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EDITORIALLY SPEAKING

San Bernard Asks Consumers To Fight High Energy Costs

San Bernard Electric Cooperative has announced that it is calling for a combined effort on the part of Cooperative members and anyone else who is enraged at the exorbitant electric, butane, propane and natural gas bills, as a continuing effort to obtain some relief for the dilemma being faced by all Central Texans. SBEC took action last summer in an effort to unify the members of the Cooperative in a common effort to work toward effective regulation of natural gas prices, which have now increased by 800% since late 1973. Cooperative officials stated that the efforts of the Cooperative and many of its members last year were largely unsuccessful because there were not enough Central Texans hard-hit to the point of action. The officials further stated that the situation has now changed, and not only are electric consumers up-in-arms, but they are also being joined by those who are dependent upon natural gas, butane and propane for home air conditioning and cooking uses.

SBEC states that natural gas prices charged by Coastal States Gas Producing Company have increased from the contract price of 20.2¢ to $1.80 per one thousand cubic feet (mcf) since the Texas Railroad Commission began approving such increases on September 27, 1973. Cooperative officials further stated that in early 1973, before the Railroad Commission's interim order allowing Coastal States to charge its weighted average price of purchased gas, only about 12¢ of every $1.00 paid by a Coop. member for electricity ended up in the pockets of Coastal States Gas Producing Company; but further added that now about 50¢ of every electric $1.00 goes to Coastal States for natural gas.

In explanation of the Cooperative's request for consumer action, Coop. officials stated that plans call for a massive effort on the part of all persons who purchase either electricity or natural gas from municipalities and electric cooperatives in the most affected areas of Central and Southeast Texas to unify in a common effort to work toward the roll-back of the existing price of natural gas and the establishment of a reasonable ceiling that will place this commodity within the reach of all Texans.

SBEC officials urge that you:

1. Write a letter to the Texas Railroad Commission, P. O. Box 12967, Capital Station, Austin, Texas 78711 and explain that you hold them directly responsible for today's exorbitant electricity and natural gas prices, and call for a roll-back of prices and establishment of a ceiling on the price of natural gas delivered in Texas.
2. Write Governor Dolph Briscoe, State Capital Building, Austin, Texas 78711, and ask for a special session of the legislature to deal with the inequitable gas pricing arrangement being allowed by the Texas Railroad Commission.
3. Write Lieutenant Governor Bill Hobby, House Speaker Bill Clayton, and your State legislator and ask them to use their influence to immediately call for a special session of the legislature to deal with this deplorable situation.

SBEC officials further stated that the Cooperative is presently studying the possibility of joining with the other co-operatives and municipalities in the area, as well as the LCRA, in filing a class-action lawsuit against the Texas Railroad Commission and expects that LCRA General Manager Charles Herring will ask the LCRA Board for permission to file such a suit at the regular Board meeting on March 18, 1976. Such a lawsuit will be an exhaustive process and will require a great period of time, with no immediate relief being possible. The consumers greatest chance for immediate relief is to bring pressure against the Railroad Commission in an attempt to get the Commission to do something about the high price of natural gas, concluded the SBEC officials.

24 YEARS AGO
Let's Look Back

(January 31, 1952)

Parking Meters being installed; to operate soon. . . Mr. and Mrs. Bass purchase Fllipp's cafe. . .New wildcat to spud in on Hoyo Tract, southeast of city. . .Completely new 1952 Fords on display Feb. 1-2. . .TCM plant here to get plaque for few man-hours lost . . . .Eagle cagers win last three games. Shorthorns here Friday. Starters will be Frankie Parma, Ernest Larmer, Vernon Sheppard, Robert Zahradnick and Bruce Kilgore. . .Three new members in the Eagle Lake Lions Club are E. F. Frnka, Oscar Miller and J. A. Burghacker. . .Eagle Lake Baptists give heifer to Buckner Boys Ranch. . .S-Sgt. Reynolds Beane home after 17 months in Korea. . .Rotary hears Texas highway program by Phil Gemmer. Chas. McLellan was program chairman . . .Scoring honors in the Eagle Lake Weimar boys game went to Ernest Larmer with 14 points, Vernon Sheppard 12 and Frankie Parma 10. The Eagles won by a score of 44-21. The Eagles girls' team lost to Weimar 36-24, Carey Hanly looped 14 points and Jennie Sue McLellan 5. . .Monday morning was the scene of an unusual event at St. Mary's Church in Nada when twins Misses Marie and Annie Labay were united to Anton Kutac and Joseph Sablatura, respectively, in a double ceremony marriage. . .Our "Pip of the Hat" this week goes to the entire citizenry of Eagle Lake for making possible the building of the new elementary school. . .Royce Ingram, recently released to inactive duty from the Navy, is now employed at the Gless Farm Equipment Company store here. . .Rotary to honor footballers at banquet Tuesday. . .

