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RICHARD ENGLISH

ELMS Student Victim of Accident

Richard English, 14,
Victim of Laundry-
Room Accident

Fourteen year old Richard F. English II, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard F. English of this community, died in the John Sealy Hospital in Galveston at 11:35 a.m. Friday, Oct. 31st from injuries received in an accident in the laundry room of the Eagle Lake Middle School gymnasium at the end of school last Thursday, Oct. 30th.

Richard reportedly was seen on the track at the football field of the school near the end of the final period and just a very short time afterward he was found in the laundry room of the school adjoining the gymnasium, lying on the floor beside an extractor used to remove water from towels and equipment.

Only one pair of pants and one towel were in the extractor and somehow Richard's arm became entangled in the machine and was twisted from his body between the elbow and shoulder.

The Eagle Lake Emergency Ambulance Corps was called immediately and in just a few minutes the unit arrived and Richard was taken to the Eagle Lake Community Hospital and later transferred to the John Sealy Hospital in Galveston.

The tragic news of his death reached this community Friday afternoon and schoolmates, teachers and citizens of the community were stunned by this tragedy.

School officials are still investigating the accident, but since there were no eye witnesses, actual cause of the accident may never be determined.

LAST RITES MONDAY
The First Baptist Church in Eagle Lake was filled with classmates and friends in all walks of life for the last rites for Richard at ten o'clock on Monday, Nov. 3rd, 1975. The Rev. J. Melburn Sibley, Jr., pastor of First Baptist Church, officiated at the services. Mrs. Clara May Nash rendered favorite hymns at the organ. The body was taken to Andrew's Chapel Cemetery near Hallettsville, Texas for interment.

Mill-Bauer Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements. Serving as pallbearers were coaches of the Rice District, Henry Garza, Millard (Butch) Watson, Jack Grammer, Dee Mackey, Mike Stansifer and Winn Hollas.

Richard Fleming English II was born Dec. 22, 1960 in Hallettsville, Texas the son of Richard and Frances English. He was a member of the eighth grade at Eagle Lake Middle School. He was active in the athletic program and was serving as one of the managers for a Junior High team at the time of his death.

He is survived by his parents; four sisters, Mrs. Richard (Mary) Schmidt and Emelie English of this city, Mrs. Ronald (Diana) Warschak of Zimmerman, and Mrs. Ronald (Lucy) Buffington of Garwood; one brother, James of this city; two grandmothers, Mrs. Lydia Bennett of Hallettsville and Mrs. Mary Magarevich of Weimar; and a great grandmother, Mrs. M. B. Rucker of Victoria; and a host of other relatives and friends.

Deepest sympathy is extended to Richard's family in the tragic loss of their beloved son and brother.

9 GET TERMS OF PROBATION AND FINES IN DIST. COURT

Nine persons were given terms of probation and were fined a total of \$4000 in sentences handed down by District Judge B. B. Schraub in 25th Judicial District Court in Columbus last week.

All of the persons had previously entered pleas of guilty or had been found guilty on respective indictments handed down by the grand juries in this county.

Robert L. Flizer was given a term of three years probation and a \$500 fine on a charge of carrying a prohibitive weapon in a beer tavern, Stevenson's Cafe in Eagle Lake, on Feb. 22nd.

Boyce Williams was given five years probation and fined \$100 on a charge of assault on Roy Lee Shelton March 13, 1975.

Walter Lee Miller was given a term of three years probation and fined \$800 on a charge of theft of credit cards Oct. 26, 1974.

Attilano Cardenas was assessed four years probation and a \$200 fine for carrying a prohibitive weapon on licensed premises, Rios Cafe, on May 31st.

John Nemeth was given eight years probation and fined \$1800 on a charge of burglary of Loessin's Implement Co. March 16th.

Calton Thompson, also charged for the same entry, was also given eight years, probation and fined \$1000.

Julian Almanza, charged with aggravated assault on Attilano Cardenas May 31st, was given four years probation and fined \$200.

Floyd Toliver was given six years probation and fined \$200 for a charge of burglary. James Edward Sherrill was given eight years probation and fined \$300 also on a charge of burglary.

surgery in the Bellaire General Hospital in Bellaire Tuesday. Reports are that he should be up and about in just a few days.

Dan is in Room 111.

Lira To Begin

25 Yr. Sentence;
May Appeal

Joe Daniel Lira, who was found guilty by a jury in District Court Sept. 17th of the murder of Alfred Juarez, appeared in District Court for final sentencing last week and his attorney filed a motion with Judge B. B. Schraub for a new trial. Judge Schraub denied the motion.

Following the trial in September, Judge Schraub set Lira's punishment at 25 years in the state penitentiary but the formal sentencing was delayed until Friday.

