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Among the socials honoring Miss Jo Ann Meitzen, bride-elect of Ralph Gertson, have been a linen shower hosted by Mrs. Chas. P. Doggess, Mrs. Harmon Parker and Mrs. J. K. Davidson and a miscellaneous bridal shower given by the Altar Society of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church at the home of Mrs. Miller. Thought was given to miscellaneous showers in honor of the bride-elect in Houston only 22 through July 25. . .Ed Causey and David Wintermann have been re-elected directors of the American Rice Growers Association board and three directors have been named for the Eagle Lake division. George Salladay was re-elected and new directors are S. J. Williams and R. L. Clipson . . .The Rev. D. Rhea Allison, pastor of Colby Memorial Methodist Church, will be among the delegates who will attend the Ecumenical Methodist Conference to be held at Oxford, England, August 28 to September 7th. . Dr. and Mrs. J. C. Laughlin are receiving congratulations on the arrival of a baby boy, Joseph Connally, born July 14. . .

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Alvey Werlla of Wichita Falls, who is here for a visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Werlla at Altair, had a harrowing experience when his Buick roadster slipped off the Altair ferry boat and sank into the Colorado River Sunday morning. . .Mr. and Mrs. Warren of Garwood drove to Columbus Monday to be present at the funeral of Mr. Warren's brother, Otto Warren, who was injured by being hit on the head with a rock and is now in a serious condition with a fracture of the skull. Upon arriving, they found that their brother was not yet ready for the last sad rites, but on the contrary was doing very well and had a fine chance for recovery. . .Truly, peddlers and solicitors, who pay no taxes of any kind in the towns in which they solicit business are a detriment to the business of the towns in which they solicit. . .Rice Hotel coffee, 3 lb. can special at H. Landa's $1.25 and three pounds of sugar FREE. . .

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State Chairman Of Research Speaks To DAR

Mrs. R. L. Praytor, Regent of the John Everett Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, called the November 21 meeting to order when the chapter met in the home of Mrs. H. T. Youens in Columbus with cohostesses Mrs. Joe Hastedt and Mrs. Raymond Rau. Eighteen members and three guests were present.

Mrs. Lee Nesbitt opened the meeting with a prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag led by Mrs. Delbur Swanson and the American's Creed led by Mrs. James Hopkins. Mrs. C. F. Hardy read the President General's message; the main thought brought out was: "As Daughters of the American Revolution, our responsibility is great because our heritage is great. We are truly thankful for America. All things work together for good to them that love God."

The minutes were read by Miss Kathryn McRee and approved. Communications were read from State officers and the chapter for the New Informative workshop held in October in Columbus. The treasurer's report was given by Mrs. Delbur Swanson. Christmas gifts were presented to be sent to the Kate Duncan Smith School. Mrs. Davis Gunn reported that one student from nine different schools will be presented a Good Citizenship Award at the December meeting. The National Defense report by Mrs. Jack Brasher, Sr. was given on the "Change in Criminal Code, 1975." Three names were presented for membership in the chapter.

Mrs. Charles Fay of Houston, State Chairman of Lineage Research, was introduced by Mrs. James Hopkins. Mrs. Fay gave a most informative talk, stating that we must first have legal proof of descendants knowing our heritage, our birth dates and death dates of parents and other relatives. Kits can be ordered that will be helpful in obtaining information, also from County histories, from census reports, the first in 1850.

A social hour, followed, Mrs. W. M. Wilbeck, Reporter.

Attend District 4-H Gold Star Banquet

Dr. Donald L. Stormer, State 4H Youth Leader, left, presents 4-H Gold Star Awards to Patricia Woodard of Eagle Lake, center; and J. R. Saul of Columbus.

2 From County Attend Dist. Gold Star Banquet

District II covering 16 counties along the Texas Gulf Coast counts more than 34,000 young people active in 4-H work. To increase this figure, the county extension agents and volunteer leaders in the District have initiated programs designed to reach larger audiences; - expanding the 4-H image.

The highlight of the 4-H year in District II was the Gold Star Banquet which was held the early part of November at the Marriott Motor Hotel in Houston, where 32 outstanding 4-H youngsters from the District were honored. Among these were two Colorado County youths, Patricia Woodard of Eagle Lake and J. R. Saul of Columbus.

The Gold Star is the highest award a 4-H member may receive at the county level. The Gold Star is awarded by the Agricultural Extension Service, and recipients are selected on the basis of outstanding achievement in leadership and participation in county 4-H program.

Dr. Donald L. Stormer, State 4-H Youth Leader, made the presentations.