Let's Look Back
48 YEARS AGO

(January 7, 1928)

With the lowest temperature recorded in Eagle Lake in ten years, the thermometer dropping to 16 degrees Monday morning, the heaviest of

wearing apparel was brought into action. It was the coldest spell since 1918 but fortunately no rain accompanied the old fashion "blue whistler". . . Forgotten end of the highway to get tarviating. Work of putting crushed rock is slated to begin soon with the tarviating to follow in the spring. S. C. McCarty reported the rock is to be laid from Alamo Lumber Company to the Wharton County line. . .A. L. Baring, local Chevrolet dealer, unloaded a carload of the new model Chevrolets and is displaying them in his showrooms this week. . .Terrell Bros. and Irvin Terrell suffer big loss to their cabbage crop at Calhoun due to the intense cold spell. . .Lake did not freeze over as it did in 1918. At that time S. C. Smothers and his daughter Caroline walked entirely across the lake on the ice. . . While a few heads of cattle died during the recent blizzard, in many instances cattle and stock suffered for water. . .School students get extra holiday Jan. 2 due to the cold weather and since heating facilities under repair at the school are not completed . . .Officers elected by Episcopal Guild members at their meeting Tuesday were: Mrs. Dromgoole, president; Mrs. Oliphant, vice-pres.; Mrs. Lenhart, sec.-treas.; Mrs. Hintz, box chairman; Mrs. Westmoreland, UTO chairman; and Mrs. Duncan, reporter. . .It never rains but when it does it pours, says Percy Middlebrook, our golfing friend. Just before the blizzard someone swiped his overcoat. On his way to the Alamo City his auto was run into a truck. Damage was light although the car did turn over and he continued on his trip. After parking the car in San Antonio at the home of Robert E. Lee, someone bumped his car forcing it to hit another car in front of him. More damage to his car. Although the trip home was uneventful, upon arriving home two burst water pipes had the home pretty nearly flooded. "And that ended a perfect trip," declared Mr. Middlebrook. . . What the banana people did for bananas, what the prune distributors did for the prunes, that's what the rice people are going to do for the rice, was the announcement of E. S. Shoaf, manager of the Jennings, La., Chamber of Commerce. "It is proposed to spend $600,000 a year to nationally advertise this important foodstuff. We're going to make Americans eat rice," said Mr. Shoaf. . .

A new Texas Industrial Commission program seeks to help match manufacturers' components output with buyer firms.

Consumer Debt, $1,450 Family

To what extent have Colorado County residents been using installment credit for home improvements and for the purchase of new cars, refrigerators and other big ticket items?

How large is their debt load at the present time? How well are they handling it?

Most of them appear to be in good shape. For several years they have been limiting their expenditures for costly goods and services because of their concern over inflation, unemployment and other aspects of the economy.

Some of the money that they would normally have spent in such directions went, instead, toward reducing their indebtedness.

More recently, with the improvement in the economy, they have become somewhat freer in their purchasing. As a result, sales of automobiles, furniture, home furnishings and other durables have increased considerably.

In Colorado County, based upon the national findings and upon local earnings and spending figures, the amount of installment debt outstanding is estimated at $1,450 per family.

That is the overall average. Some families owe considerably more than that and some considerably less.

For the American people generally, the debt is equivalent to about one-seventh of its net income, after taxes.

