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HOLE-IN-ONE TROPHY

Dan Thornton of Eagle Lake made a hole-in-one (every golfer's dream) while playing golf at the Westward Ho Country Club in Sioux Falls, South Dakota recently. He used a seven iron on the par three 180-yard hole (with the wind) for the ace. Last week he received the beautiful hole-in-one trophy shown above. The ball used on the shot is encased in the globe at the top of the trophy.

Joe L. Smith Rites Held Here Tuesday

Friends and relatives were saddened to learn of the death of Joe Lawrence Smith, 75, of Eagle Lake in the Gulf Coast Medical Center in Wharton last Sunday, Oct. 5th at 5:00 p.m. He had been in poor health for some time but was more seriously ill for the past eleven days.

Funeral services were held from the chapel of the Mill-Bauer Funeral Home at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 7, 1975 followed by interment in the Lakeside Cemetery. The Rev. Paul Wallace, pastor of the Lissie United Methodist Church, officiated at the services.

Serving as pallbearers were Jack Dodd, Neal Britton, Fritz Cranek, Elmo Werlla, Sam Center, and Travis Walker.

Mr. Smith was born on September 19, 1900 in Bastrop. His parents were Mary and Lawrence Smith. He resided in Columbus and Eagle Lake for most of his life where he was involved in ranching. He was also still active in farming.

On March 16, 1929, he and Miss Lottie Bullock were united in marriage in Eagle Lake.

Survivors include his wife; four sons, Joe Smith, Jr., of Ganado, Tommy Smith of Victoria, Jimmy Smith of Columbus and Richard Smith of Eagle Lake; two daughters, Mrs. Mary Myers of Freeport and Mrs. Beulah Foster of Houston; one sister, Mrs. Joe Semors of Eagle Lake; sixteen grandchildren; and a number of nieces and nephews.

Sympathy is extended to the family in the loss of this loved one.

Rites For Mrs. C. A. Brewer Held Wed.

Funeral services were to be held at 2:30 p.m. this Wed., October 8th for Mrs. C. A. (Jewell) Brewer, a life-long resident of the Eldridge and Eagle Lake communities who passed away Tuesday morning in the Eagle Lake Community Hospital.

The last rites were scheduled from the Christ Episcopal Church with the Rev. George Weinch officiating, followed by interment in the Masonic Cemetery.

Mill-Bauer Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Pallbearers will be published in next week's issue of the Headlight.

Agrifacts . . .

The Great Depression saw a massive fluctuation in farm prices. Farmer income skyrocketed, from $7 billion in 1914 to $17 billion in 1919, only to plummet to $5 billion by 1932.

John Thomases Are Parents Of Son Monday

Mr. and Mrs. John Thomas of Eagle Lake are the very proud parents of a son, born Monday, Oct. 6th in Gulf Coast Medical Center at Wharton. The young man made his arrival at 4:37 in the afternoon weighing six pounds and fifteen ounces and measuring nineteen inches. He has been named John Ryan and is being welcomed by two sisters, Marla and Trisha.

The new arrival's grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Walter F. Meitzen, Jr. and Rusty Thomas of Eagle Lake and Mrs. Mary Ethel Thomas of San Francisco, California. Great grandparents are Mrs. J. E. Mays of Corpus Christi, Mrs. Belle Thomas of Longview and Walter F. Meitzen, Sr. of this city.

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the son of Mr. and Mrs. August Jones. He formerly was manager of the Seven-Eleven store in Columbus.

"Mr. Jones' knowledge of the county and the people of this county will be a great asset to the department," said the sheriff.

Wintermann Library NOTES

Mrs. Patterson On Duty

Mrs. Jewel Patterson, the new consulting librarian, is now on duty at the Enla and David Wintermann Library in Eagle Lake every Tuesday and Wednesday. She is anxious to make your acquaintance and to help you in any way possible. Do come meet her, say the Library Board members.

Mrs. Patterson has been with the Houston Public Schools for twenty-four years and the board feels fortunate in acquiring her services.

The library is open on Tuesdays from 10 to 12 noon and 2 to 9 p.m., remind members.

New books now in the library for your reading pleasure are: "The Great Train Robbery" by Michael Crichton; "Curtain" by Agatha Christie; "Seagull" by Japes Clovell; "Namath, My Son Joe" by Rose Namath Szolnoki with Bill Kushner; and "The Save Your Life Diet" by David Reubek, M.D.

