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Fire Dept.'s New Fire Truck And Emergency Vehicle



Some of the Eagle Lake Fire Department's volunteers and city officials are shown with the new Emergency Vehicle and the new Fire Truck which were recently added to the department. At the left, Roland Harbers, John Pilkington and Bennie Miller are shown with the emergency vehicle occupied by Clinton (Buddy) Mascheck; next are L. to r., Gary Glaiser, Gene Jones and Johnny Prazak standing at the front of the new fire truck; Fire Chief L. J. (Sonny) Spanhel and Mayor Elmer Struss are by the door

of the truck; and at the rear of the new fire truck are Wilfred Wick and City Manager and first assistant fire chief T. J. Smith. Both pieces of equipment are valuable additions to the department. The firemen purchased the emergency vehicle with funds from such benefits as the stew supper held Monday night and from other contributions. The fire truck was purchased by the city with most of the funds coming from the funds received annually from the county for rural fire fighting and from the city's share of the revenue sharing proceeds.

7 Given Total Of 26 Years Probation

Seven persons drew a total of twenty-six years of probation as the result of sentencing by District Judge R. B. Schraub in District Court in Columbus last Thursday. All seven had entered pleas of guilty in September but sentencing was delayed until last week.

Joe Louis Aguilar drew the stiffest term of probation - six years - on a charge of aggravated robbery of the Rice Package Store in Eagle Lake on June 20th.

Otis Howard was given a five year term of probation on a charge of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon on May 31st, 1974. He threatened Gabriel Corona.

Odell Hearn was given four years of probation for theft of scrap iron from Billy Joe Schindler on Mar. 13, 1974.

Hazel Sue Lynch received three years of probation for a plea of guilty to a charge of forgery and passing a \$25 check signed W. L. Maples, Jr., and given to Jerry's Arco Station July 23, 1974.

Clarence Jean Hurd received three years of probation and Hermione Ann Marshall two years for assault on Eddie Marshall Hall July 21, 1974.

Alvin Karstedt was assessed three years probation after pleading guilty to charge of forgery and passing.

Stiles Wins Re-Election As Commissioner, Prec. 4

Woman Is Charged For Forging Checks

Eagle Lake Police Chief Roy Chisum has issued warrants for the arrest of Ann Christal charging her with forgery and passing of two checks in Eagle Lake.

Each of the checks was for the amount of \$75 and the name of Carl Austin was forged on the checks and they were passed at two local business places.

The woman is believed to be in Houston and had not been arrested late Tuesday.



BILL STILES

County Voters Favor All Democrats

Colorado County voters went heavily for the Democratic candidates in light to moderate voting in the general election held Tuesday.

Governor Dolph Briscoe, a Democrat, won a new four year term of office by a better than two to one margin statewide and over 3 to one in this county. In Colorado County Briscoe received 1976 votes as compared to Republican candidate Jim Granberry's 634.

In other state contests, Congressman J. J. (Jake) Pickle won re-election in the Tenth Congressional District and in this county he received 1885 votes as compared to 345 for Republican Paul Weiss. For the office of Railroad Com-

missioner a race that drew some local interest, the Democrat Jim C. Langdon won re-election over Republican Joe P. Cain. In this county Langdon received 1852 votes and Cain 593.

In other contests on a state wide level, voting in the county went as follows:

For Attorney Gen.: Democrat John Hill 2121, Republican Gaylord Marshall 448; For Comptroller of Public Accounts: Bob Bullock 2005, Nick Rowe 482;

For State Treasurer: Jesse James 1930, Robert Holt 654; For Commr. of General Land Office: Bob Armstrong 2026, Mary Grier 429;

Ag. Commissioner: John C. White 1977, Zack Fisher 596; Railroad Comm., unexpired term: Mack Wallace 1961, Dale Steffen 488.

Results in the race for Governor between Dolph Briscoe and Republican candidate Dolph Briscoe and Re-

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Tops GOP Candidate Frazar Nearly 3 To 1

Eight hundred and thirty-three voters, or about forty per cent of the total 1902 qualified to vote here, went to the polls Tuesday and helped to re-elect Precinct four County Commissioner L. W. (Bill) Stiles, Jr., to another four year term in office by a better than three to one margin. Stiles, who has held the office for the past twelve years, was the Democrat nominee and he received a total of 677 in the three voting precincts in this commissioner's precinct, while his Republican opponent Joe M. Frazar, Jr., received a total of 216 votes.

In Eagle Lake Stiles received 622 votes while Frazar had 185. In the Alletton voting precinct Stiles received 18 and Frazar 15; in Altair, Stiles had 25 and Frazar 3; and in absentee voting Frazar received 13 and Stiles 6.

TRUCHARD RE-ELECTED

In another contest of interest in Colorado County, the Democratic incumbent Francis J. Truchard defeated his Republican opponent Max C. Dittmar by a vote of 345 to 180 for the office of Justice of Peace in Precinct 6 which includes the new North Columbus box, Bernardo and Menz.