After the motion for a new trial was denied, Lira's attorney filed a motion of intent to appeal the case to the state court of criminal appeals.

Lira will be sent to Huntsville to begin serving his 25 year term. Under the present law, on sentences of more than 25 years, appeal is made while the convicted persons is incarcerated.

The sheriff's department was awaiting orders late Tuesday to transport Lira to the Huntsville prison.

The jury deliberated some three hours before returning a verdict of guilty against Lira who was charged with stabbing Juarez in an incident May 3rd in Eagle Lake between Pat's Cafe and the Midnight Bar.

Judge Schraub also sentenced Delores Fay Wilks to two to three years in the Texas Department of Corrections on a charge of having a prohibitive weapon in a beer tavern, Stevenson's Cafe in Eagle Lake, on Feb. 22, and her attorney filed a motion for a new trial and Judge Schraub has not yet ruled on the motion.

USDA Asks Comments On Rice Program

The U.S. Department of Agriculture is asking for comments on proposed determinations for the 1976 crop of rice.

Secretary of Agriculture Earl L. Butz proposes to make determinations on whether marketing quotas are required to be proclaimed, the size of the national acreage allotment, apportionment among states and counties of the national acreage allotment, establishment of county normal yields and the setting of dates for conducting a referendum on marketing quotas in the event quotas are proclaimed for the 1976 crop of rice.

Prior to making the determinations, consideration will be given to any written comments received by the Director, Grains, Oilseeds and Cotton Division, Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D.C. 20250, not later than Nov. 19, 1975.

All written submissions will be made available for public inspection at the Office of the Director, Room 5741, Agriculture Department's South Building.

Garwood School Twirlers



The Garwood School Band proudly follows the smiling young ladies pictured above. Chosen earlier this year were Drum Major Carolyn Pavlu, standing; and left to right, twirlers Mary Ann Miller and Sherry Krenak. These girls will lead the band in several parades this year as well as providing half-time football entertainment. Also chosen for the year were the Band Officers. These include: President, Arnold Rodriguez; Secretary, Carolyn Pavlu; and Monitor, Kathy Perry.

Constitution Revision Defeated

Eagle Lake voters went along with those over Colorado County and the rest of the state in demonstrating strong opposition to all eight articles of revision of the Texas Constitution in fairly heavy balloting Tuesday.

A total of 445 ballots were cast here and generally the vote was about three to one against all eight of the articles. The voting was heavier than anticipated but was still far short of an opinion of a majority of the voters in this precinct.

The vote here was as follows:

Article 1, Separation of Powers and Legislative and Executive Provisions: For 112, Against 327.

Article No. 2, Judiciary Provisions, 136 for, 302 against.

Article 3, Election Procedures, 143 for, 295 against.

Article 4, Education Provisions, 149 for, 290 against.

Article 5, Finance Provisions, 139 for, 298 against.

Article 6, Local Gov't Provisions, 142 for, 296 against.

Article No. 7, General Provisions, 129 for, 305 against.

Article No. 8, Amending Provisions, 134 for, 305 against.

COUNTY RESULTS
Countywide the voting was only fairly heavy with voters opposing all eight of the provisions by a margin of some four to one. Unofficial returns in the county were as follows:

Article	FOR	AGST.
Article I	381	1674
Article II	443	1611
Article III	445	1603
Article IV	498	1556
Article V	532	1524
Article VI	456	1595
Article VII	491	1566
Article VIII	429	1625

Results of the balloting in six of the voting precincts in this area may be found on the last page of this issue.

STATE RETURNS

Over the state the voters soundly defeated all eight of the articles by margins ranging from three to one to five to one. Final returns were not available at our press time early Wednesday morning.

S. L. Kucherkas Observe 50th Anniv. Sunday

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley L. Kucherkas of this community will observe their Golden Wedding Anniversary at a reception to be held in the Dider Hall from three to six o'clock, this Sunday, Nov. 9th.

Their children and grandchildren will host the reception and they extend an invitation through the press to friends in the area to join with their parents and grandparents in observance of this momentous occasion. They request no gifts, please.

Study Club Bicentennial Program Wed.

Mrs. Lynda Powers Adams of Galveston will present a Bicentennial program at the Eagle Lake Study Club meeting Wednesday, Nov. 12 at 3 p.m. in the conference room of the Community Center.

Mrs. Adams, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Powers is a graduate of Eagle Lake High School and the University of Texas.

Mrs. Adams will tell about various current Bicentennial activities in Galveston and some of those planned through next year. She will show slides and/or movies of tours to be conducted the last two months of this year and early in 1976.

The tour in November will feature homes built in Galveston by Nicolas Clayton, the architect of the Columbus Opera House.