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ENTERTAINMENT FOR ALL

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White truck and trailer owned by Chlorine Transport Inc. and driven by Saul Thomas of Houston.

The officer said the large white truck went off the right side of the road and over a guard rail into a deep ditch and caught fire. Firemen from the Columbus fire department were called to the scene and later when dry grass in a nearby pasture ignited, the Bernardo firemen also aided at the scene.

Both of the drivers were taken to the Columbus Hospital, neither apparently in serious condition. The large truck was destroyed and the pickup was heavily damaged.

BUZZIN' ABOUT TOWN

- Louis Balas at the Rice Drug Store handed us this bit of sage advice offered by a letter to Ann Landers by a reader who signed the letter "Too Many To Name."

"I'd like to ask the American people a few questions. It's a matter of economic survival to me as well as millions of other 'little people' who have small stores.

"Who do you ask to cash your checks? Who do you ask for credit when things are tight? Who do you ask to take ads for your organizations, yearbooks and programs? Who do you ask for contributions for your church supper, raffles? Who do you call after hours when you need a special item? Who do you ask to put up your posters for special events?

"It's your local, hometown small businessman. After all, he's your friend, your neighbor.

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"We are competitive with the biggest stores price-wise and our services are often better. But we can't survive much longer. When we go, you'll miss us."

- Anderson and Associates Insurance Agency is sponsoring a portion of the Rice Raider game broadcasts over the Columbus station and guess who is doing the color for the radio station -- former Raider Coach Bill Appelt who is now with the Anderson insurance agency.

- After a summer of mowing and watering lawns, most homeowners will be glad to see their lawns turn brown after the first hard frost. But to insure weed-free winter lawns and complete recovery of the grass next spring, a few chores remain.

Fall fertilization is the key to prolonging green color and promoting early spring recovery of turfgrasses. But high nitrogen fertilizers should not be applied to St. Augustine lawns in the fall since they increase the susceptibility of the grass to brownpatch, a fungus disease.

Texas A&M specialists advise applying a fungicide on St. Augustine lawns to prevent damage from brownpatch. Not only is brownpatch unsightly, but weeds generally emerge where the disease has weakened the grass. Also spring recovery is delayed in areas damaged by brownpatch.

Fungicides containing PCNB (Terraclor, Ortho Lawn Fungicide, benomyl (Benlate, Tersan 1991) or chorothalonil (Daconil) provide control of brownpatch when applied according to label instructions.

Also the specialists advise removing excess accumulations of grass clippings or tree leaves from the lawn since this debris increases thatch accumulation and also creates a favorable habitat for insects and disease organisms.

- Tip of the Hat goes this week to the Rev. George Welch who devotes three hours of his time to keep the local library open from 6 to 9 p.m. each Tuesday. Visit the library, it's yours, use it.

Raiders Play

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Smith from the JV unit.

Smith will replace Rhodes in the secondary and Osbor Cunningham will move to Powell's defensive spot and Tony Black will fill Parker's spot on defense at linebacker.

Otherwise the Raiders will be in good condition for the contest and fullback Kenneth Dixson, who has been nursing a bad leg, is expected to see full action for the first time this season.

A large following of fans is expected to follow the Raiders, band, and pep squad to Wharton for the district opener at 7:30 p.m. (not 8:00 p.m. as has been the case for the past five games). Reserved seat tickets are available in advance for $2.00 and student tickets for 50c at the Rice High School. All tickets at the gate Friday night will be $1.50.

Texas Trail Riders' Fall Ride Oct. 25

Queen's Contest Oct. 25 at Kountry Korners

Members of the Texas Trail Riders Association have started plans for the annual Fall Ride and the Queen's Contest to be held October 25th at the Kountry Korners near Dubina community.

The site for the 1975 Fall Ride will be a new one, said Aubry Williams, president. The ride will start at Nickerson Farms on IH 10 near Weimar at 9 a.m. and down old Highway 90 to FM 1383 toward Ammannsville to Dubina. The overnight stop will be at Kountry Korners.

The queen's competition will get under way that evening and following will be a barbecue, free to members, and a dance featuring a band from Nashville, Tenn.