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Deed, Evelyn Landa Nixon to Philip D. Canaris et ux Lots 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 Blk. G, Gallaher Addition Eagle Lake, Texas, 10-23-75

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Gift Deed, Martha Vasek to Gilbert Vasek et ux undivided interest in land in 224 acres Martin Lacy One-Third League, 10-21-75

Deed, Edwin Stanely and Robert E. Mosley, Jr. to Cardell Haynes et ux parcel of land in G. W. White Survey, 10-9-75

Deed, Geo. Eckart et al to Louis Schott, Jr. Lots 1 & 2 & 5 & 6 & 9, 10, 11 & 12 Blk. 45 and Lot 8 Blk. 44 Highland Park Addition Eagle Lake, Texas, 9-26-67

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Finest Axel Attends Ag Meet In Kansas

On November 11-13 the 36th National Alpha Tau Alpha Conclave, an honorary Agricultural Education fraternity, held its meeting in the Radisson Muehlebach Hotel in Kansas City, Kansas.

Attending the conclave as a delegate from Prairie View A&M University was Finest Axel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Axel of Altair.

Finest gave the invocation for the opening of the conclave. He also answered questions concerning the agricultural future program at Prairie View.

Delegates to the conclave were chosen by being honor students in their field and based on the high interest they have in their department.

Finest stated that he appreciated the honor of having been chosen to represent the university at this great meeting. He further stated that he wished that he would have been able to attend a meeting of this sort when he was a part of the FFA at Rice High School. "There is so much information to be gained at these meetings," he said.

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STATE CAPITAL Highlights AND Sidelights

By Lyndell Williams
TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN — State health programs for the needy may have to be cut back after January 1 unless the State Welfare budget can be altered.

While the department may have $100 million or more in unspent state and federal funds for 1976-77, the money apparently cannot be transferred from other programs to health services.

Welfare Commissioner Raymond Vowell said a health program deficit in fiscal 1977 may run as high as $76 million.

Welfare officials said they can operate within the overall appropriations available if they can move funds from program to [illegible] legislature has prohibited such transfers.

The State Board of Public Welfare authorized staff sessions with Gov. Dolph Briscoe and the Legislative Budget Board to seek transfer power.

The alternative, according to Welfare Budget Analyst Wes Hjornevik, is reducing or discontinuing nearly all health services for the aged, blind, disabled and other welfare recipients.

Most of the shortage, Hjornevik said, is due to spiralling medical care costs.

Welfare officials are contemplating reducing hospital stay maximums from 30 to 15 days, discontinuing intermediate care nursing home payments, limiting drug prescriptions to two per month and cutting off payments for glasses, dentures and hearing aids.

Control to State

Texas Air Control Board said the federal government is giving the state [illegible] ing programs January 1.

The Board will collect for federal study air samples in 14 places — a job now done by the Environmental Protection Agency.

Amarillo, Beaumont, Corpus Christi, Dallas, El Paso, Fort Worth, Houston, Lubbock, Matagorda County, Pasadena, Tom Green County, Austin, San Antonio and Wichita Falls are sampled areas. City workers will be called on to collect information. The Air Control Board samples air at 100 sites in a state program started seven years ago.

News From Ducks Unlimited

The following summary by W. G. Leitch, chief biologist for Ducks Unlimited, Inc., dated Nov. 12th indicates departure of many ducks from nesting areas in Canada was delayed by Indian Summer weather. He reported:

• While most of the early migrants and many mallards, bluebills and other divers have left the prairies, substantial numbers still remain for a final exodus.

Keemen reports confirm a good breeding season as forecast particularly outstanding, especially in southern Manitoba.

The ducks are also concentrated in British Columbia and poised for the final departure. Ducks and geese continue to pass through the Maritimes. Cold weather will force the black ducks to the salt water and down the coast.

What of 1976? Water conditions are generally good across the prairies except for some local areas. Moderate snowfall in most areas should put the habitat back in prime condition for the [illegible]

• The waterfowlers of the Bay State are constructing a 'duck factory' --- specifically a Ducks Unlimited waterfowl nesting habitat project located in eastern Canada's Maritime Provinces.

The Massachusetts sportsmen aren't personally manning the bulldozers, draglines and other equipment being utilized to build the "duck factory", but they are paying the bill. In summer of 1974, the lawmakers of the Bay State passed legislation establishing and providing for a $1.25 Massachusetts Waterfowl stamp, required of all waterfowl hunters in the state, effective last fall.

• Illinois is Number 13--and that's not a superstitious jersey number, nor is it a bad luck number for Illinois and DU.

The state of Illinois has become the 13th state to provide funds from its sportsmen to Ducks Unlimited's vital conservation program, through its fish and game agency.