For the Colorado County population as a whole, the total outstanding is approximately $9,196,000. That is solely for installment debt. It does not include home mortgages, charge accounts and single payment loans.

It takes nearly 15 percent of the net income of local residents, or an average of $120 per month per family, to meet the regular payments on this debt.

Are credit men worried about this? Apparently not. Their experience has been that most people have not gone overboard and are able to handle their obligations satisfactorily.

2 DPS Patrol Officers Honored

Sgt. Gilbert Kiel and Patrolman Alton Adcock both stationed in Columbus have been honored by the Texas Department of Public Safety for each having completed 20 years of duty with the highway patrol.

"The very significant service which you have given to the people of this state for a period of 20 years through your performance with the Texas Department of Public Safety has enabled this department to grow and develop into an outstanding organization," Col. Wilson Speir, director, said in a letter to Kiel and Adcock.

Speir added that the accomplishments of the department "goes to employes like you who have worked relentlessly through the years to establish the fine reputation this department enjoys."

Speir said the certificate recognizing their service was being made for the "personal sacrifices" each had made in the interest of public duty.

$2 Bill Coming Back on Scene On April 13th

When the Federal Reserve System issues a new $2 note on April 13, a legacy from the birth of this Nation will come alive again.

The two-dollar denomination has a rich tradition in American history, dating from 1776, when the Continental Congress issued two-dollar "bills of credit for the defense of America."

The two-dollar denomination was designated an official part of the Nation's currency by an act of Congress during the Civil War. Since that time, it has appeared as U.S. notes, silver certificates, Treasury notes, national bank currencies, and Federal Reserve notes. Portraits on the bills have featured, among others, George Washington and Alexander Hamilton.

The new $2 bills, series 1976 Federal Reserve notes, feature a portrait of Thomas Jefferson on the face plate. The issue on April 13 commemorates his birthday.

The reverse plate ties in with the Bicentennial, presenting a vignette of John Trumbull's famous post-Revolutionary War painting, "The Signing of the Declaration of Independence."

Two-dollar bills were last printed in 1965 and were discontinued in 1966. The new series, however, is seen as a permanent addition to currency in circulation.

House Speaker Bill Clayton estimated his proposals to eliminate a grade from the 12-grade school system and hold kindergarten to a half day would save the state $100 million a year.

Free Dinner

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Morning Worship 11 a.m.
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Rev. Paul Wallace, pastor
Lissie, Texas
Sunday Church School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Primary, Junior, Youth Fellowship groups 6:00
Evening Worship 7 p.m.
Adult Choir practice Wed. at 7:30 p.m.

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Rev. Charles Meyer, pastor
Sundays:
9:15 a.m. Church School
10:30 a.m. Divine Worship
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Nada, Texas 77460
The Rev. Henry Rolf, Pastor
Mass will be said at 7:30 p.m. each Saturday.
Mass on Sunday at 9:30 a.m.
Confessions from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. on Saturdays.

COLLY MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST
(Rev. David Edgar, pastor)
Sunday services:
Church School 9:40 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:50
Sr. High MYF 6:30
Wednesdays:
Choir Rehearsal 7:00 p.m.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Rev. Olen Kennell, pastor
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
P.Y.F. 5:30 p.m.

ROCK ISLAND METHODIST CHURCH
Worship service 8 a.m.
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.

CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Rev. George T. Walsh
10:00 a.m. Sunday - Holy Communion and Sermon
10:00 a.m. Wednesday-Holy Communion

GARWOOD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. Thomas W. Hogan, Pastor
9:45 a.m. Sunday Church School
11 a.m. Morning Worship
3:00 p.m. Wed. Children's Bible Hour
5:30 Wed. Junior High MYF
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EAGLE LAKE GOSPEL MISSION
Revs. Emil and Selma Burger, pastors
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Wednesday at 8 p.m. Evangelistic service

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Revs. Mr. and Mrs. John R. Davis, Pastors
Sunday Services:
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Nightly service 7 p.m.

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10 a.m. Sunday School
11 a.m. Morning Worship
6:00 p.m. Evening Worship

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE CATHOLIC CHURCH
Rev. Edward Geiser, pastor
Guadalupe Terrace Addn.
SUNDAYS:
Mass at 10:30 a.m.
Tuesdays: and Fridays
Mass at 7:00 p.m.