Jones New Sheriff's Office Dispatcher

Colorado County Sheriff Geo. (Doc) Mueller announces this week the employment of John Raymond Jones, 20, of the Alleyton community as a dispatcher for the county sheriff's office. Mr. Jones will fill the position left vacant by the recent resignation of Pam Mitchell.

Jones will be on duty for the midnight to 7 a.m. shift. He is a 1973 graduate of Columbus High School and is

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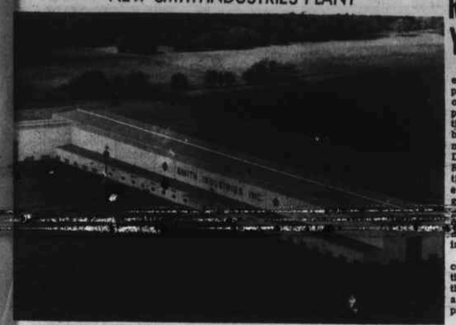

This is an aerial view of the beautiful new Smith Industries, Inc., industrial plant located just north of the intersection of FM Road 949 and Interstate 10. Open house will be held at the new plant from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. this Saturday and the public is invited.

Open House At New Smith Industries Plant Saturday

Public Invited To View Mammoth 51,000 Sq. Ft. Bldg.

Smith Industries, Inc., a Houston based industrial manufacturing and service company, will hold open house at its beautiful new 51,000 square foot building just north of the intersection of Interstate 10 and FM 949 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. this Saturday, Oct. 16th and the public is invited to attend the festivities and to tour the new industrial plant.

Smith Industries' Columbus plant, the third for the firm, began operation last week, as scheduled, despite several months of inclement weather during the early period of construction.

Joe Welch, Vice President of the Oil and Gas Division, paid tribute in behalf of the company to the general contractor J. L. Drymalla Construction Co. of Columbus and the site contractor, Robert Lange, Inc. of Brenham for their fine work in meeting the completion date.

The first group of twelve employees, who have been under a training program since the groundbreaking ceremonies were held on May 1st, began work in the new plant last week. Eleven more employees were due to begin work at the plant on Monday of this week and Welch said he anticipated that fifty people would be employed by the first of January and an additional shift added later as the plant gets into full operation.

The new plant is located-

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Raiders Host Yoakum Fri.

The Rice High School Raiders football team hopes to repeat an excellent performance of last week when they dropped a 15-14 heartbreaker to the Wharton Tigers, but will be gunning for a win when they meet the Yoakum Bulldogs in a District 13AAA game in Raider Stadium at 7:30 p.m. this Friday night. The Raiders lost their opening district game to Wharton on a field goal in the last minute of play and have yet to score in conference play.

Yoakum meanwhile showed considerable strength when they battled the zone favorite the Columbia Roughnecks, to a 18-13 decision before dropping their district opener.

Coach Dee Mackey said the Yoakum eleven has lots of experience and promises to provide stout opposition for the Raiders.

"I have nothing but praise for the performance of both offense and defense last week," said the coach. He noted that the boys did a superb job despite the fact that three starting defensive men and two offensive starters were out of the line-up due to injuries received in an auto accident in Rosenberg Oct. 4.

Two of the injured players, Dwight Rhodes and James Parker, have returned to practice and are expected to see action Friday night. The third, Charles Powell, remains in serious condition in Ben Taub Hospital in Houston. Tuesday, he appeared to be showing some signs of possible recovery from the coma that he has been in since receiving critical injuries in the accident. All hope for his continued recovery to good health, said the coach.

Fans are reminded that the kickoff time Friday night is at 7:30 p.m. and a large crowd is expected to cheer both Raider and Bulldog teams in their battle in conference play.

Rice CISD Passes Discrimination Resolution

The Rice School District in keeping with new state and federal guidelines as set out in Title IX on Sex Discrimination in public schools initiated plans Monday night to comply with the requirements of the new regulations.

Upon recommendation of Supt. Ed Krivacka, the board of trustees passed a resolution pointing out that the district desires to comply fully with the provisions.

The resolution authorizes the superintendent to evaluate all policies and procedures of the Rice District for sex discrimination and report his findings to the board at the July, 1976, meeting.

The resolution further sets out that "the Rice CISD will make every attempt to comply with the law and remove all vestiges of sex discrimination within the time spans provided in the guidelines and shall not knowingly discriminate on the basis of sex in admissions, employment or program operation."

A full copy of the resolution is published in this issue on page eight.