Eagle Lake Middle School Twirlers



Pictured above is the front line of the Eagle Lake Middle School Band for 1975-76. They are: Drum Major, Lisa Frazar, standing in center; and twirlers, Luann Brown and DeLeahy Valente, left to right in front; and Lori Mahallite, standing at left, and Lana Mahallite, standing at right. You'll find these young ladies in front of the band at all parades and providing lively twirling routines when the band plays. Elected earlier this year were the Band Officers. These include: President, Lisa Frazar; Secretary, Mary Young; and Monitor, Robby Cook.

Halloween Passes Very Quietly

Eagle Lake Police Chief Roy Chisum reported that the Halloween observance passed very quietly in this community. He praised the young children and their parents for their cooperation in observing the 8 p.m. trick or treat curfew.

He said that city officers noted very little, if any, damage by "spooks" last Friday night.

Final '75 Grid Game Vs. Sweeny Fri.

The Rice High School Raiders, football team will ring down the curtain on the 1975 football season at 7:30 p.m. this Friday night, Nov. 7th when they host the Sweeny Bulldogs for a district 13AAA contest.

One of the team's captains Donnie Perry received a cracked bone in a leg in the Edna game and is out of action definitely. The other team captain, James Frazer is on the doubtful list with a leg injury, as are two other offensive starters, James Parker and Kenneth Dawson.

Nevertheless the Raiders have had some good workouts this week and will be out to get their first district win against Sweeny Friday night, said Coach Dee Mackey.

He said the Sweeny team is fast and uses the Houston veer to good effect with a couple of speedy split ends adding to their offensive attack.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles D. Stephens To Observe Golden Wedding Nov. 16



MR. AND MRS. CHARLES D. STEPHENS

Mr. and Mrs. Charles D. Stephens will be honored on the occasion of their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary with an Open House and Anniversary Mass on Sunday, November sixteenth.

An open house from two to four o'clock on the afternoon of the sixteenth in Dider Hall will honor Marie and Charles on passing this momentous occasion. At five o'clock

Youth To Walk For CROP Sun.

Nada Grocery Burglarized Last Sat.

Colorado County Sheriff's office was called last Saturday to investigate a burglary at the Nada Grocery. Officers found that the burglar or burglars had broken in the front door.

Owners reported an RCA console television set, four CB radios, one AM-FM aircraft radio, and an RCA tape deck were missing.

Officers lifted some fingerprints and these are being checked for identification at this time. The sheriff's office says that several persons are under suspect in the entry.

Hearing On Re Opening Road Mon.

A public hearing will be held in the County Courtroom in Columbus at 10 a.m. next Monday, Nov. 10th by the Commissioners' Court on the re-opening of portions of the Al-leyton-Frelsburg First Class Road.

The road, one of the oldest in the county, has been closed for a number of years and the court has been petitioned by some landowners in the area

The Ministerial Alliance of Eagle Lake is sponsoring a CROP campaign to raise money for the hungry of the world and they invite the participation of all citizens of the area. CROP aids people in being able to help themselves. Food, clothes, and tools are distributed to various parts of the world.

Young people from various churches of the Eagle Lake area will meet at the Eagle Lake Middle School football field at 2:00 p.m. this Sunday, Nov. 9th. A street walk will begin at the field. Young people are to secure sponsors to pay a stated amount for each mile walked.

In addition to giving sponsoring a walker, citizens may make cash contributions to Mrs. Gerald Bradshaw at the First National Bank to be deposited for CROP.

"Your cooperation and support will be a blessing to others," reports CROP Publicity Committee Chairman Melburn Sibley.

Raider Band In Marching Contest Sat.

The Rice High School Raider Band will be out for another First Division in marching in the Music Region XVII Marching Contest to be held at the Lamar High School Stadium in Rosenberg this Saturday, November 8th. Interested citizens are invited to be on hand for the competition.

Band director Floyd Spennarth said that the Raider Band is scheduled to take the field at 2:30 p.m.

The drum major, Laurel Anderson, and twirlers Judy Ashby, Patti Mathis, Becky Gertson and Lisa Mahallite, will be competing during the day in twirling competition.

Last year the Raider band turned in an outstanding performance and won the top rating, a Division I rating, for the Class AAA competition.

Holidays Next Week

The First National Bank of Eagle Lake will be closed Tuesday, Nov. 11 in observance of the traditional Veterans' Day.

Schools in the Rice Consolidated Independent School District will be closed Thursday and Friday, Nov. 13 and 14 for In-Service training for the teachers. Classes will resume at the regular hour on Monday morning.

WELCOME HUNTERS

to reopen the section from Survey A-77 to the old Highway 30A.

The road is in Commissioner Crockett Lyendekker's Precinct three.