In North Columbus, Truchard polled 155 votes to 130 for Dittmar; at Bernardo Truchard had 43 and Dittmar 26; at Menz Truchard received 37 and Dittmar 26; and in absentee voting, Truchard received 10 and Dittmar 7.

In another contest brought on by the resignation of Ernest (Bob) Weishuhn as the Justice of Peace in Precinct 5, there was a write-in campaign between Florenz Weishuhn Jr. and Mary Ordner but final outcome of the write-in voting was indefinite at press time. The JP precinct includes the boxes of Shaws Bend, Brushy, Freilinger and Buescher. The confusion arose when some voters wrote in Florenz Weishuhn and some Florenz Weishuhn Jr. There exist both persons. The total vote at press time, unofficially was 69 for Mary Ordner, 37 for Florenz Weishuhn, Jr., and 88 for Florenz Weishuhn.

In other contests on the Eagle Lake ballot, the voters went solidly for the Democrats by almost six to one margins.

Vote for the contested offices in Eagle Lake were: U. S. Rep. 10th District: J. J. Pickle 674; Paul Weiss 106;

For Governor: Dolph Briscoe 576, Jim Granberry 202, Ramsey Muniz 13, Sherry Smith 3, Sam McDonnell 4;

For Lt. Gov.: Bill Hooby 604, Gaylord Marshall 164, Dan Fein 3;

For Attorney General: John Hill 623, Tom Cole 144, Pedro Vasquez 8;

For Comptroller of Public Accounts: Bob Bullock 397, Nick Rowe 154, Sam Scoggins 2;

For State Treasurer: Jesse James 545, Robert G. Holt 230;

For Commissioner of Land Office: Bob Armstrong 606, Mary Lou Grier 139, William Rayson 3;

For Commissioner of Agriculture: John White 569, Zack Fisher 200;

For Railroad Commissioner: Jim C. Langdon 510, Joe P. Cain 237, Fred Garza 12, Rick Congress 2;

For RR Commissioner, unexpired term: Mack Wallace 582, Dale Steffen 162.

RE-ELECTED

Re-elected without opposition on the general election ballot were: State Representative, District 30, John Wilson; District Clerk Harvey Vornand; County Clerk Lester Schneider; County Judge Lester J. Crane; County Treasurer Martha Bodengen; and Justices of the Peace M. M. Jones in Eagle Lake Precinct 3; W. A. Hefner in Garwood Precinct 2; Richard C. Schmidt in Columbus Precinct 1; Chester A. Walker in Precinct 3; Joe Kaye in Weimar Precinct 4; and Dittmar Harrison in Precinct 7.

A new commissioner for Weimar precinct two was elected without opposition. He is Rafael Veselka and he will succeed veteran Commissioner A. J. Kainer who decided to retire from office Jan. 1st.

'74 Consolidated Fund Drive To Begin Monday

\$8000 Goal,
Same As
Last Year

The 1974 Eagle Lake Consolidated Fund Drive will be held in this community during next week, beginning Monday, Nov. 11th and hopefully ending by Sat., Nov. 16th. Hopes are high that the \$8,000 goal, the same as the 1973 goal, can be reached for the benefit of the worthy charitable organizations participating in the Consolidated Fund drive.

Willard Stuart will head the drive again this year. In 1973 this community successfully reached the \$8000 goal and Mr. Stuart is confident that it will be reached again this year.

The drive chairman pointed out that despite inflationary trends and increasing costs, the current goal has not been increased. He appealed to the generosity of all citizens in giving as much as possible so that the worthy organizations participating may receive local assistance.

The \$8000 budget will include a \$3100 allocation for local youth to be distributed as follows: \$1200 to Girl Scouting, \$1200 to Boy Scouting, \$300 to the Little League, and \$400 for school workbooks. The remainder of the budget includes: \$500 for the Texas Rehabilitation Foundation at Gonzales; \$1000 to the Red Cross; \$1200 to M. D. Anderson Cancer Research; and \$1030 to Local Relief. \$170 is set aside for administration and supplies.

Receptacles in the form of decorated cans made by the children of the Eagle Lake Primary School will be placed in downtown businesses and citizens are urged to drop their loose change (and currency) into the containers.

Mr. Stuart said that there is an urgent need for workers, young and old. Anyone interested in soliciting funds in their neighborhood or in the downtown area is urged to contact Mr. Stuart or his office for more information.

"Remember, this is a drive 'Once for All' and we hope that you will total up your contributions to the various participating agencies and will have your check ready when the workers call on you during the next week," commented the drive chairman. He urged those persons not contacted by Sat., Nov. 16th to send their checks to the First National Bank or to deliver them in person or by mail to his office.

Firemen's Queen Contest Underway

The annual Firemen's Queen Contest, sponsored by the Ladies Auxiliary of the Eagle Lake Volunteer Fire Department, began this week and will continue through December 18th.

The contestants are all daughters of local firemen. The young ladies are Peggy Leopold, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Leopold; Debbie Jones, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Gene Jones; Lesane Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Smith; and Loretta Rucka, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Rucka.