The new guidelines prohibit sex discrimination in recruitment and admission to school related activities and educational programs and in housing, marital or parental status, in athletics; and other school related activities.

Garwood Lions Fair Opens With Big Parade Saturday

30 Entered In Fairest of Fair

A total of 30 pretty young ladies from this area are entered to date in the Fairest of the Fair, competition to be held as the concluding event of the 28th annual Garwood Lions Club Fall Fair.

Bill Carpenter, chairman of the Lions Club committee, will also serve as master of ceremonies for the competition which will be held at 7:00 p.m. Saturday in the Garwood school gymnasium.

Young ladies entered to date include: D'Ann Davison by the Eagle Lake Chamber of Commerce; Becky Gertson by the Rice Raider Boosters; Cheryl Crabb by the Eagle Lake Evening Lions; Nina Zbranek by Garwood Fire Dept.; Jackie Kallina by Corner Cafe; Beth Raley by Jerry's Service Station; Penny Tate by Rice FFA Chapter; Joyce Korenek by American Rice Association in Garwood;

Also, Crystal Jones by Lynda's Dance School; Janice Kallina by Priesmeyer's Dept. Store; Gretchen Gold by Garwood Implement and Supply; Madeline Korenek by Garwood Irrigation; Suzanne Mazur by Modern Fuels, Inc.; Phyllis Korenek by L-T Industries; Smith by Crop Service, Inc.;

Also, Laurel Anderson by Eagle Lake Noon Lions; Julia Thomas by Eagle Lake Rotary Club; Polly Windham, Columbus Noon Lions; Dorothy Jurica, Columbus C. of C.; Tammy Novak, Columbus Rotary; Dianne Ilse, Columbus Evening Lions; Jeannie Spann, Columbus VFW; Sandy Baumgart, Columbus Legion; Shirkey Kell, Magnolia Homes Tour; Kim Arnold, Alpha Iota Upsilon; Jeanie Gold, Woody's Drive In Groc.; Theresa Besak, Garwood Laundry; Janice Bittner, F&W Food Store; Sharon Priesmeyer, Wharton and Lower Colo. County Farmers Union; Brenda Gorman, Columbus Fire Dept.

All is in readiness for the Garwood Lions Club's 28th annual Community Fair and Carnival to be held at the Garwood school Saturday and the Garwood Lions invite you to be on hand for all of the day's activities.

The Fair will open with the parade at 10:00 a.m. and a large number of exhibits including stitching, sewing, commercial exhibits, and others are already registered. Ribbons will be awarded to the best flights in the parade.

At 11:30 a.m. a barbecue dinner will be served on the school grounds. At the same time, entertainment for all ages will begin in many booths set up by organizations in the area in cooperation with the Garwood Lions. Garwood firemen will be manning the hamburger booth and there will be other foods and cold drinks for sale throughout the day.

A new fun feature of the Fair this year will be a talent show from three to five p.m. for the entertainment of the fair-goers.

"Entry is open to anyone who wishes to display his or her talent," said Garwood Lion Bill Carpenter. "There is no age limit and there will be no competition. Just come and share your talent with us and join in the 'fun for all' portion of the fair."

Persons who wish to perform in the talent show are asked to contact Mr. Carpenter at 758-3298 or Bobby Hunt at 758-3311.

The "Fairest of the Fair" competition will be held in the school auditorium beginning at 7:00 p.m with a great host of beautiful young ladies from throughout the area vieing for this honor.

Throughout the day, there will be a wide variety of commercial exhibits in the gymnasium and on the school grounds.

Domestic exhibits will be on display in the gymnasium also with ribbons awarded to winners in this competition.

This division is open to all citizens of the community. Youth under 16 may enter all classes in a separate youth division. Articles must be the work of the exhibitor and not entered in a previous show.

Entries in the domestic division should be in by 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 17th. Flowers and food products may be entered by 8 a.m. Oct. 18th. All must be removed by 6:30 p.m. on the date of the Fair.

Divisions include: canned products; baked products; cookies, candies and biscuits, etc., handwork and sewing, fine arts such as painting, ceramics, leather work, copper craft, woodwork and others; the flower division including arrangements, corsages, planters, pot plants and specimens; garden products; and miscellaneous exhibits.

Each entry must be labeled for classification.

"Everyone is invited to be on hand for the 28th annual 'Biggest Little Community Fair' in Colorado County," said Dutch Martin, president of the club.