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP CATHOLIC CHURCH
Rev. Edward Geiser, pastor
Mass at 6 a.m. every Mon. and Fri. and 7:00 p.m. Wed.
Mass at 7:00 a.m. Thurs. and 7:00 p.m. each Sat.
Mass at 9:30 a.m. each Sunday
Devotional Services each Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.
First Friday of each month Holy Mass at 7:00 p.m.

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East Bernard, Texas
Masses:
Saturday, 6:30 p.m. fulfills Sunday obligation
Sunday, 7 and 9 a.m.
Weekdays 6 a.m.
Tues., & Thurs., 6 p.m.

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Rogello Rodriguez, pastor
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Preaching Service 11 a.m.
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THE JUDGMENT DAY

B. The greatest judge that ever sat on a throne.

1. Rev. 22:12 "And behold I come quickly and my reward is with me to give to every man according as his work shall be."
2. 2 Tim. 4:8 "Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the **righteous judge** shall give me at that day . . ."
3. In this life many things distort the course of justice in our courts (And we surely have the fairest and best on this earth.) Wealth, political prominence, etc., have influence sometimes in our courts but this will not be so at the Judgment.
4. Everyone will stand on his own record whether he be black or white, rich or poor, great or small, Republican or Democrat. Each will receive **justice** but not mercy. The day of mercy will then be past.

ARE YOU READY FOR THAT DAY?

C. The greatest books that were ever opened.

1. Rev. 20:12 "And I saw the dead small and great stand before God and the books were opened and another book was opened which is the book of life and the dead were judged out of those things written in the books."
2. Jno. 12:48 "He that rejecteth me and my words hath one that shall judge him: The words that I have spoken the same shall judge him in the last day."
3. What a great combination of books! "The books"—the Bible, the Old Testament and the New Testament. "The book of life"—Heaven's record of the human family.
4. The Bible will read then just like it reads now. What does the book of life say now about your compliance with these passages? (Heb. 11:8; Lk. 13:3; Rom. 10:10; Mk. 16:16; Acts 2:38; Acts 22:16; Jno. 3:5)

D. The greatest separation ever known.

1. Mt. 25:31-46 The sheep will be on the right hand and the goats on the left hand. Where will YOU stand that day?
2. There will be a father on one side and a mother on the other; a brother on one side and sister on the other; husband on one side and wife on the other. Parents on one side and son or daughter on the other.
3. All could stand together now with the Lord and be saved.
4. This separation will be for all eternity—**forever.**

E. The greatest verdict ever pronounced.

1. Mt. 25:46 "And these shall go away into everlasting punishment but the righteous into eternal life."
2. READ CAREFULLY: (Lk. 16:19-31; Lk. 12:5; Rev. 20:14-15; Mk. 9:47, 48; Rev. 14:11; Rev. 21:8; Rev. 22:1-7; Jno. 14:1-3)

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GARWOOD AND NADA COMMUNITY NEWS

MRS. J. F. STRUSKA - 758-2152

Mrs. Lorena Miller of Garwood and Mrs. Floyd Henderson of El Campo visited friends in Edna and did some shopping Thursday.

Daryl Hunt, student at Abilene Christian University, spent the spring holidays at home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Hunt and daughters.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Harpe attended the Cub Scout car races in Houston Tuesday, Mar. 16. Their grandson, Craig Erekson, was one of the Cub Scouts in the contest.

Mr. and Mrs. Troy Krenek's guests weekend before last were Mr. and Mrs. Harry Briscoe from College Station.

Mrs. Annie Rek visited her son, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Rek, and Mrs. Julia Kurtz in Houston weekend before last. While there they all attended the Azalea Trail.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Arnold accompanied Mrs. Rek to Houston and visited their son's family, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Arnold and sons.

Mrs. Bertha Beckmeyer of Baytown is visiting Mrs. Ed Stallman and other relatives here.

Clifton Hefner, student at the University of Texas in Austin, spent the spring holidays at home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Hefner.

