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SEMPARS

1968 Cadillac Sedan DeVille \$995.00

USED TRUCKS

1974 Chevrolet 1/2 Ton Chevelle \$2795.00

1969 Ford 1/2 Ton Pick-Up \$1095.00

1963 GMC - 1 Ton Truck \$595.00

DEMONSTRATORS

1976 Caprice 4-Dr Hardtop \$5895.00

1976 Impala Landau Coupe \$5395.00

LAKE MOTORS INC.

CHEVROLET - OLDSMOBILE - CADILLAC
323 S. MCCARTY - EAGLE LAKE - PHONE 234-2513

"We Finance New and Used Cars"

Sheriff's Dept. To Sell Car By Auction Friday

The Colorado County Sheriff's Department will hold a public auction to sell one 1965 Chevrolet, 1975 Buick Wildcat, VIN No. 154375R43836.

This vehicle is located at Lake Motors, Inc., 12 Eagle Lake, Texas and will be sold to the highest bidder at 9:00 a.m. Friday, April 16, 1976, at Lake Motors, Inc.

SW Life Asks Distribution Of Lundquist Ins.

Southwestern Life Insurance Co. filed a civil suit in district court in Columbus April 8th naming A. J. Hruszek, Jr., independent executor of the estate of David Lundquist, and others as defendants.

The company alleges that it has a policy on Mr. Lundquist which it wishes to pay off and asks the register of the court for distribution since there are three claimants.

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C. of C. To Meet Monday

The Eagle Lake Chapter of Commerce will meet in the council room of the Municipal Building at 2:30 p.m. next Monday, April 19th at 2:30 p.m. for re-election by its voters and urged to attend.

Plans for the Bicentennial observance to be held July 3-4 will be discussed.

and are not eligible voters. Also Councilman Roy Dean Van Nort, who lost in his bid for re-election by six votes, noted that when the supply of ballots ran out (300 were printed, copies of ballots were used and there had no corresponding and consecutive numbering and he questioned the legality of this situation.

Van Nort indicated that he would seek legal advice on the possibility of a contest of the election.

The council, recognizing that Van Nort had legal recourse to a contest even if they accepted the return of April 8th naming A. J. Hruszek, Jr., independent executor of the estate of David Lundquist, and others as defendants.

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\$100 Reward For Info On Mail Box Damage

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If you have information to give, and all information will be kept confidential, call Sheriff's Office, (Doc) Mueller or Chief Deputy Sheriff Jim Broussard at 732-3388 or home phones, Mueller at 263-5152 or Broussard at 732-3950.

Rice Schools Take 5-Day Easter Break

Schools in the Rice Consolidated District will close for a long Easter week-end holiday period at the close of classes this Wednesday, Thursday, April 15th through Monday, April 19th. Classes will resume at the usual hour on Tuesday, April 20th.

Items on which Stiles voted were: a contract to Bug termination at the courthouse on grounds that the bid was too high; a request for 50-50 basis for courthouse repairs in 1977 on the basis that the federal government has too many fast-spending programs now; on the resolution to ask the state to vacate offices in the county courthouse by Nov. 1st on grounds that it would add to the state taxpayer's burden; on a proposal that the county and Taylor trucking share equally in payment of an inspector at the landfill site (plus benefits) on basis that the inspector was not really needed.

He abstained on a resolution to ask the state to take over maintenance of county road 23 and 22 destined to become a part of FM 949.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Veselka and three-month-old son.

BUZZIN' ABOUT TOWN

In a story in the Headlight of April 1st, it was stated that a Youkum man was arrested for possession of the Sandy Creek Drive-in Grocery just east of Sherman in the Weimar area and a \$100 reward has been posted for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons doing the malicious mischief.

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Est. Management Meeting Tues.

The third in the series of community Estate Management meetings planned for Colorado County citizens will be held in the Eagle Lake Community Center next Tuesday, April 27th, at 8:00 a.m. Citizens are urged to attend.

A similar meeting was held in Columbus Tuesday and another is due to be held at the Weimar city hall this Thursday, April 22nd.

Federal estate taxes can constitute more than 35% of the value of an estate, with other State taxes increasing the cost even more.

The meetings are designed to assist individuals in evaluating alternatives to reduce the estate liability.