Proceeds from the Fair will be used by the Lions for sponsoring many worthwhile community projects such as the park and pool, the fire department, street lighting, and many, many more.

Heavy Damage In Brush Fire

Over 100 Firemen Battle Weekend Fire Near Rock Is.

An estimated one hundred volunteer firemen and others battled a huge grass and brush fire between Rock Island and Sheridan for most of the week-end and Monday and damage to equipment used by the firemen and to the brush and pasture land is expected to run heavy.

The fire reportedly got out of control late Saturday and firemen from Sheridan, Rock Island, Columbus, Garwood, and Eagle Lake departments fought the blaze during most of Saturday night and Sunday and were called back to the area Monday. It was estimated that close to a thousand acres of land was scorched by the fire. Fortunately there were no homes in the area which was ablaze. The fire was near property owned by the J. R. Laughlins and Tom T. Waddell of this city, but did not get onto much of their property. The area involved in the fire has been subdivided and there are reported to be a number of owners.

Lack of adequate communications caused some confusion as many firemen and much equipment were pulled into the area Saturday and Sunday. At one point two firemen were believed to be missing but later turned up with another department.

The fire moved in a westerly direction near the Speakville Road and fortunately the wind was not blowing strongly or the blaze may have moved to even larger areas.

In addition to the damage to the property, most of the fire departments answering the call received damage to equipment because of the rough terrain and the thick brush. Garwood fire department lost a housing on the bain pump on its new truck; Eagle Lake department had a broken headlight and lost a flashing red light in the brush and had a flat tire. Other departments had much the same trouble and damage.

Late Tuesday the fire appeared to be burning out but firemen are holding their fingers crossed that wind might not rekindle the blaze. Due to the lack of rain in the area recently, the grass and brush is very dry and flammable.

8 P.M. Trick or Treat Curfew Set

Eagle Lake's city council, in session Tuesday night, set an 8:00 p.m. curfew for trick or treat activities on Halloween, Friday, Oct. 31st. Parents are urged to note the curfew and to restrict the trick or treat activities to the young children only.

Fire Depts. Ask County Assistance

Need Communication System, Aid On Expensive Equipment

Representatives of the fire departments in this county met with the Colorado County Commissioners Court Monday and requested more aid from the county for rural fire fighting activities.

The firemen in effect asked the court for an effective communications system to be used between departments in fire fighting activities; the possibility of establishing a full-time county fire marshal's office to coordinate the fire fighting activities where there are more than one department and to complete the necessary reports on rural fires; and assistance with equipment designed specifically for brush and grass fires.

Representatives of the departments met in Columbus last June to coordinate their requests. They picked a good time to approach the court since at least five departments spent most of the week-end battling a huge brush and grass fire in the Sheridan and Rock Island area.

Sgt. Lucien Lacourse, the Columbus department's fire chief, was spokesman for the group and he pointed out that there is a dire need for a communications system and for a full-time county fire marshal and for aid on expensive equipment, financed by the city taxpayers, except for $2000 contributions to the major departments, and used for the majority of the time for rural fire fighting.

He told the court that eight mobile radio units would be needed, one for each of the eight departments in the county. Commissioner Bill Stilley commented that this expense would not be too great

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Study Club Plans Bazaar Fri., Oct. 24

Proceeds To Benefit Library

Citizens are invited to make plans now to attend the Eagle Lake Study Club "Good Ole Days" Benefit Bazaar to be held Friday, Oct. 24th from 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. in the Eagle Lake Community Center. All proceeds from this happy event will go into their Library Fund as their only benefit.

"Now that Eagle Lake's beautiful new library is a reality, and not the dream Study Club members have struggled toward since 1919, and because it is your library we are asking you to come join us in trying to make this a memorable as well as successful affair," said Mrs. Joe Reed, chairman of the committee planning the event.

There will be many booths of interest, including a white elephant booth where you may just find something you've always wanted that someone else

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Non-Emergency Medical Transportation Assistance Available

Ms. Eleanor Busby, director for 13-county Neighborhood Centers-Day Care program to provide non-emergency medical transportation for citizens in this county who are receiving assistance under state welfare programs, met with Colorado County Commissioners Court Monday to outline the program which went into effect in this county this week.

