very good job of this some 12 years ago. When this happens, I am firmly committed to lowering our tax rate to a level where our county tax revenue does not increase during this transition, because we will have a much larger tax base. Most counties that re-evaluate end up with larger budgets and spend more tax money. And I am fearful that expansion of governments on all levels will eventually take away our most prized possession----FREEDOM.

There are only six counties in Texas, out of 254, which have been out of debt for the last fifteen years. I am proud to say that our county is one of the six. During the past sixteen years we have had no tax rate increase. And we have experienced two tax rate reductions during that period. I have been the most vocal conservative on commissioners' court in the past sixteen years. With your help, I pledge to you the continued dedication of my energies, experience, and abilities to keep Colorado County free of debt.

I hope that you will speak to your friends in my behalf, and I will deeply appreciate your support and your vote on November the fifth.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed)

Louis W. (Bill) Stiles, Jr.

P.S. (Postscript)

I feel compelled to relate in two areas which illustrate my willingness and ability to cooperate with organizations and agencies. I went to the Community Hospital Board of Directors and asked if precinct four road building equipment could be of service in the construction of our new hospital. By the end of this year, when the hospital is completed, precinct four will have contributed approximately $40,000 worth of service in the form of dirt hauling, driveways and parking areas. Second, our precinct has been benefited by having $2,842,814 of Farm-to-Market road projects allocated to us, in the past sixteen years. This compares with $357,254 projects in precinct one during the same period of time; $241,668 of projects in precinct two; and $418,531 of projects in precinct three. During the past sixteen years I have worked endlessly with many Texas Highway Department people. I hope you will allow this association and experience to benefit precinct four in the next four years. We are in phase two of continuing Farm-to-Market 3013, south to the Wharton County line, which is a $1,540,000 allocated project. I need your help so that I can finish this project in the next term of office.

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