Ann Williams, student at the University of Texas in Austin, spent the holidays at home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John J. Williams.

Mrs. Mike Baldwin and son Scott, Nancy Boenisch and Debbie Stevenson, all of Austin, were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Boenisch, Betty Lou and Mark.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Baumgarten and sons, Douglas and Bradley, and Mrs. Wilson Baumgarten were Houston visitors this past Saturday.

ELECT
Bill Appelt
School Board, Position 1

To the Voters of the Rice School District:

As a candidate for the Rice Consolidated Independent School Board, Eagle Lake Position No. 1, I am seeking your support.

I want to be a part of paving the way to a better education for all our young people. I feel by bringing into this position SIXTEEN years of experience as an educator, I am the best qualified candidate to sit on the board of education. Who else knows education better than someone who devoted the major part of his life to working with youngsters in the field of education? I have been a teacher and coach in Class A, AA, AAA, and AAAA schools throughout the state, teaching in both Jr. High and Sr. High. I feel this qualifies me to bring outside ideas and input into our school district.

I want to be a representative of the people and a voice of the teachers. Professionalism needs to be returned to the position of teaching. Who knows more about education of children than the people who spend their lives preparing themselves? Teachers need to have more representation in the decisions concerning the education of our children. Teacher Rights must be protected.

I promise to find out the facts in all problems that arise in our school district, weigh the situation, and vote the way I feel will best benefit the children, teachers, and taxpayers of the District, and I will exercise my vote.

The first priority in the spending of the tax dollar must be to see that every child in the district is reached at his level of achievement, and fully prepared to meet whatever God and life has in store for him. Every tax dollar must be fully utilized. The first priority in spending must be for adequate educational programs, facilities, and materials.

I have a Bachelor's Degree in Agriculture and a Master's Degree in Education from Texas A&M University. In addition, I have completed courses in school law, counseling, and school administration, while at the same time bring a wealth of experience in the field of agriculture. I hold Administrative Principal's Certificates for all levels of education.

I was born in Hallettsville, Texas, am 39 years of age, married and the father of two children, ages 7 and 13.

Remember, it's up to you as citizens how your schools are run. It's important that you go to the polls on April 3 to exercise your right as an American citizen. However you vote, remember to vote! The kind of school you want your child, grandchild, or any future citizen to attend is up to you.

I am asking for the support of friends of quality education in the April 3 election. Help me bring a working knowledge of education into this position.

BILL APPELT

(Pol. Advt. Paid By Bill Appelt, Eagle Lake, Texas)

40 Hours Devotion At St. Mary's

Forty Hours of Adoration will begin with Solemn Opening at 4:30 p.m. this Friday, March 26th at St. Mary's Catholic Church at Nada and close on Sunday morning. Father James Harnan, M.S.C., will be here to help with the services during this time.

NEW PARISH HALL

Blessing of the new Parish Hall of St. Phillip's of El Campo will be held on Sunday, March 28th after the 8:30 a.m. Mass. A fried chicken dinner will be served from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Everyone is invited to the blessing and dinner to follow.

SHIMEK RITES

Friends extend sympathy to the family and relatives of Mrs. Cyril Shimek. Funeral services and burial was held at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Nada Friday of last week. She had relatives and friends in the Nada and Garwood community.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Steinman of Schulenburg visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Baumgarten.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence J. Labay were in Sugar Land last weekend and attended the First Communion of Donna Reed, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Reed, at St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church in Houston.

Donna and Mark Reed, children of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Reed, are spending this week with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence J. Labay, while their parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Reed, Denise and Debbie are on a skiing vacation trip to Vail, Colorado.

Lingerie Shower Honors Miss Wied

Miss Melba Wied, bride-elect of Richard Higgins, was honored with a Lingerie Shower at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Williams with Mrs. Williams, Miss Ann Williams and Miss Robin Engstrom as hostesses.

The guests included her schoolmates in Garwood. They enjoyed reminiscing about their school days.

The serving table was covered with a white linen cloth and centered with an arrangement of bridal wreath and azaleas. The same kind of arrangements were placed at vantage points throughout the house.