On Sept. 1st the Texas Department of Public Welfare allocated $500,000 to the United Fund in Harris county for the purpose of establishing a program to transport the select group of welfare recipients to non-emergency medical services in a ten county area, including this county.

Accompanying Ms. Busby was Danny Hill of the Bernardo area who will be in

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Sheridan Parents, Teachers To Meet Tuesday

The Sheridan Parents and Teachers meeting will be held Tuesday, Oct. 21st at 3:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria, Mrs. Vera Brown will present the program on Children's Literature.

A pot plant will be given as a door prize. All interested persons are urged to attend.

Ruling On School Fees To Cost Rice District

A-G Opinion Says Some Fees, Dues Are Not Legal

A recent Attorney General's opinion eliminating many fees traditionally charged public school students is expected to have wide effect in the Rice School District as well as other schools in the state and Supt. Ed Krivacka told the Rice School Board of Education Monday night that the ruling may cost the district from $15,000 to $20,000 annually.

Dr. M. L. Brockette, the State Commissioner of Education, forwarded information to school districts in the state last Friday setting out the three key areas which will be affected by the ruling of Attorney General John Hill, namely, tuition for driver education; charges for school supplies and instruction and lab fees; and fees for extracurricular activities.

Effective date of the ruling is October 1st and although the opinion is not actually a law, it is considered to be effective until such time as the opinion may be tested and proved or rescinded by the courts.

Supt. Krivacka said that building principals in the district prepared reports on areas affected by the legislation and tentative figures show that some $1600 in such fees are collected at the Eagle Lake Primary School, $300 each at Garwood and Sheridan, $2400 at Eagle Lake Middle School (not including band rentals and fees), and $8700 at Rice High School (also not including band fees).

Dr. Brockette's letter to school administrators over the state pointed out these facts:

- Fees collected prior to Oct. 1, 1975 are not covered;
- No reference is made in the opinion on students furnishing supplies such as pencils, paper, etc.;
- Fees charged to buy such materials as workbooks, etc., and fees for typing, labs, etc. are covered in the ruling;
- Materials necessary for the student to acquire basic skills in vocational education courses must be furnished by the school district; however the district may allow a student, at his option, to furnish costlier or different vocational materials for approved projects undertaken for credit in such courses without incurring any obligation to pay for such materials, as long as the materials and the projects created from them remain the property of the student;
- A school district may charge tuition for driver training if taught in the summer;
- A school district may charge non-participating students admission to extra curricular activities when attendance is voluntary;
- A rental fee may not be charged for band uniforms, noting that the opinion does not address the question of students furnishing their own uniforms and or equipment.

CALENDAR CHANGE

In other action Monday night the board approved a slight change in the school calendar for the current year in which Nov. 14th will be a teacher workshop for preparation for accreditation rather than for TSTA district meeting attendance. Supt. Krivacka said that teachers voted 63 to 40 to make this change. Board member Jane Clipson said she thought that the forty tea-

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Rotary Barbecue Supper Tuesday

The Eagle Lake Rotary Club is making plans to feed a large crowd at their annual Chuck Wagon Barbecue Supper to be held next Tuesday evening, Oct. 21st in the Community Center from five to seven p.m.

The Rotarians will serve barbecued chicken and all the trimmings for $2.25 per plate. You may dine in the hall or plates will be available to go in a curb service line.

On Program At Annual MAYC Scholarship Banquet

Mexican American Youth Council of Eagle Lake held its annual scholarship banquet last Saturday evening in the Eagle Lake Community Center with the Honorable John Tower, United States Senator, as the principal speaker. Others attending the banquet and on the program were, left to right, Mrs. Joe Borela; Jay Anderson, chairman of the MAYC board of directors; Mrs. Anderson; Senator Tower; Mrs. Elmer Struss; Mayor Elmer Struss who gave the address of welcome; and Joe Borela, president of MAYC and master of ceremonies. See story on page 10.

USDA Ups Interest On Support Loans

The U. S. Department of Agriculture says the interest rate on price support commodity loans was increased from 6.625 to 7.5 percent per annum, effective October 1, 1975. The same rise applies to storage facility and drying equipment loans.

The interest rate changes reflect the increased cost to the Commodity Credit Corporation of borrowing money.

A USDA spokesman said the new rate will apply to outstanding loans on which applications were received on or after October 1, 1974. Also covered by the new 7.5 rate are new loans disbursed on and after October 1, 1975.