Each young lady has a voting box that will be placed at one of these merchants: Miller's Grocery, Eagle Market, Rice Drug Store, Wilcox Minimex, Eagle Lake Drugs, and The First National Bank. The boxes will be moved to a new location each week. Votes will be counted on the basis of a penny a vote. Votes will also be accepted by mail. Send them to Mrs. Bobby Marsalis, 111 W. Prairie St., Eagle Lake.

This week Debbie's box is at Miller's Grocery; Lesane's at Wilcox; Peggy's at Eagle Lake Drugs; and Loretta's at

Missionary To Speak At First Baptist Sunday

The morning sermon at the First Baptist Church of Eagle Lake this Sunday will be given by Dr. Eddie Smith, Southern Baptist missionary to Indonesia. Dr. Smith's work is in the area of theological education.

The Baptist General Convention of Texas has secured the services of Dr. Smith and several other foreign missionaries to visit churches during their furloughs. In addition to the sharing of information about their fields of service the missionaries will speak in support of the Cooperative Program which receives support from Baptist churches to meet various mission needs.

Pastor Melburn Sibley cordially invites members and visitors to share in the 11:00 a.m. service, Sunday, November 10th.

Rice Drug Store. Next week (Nov. 8-15) they will be at Debbie's at Wilcox Minimex; Lesane's at Eagle Lake Drugs; Peggy's at Rice Drug Store; and Loretta's at The First National Bank.

Adult Education Available At ELMS

Adults who do not have a high school diploma and would like to earn one are encouraged to enroll in the Adult Education classes now being taught at the Eagle Lake Middle School each Monday and Wednesday evening from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Instruction is free for the participants and is offered in elementary, grades 6 through 8 (any level); second, grades 9-12, High School Equivalency (GED); and/or English as a second language.

Instruction is individualized to meet the participants' needs. Enrollment is open and interested persons may register any time. Call 234-3638 for information or come to the Middle School any Monday or Wednesday night and register.

Steve Taylor Ford Sets New Hours

Steve Taylor Ford, Inc., local Ford and Mercury dealership, announces that the new working hours will be from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mondays through Fridays and closed on Saturdays and Sundays.

Steve Taylor, owner, said the change in hours is being made in an effort to conserve energy. He asks for the cooperation of customers and friends in the new working schedules effective immediately.

Santa To Be At Sears Nov. 13, 14

Santa Claus will make a personal appearance at the Sears Store on Main Street in Eagle Lake next Wed., and Thurs., Nov. 13th and 14th from 6 to 9 p.m. and one and all are invited to drop by the store for a visit with Santa.

Barry Barnard, owner, reports that a free Sears gift certificate will be given with each \$25 purchase made in the local catalog merchant store during the special Santa Claus visit on Nov. 13th and 14th.

Red Cross Course Offered Here This Wk.

A Red Cross Course will be given in the Ambulance Hall (Old Fire Station bldg.) in Eagle Lake Wednesday and Thursday, November 6 & 7 beginning at 7 p.m.

Anyone interested in taking the course is invited and urged to attend.

The only charge is \$5.00 for the instruction book.

The Eagle Lake Volunteer Ambulance Corps is sponsoring the course.

Mens Clothing Sewing Classes Begin Mon.

Learn to sew for the men in your life.

Men's and boys' tailoring will be held every Monday night beginning at 7:00 p.m. at the Agricultural Building in Columbus beginning November 11th.

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"Services To Senior Citizens" Now Available In This County

(By Dorothy Schomberg, County Extension Agent, H.E.)

"Services to Senior Citizens" is a new service that has recently been introduced to Colorado County.

The service is sponsored by Colorado County in conjunction with Houston-Galveston Area Council of which Colorado County is a member.

The purpose of the service is to keep people out of institutions and to reach individuals sixty years of age and older who are alone, need help of any kind and will not ask for it.

For this project to be a success, it will take the cooperation of the entire county. There are many jobs to be done, some for pay, some for

the sheer joy of doing.

A plan was sent in, so that Federal funds could be made available to the county.

Things to be done and services offered are:

*Information and Referral offices will be set up in Columbus, Weimar and Eagle Lake. These offices will be available to people over 60 to call and get information and services are available to them.

*A master list of all people over 60 will be made.

*Other services of importance:

1. Out-reach: friendly visitation, monthly newsletter,

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Rice HS Homecoming Queen



Miss Charlene Parker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Royal Lester Parker, Sr., was elected by the Rice High School student body as the 1974 Rice HS Homecoming Queen. Her election was announced at the halftime of the Rice-Edna game last Friday night. In the photo above, Miss Parker is being crowned by Jim Walker, vice-president of the Rice Student Council. At the left is her escort Ricky Williams. Other candidates for homecoming queen and their escorts were: Miss Janie Rodriguez, escorted by Frankie Rodriguez; Miss Sandy Tate, escorted by Anthony Mahallie; Miss Rhonda Kochwep, escorted by Allan Higgins; and Miss Dana Wiese, escorted by Daryl Hunt. All are members of the senior class.