Ann and Robin served sausage rolls, doughnuts, poppyseed rings, a watermelon boat filled with fresh fruits, nuts and punch.

Melba received many lovely gifts.

4-H Club Food Show Mar. 30

The Garwood-Vox Populi 4-H Club finished discussion on the meat group and is beginning the fruits and vegetable group. Group 1 prepared Mexican pinata salad and chili.

The club is getting ready for its local food show to be held March 30th at the George Washington Carver School at 5:00 p.m. The club decided to sell candy for a fund-raising project.

Mrs. Edward Carrell of San Antonio is visiting Mrs. Cordella Hollien and other relatives here.

COLUMBUS, TEXAS BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION
15th Columbus Magnolia Homes Tours
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DAR Program on Laurence Washington

The March 19th meeting of the Daughters of the American Revolution was held in the home of Mrs. James G. Hopkins, Columbus, Texas, with Mrs. Delbur Swanson, Mrs. W. R. Pickens and Mrs. W. M. Wilbeck, co-hostesses. There were 13 members and 7 visitors present.

Mrs. J. H. Parks, Vice Regent, presided asking Miss Lee Nesbitt to open the meeting with prayer after which the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Mrs. Delbur Swanson followed by the American's Creed led by Mrs. Willis G. Youens. Mrs. W. M. Wilbeck read the President General's Message. Minutes of the Jan. and Feb. meetings were read by Mrs. Homer Kolliba and approved as read. Mrs Delbur Swanson gave the treasurer's report and Mrs. Willis G. Youens reported that the Good Citizens Committee had organized two new clubs in Schulenburg. She also reminded the members of the change of date for the April meeting to the 23rd, the 4th Friday, which will be at the Youens' Farm in Weimar with a covered dish meal at 12 noon. A prospective member was introduced and two new members were voted on. The National Defense report was given by Mrs. R. F. Rau.

Mrs. James G. Hopkins gave a most interesting program on Laurence Washington, a relative of the first President of the United States and also a former citizen and landowner in Colorado County.

A social hour followed the meeting and program. —Reporter.

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Specials beginning March 30 and running through April 17.

CARL SEAHOLM, III

Carl Seaholm III Commissioned With Austin PD

Carl Seaholm III, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Seaholm, Jr. of this city, was commissioned into the City of Austin Police Department on March 1st, 1976 after twenty-two weeks of intensive study.

The commencement exercises for the 55th session of the Austin Police Academy were held Friday night, March 19th. At that time, Carl and fifteen other officers received their diplomas and commission certificates and following this his police badge, No. 108, was pinned on his uniform.

Carl has been assigned to a patrol car with an experienced officer and the pair will perform relay shifts in three alternating sections of the city of Austin.

Among those in Austin for the commencement exercises were: Mr. and Mrs. Carl Seaholm, Jr. of this city; Mr. and Mrs. P. D. Beaven and John Beaven of San Antonio; Dudley Beaven of Beaumont; and Miss Elizabeth Peacock of Galveston.

Spirit of '76 Youth Group Here Tues.

An interdenominational group of approximately 45 people from all over the United States exemplifying the "Spirit of '76" came through Eagle Lake Tuesday afternoon in seven covered wagons which were drawn by horses and mules commemorating this Bicentennial year.

The "Youth for Christ Movement" started from San Diego, California on Jan. 1 and will continue to Philadelphia, Penn., planning to arrive there by July 4.

The group, consisting of mostly college age young people, range from two months to sixty-five years of age. The sixty-five year old, a retired cattleman and rancher, takes care of the stock.

The caravan camped at Cherokee Corner in Rock Island Monday night and Lissie Tuesday night. They perform skits, musicals and sharing.

The arrangement man is Sam Spinella and wagon master is Earl Woodward.

Alpha Delta Phi Meets In Balas Home

The Alpha Delta Phi chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met in the home of Linda Balas on March 11, 1976. President Glenda Blair called the meeting to order with 13 members present.

Members were reminded that the Beta Sigma Phi State convention will be held on June 18, 19 and 20 in Houston at the Astrohall. Plans for the Beta Sigma Phi scholarship were discussed. The scholarship will be given to a senior at Rice High School.