All programs will start at 7:30 p.m. and adjourn at 9:00 p.m. Major portions of the programs will include an introduction and overview, wills, trusts, taxes and a question and answer period.

Tom Prater, Extension Economist stationed at Texas A.M. University, will discuss the introduction and overview at all three meetings. Wills and trusts will be discussed by Hal Halcum and Jim Whitcomb at Columbus. Warner Stavlova at Weimar and Don Bandy at Eagle Lake. Pierce Arthur will discuss taxes at Columbus and the Weimar meetings and Sue Wegelhoff Briscoe will cover the estate taxes aspects at the Eagle Lake meeting.

All individuals on the program will serve on the panel to answer questions.

The meetings are sponsored by the Colorado County Program Building Committee, the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, banks, individuals on the program and many others who have assisted.

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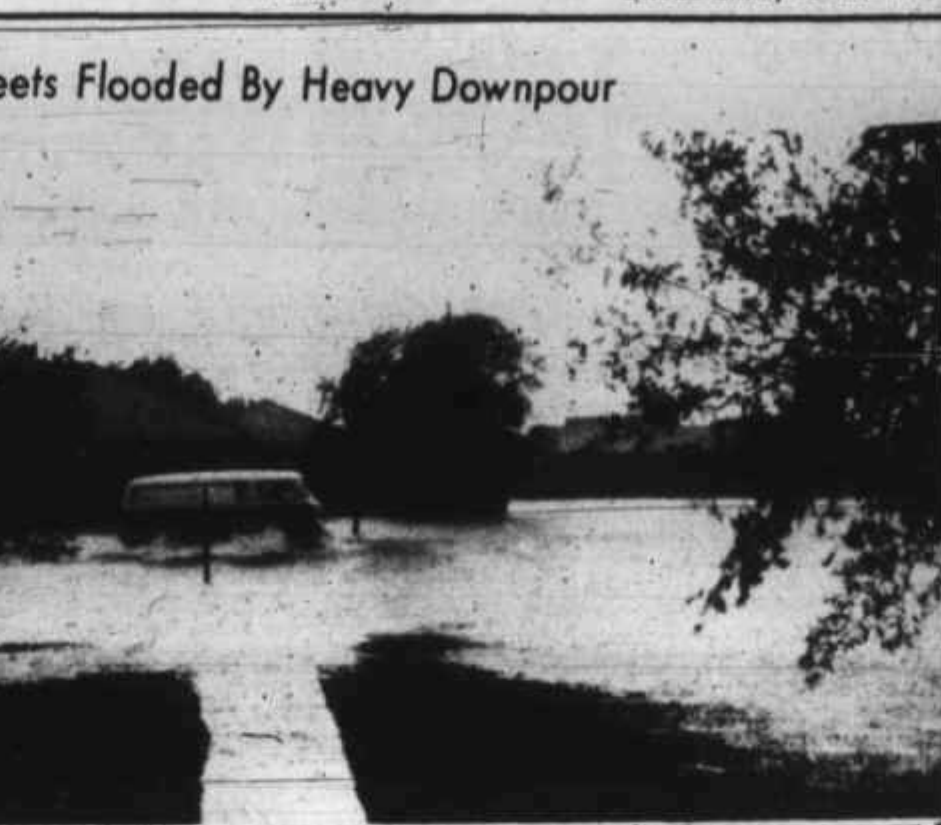
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Eagle Lake Headlight



Streets Flooded By Heavy Downpour

Five inches of rain in less than two hours produced lots of flooding on city streets and highways through the city at midday Sunday. Above is shown the collection of water, nearly three feet deep on Melody Lane in the Meadowbrook Addition. The water filled the street and into the lawns of homes on most of the length of the two-block long street, but fortunately the rain stopped in time to prevent flooding into homes. The scene above was taken from front of the Fred R. Franks home toward the Henry Suderman home where the water reached the deepest point. Huge white caps were whipped up on the water surface by the 40 mile per hour winds.