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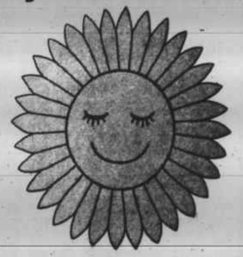
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SHERIDAN NEWS

By MRS. G. H. HOLLUB

Sheridan Parents, Teachers See Tour Slides

The PTS of Sheridan met at 3:30 p.m. Nov. 18th in the Sheridan School Cafeteria with Mrs. Gerald Reinhardt, president, in charge. Prior to business, Mrs. Leola Kloss showed slides of the "Fall Foliage Tour" that she took earlier this fall through the Eastern States and Canada.

Highlights of the meeting which followed were the reading of the minutes, the treasurer's report with a balance of $1,774.78, and the winning of the room count prize by the third grade, Mr. Gohlke made announcements concerning school activities; and Mrs. Diana Wunerlich won the pot-[illegible]

[illegible] for the time of refreshment after the close of the meeting were: Mrs. Zelda Walker, Mrs. Mary Reinhardt, Mrs. Diana Wunderlich and Mrs. Jackie Smith.

The next meeting of the organization will be Dec. 16th at 7:30 p.m. in the Sheridan School Auditorium. W. C. Gohlke will be in charge of the Christmas program.

CHURCH NEWS

. O. Graber family visited in Sheridan last weekend. Mr. Graber was in charge of services at the First Baptist Church of Sheridan. In the morning services, Mrs. Graber accompanied Leon Williamson of Sheridan in special music of his composition. The Grabers have three sons and reside in Needville.

YOUTH TO MEET

A meeting will be held at the First Baptist Church in Sheridan at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 6th for the Church and Community Youth of the Youth I and Youth II age groups. After meeting at the church, they will go bowling. The Jim Kutzers will sponsor the activity.

CONVALESCENTS

Mrs. Lillian Sevier is at home. She has been in the Eagle Lake Community Hospital.

Another Sheridan lady who has been in the Eagle Lake Community Hospital, and now at home, is Mrs. Woodrow West.

VISITS

Thanksgiving visitors in the home of Mrs. Bertha Criswell of Sheridan were: Audrey Criswell, Harvey Criswell, Mrs. Ora Schirmer, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Parrish and children, and Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Lewis and children of San Antonio; Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Eskine and children and Rene Lamotne of Pearland; Lily, Ben and Beatrice Parks of Sublime; Mr. and Mrs. R. L. McIntosh and children, Mr. and Mrs. Randy Cates, Mr. and Mrs. Charley Criswell and children and friend Kenneth Bell of Houston; Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Jones and daughter of Columbus; Mr. and Mrs. Howard Criswell, Mr. and Mrs. McDowell Criswell, Mrs. Vevz Lutes, West McDowell and Mrs. Bea Criswell of Sheridan.

Mr. and Mrs. Alan Kloss of Houston visited for the Thanksgiving holidays in Sheridan with the Barto Wilson family and Mrs. Leola Kloss.

Mr. and Mrs. Mack Botard and daughter of Del Valle visited for the holiday with Mrs. Leola Kloss and L. E. Botard of Sheridan.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Hollub were in Austin for Thanksgiving with their son, G. H. Hollub, Jr. The Hollubs returned to Sheridan Friday. Mr. and Mrs. Case Hollub of Austin spent Saturday and Sunday in Sheridan with the Hollubs.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Moss and daughter of Houston visited in Sheridan with the Q. M. Petersons.

Mr. and Mrs. George Loner of Pinehurst; Mr. and Mrs. Dale Loner and daughter Stacey of Yoakum; and Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Loner of Houston visited in Sheridan during Thanksgiving holidays with the G. A. Loners.

Toy Buying Tips Offered Parents

Christmas toy selections can be frustrating for parents and even dangerous for children—unless some toy buying guides are followed, Mrs. Ilene Miller, a family life education specialist, says.

"Many appealing toys that seem to be good buys may be unsafe and inappropriate for the children," she said.

Mrs. Miller is with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas A&M University System.

She suggested three guides for selecting toys. —Is it appropriate? —Is it safe? —Is it worth the cost?

"To be an appealing and an appropriate gift, the toy must be suitable for the child's age, size and developmental level. Choose toys which fit the child's interests and abilities, such as brightly colored, lightweight toys of different textures for infants and toddlers.

"Make sure the toys are washable, too big to swallow and have no sharp edges or corners. Choose balls, a colorful mobile for the crib, a soft doll or string of large wooden or plastic beads," she advised.

The toddler will enjoy push-and-pull toys, balls or blocks. Simple picture books about animals or children are also good gift choices for the one-to two-year-old.