Final plans were made by the chapter for the Founder's Day banquet which will be held on April 30th. Secretary Diane Causey called out the names of members who had a perfect attendance.

Following the business meeting Laverne Adkins gave an interesting program on how a woman should assert herself in today's world and how important it is to express one's own feelings.

Refreshments were served by the hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry N. Crane announce the approaching marriage of their daughter, Paula Marie, to Mark Mamrack of Euclid, Ohio. Their garden wedding and reception will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Odus E. Lang of Houston, Texas, on April 17, 1976, at 4:30 in the afternoon.

Miss Paula Marie Crane to Wed Mark Mamrack April 17th

ROCK ISLAND NEWS

MRS. M. I. NICEWANDER

Beef Stew Supper at R.I. Center Fri.

The Rock Island Community Center will hold a beef stew supper this Friday evening, March 26th.

Serving will start at 5:30 p.m. Everyone is invited to come and bring a friend. —PERSONALS

Miss Lavonne Johnson of Austin spent last weekend here with relatives. She and her mother, Mrs. H. A. Johnson, attended a church dedication at the Round Mott Community, Sunday.

Mrs. Allie Floyd from East Bernard was a visitor here Sunday with friends. She and her late husband were teachers here in the Rock Island schools from 1966 to 1968.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard E. Campbell and family of Houston were weekend visitors here with Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Larsen.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Moss' guests this past weekend were Bob Moss and sons of Laporte.

Marque and Mrs. Sue Spann and son of Victoria. —WEAVER RITES

Richard Vernon Weaver, 55 years of age, of 4312 Betty in Bellaire, Texas, road and bridge inspector for the City of Houston, passed away and funeral services were held at 1:30 p.m. Friday, March 19th at Earthman's Bellaire Chapel. Interment was in Houston National Cemetery under auspices of the V.F.W. He was a former Rock Island resident, having spent his early years here.

Survivors include his wife; one son, Vernon Weaver of Houston; two daughters, Mrs. Barbara Atkinson of Houston and Elizabeth Ann Weaver of Houston; a brother, James Albert Weaver of Houston; a sister, Mrs. Mable Williams of San Marcos; and four grandchildren.

Garwood Meth. Women Country Store, Dinner

The United Methodist Women of Garwood will have their Annual Country Store and Dinner, Saturday, April 3 in the Garwood Methodist Church Educational Building. The Country Store will open at 10:30 a.m. where baked items, canned goods, handmade items and pie and coffee will be offered for sale.

The chicken dinners will be served at 11:30 for $2.25 per plate at the Educational Building or will be prepared to go.

Plan now to join the ladies for pie and coffee at their store at 10:30 a.m. and lunch at 11:30 a.m.

NEWS FROM HERITAGE HOUSE

By Betty Swanner

Sunday services were held with the Rev. Melburn Sibley as the speaker.

ST. PATRICK'S PARTY

A St. Patrick's Day party was held Wednesday. The Xi Pi Psi Sorority was on hand with refreshments. Cup cakes, cookies, punch, lime, nuts and mints were served. The residents also played games of bingo. Ladies who were on hand to assist in serving and in calling bingo were Mrs. Mary Lou Szymanski, Mrs. Jo Ann Mahalitc, and Mrs. Brenda Corman. Also present to assist was volunteer Mrs. Thelma Johnson.

The Ruth Sunday School Class of the First Baptist Church was out Monday to visit with the residents.

Pat Dukes' Welcome Daughter

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Duke of Sugar Land are pleased to announce the birth of their first child, a daughter, Named Melanie Elizabeth, the young lady was born Wednesday March 17th around 8:00 p.m. in the Eagle Lake Community Hospital. At birth she measured seventeen inches in length and weighed three pounds and eleven ounces.

Welcoming the newborn addition to the family are her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Reel of Eagle Lake and Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Duke of Rosenberg.

Club Montezuma Plans Dollar Dance Apr. 10

Members of Club Montezuma and guests are invited to make plans to attend a big Dollar Dance at the Eagle Lake Community Center, Wertheat will provide music for the event.

Admission will be one dollar per person.

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