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Smith-Taylor Ford, Inc. says Save \$'s on these 75's

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| LTD Landau 4 Door, 351 Engine, 400 Engine, Tilt Wheel, Speed Control, AM-FM Stereo, Light & Pro-Group, Power Locks \$5690.53 | LTD Brougham 4 Door, 351 Engine, Tilt Wheel, Speed Control, AM-FM Stereo, Silver Blue Met. Glow, Conv. Group, Light Group \$5162.71 |
| LTD 4 Door 351 Engine, Conv. Group, AM-FM Stereo, Speed Control, Vinyl Roof \$4796.41 | F150 Super Cab A/C - T. Glass, LWB, Radio AM, Power Steering & Brakes, Tur-Power Paint, Red and White \$4874.96 |

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| 1970 Nova 2 Dr. Factory A/C, Std., 45,000 Actual Miles, One Owner \$1495 | 1974 F-100 Std. Clean Truck \$2495 |
| 1970 XL Ford Convertible. Power & Air, Low Mileage Car \$1495 | 1973 Courier Pick-up 4 Speed, Radio, 39,000 miles. LIKE NEW. \$1995 |
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| SEALY CATHOLIC PTC will have a BENEFIT PARTY Friday, April 16 AT SEALY COLUMBUS CLUB HALL SEALY, TEXAS Next party: April 23 - 7:30 P.M. | 1972 Pinto 2 Door. Automatic Transmission, 47,000 Miles, One Owner. Nice Car for the Son or Daughter \$1395 |

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Play School For 3-5 Yr. Olds At RHS

Third Sun. Mass at Local Catholic Churches

VFW AUXILIARY TO MEET TUES.

BANK CLOSED

Modown Forum At Anderson's 9:30 AM Sat.



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City Gets \$3,685 Sales Tax Check

Comptroller Bob Bullock mailed checks totaling \$11.9 million to 716 cities and towns Thursday as payment for the April city sales tax rebates. Bullock said he has remitted \$87.4 million to the 845 municipalities collecting the one-cent sales tax so far this year, compared to \$80.4 million reported during the same period last year.

He noted that 1975 city sales tax collections totaled \$263.9 million, nearly 10 percent more than the \$240.8 million collected in 1974; and state sales tax collections in 1975 totaled \$1,206 billion, 12.5 percent more than the \$1,125 billion collected in 1974.

The City of Eagle Lake received a check for \$3,685.57. Checks to other areas cited included: Columbus, \$1,744.54; Hallettsville, \$2,428.35; Seely, \$4,117.79; Weimar, \$273.80; Wharton, \$5,577.81; La Grange, \$5,382.22; and El Campo, \$8,002.75.

City To Ask Bids for Oil, Gas Leasing

The Eagle Lake city council in session Tuesday night of last week authorized advertisement for bids for leasing city properties for oil and gas and other minerals. Bids will be opened at the meeting on Tuesday, May 18th at 10:00 a.m. in the city hall.

An advertisement on page eight of this issue lists the various parcels of land, most of them in the airport area, which will be considered for possible oil and gas and mineral leases.

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Rock Is. Lions Benefit BBO This Sunday

The Rock Island Lions Club will hold its annual benefit BBO (Benefit BBO) at the Rock Island Community Center on Sunday, April 25th and one and all are invited to make plans to attend.

Service of the meal will begin at 11 a.m. Adult tickets will be \$2.75 and children's tickets \$2.00.

Corps Meeting

The Eagle Lake Volunteer Emergency Ambulance Corps will meet this Thursday, April 22 at 7:30 p.m. in the Ambulance Hall.

This is a training meeting and all members are urged to be present.

Hospital Staff Celebrates First Birthday

Anderson of Texas, Inc. will sponsor a Modown forum which will be of interest to all rice farmers in the area in the Anderson Agriculture Building beginning at 9:30 a.m. this Saturday.

Don Jones, vice-president of Anderson's in charge of Research and Market Development will conduct the forum.

Rice farmers are invited to bring their questions and comments concerning the use of Modown for the control of weeds and grass in rice and also to bring results that have come about through the use of Modown for a discussion by those attending.

Anderson Agriculture Building is located at the intersection of Highway 90A and FM 3023 on the eastern edge of the city.

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Teen Baseball Try-outs Sat. At 10 A.M.

Try-outs for the Babe Ruth Teenage Baseball Team will be held this Saturday morning from 10 a.m. to 12 noon at the City Ball Park, said Coach Butch Watson.

He asked that each eligible player, ages 13 through 15, bring his glove.