"If shopping for a preschooler, choose toys the child can use in imaginative play. Dolls, puppets, costumes and equipment for dress-up can provide hours of creative play.

"To help children use large muscles and improve body coordination, select slides, swings, tricycles, wagons or a backyard gym set. Make sure these toys are durable enough for several years of use," she reminded.

Also consider toys for constructive and creative play. Blunt scissors, clay, paints or a wooden puzzle can bring lots of enjoyment during the cold, rainy winter days.

If the children are school age, there is a wide variety of toys from which to select. Take a clue from the child and buy toys that interest him or her.

"Dolls of any kind, especially the miniatures with their varied wardrobes, are popular. Trains, games of all kinds and make-it-yourself kits or models the child can assemble may be good choices.

"School age children are also interested in sports and active games. Baseball, football and basketball equipment should be welcome gifts."

And don't overlook bicycles. In choosing a bicycle, make sure it's the right size for the child to handle properly and comes equipped with a headlight and reflector, the specialist reminded.

"To avoid duplications, check to see what toys the child has and find out what other relatives plan to give him before shopping.

"Also remember that toys which make loud noises can damage hearing, those that propel objects can injure eyes, and electric toys can shock or burn."

The specialist advised shoppers to check the labels to find out what the toy is made from and how it operates. Make sure the toy is sturdy enough for child's play. And consider whether the toy will be safe for all children in the family, because a toy designed for an older child may cause injury to a curious younger brother or sister, Mrs. Miller reminded.

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(August 2, 1951)

E. H. Rodgers and his son, E. H. Rodgers, Jr., have assumed the full management of both the grocery and meat market in the A. B. Store. . . Funeral services for Arthur W. Willrodt, 53, Columbus contractor and lumberman, who was killed in a tragic traffic wreck Tuesday, will be held at 9 a.m. Sunday. . . Fred Lyle, Jr. of Ramsey was winner of the button-guessing contest sponsored by the J. B. Smith Company store and the Dickies Company. He won a suit of Dickies khakis with his guess of 15,050 when there were actually 15,150 buttons in the jar exhibited in the store. . .C. C. Bradford, formerly with the A. B. Market, is opening the Bradford Grocery and Market in the building formerly occupied by the Arrow Cafe. Bill Dennis and John Walker will be working in the market with Mr. Bradford. . .Griff Thomas has been draining water off 170 acres of his Magnolia rice this week. He expects to start cutting Monday in the field. It is reported that Harold Thomas, J. R. Thomas and B. D. Fussell are also draining water off rice this week getting ready to start harvesting. . .Ceremonies of the dedication of the first building of Grace American Lutheran Church in Eagle Lake will begin at 9:30 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 5th at the old Christian Church building where the congregation has been worshipping for the past 12 years, according to Pastor G. Wolf. . .New arrival in the J. R. Reed, Jr. family is little Miss Mary Ann Reed. . . Being welcomed into the Bob Meitzen family is a baby girl, Judith Marie, who was born July 30th. . .Butch Estlinbaum was honored on the occasion of his fourth birthday at a party last Thursday.

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A crowd of approximately 350 people enjoyed the "Rice Farmers' Barbecue" given at the Helmer and Carl Seaholm camp four miles from Bonus yesterday. There was an ample supply of everything that goes to make an ideal barbecue meal, including five calves, goats, lambs and a quantity of barbecued chickens. The managers of the affair, the Seaholm Brothers, the Thomas Bros., and Doc Starr, so well looked after the enjoyment of their guests that even a big pot of soup — real honest-to-goodness chicken stew — was prepared for the toothless. Then there was a barrel of ice cold lemonade, plenty of hot coffee and fully five hundred bottles of Budweiser — a blend that always makes barbecue all the more palatable. The several hundred who gathered had their appetites well whetted for the occasion, as boxing matches, foot races, wild mule riding and bronc busting delayed the call of the dinner horn until two o'clock . . .Cotton poisoning from airplanes for the first time in the history of aviation so far as this immediate section of the country is concerned is in progress at Calhoun. Two airplanes began the work early this morning on poisoning the entire cotton crop of Waldo Terrell and the poisoning will be continued by nearly all of the cotton planters through that section. . .A shower was given Friday afternoon by the Ladies' Sunday School class in Lissie in honor of Miss Ruth Clipson. The hall was most attractively decorated and Miss Clipson was led to her place of honor by little Misses Oma Struck and Ruth Thomas. "Truly I Do" was then sung by Mrs. Harvey Graves. A reading was given by Mrs. Griff Thomas, "It All Depends on You," and a duet "I Love You Truly" was sung by Mrs. Chas. Causey and Miss Ruth Causey. Miss Adell Hough made the presentation of gifts with a poem. . .

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